

# Agriculture in Brief

## Alberni-Clayoquot Regional District



### MUNICIPALITIES

PORT ALBERNI, City of

TOFINO, District of

UCLUELET, District of

### ELECTORAL AREA

"A" – BAMFIELD

"B" – BEAUFORT

"C" – LONG BEACH

"D" – SPROAT LAKE

"E" – BEAVER CREEK

"F" – CHERRY CREEK

NU-CHAH-NULTH TRIBAL  
COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE



**Jurisdictional Makeup:** The Alberni-Clayoquot Regional District has 3 member municipalities, 6 electoral areas and a Nu-Chah-Nulth Tribal Council Representative.

Population <sup>1</sup> (2006)	#	30,664
Jurisdictional Area <sup>2</sup>	ha	688,530
Population Increase (1971-2006)	#	68
Agricultural Land Reserve <sup>3</sup> (2008)	ha	7,750

		1996	2001	2006
Total Area Farmed	ha	2,480	2,535	3,171
Farmland Owned <sup>4</sup>		84%	87%	75%
Farmland Leased <sup>4</sup>		16%	13%	25%
Number of Farms <sup>5</sup> Reporting	#	80	81	89
Average Farm Size	ha	31.0	31.0	35.6

Farmland Use				
Crops <sup>6</sup>	ha	895	951	920
Summerfallow	ha	33	x <sup>7</sup>	0
Pasture (managed)	ha	200	183	141
Pasture (unmanaged)	ha	277	373	745
Other <sup>8</sup>	ha	1,075	x	1,364
Total	ha	2,480	2,535	3,170

Crops				
Field Crops <sup>9</sup>	ha	817	872	875
Fruits, Berries & Nuts	ha	9	10	18
Vegetables	ha	13	18	15
Other <sup>10</sup>	ha	56	51	12
Total	ha	895	951	920

Mushrooms (farms)	#	0	0	1
(area)	m <sup>2</sup>	0	0	x
Greenhouses (farms)	#	8	5	9
(area)	m <sup>2</sup>	15,995	x	x
Nursery Products	ha	x	x	x
Sod Grown for Sale	ha	0	0	0
Christmas Trees	ha	68	x	57

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Livestock	1996		2001		2006	
	<i>Farms</i>	<i>Livestock</i>	<i>Farms</i>	<i>Livestock</i>	<i>Farms</i>	<i>Livestock</i>
<i>Hens &amp; Chickens</i>	25	1,466	32	2,923	32	2,310
<i>Turkeys</i>	1	x	5	x	5	x
<i>Total Other Poultry</i>	7	x	13	390	11	152
<i>Cattle &amp; Calves</i>	42	1,661	32	1,259	36	1,416
<i>Dairy Cows</i>	12	562	6	414	4	401
<i>Beef Cows</i>	29	272	19	196	28	343
<i>Pigs</i>	11	x	7	x	3	x
<i>Sheep &amp; Lambs</i>	10	190	13	x	12	x
<i>Horses &amp; Ponies</i>	12	52	17	82	23	109
<i>Goats</i>	5	32	4	38	5	x
<i>Wild Boar</i>	na	na	0	0	1	x
<i>Mink</i>	0	0	0	0	0	0
<i>Fox</i>	0	0	0	0	0	0
<i>Bison</i>	0	0	0	0	0	0
<i>Deer</i>	na	na	1	x	2	x
<i>Llamas &amp; Alpacas</i>	4	31	5	44	7	76
<i>Rabbits</i>	2	x	0	0	na	na
<i>Colonies of Bees for Honey</i>	7	402	7	242	4	166

		1996	2001	2006
<b>Area Irrigated</b>	ha	365	552	554

<b>Total Farm Capital</b>		\$ 42,423,043	\$ 36,284,393	\$ 65,288,472
<b>Annual Gross Farm Receipts</b>		\$ 4,937,331	\$ 4,680,332	\$ 5,491,456
<b>Annual Cash Wages Paid</b>		\$ 1,035,479	\$ 1,291,448	\$ 1,362,398

Source: Statistics Canada, 1996, 2001 and 2006 Census of Agriculture and, where applicable, Statistics Canada, customized tabulations, 1996, 2001 and 2006 Census of Agriculture.

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<sup>1</sup> Source: Statistics Canada, 2006 Census of Population.

<sup>2</sup> Source: [www.marh.gov.bc.ca/MUNFIN/#statistics](http://www.marh.gov.bc.ca/MUNFIN/#statistics)

<sup>3</sup> ALR as of January 1, 2008 – Source: files of the Agricultural Land Commission

<sup>4</sup> Source: B.C. Ministry of Agriculture and Lands, Adapted from Statistics Canada, 1996, 2001 and 2006 Census of Agriculture.

<sup>5</sup> Over time, the official definition of "census farm" or "agricultural operation" has changed. An explanation of these changes can be found at: [www.statcan.ca/english/freepub/95-629-XIE/2007000/terms.htm#farm](http://www.statcan.ca/english/freepub/95-629-XIE/2007000/terms.htm#farm). In 2006, an "agricultural operation" was described generally as a farm, ranch or other agricultural operation producing agricultural products for sale or the intention of sale in the past 12 months. For a complete definition of "agricultural operation" and "agricultural products", refer to the Census glossary at: [www.statcan.ca/english/agcensus2006/glossary.htm#gt3](http://www.statcan.ca/english/agcensus2006/glossary.htm#gt3).

<sup>6</sup> Field crop area does not include those crop areas not included for reasons of confidentiality.

<sup>7</sup> 'x' indicates that farms reporting but further information not provided due to confidentiality.

<sup>8</sup> "Other": includes 'Unimproved Land', 'Other Improved Land' and 'Woodland'

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<sup>10</sup> "Other" Crops: also account for area figures not provided due to confidentiality.