

HALIFAX COUNTY



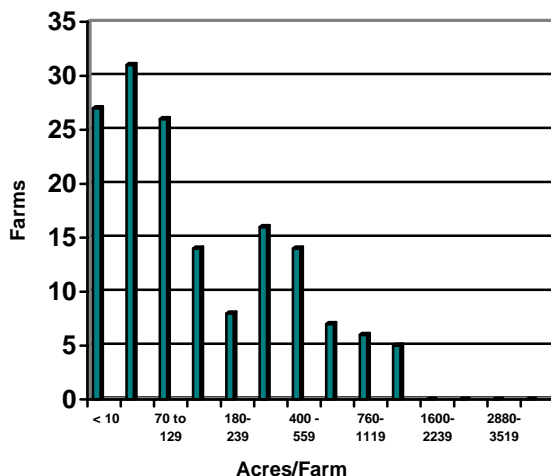
AGRICULTURAL PROFILE | 2006

As of the 2006 Statistics Canada Census of Agriculture, Halifax County made up 4.1 percent of all farms in Nova Scotia. In 2006, the leading agriculture sector in terms of number of farms was fruit farming. The county produced \$22,773,499 in gross farm receipts (excluding forest products), accounting for 4.7 percent of all gross farm receipts in the province, making Halifax county the ninth largest county in terms of agricultural production.

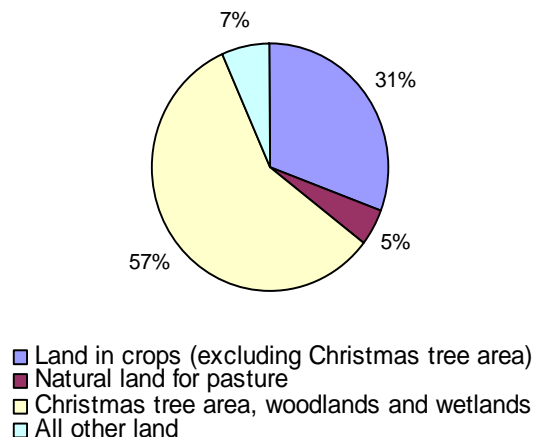
	2001	2006	% change	NS 2006	County/NS
Number of farms	152	154	+1.3%	3,795	4.1%
Total farm area (hectares)	13,298	14,277	+7.4%	403,044	3.5%
Average size of farm (hectares)	87.5	92.8	+6.1%	106	87.5%

	2001	2006	% change	NS 2006	County/NS
Gross farm receipts (exc forest products)	\$16,391,942	\$22,773,499	+38.9%	\$509,520,691	4.7%
Average per farm	\$107,842	\$147,880	+37.1%	\$134,261	110.1%

Farms by Size



Agriculture Land Use in Halifax



Farms classified by industry (North American Industry Classification System), census year 2006,

Item	Quantity	Percentage of Nova Scotia
Total farms	154	4%
Fruit and tree-nut farming	31	3%
Beef cattle ranching and farming, including feedlots	30	4%
Nursery and tree production	17	4%
Dairy cattle and milk production	13	4%
Horse and other equine production	13	7%
Floriculture production	12	12%
Hay farming	6	2%
All other miscellaneous crop farming	6	5%
Livestock combination farming	5	3%
Other vegetables (except potato) and melon farming	5	4%
Fur-bearing animal and rabbit production	4	4%
Chicken egg production	3	6%
Other food crops grown under cover	2	6%
Broiler and other meat-type chicken production	1	1%
Sheep farming	1	2%
Goat farming	1	5%
Apiculture	1	4%
All other miscellaneous animal production	1	5%
Corn farming	1	17%
Other grain farming	1	7%
Hog and pig farming	0	0%
Turkey production	0	0%
Poultry hatcheries	0	0%
Combination poultry and egg production	0	0%
Other poultry production	0	0%
Soybean farming	0	0%
Oilseed (except soybean) farming	0	0%
Dry pea and bean farming	0	0%
Wheat farming	0	0%
Potato farming	0	0%
Mushroom production	0	0%
Tobacco farming	0	0%
Fruit and vegetable combination farming	0	0%

Farms classified by gross farm receipts	Quantity
Under \$10,000	58
\$10,000 to \$24,999	31
\$25,000 to \$49,999	24
\$50,000 to \$99,999	9
\$100,000 to \$249,999	10
\$250,000 to \$499,999	8
\$500,000 to \$999,999	9
\$1,000,000 to \$1,999,999	3
\$2,000,000 and up	2

Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Total number of operators	220
Total male operators	155
Total female operators	65
Average age of principle operator	53.1