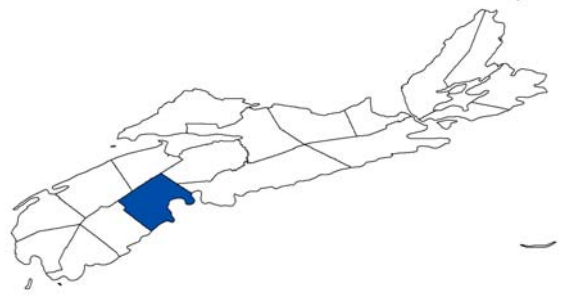


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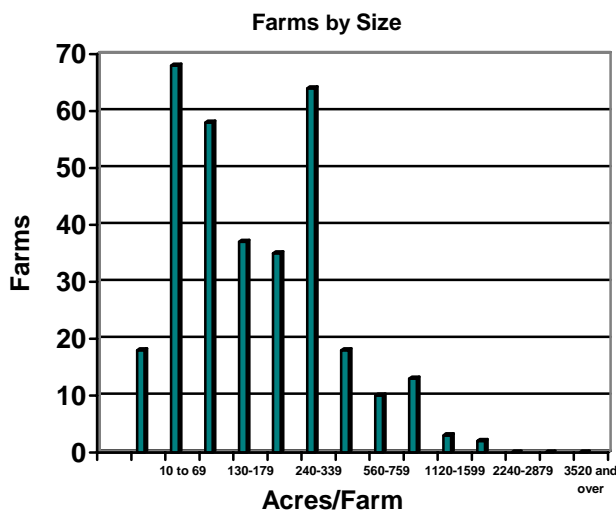


AGRICULTURAL PROFILE | 2006

As of the past Statistics Canada Census of Agriculture, Lunenburg County made up 8.6 percent of all farms in Nova Scotia. In 2006, the leading agriculture sector in terms of number of farms was nursery and tree production. The county produced \$25,002,702 in gross farm receipts (excluding forest products), accounting for 4.9 percent of all gross farm receipts in the province, making Lunenburg the sixth largest county in terms of agricultural production.

	2001	2006	% change	NS 2006	County/NS
Number of farms	370	326	-11.9%	3,795	8.6%
Total farm area (hectares)	28,796	30,236	+5.0%	403,044	7.5%
Average size of farm (hectares)	79	93	+17.7%	106	87.7%

	2001	2006	% change	NS 2006	County/NS
Gross farm receipts (exc forest products)	\$23,318,183	\$25,002,702	+7.2%	\$509,520,691	4.9%
Average per farm	\$63,022	\$76,695	+21.7%	\$134,261	57.1%



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

Item	Quantity	Percentage of Nova Scotia
Total farms	326	9%
Nursery and tree production	140	34%
Beef cattle ranching and farming, including feedlots	50	7%
Hay farming	26	9%
Fruit and tree-nut farming	19	2%
Livestock combination farming	14	9%
Horse and other equine production	13	7%
Floriculture production	11	11%
All other miscellaneous crop farming	10	8%
Broiler and other meat-type chicken production	9	13%
Dairy cattle and milk production	7	2%
Other vegetables (except potato) and melon farming	5	4%
Fruit and vegetable combination farming	5	20%
Chicken egg production	4	8%
Hog and pig farming	2	4%
Sheep farming	2	4%
All other miscellaneous animal production	2	11%
Other food crops grown under cover	2	6%
Turkey production	1	13%
Apiculture	1	4%
Fur-bearing animal and rabbit production	1	1%
Corn farming	1	17%
Mushroom production	1	33%
Poultry hatcheries	0	0%
Combination poultry and egg production	0	0%
Other poultry production	0	0%
Goat farming	0	0%
Soybean farming	0	0%
Oilseed (except soybean) farming	0	0%
Dry pea and bean farming	0	0%
Wheat farming	0	0%
Other grain farming	0	0%
Potato farming	0	0%
Tobacco farming	0	0%

Farms classified by gross farm receipts	Quantity
Under \$10,000	141
\$10,000 to \$24,999	86
\$25,000 to \$49,999	32
\$50,000 to \$99,999	26
\$100,000 to \$249,999	19
\$250,000 to \$499,999	10
\$500,000 to \$999,999	8
\$1,000,000 to \$1,999,999	3
\$2,000,000 and up	1

Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Total number of operators	430
Total male operators	330
Total female operators	100
Average age of principle operator	54