

The Business of Agriculture

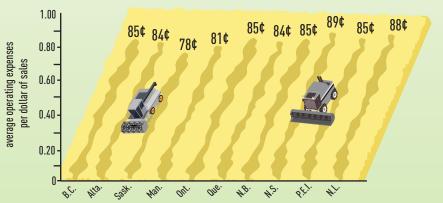


Farm sales in Canada totaled \$69.4 billion in 2015.

The size of farm operations and the sales they earned increased.

- The number of farms reporting sales of \$1 million or more increased by 8.2% from 2011, to 14,741 farms in 2016.
- Nationally, **7.6%** of farm operations reported sales of \$1 million or more; these farms generated 60.3% of total sales.
- There were 280,315 farm employees in Canada in 2015.

Average operating expenses per dollar of sales, by province



- Farms had an average of \$0.83 in operating expenses for every dollar in sales.
- Crop farms earned **53.0%** of sales; livestock farms earned **47.0%** of sales.

Tractors in Canada, by size, number and value

Total number Share of total number of tractors (%)

Value in billions

290,016



44.5% \$2.1

Small (less than 60 p.t.o. hp.)*

256,260



39.3% \$7.1

Medium (60 to 149 p.t.o. hp.)*



16.1% \$9.4

Large (more than 149 p.t.o. hp.)*

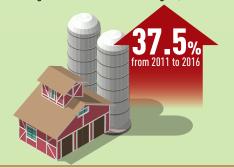
*P.T.O. is the measure of the power available from a tractor engine to drive the implements.

Value of farm capital in 2016

Value of agricultural land and buildings: \$427.9 billion

Value of farm machinery and equipment: \$53.9 billion

Value of livestock: \$27.9 billion



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