

2019 Biannual Livestock Survey - January

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Introduction

Survey purpose

The purpose of this survey is to collect up-to-date information on the number of livestock in your agricultural operation. The data are used by agricultural industry analysts and producers to make production and marketing decisions, and by government analysts to monitor the livestock industry and develop agricultural policies in Canada.

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Reporting instructions

- When answering the questions, please include as of January 1, 2019:
 - All livestock (cattle or calves, pigs, and/or sheep or lambs) on your operation regardless of ownership, including livestock custom fed, fed under contract for others, and livestock pastured.
 - All livestock owned by the operator and held on Crown land, community pastures, and grazing projects.
 - Please **do not report** livestock (cattle or calves, pigs, and/or sheep or lambs) which are owned by you but kept on a farm, ranch or feedlot operated by someone else.
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Business or organization and contact information

1. Please **provide** the business or organization's **legal and operating name**.

Legal name

Operating name (if applicable)

2. Please **provide the contact information** of the designated business or organization **contact person** for this questionnaire.

Note: The designated contact person is the person who should receive this questionnaire.

The designated contact person may not always be the one who actually completes the questionnaire.

First name

Last name

Title

Preferred language of communication

☐

English

☐

French

Mailing address (number and street)

City

Province, territory or state

Postal code or ZIP code

Example: A9A 9A9 or 12345-1234

Country

Email address

Example: user@example.gov.ca

Telephone number (including area code)

Example: 123-123-1234

Extension number
(if applicable)

Fax number (including area code)

Example: 123-123-1234

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3. Please **provide the current operational status** of the business or organization identified by the legal and operating name.

B00323

1 ☐ Operational → **Go to question 4**

2 ☐ Not currently operational

e.g., temporarily or permanently closed, change of ownership

Why is this business or organization not currently operational?

B00309

2 ☐ Seasonal operations → **Go to question 3a.**

3 ☐ Ceased operations → **Go to question 3b.**

4 ☐ Sold operations → **Go to question 3c.**

5 ☐ Amalgamated with other businesses or organizations → **Go to question 3d.**

6 ☐ Temporarily inactive but will re-open → **Go to question 3e.**

7 ☐ No longer operating due to other reasons → **Go to question 3f.**

3a. Seasonal operations

When did this business or organization close for the season?

Date B00217

YYYY	MM	DD
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

When does this business or organization expect to resume operations?

Date B00218

YYYY	MM	DD
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

 → **Go to question 4**

3b. Ceased operations

When did this business or organization cease operations?

Date B00211

YYYY	MM	DD
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

Why did this business or organization cease operations?

B00311

1 ☐ Bankruptcy

2 ☐ Liquidation

3 ☐ Dissolution

4 ☐ Other
Specify the other reasons for ceased operations

B00312

→ **Go to question 4**

3c. Sold operations

When was this business or organization sold?

B00212
Date YYYY MM DD

What is the legal name of the buyer?

B00406

→ Go to question 4

3d. Amalgamated with other businesses or organizations

When did this business or organization amalgamate?

B00213
Date YYYY MM DD

What is the legal name of the resulting or continuing business or organization?

B00407

What are the legal names of the other amalgamated businesses or organizations?

B00408

→ Go to question 4

3e. Temporarily inactive but will re-open

When did this business or organization become temporarily inactive?

B00214
Date YYYY MM DD

When does this business or organization expect to resume operations?

B00215
Date YYYY MM DD

Why is this business or organization temporarily inactive?

B00313

→ Go to question 4

3f. No longer operating due to other reasons

When did this business or organization cease operations?

B00216
Date YYYY MM DD

Why did this business or organization cease operations?

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4. Please **verify or provide the current main activity** of the business or organization identified by the legal and operating name.

Note: The described activity was assigned using the North American Industry Classification System (NAICS).

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1 ☐ This is the current main activity. → **Go to next section**

2 ☐ This **is not** the current main activity.

Please provide a **brief but precise description** of this business or organization's **main activity**.

e.g., breakfast cereal manufacturing, shoe store, software development

B05003



5. Was this business or organization's main activity ever classified as:

B05111

1 ☐ **Yes**

2 ☐ **No → Go to next section**

6. When did the main activity change?

Date

	YYYY	MM	DD
B00219	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

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Cattle and calves

1. On January 1, 2019 do you expect to have any cattle or calves on this operation?

Report all cattle and calves **regardless of ownership**.

Include:

- those that are boarded, custom-fed or fed under contract
- those that are pastured on a community pasture, grazing co-op or Crown land.

Exclude all cattle and calves kept on a farm, ranch, or feedlot **operated by someone else**.

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¹ ☐ Yes → Go to question 2

² ☐ No → Go to question 5

Cattle and calves - Inventory

2. How many of the following do you expect to have on this operation on January 1, 2019?

Include all cattle and calves on this operation, **regardless of ownership**.

Exclude all cattle and calves kept on a farm, ranch, or feedlot **operated by someone else**.

- a. Bulls, one year and over
- b. Dairy cows
- c. Beef cows
- d. Calves, under one year
- e. Heifers, one year and over for dairy replacement heifers
- f. Heifers, one year and over for beef replacement heifers
- g. Heifers, one year and over for slaughter or feeder heifers
- h. Steers, one year and over

Number

E44077_y1

E44077_y2

E44077_y3

E44077_y4

E44077_y5

E44077_y6

E44077_y7

E44077_y8

E44077_y9

Total inventory of cattle and calves

Cattle and calves - Production

3. How many calves were **born alive** on this operation in the last six months, between July 1 and December 31, 2018?

E44078

4. How many cows and heifers do you expect to calve on this operation in the next six months, between January 1 and June 30, 2019?

E44079

Pigs

5. On January 1, 2019 do you expect to have any pigs on this operation?

Report all pigs **regardless of ownership**.

Include:

- those that are boarded, custom-fed or fed under contract
- those that are pastured on a community pasture, grazing co-op or Crown land.

Exclude all pigs kept on a farm, ranch, or feedlot **operated by someone else**.

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¹ ☐ Yes → Go to question 6

² ☐ No



Were there any pigs on this operation during the last six months, between July 1 and December 31, 2018?

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¹ ☐ Yes → Go to question 8

² ☐ No → Go to question 15

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Pigs - Inventory

6. How many of the following do you expect to have on this operation on January 1, 2019?

Include all pigs on this operation, **regardless of ownership**.

Exclude all pigs kept on a farm, ranch, or feedlot **operated by someone else**.

Number

Breeding stock, six months and over

a. Sows and gilts kept for breeding

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b. Boars kept for breeding

E44081_y12

All other pigs

c. Suckling pigs, less than 15 lb (7 kg)

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d. Weanling, nursery, or starter pigs, 15 to 49 lb (7 to 22 kg)

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e. Market pigs, 50 lb and over (23 kg and over)

E44081_y15

Total inventory of pigs

E44081_y16

7. How many of the market pigs reported in question 6e are in each of the following categories?

If "0" is entered in question 6e, go to question 8.

Number

a. over 179 lb (81 kg)

E44081_y15_pc1

b. between 120 to 179 lb (54 to 81 kg)

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c. between 50 and 120 lb (23 to 54 kg)

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Exclude weanling, nursery, or starter pigs.

Total market pigs

E44081_y15_pc4

Pigs - Farrowings

8. Please provide the total number of farrowings, the average number of piglets per litter and the total piglets born **in the last six months** between July 1 and December 31, 2018.

Include pigs born alive and stillborn.

If "0" is entered in question 6a, go to question 11.

Number

E44082

a. Total number of farrowings in last six months

E44083

b. Average number of piglets born per litter

E44084

Total piglets born in last six months

Total number of farrowings X average number of piglets per litter.

9. Compared with the last six months, do you expect the number of farrowings to **increase**, **decrease**, or **stay the same** in the **next six months**, between January 1 and June 30, 2019?

E44085

☐ 1 Increase



What is the expected percentage increase?

E44086_h1

%

☐ 2 Decrease



What is the expected percentage decrease?

E44086_h2

%

☐ 3 Stay the same

10. Of the total piglets born during the last six months (reported in question 8), between July 1 and December 31, 2018, what percentage were stillborn, died or were destroyed before weaning?

E44087

%

Pigs - Shipments for slaughter

11. How many pigs will this operation have shipped to a slaughter facility in the last six months, between July 1 and December 31, 2018?

Enter "0" if none

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→ If "0" is entered, go to question 13.

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Pigs - Shipments for slaughter

12. Of the pigs shipped to slaughter (reported in question 11), what percentage were shipped to a facility in

- a. the same province
- b. another province
- c. the United States

Percentage

E44088_I1

%

E44088_I2

%

E44088_I3

%

E44088_I4

%

Total pigs shipped to slaughter

Pigs - Shipments for feeding purposes

13. How many weanling, nursery, or starter pigs, 15 to 49 lb (7 to 22 kg) will this operation have shipped in the last six months, between July 1 and December 31, 2018, to another operation for feeding purposes?

Enter "0" if none

E44089

If "0" is entered, go to question 15

14. Of the weanling, nursery or starter pigs shipped for feeding purposes (reported in question 13), what percentage were shipped to another operation in

- a. the same province
- b. another province
- c. the United States

Percentage

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%

E44089_I2

%

E44089_I3

%

E44089_I4

%

Total weanling, nursery or starter pigs shipped for feeding

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Sheep and lambs

15. On January 1, 2019 do you expect to have any sheep or lambs on this operation?

Report all sheep or lambs **regardless of ownership**.

Include:

- those that are boarded, custom-fed or fed under contract
- those that are pastured on a community pasture, grazing co-op or Crown land.

Exclude all sheep and lambs kept on a farm, ranch, or feedlot **operated by someone else**.

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¹ ☐ Yes → Go to question 16

² ☐ No



Were there any sheep or lambs kept on this operation during the last six months, between July 1 and December 31, 2018?

B05188

¹ ☐ Yes → Go to question 17

² ☐ No → Go to Changes and events that affected the business or organization (page 12)

Sheep and lambs - Inventory

16. How many of the following do you expect to have on this operation on January 1, 2019?

Include all sheep or lambs on this operation, **regardless of ownership**.

Exclude all sheep and lambs kept on a farm, ranch, or feedlot **operated by someone else**.

- a. Rams, one year and over
- b. Ewes
- c. Replacement lambs.
- d. Market lambs

Number

E44091_y17

E44091_y18

E44091_y19

E44091_y20

E44091_y21

Total inventory of sheep and lambs

Sheep and lambs - Production

17. How many lambs were born on this operation **in the last six months**, between July 1 and December 31, 2018?

Include lambs born alive and stillborn.

E44092

18. How many sheep and lambs died on this operation, including those killed by disease or predators, in the last six months, between July 1 and December 31, 2018?

Exclude those slaughtered for meat.

E44093

19. How many lambs do you expect to be born on this operation in the next six months, between January 1 and June 30, 2019?

E44094

Agricultural production

20. Which of the following **agricultural products** are currently being produced on this operation?

Mark all that apply.

B05242_p1

☐ Field crops

B05242_p2

☐ Hay

B05242_p3

☐ Summerfallow

B05242_p4

☐ Potatoes

B05242_p5

☐ Fruit, berries and nuts

B05242_p6

☐ Vegetables

B05242_p7

☐ Sod

B05242_p8

☐ Nursery products

Go to question 21

B05242_p9

☐ Greenhouse products → Go to question 22

B05242_p10

☐ Cattle and calves
Include beef or dairy.

B05242_p11

☐ Pigs

B05242_p12

☐ Sheep and lambs

B05242_p13

☐ Mink

B05242_p14

☐ Fox

B05242_p15

☐ Hens and chickens

B05242_p16

☐ Turkeys

Go to question 24

B05242_p17

☐ Maple taps → Go to question 25

B05242_p18

☐ Honey bees → Go to question 26

B05242_p19

☐ Mushrooms → Go to question 27

B05242_p20

☐ Other – Specify agricultural products

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OR

B05242_p22

☐ Not producing agricultural products

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Area in crops

21. What **area** of this operation is used for the following crops?
Report the areas **only once**, even if used for more than one crop type.
Exclude land used by others.

	Area	Unit of measure
a. Field crops	B17031_p1 <input type="text"/>	B17032_p1 1 <input type="radio"/> Acres 5 <input type="radio"/> Hectares 2 <input type="radio"/> Arpents
b. Hay	B17031_p2 <input type="text"/>	B17032_p2 1 <input type="radio"/> Acres 5 <input type="radio"/> Hectares 2 <input type="radio"/> Arpents
c. Summerfallow	B17031_p3 <input type="text"/>	B17032_p3 1 <input type="radio"/> Acres 5 <input type="radio"/> Hectares 2 <input type="radio"/> Arpents
d. Potatoes	B17031_p4 <input type="text"/>	B17032_p4 1 <input type="radio"/> Acres 5 <input type="radio"/> Hectares 2 <input type="radio"/> Arpents
e. Fruit, berries and nuts	B17031_p5 <input type="text"/>	B17032_p5 1 <input type="radio"/> Acres 5 <input type="radio"/> Hectares 2 <input type="radio"/> Arpents
f. Vegetables	B17031_p6 <input type="text"/>	B17032_p6 1 <input type="radio"/> Acres 5 <input type="radio"/> Hectares 2 <input type="radio"/> Arpents
g. Sod	B17031_p7 <input type="text"/>	B17032_p7 1 <input type="radio"/> Acres 5 <input type="radio"/> Hectares 2 <input type="radio"/> Arpents
h. Nursery products	B17031_p8 <input type="text"/>	B17032_p8 1 <input type="radio"/> Acres 5 <input type="radio"/> Hectares 2 <input type="radio"/> Arpents

Greenhouse area

	Total area	Unit of measure
22. What is the total area under glass, plastic or other protection used for growing plants?	B17033 <input type="text"/>	B17034 7 <input type="radio"/> Square feet 8 <input type="radio"/> Square metres

Livestock — excluding birds

23. How many of the following **animals** are on this operation?

Report all animals on this operation, **regardless of ownership**, including those that are boarded, custom-fed or fed under contract.

Include all animals kept by this operation, regardless of ownership, that are **pastured on a community pasture**, grazing co-op or public land.

Exclude animals owned but kept on a farm, ranch or feedlot operated by someone else.

Number

E44117_p10

a. Cattle and calves

E44117_p11

b. Pigs

E44117_p12

c. Sheep and lambs

E44117_p13

d. Mink

E44117_p14

e. Fox

Birds

24. How many of the following **birds** are on this operation?

Report all poultry on this operation, **regardless of ownership**, including those grown under contract.

Include poultry for sale and poultry for personal use.

Exclude poultry owned but kept on an operation operated by someone else.

Number

E44117_p15

a. Hens and chickens

E44117_p16

b. Turkeys

Maple taps

Total number
of taps

B45121

25. What was the **total number of taps** made on maple trees last spring?

Honey bees

26. How many **live** colonies of **honey bees** (used for honey production or pollination) **are owned** by this operation?

Include bees owned, regardless of location.

Number of
colonies

B45122

Mushrooms

27. What is the **total growing area (standing footage)** for mushrooms?

Include mushrooms grown using beds, trays, tunnels or logs.

Total area

Unit of measure

B17031_p19

B17032_p19

7

☐

Square feet

8

☐

Square metres

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Changes or events

28. Indicate any changes or events that may have affected the reported values for this business or organization, compared to the last reporting period. Mark all that apply.

B00302_t1

☐ Strike or lockout

B00302_t2

☐ Exchange rate impact

B00302_t3

☐ Price changes in goods or services sold

B00302_t4

☐ Contracting out

B00302_t5

☐ Organizational change

B00302_t6

☐ Price changes in labour or raw materials

B00302_t7

☐ Natural disaster

B00302_t8

☐ Recession

B00302_t9

☐ Change in product line

B00302_t10

☐ Sold business units

B00302_t11

☐ Expansion

B00302_t12

☐ New/lost contract

B00302_t13

☐ Plant closures

B00302_t14

☐ Acquisition of business units

B00302_t15

☐ Other change or event – specify:

B00302_t16

OR

B00302_t17

☐ No change or event

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Contact person

29. Statistics Canada may need to contact the person who completed this questionnaire for further information.

If the contact person is the same as on cover page, please check ☐ → **Go to "Feedback"**

Otherwise, who is the best person to contact about this questionnaire?

First name

Last name

Title

Email address (example: user@example.gov.ca)

Y. PR.

Telephone number (including area code)
Example: 123-123-1234

Extension number
(if applicable)

Fax number (including area code)
Example: 123-123-1234

REF

Feedback

30. How long did it take to complete this questionnaire?

Include the time spent gathering the necessary information.

Hours

Minutes

31. We invite your comments about this questionnaire.

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General information

Confidentiality

Your answers are confidential.

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For this survey, there are **Section 11** agreements with the provincial statistical agencies of Newfoundland and Labrador, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, Quebec, Ontario, Manitoba, Saskatchewan, Alberta and British Columbia. The shared data will be limited to information pertaining to business establishments located within the jurisdiction of the respective province.

Section 12 of the *Statistics Act* provides for the sharing of information with federal, provincial or territorial government organizations. Under **Section 12**, you may refuse to share your information with any of these organizations by writing a letter of objection to the Chief Statistician and returning it with the completed questionnaire. Please specify the organizations with which you do not want to share your data.

For this survey, there are **Section 12** agreements with the Prince Edward Island statistical agency as well as with the Ontario Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs.

For agreements with provincial and territorial government organizations, the shared data will be limited to information pertaining to business establishments located within the jurisdiction of the respective province or territory.

Record linkages

To enhance the data from this survey and to minimize the reporting burden, Statistics Canada may combine it with information from other surveys or from administrative sources.

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