

# January Livestock Survey, 2012



**CONFIDENTIAL when completed**

This survey is conducted under the authority of the *Statistics Act*, Revised Statutes of Canada, 1985, c. S-19. Completion of this questionnaire is a legal requirement under the *Statistics Act*.

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The purpose of this survey is to collect information on livestock. The statistics produced from the survey enable those active in the agricultural sector to observe and assess changes in the industry, measure performance and keep the agricultural community and general public informed of developments. The questions in Section B (Cattle and Calves Supplementary) are sponsored by Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada, to aid in the analysis of the cattle sector since BSE.

Statistics Canada is collecting information concerning the farm described on the label. If the operators of this holding manage any other farm(s) entirely separate from this farm (i.e., separate accounting books are kept), please do not include any data for the other farm(s) on this questionnaire.

**Instructions:** When answering the questions, please include as of January 1, 2012 ...

... 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.



**SECTION A. CATTLE AND/OR CALVES**

1. On January 1, 2012 do you expect to have any cattle or calves on this operation?  
Include grazing projects, community pastures or Crown land.

Yes  400

No  400  (Go to Section C)

2. Are cattle or calves kept on this operation for someone else? (If yes include them as part of inventory.)

Yes  430

No  430

**INVENTORY QUESTIONS**

3. How many of the following do you expect to have on this operation on **January 1, 2012?**

- i) Bulls, 1 year and over .....
- ii) Dairy cows .....
- iii) Beef cows .....
- iv) Calves, under 1 year .....
- v) Heifers, 1 year and over {
  - a) Dairy replacement heifers (1 year and over) .....
  - b) Beef replacement heifers (1 year and over) .....
  - c) Slaughter or feeder heifers (1 year and over) .....
- vi) Steers, 1 year and over .....

Total Number	
403	
404	
405	
409	
406	
407	
402	
408	

4. What will be the total cattle and/or calves inventory on January 1, 2012 on this operation? ....

410	
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**QUESTIONS ON PRODUCTION**

5. On this operation, how many calves were born alive in the last 6 months (between July 1 and December 31, 2011)? .....

421	
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6. On this operation, how many cows and heifers do you expect to calve between January 1 and June 30, 2012? .....

424	
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**SECTION B. CATTLE AND CALVES SUPPLEMENTARY**

		At January 1, 2012	
1.	Of the dairy cows reported ( <i>box 404, page 2</i> ), how many are more than 13 years of age? (i.e. cows born before 1999) .....	465	
2.	Of the beef cows reported ( <i>box 405, page 2</i> ), how many are more than 13 years of age? (i.e. cows born before 1999) .....	475	
3.	Of the feeder heifers reported ( <i>box 402, page 2</i> ), how many are in the following three weight categories;		
	a) More than (or equal to) 1100 lbs (500 kg) .....	477	
	b) Between 900 lbs and 1100 lbs (409-500 kg) .....	479	
	c) Between 700 lbs and 900 lbs (318-409 kg) .....	481	
4.	Of the steers (1 year and over) reported ( <i>box 408, page 2</i> ), how many are in the following three weight categories;		
	a) More than (or equal to) 1250 lbs (568 kg) .....	483	
	b) Between 1000 lbs and 1250 lbs (455-568 kg) .....	485	
	c) Between 800 lbs and 1000 lbs (363-455 kg) .....	487	
5.	Of those feeder heifers ( <i>box 402, page 2</i> ) and/or steers (1 year and over) ( <i>box 408, page 2</i> ) reported as of January 1, how many are being fed a finishing ration (mostly grain)? .....	489	
6.	Of those feeder heifers ( <i>box 402, page 2</i> ) and/or steers (1 year and over ) ( <i>box 408, page 2</i> ) reported as of January 1, how many are under 21 months of age? .....	491	

**SECTION C. PIGS**

**INVENTORY**

1(a) On January 1, 2012 do you expect to have any pigs on this operation?

Yes

No



1(b) Were there any pigs on this operation during the past quarter (October, November and December 2011)?

Yes   Go to Question 6

No   Go to Section D

2. How many of the following do you expect to have on this operation on **January 1, 2012**?

- i) Sows and gilts kept for breeding .....
- ii) Boars kept for breeding .....
- iii) Suckling pigs .....
- iv) Weanling, nursery, or starter pigs .....
- v) Market pigs, 50 pounds and over (23 kg and over) .....

Total Number	
606	
605	
621	
622	
653	
610	

3. What will be the total pig inventory on January 1, 2012 on this operation? .....

4. Of the sows and gilts kept for breeding reported in question 2, box 606, what percent would have farrowed at least once? .....

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5. Of the market pigs reported in question 2, box 653, what number **or** percent are in the following three categories? **Please report as a number or %**

- i) over 179 pounds (81 kg) .....
- ii) between 120 to 179 pounds (54 to 81 kg) .....
- iii) under 120 pounds (54 kg)? .....  
(Exclude weanling, nursery, or starter pigs)

	Number	%
626		
625		
624		

**SECTION C. PIGS - continued**

**FARROWINGS**

6. During the last quarter (October, November and December 2011) how many sows and bred gilts farrowed? .....    Quarterly  Monthly  Bi-Weekly  Weekly  
**If none, go to question 10**

7. Compared with the last quarter, what is the expected percent change to farrowings in:  
 i) January, February and March 2012? .....   %  Increase  Decrease  No change  
 ii) April, May and June 2012? .....   %  Increase  Decrease  No change

8. On average, how many pigs were born per litter during the last quarter (October, November and December 2011)? .....

9. Of the pigs born last quarter, what percentage died or were destroyed before weaning? .....   %

**SHIPMENTS**

10. In the last quarter (October, November and December 2011), how many market pigs will this operation have shipped to a slaughter facility? .....    
**If none, go to question 12**

11. Of those market pigs shipped to slaughter, what number or percent will be shipped to a facility in:  
**Please report as a number or %**

	Number	%
i) the United States .....	<input type="text" value="656"/>	<input type="text"/>
ii) another province .....	<input type="text" value="657"/>	<input type="text"/>
iii) within province .....	<input type="text" value="658"/>	<input type="text"/>

12. In the last quarter (October, November and December 2011), how many weanling, nursery, or starter pigs will this operation have shipped to another operation for feeding purposes? .....    
**If none, go to Section D**

13. Of those weanling, nursery, or starter pigs shipped for feeding purposes, what number or percent will be shipped to another operation in:  
**Please report as a number or %**

	Number	%
i) the United States .....	<input type="text" value="670"/>	<input type="text"/>
ii) another province .....	<input type="text" value="671"/>	<input type="text"/>
iii) within province .....	<input type="text" value="672"/>	<input type="text"/>

**SECTION D. SHEEP AND/OR LAMBS**

1.(a) On January 1, 2012 do you expect to have any sheep or lambs on this operation?  
Include grazing projects, community pastures or Crown land.

Yes

No

1.(b) Were there any sheep or lambs kept on this operation between  
July 1 and December 31, 2011?

Yes   (Answer Questions  
5, 6 and 7)

No   (Go to Section E)

2. Are sheep or lambs kept on this operation for someone else? (If yes include them as part of inventory.)

Yes

No

**INVENTORY QUESTIONS**

3. How many of the following do you expect to have on this operation on **January 1, 2012**?

- i) Rams, 1 year and over .....
- ii) Ewes .....
- iii) Replacement lambs .....
- iv) Market lambs .....

Total Number	
<b>301</b>	
<b>302</b>	
<b>303</b>	
<b>304</b>	
<b>310</b>	

4. What will be the total sheep and lambs inventory on January 1, 2012 on this operation? .....

**QUESTIONS ON PRODUCTION**

- 5. On this operation, how many lambs were born in the last 6 months (between  
July 1 and December 31, 2011)? .....
- 6. How many sheep and lambs died or will die, including those killed by disease or predators,  
between July 1 and December 31, 2011? .....
- 7. On this operation, how many lambs do you expect to be born between January 1 and  
June 30, 2012? .....

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<b>309</b>	

## SECTION E. GENERAL INFORMATION

### Confidentiality

#### Your answers are confidential.

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Information from this survey will be used for statistical purposes only and will be published in aggregate form only.

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To avoid duplication of enquiry, Statistics Canada has entered into data-sharing agreements with provincial statistical agencies, which must keep the data confidential and use them only for statistical purposes. Statistics Canada will only share data from this survey with those organizations that have demonstrated a requirement to use the data.

**Section 11** of the *Statistics Act* provides for the sharing of information with provincial statistical agencies that meet certain conditions. These agencies must have the legislative authority to collect the same information, on a mandatory basis, and the legislation must provide substantially the same provisions for confidentiality and penalties for disclosure of confidential information as the *Statistics Act*. Because these agencies have the legal authority to compel businesses to provide the same information, consent is not requested and farm operations may not object to the sharing of their data.

For this survey, there are **Section 11** agreements with the provincial statistical agencies of Quebec, Ontario, Manitoba, Saskatchewan, Alberta and British Columbia.

The shared data will be limited to information pertaining to farm operations located within the jurisdiction of the respective province.

**Section 12** of the *Statistics Act* provides for the sharing of information with federal and provincial 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 at the address below. Please specify the name of the survey and the organizations with which you do not want to share your data.

Statistics Canada  
Chief Statistician  
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100 Tunney's Pasture Driveway  
Ottawa, Ontario K1A 0T6

For this survey, there are **Section 12** agreements with the Ontario Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs, the Manitoba Department of Agriculture, Food and Rural Initiatives, the Saskatchewan Ministry of Agriculture and the British Columbia Ministry of Agriculture and Lands.

For agreements with provincial government organizations, the shared data will be limited to information pertaining to farm operations located within the jurisdiction of the respective province.

