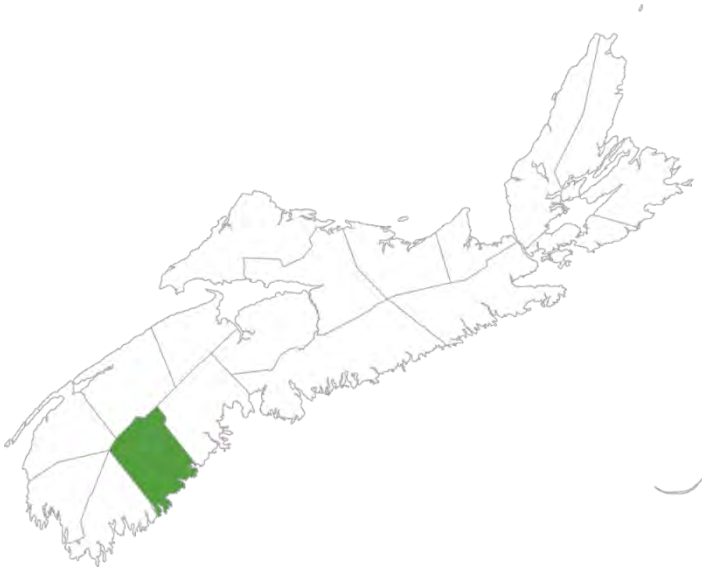


Queens County Agricultural Profile

2021



Queens County

The county produced



Operating Revenues

\$1,082,946

Accounting for 0.1 percent of all farm operating revenues in the province, Queens was the 15th largest county in Nova Scotia out of 18, in terms of agricultural operating revenues.

SOME NUMBERS

DID YOU KNOW?

Queens County accounted for **3%** of the provinces Greenhouse, nursery, and floriculture farms.

DID YOU KNOW?

Cattle farming in Queens decreased **50%** from the previous census and comprised **1%** of the NS industry total. The most significant shift in Cattle farming was an **56%** decrease in the number of Beef farms, while the number of Dairy farms stayed the same.

FUN FACT:

Queens county was home to **1** Chicken egg farm in 2021, equal to **2%** of the provincial total.

MOST SIGNIFICANT DECREASE IN NUMBER OF FARMS

56%
DECLINE IN THE
NUMBER OF BEEF
FARMS.
FROM 9 TO 4.

100%
DECLINE IN THE
NUMBER OF
MISCELLANEOUS CROP
FARMS.
FROM 2 TO 0.

DID YOU KNOW?

In 2021, the leading agriculture industry in terms of number of farms was Cattle Ranching and Farming (Beef & Dairy) at 728 farms, with the number of farms increasing by 53 from 2016.

1%

**Farms in
Nova Scotia**

As of the past Statistics Canada Census of Agriculture, Queens County made up 1 percent of all farms in Nova Scotia.

	2011	2016	2021	% Change since 2016
Number of Farms	37	34	23	-32%
Total Farm Area (acres)	10,954	8,757	7,842	-10%
Average Farm Size (acres)	296	258	341	+32%
Gross Farm Receipts/ Operating Revenues*	\$1.1 million	-	*\$1.0 million	-
Average Per Farm	\$71,043	-	*\$47,085	-
Operating Expenses	\$1.1 million	-	\$1.3 million	-
Average Per Farm	\$58,092	-	\$58,097	-
Average Expense to Revenue Ratio	1.03	-	*1.3	-

* In 2021, the Census of Agriculture reported farm operating revenues in lieu of farm cash receipts.

2021 Operator Characteristics	2016	2021	% Change since 2016
Total Number of Operators	40	30	-25%
Total Male Operators	30	25	-17%
Total Female Operators	10	5	-50%
Average Age of Principle Operator	56	58.9	+5%

Paid labour by worker type - 2021

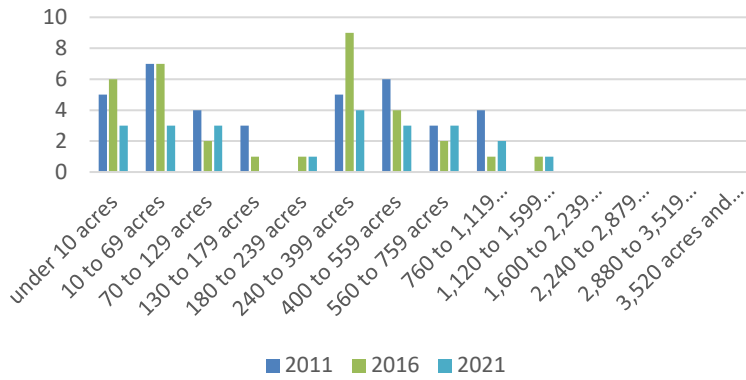


The number of full-time workers accounted for 50% of the county's agricultural workforce.

Seasonal or temporary workers accounted for 20% of the agricultural workforce.

While there were no reported part-time workers, the number of paid family members accounted for 30% of the workforce.

Farms by size - Acres

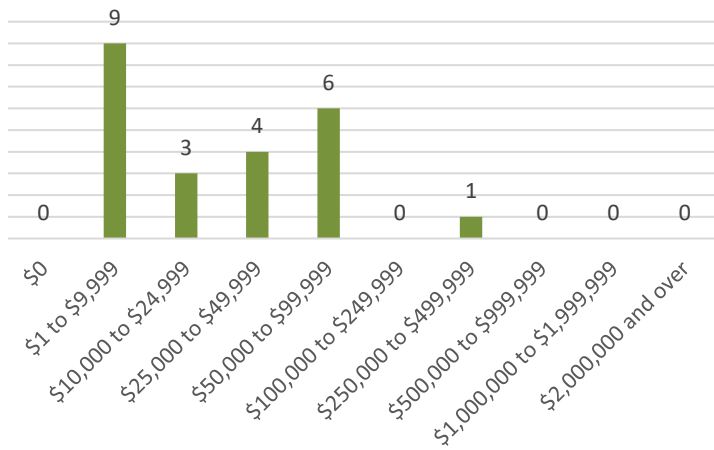


The most significant shift was in the number of farms sized 240-399 acres from 9 to 4.

Other notable changes include a reduction of 4 farms sized 10-69 acres and 3 fewer farms sized under 10 acres.

The most significant increase was in the number of farms sized 760-1,119 acres, from 1 to 2 farms.

Farms by revenue - 2021



The largest concentration of farms by a revenue category was 9 farms in the \$1 to \$9,999, accounting for 39% of the total share of farms.

There were 0 farms earning revenues above \$1,000,000.

4% of farms earned revenues above \$100,000.

	2011	2016	2021	% Change since 2016	Provincial Share (%)
Total number of Farms	37	34	23	-32%	1%
Cattle ranching and farming	7	10	5	-50%	1%
Beef cattle ranching and farming, including feedlots	6	9	4	-56%	1%
Dairy cattle and milk production	1	1	1	0%	0%
Hog and pig farming	0	0	0		0%
Poultry and egg production	0	2	1	-50%	1%
Chicken egg production	0	2	1	-50%	2%
Broiler and other meat-type chicken production	0	0	0		0%
Turkey production	0	0	0		0%
Poultry hatcheries	0	0	0		0%
Combination poultry and egg production	0	0	0		0%
All other poultry production	0	0	0		0%

	2011	2016	2021	% Change since 2016	Provincial Share (%)
Sheep and goat farming	0	0	0		0%
Sheep farming	0	0	0		0%
Goat farming	0	0	0		0%
Other animal production	6	3	4	33%	1%
Apiculture	0	0	1		2%
Horse and other equine production	4	1	0	-100%	0%
Fur-bearing animal and rabbit production	0	0	0		0%
Animal combination farming	2	2	3	50%	3%
All other miscellaneous animal production	0	0	0		0%
Oilseed and grain farming	0	0	0		0%
Soybean farming	0	0	0		0%
Oilseed (except soybean) farming	0	0	0		0%
Wheat farming	0	0	0		0%
Corn farming	0	0	0		0%
Other grain farming	0	0	0		0%
Vegetable and melon farming	0	0	0		0%
Potato farming	0	0	0		0%
Other vegetable (except potato) and melon farming	0	0	0		0%
Fruit and tree nut farming	5	3	2	-33%	0%
Greenhouse, nursery and floriculture production	14	10	8	-20%	3%
Mushroom production	0	0	0		0%
Other food crops grown under cover	2	0	1		2%
Nursery and tree production	11	9	7	-22%	3%
Floriculture production	1	1	0	-100%	0%
Other crop farming	5	6	3	-50%	1%
Hay farming	5	2	3	50%	1%
Fruit and vegetable combination farming	0	2	0	-100%	0%
Maple syrup and products production	0	0	0		0%
All other miscellaneous crop farming	0	2	0	-100%	0%