

BC Broiler Hatching Egg Commission Newsletter

May 2016

Current Hatchability

Industry Average:
82.16%
 Year-to-Date (USA eggs included)

Average Lay Cycle End

Projected June 2016
 58 weeks 2 days

Breeder Pricing

Average industry prices:

Female: \$9.02
Male: \$12.32

2016 Audit Stats

Number of premises to be audited
 59
 Number of audits completed
 10
 Number of audits with outstanding
 Corrective Actions
 4

2016 Census of Agriculture

Please see the attached notice regarding the upcoming 2016 Census of Agriculture. The Census begins this month and has been improved for 2016. The new census is easier to complete and has fewer questions. All Producers are encouraged to participate.



Increase Your Hatch!

It is recommended to collect your eggs a minimum of 3 times daily, however, as temperatures reach and exceed 30°C eggs should be collected 4-6 times per day. This will help keep your embryos viable and maintain your hatchability during times of high heat.

myFlock Poultry App

Check out Aviagen's updated flock management app myFlock. It is available for download on Google Play and the App Store. The app provides management advice, interactive calendars, and works off line for in barn or off-site use.

Check out an amazing montage video of the first annual BC Poultry Conference!
<https://vimeo.com/159825702>

Reminder

Producer Association meeting
 May 11th at 7:00 pm
 At the Ramada in Abbotsford

Attached is the BCBHEC Election Timeline
 Important dates are fast approaching!



2016 CHARITY GOLF TOURNAMENT

All proceeds benefitting Canuck Place Children's Hospice Abbotsford



BC Chicken Growers
 ASSOCIATION

THURSDAY JUNE 23, 2016

11:00 AM REGISTRATION

1:00 PM SHOTGUN START

INCLUDES: LUNCH, DINNER BUFFET,
 PRIZES, LIVE & SILENT AUCTION
 CHILLIWACK GOLF CLUB

41894 Yale Road West, Chilliwack, BC



BC Hatching
 eggs

Production Cycles

Period	Start Date	End Date
A-130	Apr 19, 2015	Jun 13, 2015
A-131	Jun 14, 2015	Aug 8, 2015
A-132	Aug 9, 2015	Oct 3, 2015
A-133	Oct 4, 2015	Nov 28, 2015
A-134	Nov 29, 2015	Jan 23, 2016
A-135	Jan 24, 2016	Mar 19, 2016
A-136	Mar 20, 2016	May 14, 2016

Pricing Orders

Period	Live Chicken	Hatching Eggs	Saleable Chicks	Day-Old Broiler Chicks
A-132	159.50¢/kg	503.99¢/doz	52.50¢/chick	71.42¢/chick
A-133	162.97¢/kg	517.58¢/doz	53.91¢/chick	72.83¢/chick
A-134	162.66¢/kg	520.90¢/doz	54.26¢/chick	73.18¢/chick
A-135	159.81¢/kg	514.01¢/doz	53.54¢/chick	72.46¢/chick
A-136	161.28¢/kg	530.99¢/doz	55.31¢/chick	74.23¢/chick

BRITISH COLUMBIA BROILER HATCHING EGG COMMISSION

2016 ELECTION TIMELINE

Activity	Date
Mailing of Notice of Election	May 9
Candidate Nomination Deadline (and optional submission of candidate biographies)	May 27
Deadline to receive Voting Producer Appointment Forms	May 27
Deadline to receive Mail-in Ballot Requests	May 27
Deadline to change email addresses for online voting	May 27
Mailing of Election Package	June 3
Email to Online Voters & Opening of Online Voting Site	June 3
Closing of Voting (both mail-in ballots & online voting)	June 20 (4:30 PM)
Counting of votes and Announcement of results	June 21

The Independent Elections Officer (IEO) will be Heather Carriere from C.O.M.B

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2016 Census of Agriculture is on the horizon

At the beginning of May 2016, Canadian farm operators will have the chance to take part in a national dialogue by completing the Census of Agriculture questionnaire.

The Census of Agriculture is the definitive source of community-level data. By drawing on these data, decision makers will know that they are acting in the interests of farmers, farm communities and agricultural operations across Canada.

Farm organizations are heavy users of census data and draw on this information when formulating policy requests, producing communication and outreach work, and conducting market research.

What's new for the 2016 Census of Agriculture?

Census by Internet: fast and easy

All Canadian farm operators will receive a letter at the beginning of May 2016 with instructions on how to quickly and easily complete the questionnaire online.

The online questionnaire will automatically add totals. As a result, completing the questionnaire online will limit the questions to the ones that apply specifically to an operator's farm and will reduce the need to call back farm operators in order to clarify answers. On average, farmers should spend 30% less time responding to the 2016 Census of Agriculture than they did responding to the previous census (2011).

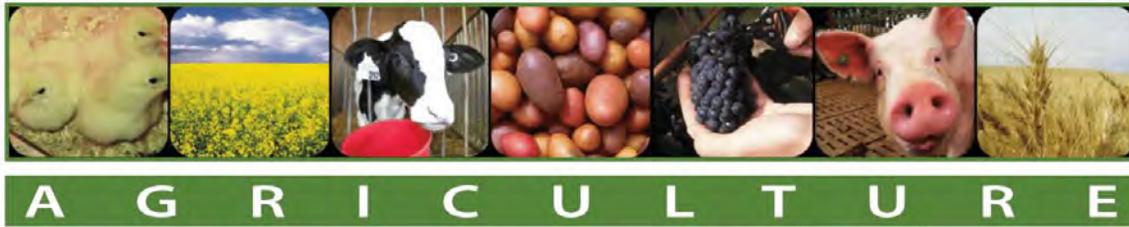
Shorter—but still comprehensive—questionnaire

The Census of Agriculture staff consults after every census with farmers, agricultural industry members, and data users for the purpose of assessing data needs.

Statistics Canada has received more than 200 submissions from diverse groups, including federal government departments and agencies, provincial ministries, farming organizations, academics, farm service companies, and consulting firms further to the 2011 Census of Agriculture. Statistics Canada is grateful to the agriculture industry for its ongoing feedback and support.

As a result of these consultations, most of the questions for 2016 are identical to those used in 2011. This continuity is important when it comes to tracking long-term trends in the industry and meeting the ongoing needs of users and stakeholders.

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In the 2016 Census, operators are no longer required to provide detailed farm expenses and other information such as place of residence, details on irrigated land, and the source and use of manure.

The questionnaire also includes new questions on the adoption of technologies, direct marketing, succession planning and renewable energy production.

Overall, the 2016 questionnaire has 18 fewer questions than did the 2011 questionnaire.

The content of the [2016 Census of Agriculture](#) was published in the *Canada Gazette* on June 20, 2015.

Getting ready

In the coming months, the Census of Agriculture Program will begin its communication and outreach work with the farming community. This work includes farm show exhibitions, as well as a media campaign that explains what's new in the upcoming census and why the census is important.

By law, farmers are required to participate in the Census of Agriculture. By the same law, Statistics Canada is required to protect the information provided in Census of Agriculture questionnaires. Privacy is a fundamental component of the census.

At the beginning of May, complete your questionnaire and tell *your* story as part of Canada's farming community!

For more information, please visit the [Statistics Canada](#) website.