



CANADIAN BEEF

## 68,434



**Farms and Ranches  
with Beef Cattle**

2011 Agriculture Census

## 11.96 million



**Total Cattle and Calves  
Up 0.3% from 2015**

(includes 1.40 million dairy cattle)

Statistics Canada, Jan 2016

## 3.83 million

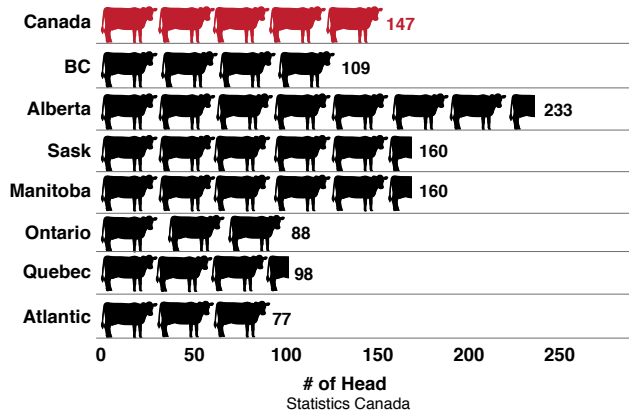


**Beef Cows  
Steady with 2015**

Statistics Canada, Jan 2016

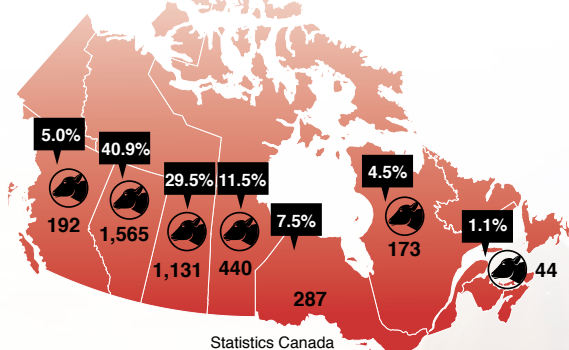
## PRODUCTION

**Average # Head per Farm**  
Jan 1, 2016

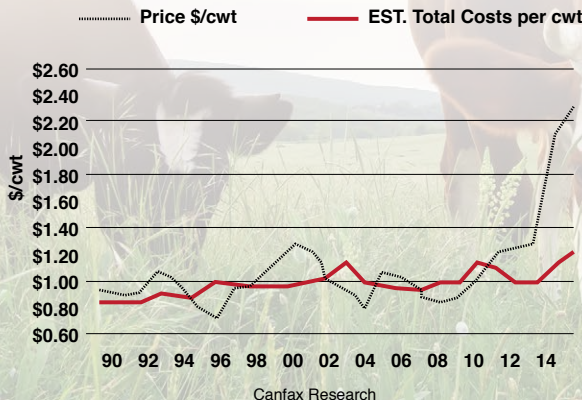


**Beef Cows by Province**

January 1, 2016 (beef cows = 3.83 million)  
All inventories in 1,000 head



**Average Cost of Production vs.  
Average Returns on an  
Alberta 550 lb Calf**

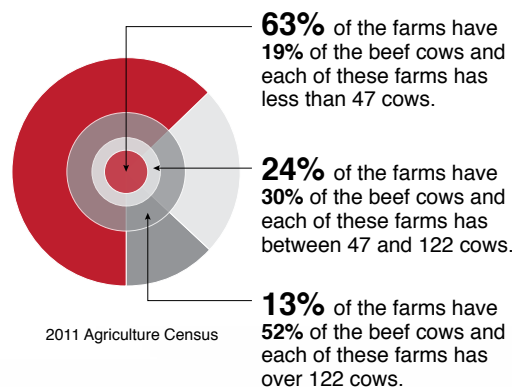


## Did you know...

**The average beef cow herd  
size in Canada is 63.**

2011 Agriculture Census

**There are a lot of small  
cattle farms...**



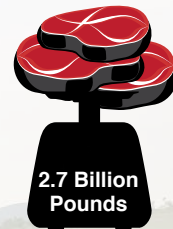
**Canada fed 2.5 million cattle in  
2015 (finished to market weight)  
down 12% from 2014.**

Canfax, Statistics Canada, AAFC

**Western Canada finishes 75% of  
all fed cattle in Canada.** Canfax

**In 2015, Canada  
produced 2.7 billion  
pounds of beef,  
down 9% from  
2014.**

Canfax, Statistics Canada



**Cattle and calf cash receipts in  
2015 totaled \$10.51 billion, up 7%  
from 2014.** Statistics Canada

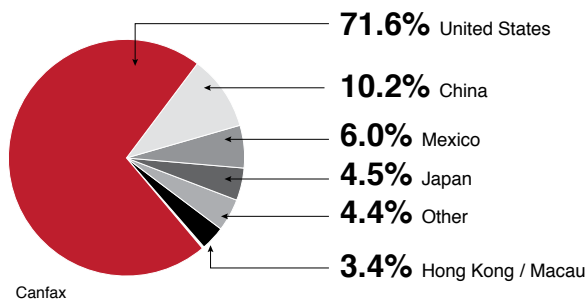
**Beef production contributed  
\$15 billion to Canada's GDP  
(2011-2015 average).**

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# — WHERE CANADA TRADES —

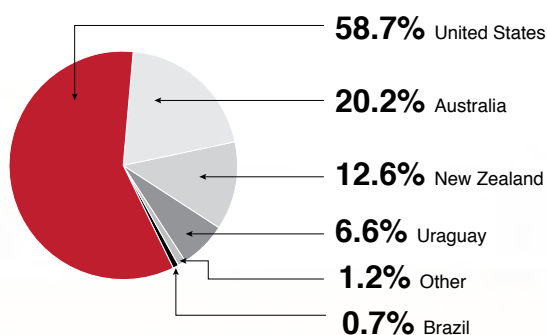
## Beef Exports - 2015

710 million pounds (322 million kg)



## Beef Imports - 2015

450 million pounds (204 million kg)



In 2015, Canada exported **45%** of total beef and cattle produced in Canada.

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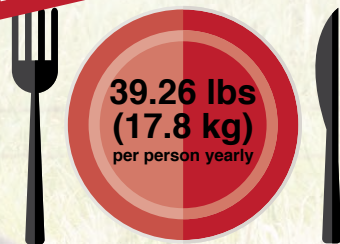
On a net basis (subtracting out imports), **Canada exported 25%** of its beef and cattle production in 2015.

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Canadian beef exports were valued at **\$2.23 billion** in 2015, up 15% from \$1.94 billion in 2014.

Statistics Canada

## CANADIAN BEEF CONSUMPTION



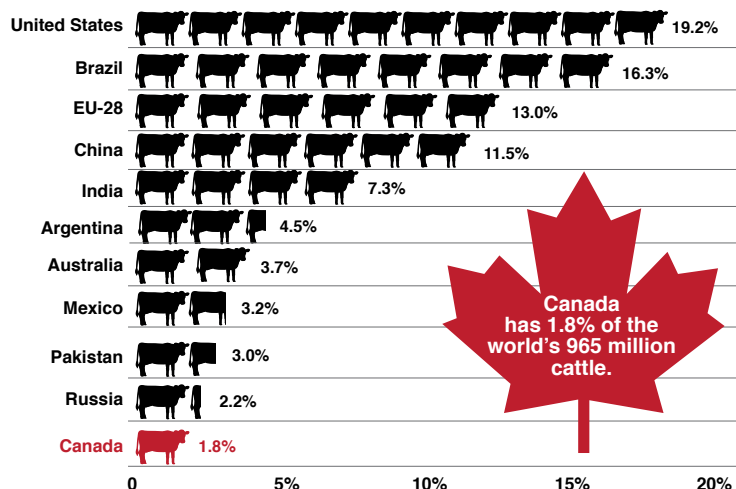
Down 7.7% versus last year.  
1 metric tonne = 2,204.6 lbs.

Statistics Canada, Livestock Stats, Retail Wt. 2014

What are we really eating?

# — WHERE CANADA FITS —

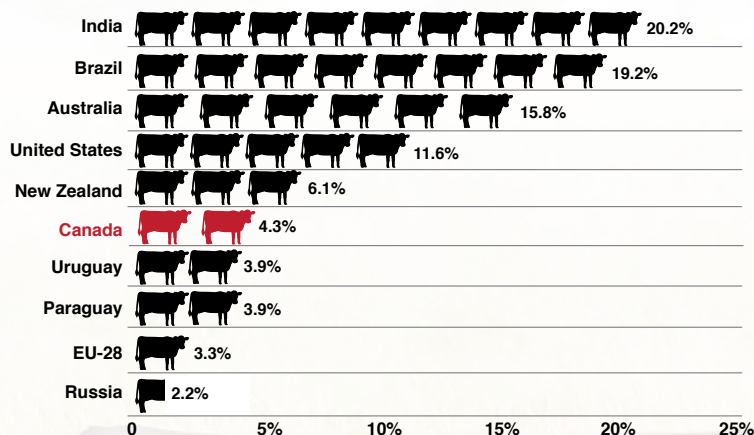
## Top 11 Beef Producing Nations 2016f



Canada produces 1.8% of the world's beef supply. Worldwide Beef Production is estimated at 59 million metric tonnes in 2016. USDA

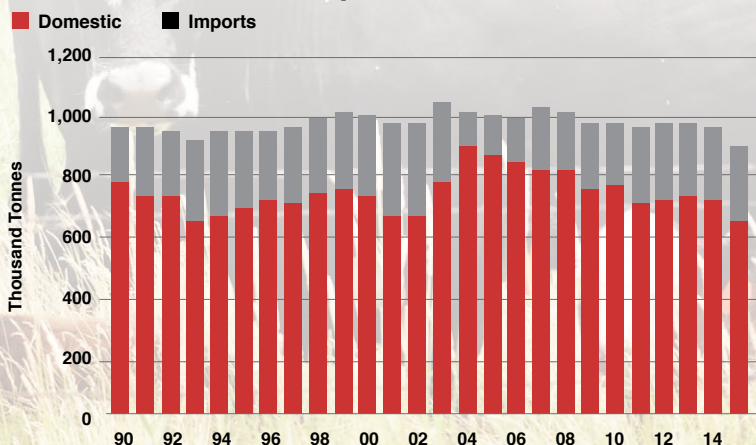
## Top 10 Beef Exporting Nations 2016f

(excludes live slaughter exports)



Total world exports in 2016 are projected at 9.6 million metric tonne and Canada is projected to be the 6<sup>th</sup> largest beef exporter in the world (excluding live cattle exports). USDA

## Canadian Beef Consumption



Canadian's consumed 874,740 tonnes of beef in 2015. Statistics Canada