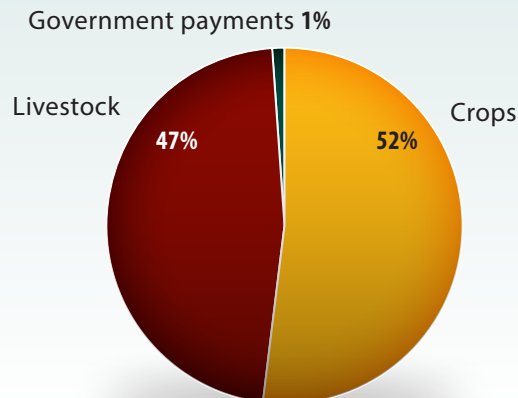


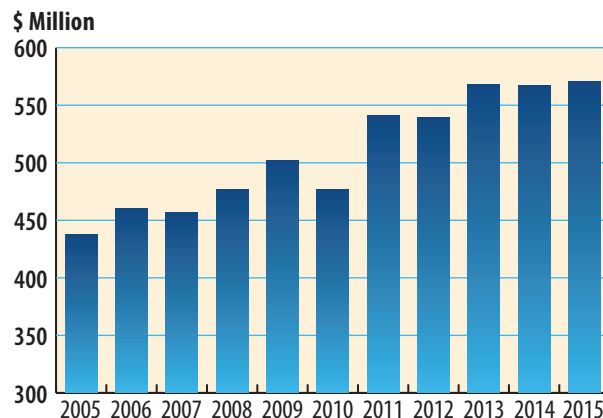
Agriculture and Agri-Food 2015

The agriculture and agri-food sector is an important component of the provincial economy, generating employment, income and nourishment to both rural and urban communities. The sector combines 2,611 farms and approximately 140 processing plants to produce farm cash receipts of \$571 million and processed agri-food products worth over \$1 billion. New Brunswick enjoys one of the highest levels of value-added processing in the country from its agriculture and agri-food sector with around 80 per cent of the province's agriculture production being processed in-province before reaching the market. The sector has an extensive network of export markets comprising of about 70 countries, with total exports estimated at \$524 million in 2015. The sector is quite diverse with over 30 commodities being produced in New Brunswick. Potatoes, dairy products, poultry and eggs, floriculture, nursery and sod, fruits and berries, and beef accounted for over 80 per cent of total farm cash receipts in 2015. In terms of employment, the sector generated about 4,100 and 6,600 full-time equivalent jobs in primary production and secondary processing activities, respectively.

2015 Farm Cash Receipts: \$571 million



Total Farm Cash Receipts: 2005–2015



Agriculture and Agri-Food Industry

Number of farms (2011 Census of Agric.)	2,611
Farmland, hectares (2011 Census of Agric.)	379,526
Land in crops, hectares (2011 Census of Agric.)	142,138
Total farm assets	\$2.7 billion
Farm cash receipts	\$571 million
Number of processing plants	140
Shipments of processed food products*	Over \$1 billion
Agri-food exports	\$524 million
Employment, farm	4,100
Employment, processing	6,600

Major Crops - Production Area (Hectares)

	2014	2015
Potatoes	19,486	19,486
Blueberries	13,364	13,662
Oats	12,100	12,100
Barley	7,300	7,300
Soybeans	6,100	5,300
Corn for grain	3,800	4,000

Major Commodities - Value (\$ million)

	2014	2015
Potatoes	133.8	136.0
Poultry and eggs*	103.7	104.7
Dairy	101.4	100.7
Fruits & berries	40.6	45.9
Beef	33.3	42.0
Floriculture, nursery and sod	36.7	39.9
Maple products	30.6	25.4
Grain	20.3	20.1
Hogs	12.1	9.1
Total payments	14.1	5.7
Other	40.9	41.4

Note: *estimate

Exports of Agri-Food Products

By Country	\$ Million	
	2014	2015
United States	327.3	432.7
Costa Rica	8.9	12.7
Mexico	3.8	8.4
Malaysia	3.3	7.8
Japan	8.8	7.3
United States Minor Outlying Islands	5.1	5.5
Czech Republic	0.5	4.8
Bahamas	4.8	3.1
Saudi Arabia	2.1	3.1
United Arab Emirates	2.1	2.8
Panama	1.2	2.7
Denmark	3.1	2.7
Taiwan	0.6	2.2
Other	28.6	27.6
Total	400.2	523.5

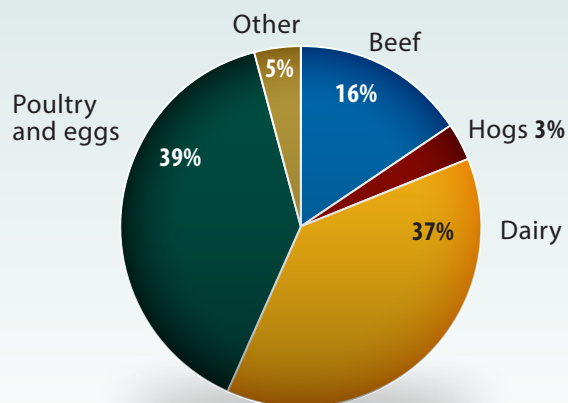
By Commodity	\$ Million	
	2014	2015
Potatoes and potato products	221.2	294.7
Beer	45.7	39.3
Live tree, plant and flowers	32.5	28.9
Live animals	19.6	23.9
Animal feed	17.1	23.7
Maple products	12.0	17.7
Preparations of grain, pasta	10.0	12.9
Other	59.2	82.4
Total exports	400.2	523.5

2015 Highlights

- Potato receipts increased by about \$2 million (2%) to \$136 million in 2015. Gains from a yield increase outweighed a slight drop in average prices. Yield continued to increase by six per cent to 315 cwt per acre (35 tonnes/hectare) in 2015, an outcome which will be reflected in the potato receipts for 2016 due to the lag in reporting potato receipts.
- Blueberry receipts increased by \$5 million (15 per cent) to \$38 million in 2015. This was due to an increase in marketed output by 15 million pounds (25 per cent) to reach 74 million pounds in 2015. Since 2012, blueberry yield and area have been on an upward trend in the province.
- Floriculture, nursery and sod receipts increased by around \$3 million (nine per cent) to about \$40 million in 2015.
- Maple product receipts decreased by about \$5 million (-17 per cent) to slightly more than \$25 million in 2015.

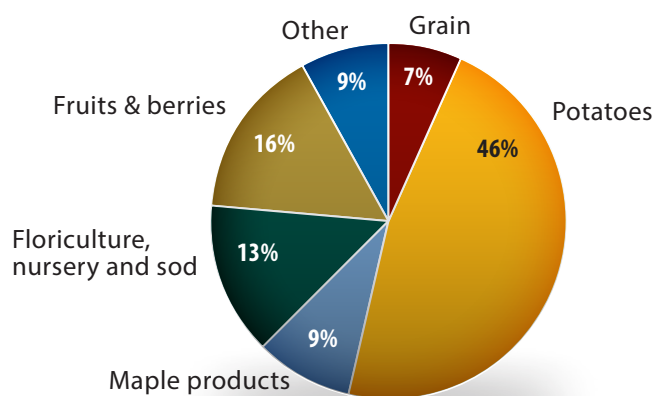
Livestock Production

Total Value in 2015: \$270 million



Crops

Total Value in 2015: \$295 million



- Beef receipts increased by nearly \$9 million (26 per cent) to \$42 million in 2015. Low North American supplies resulted in higher beef prices.
- Agri-food export revenues increased by around \$123 million (31 per cent) to a total of \$524 million in 2015. Exports to the United States (US) increased by \$105 million (32 per cent) to \$433 million in 2015. Similarly, exports to Costa Rica, Mexico and Malaysia increased by nearly \$13 million (80 per cent) to \$29 million.
- The main commodities that experienced an increase in export revenues were potato and potato products (by \$74 million), animal feed (by \$7 million), maple products (by \$6 million) and live animals (by \$4 million). The gain in exports was mainly due to higher demand for processed potato products and the low Canadian dollar against major currencies.