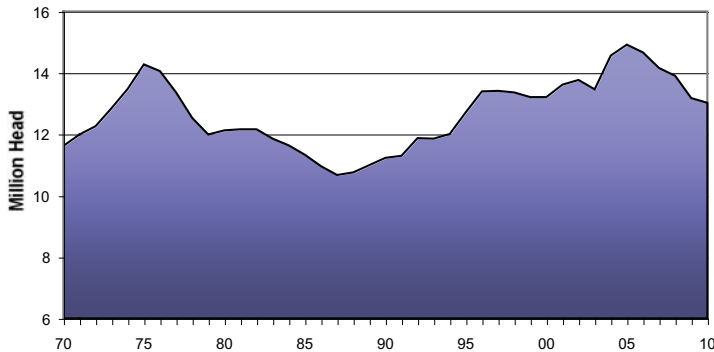


# Fast Facts

## PRODUCTION

Canadian Cattle and Calves Inventory -  
Jan 1, 1970 - 2010



**83,000**

Farms and Ranches with Beef Cattle

Statistics Canada 2006

**13.015 million**

Total Cattle and Calves

(includes 1.44 million dairy cattle)

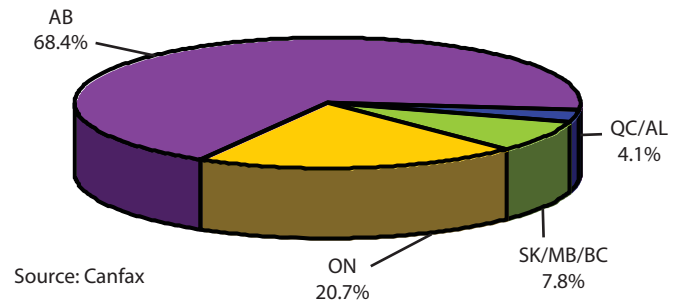
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**4.47 million**

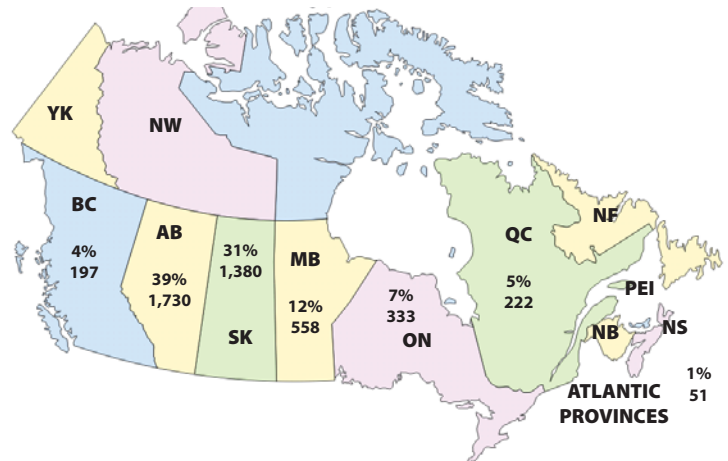
Beef Cows

Statistics Canada Jan 2010

Canadian Fed Cattle Production 2009



Canadian Beef Cow Herd  
(in '000 head)



### Did you know...

✓ **The average beef cow herd size in Canada is 61.**

-Statistics Canada 2006

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

-Statistics Canada 2006

- 61% of the farms have 19% of the beef cows and each of these farms has less than 47 cows
- 26% of the farms have 33% of the beef cows and each of these farms has between 47 and 122 cows
- 13% of the farms have 48% of the beef cows and each of these farms has over 122 cows

✓ **Canada fed 3.2 million cattle in 2009. (Cattle that are finished to market weight.)**

-Canfax, Statistics Canada, AAFC

✓ **In 2009, Canada produced 3.4 billion pounds of beef.**

-Statistics Canada, Canfax

✓ **Cattle and calf cash receipts in 2009 totaled \$5.8 billion.**

-Statistics Canada

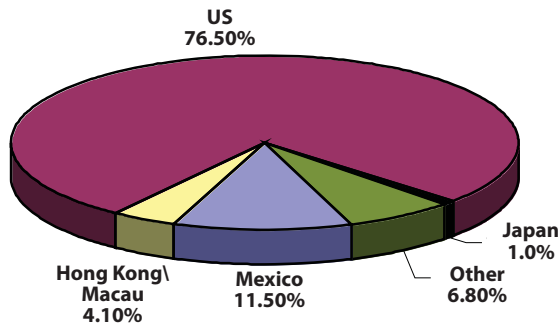
✓ **Beef production contributed \$23 billion to Canada's economy in 2009.**

-Canfax, Statistics Canada 2009

# WHERE CANADA TRADES

## Beef and Cattle Exports – 2009

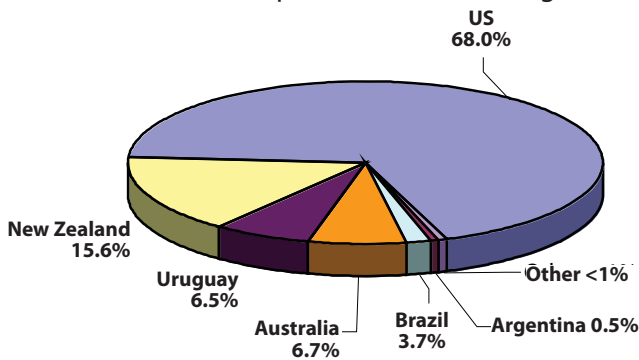
1.5 billion pounds (709 million kg)



Source: Canfax

## Beef Imports – 2009

382 million pounds (183 million kg)



Source: Canfax

✓ In 2009, Canada exported 48% of total beef and cattle produced in Canada.

-Statistics Canada, Canfax, AAFC 2009

✓ On a net basis (subtracting out imports), Canada exported 34% of its beef and cattle production in 2009.

-Statistics Canada, Canfax, AAFC 2009

✓ Canadian beef exports were valued at \$1.26 billion in 2009 –this compares to \$1.35 billion in 2008.

-Statistics Canada 2008

## Canadian Beef Consumption

*What are we really eating?*

46 lbs.(20.9kg) per person yearly  
Down 2.3% versus last year

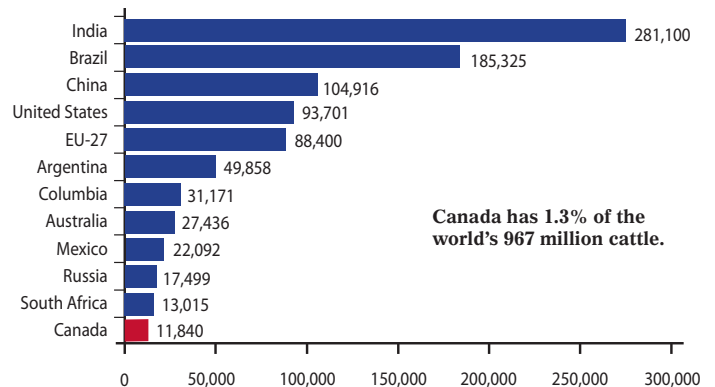
Statistics Canada 2009, Livestock stats, retail wt.

1 metric tonne = 2,204.6 lbs.

# WHERE CANADA FITS

## The Top 12 World Cattle Inventories – 2010

(in millions of head)

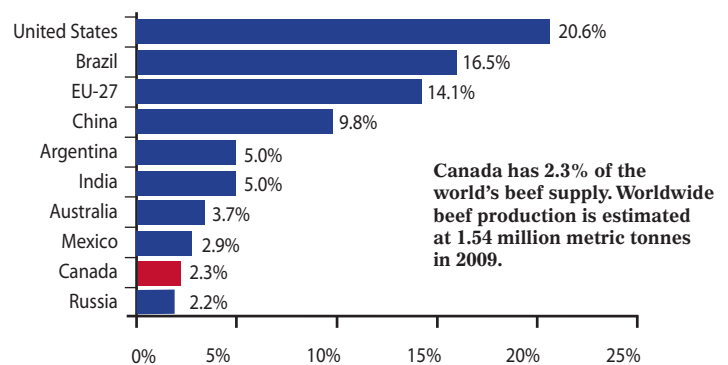


Canada has 1.3% of the world's 967 million cattle.

Source: GIRA

## Top 10 Beef Producing Nations, 2009

(in millions of head)

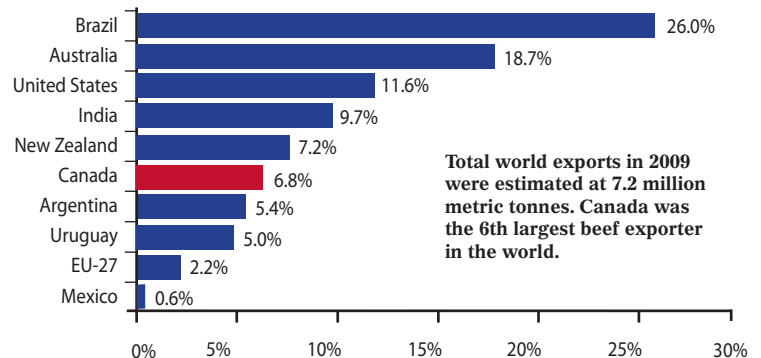


Canada has 2.3% of the world's beef supply. Worldwide beef production is estimated at 1.54 million metric tonnes in 2009.

Source: USDA

## Top 10 Beef Exporting Nations, 2009

(in millions of head - excludes Live Cattle Exports)



Total world exports in 2009 were estimated at 7.2 million metric tonnes. Canada was the 6th largest beef exporter in the world.

Source: USDA