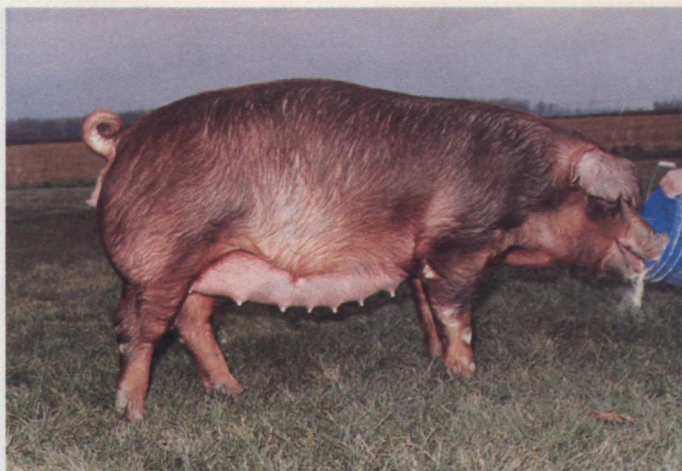


# The Canadian Duroc Jersey

Duroc sow



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Duroc boar

The Duroc Jersey originated in the United States and since its introduction into Canada has become one of the most popular breeds in the country. The registration for 1984 was 1,867. Durocs are solid red in colour, a meaty type animal and are

noted for their carcass characteristics and feed efficiency. It has strong feet and legs making it an excellent choice for rugged commercial feeding conditions. The Duroc is also noted for large litters, a characteristic retained even when used in a cross-breeding program.

Durocs are being used as a ter-

minial breed in cross-breeding programs as well as the third breed in rotational cross-breeding.