

PRIMARY INDUSTRIES

AGRICULTURE

Agriculture is Canada's most important primary industry, although it employs less than 8 per cent of the country's labour force. Occupied land exceeds 174 million acres and the total number of farms is 431,000. Farming is highly commercialized, mechanized and specialized.

Types of farming include grain and other field crops, dairying, livestock and poultry raising, grain, fruit and vegetable growing, and the cultivation of specialties such as tobacco, honey and maple products, and fur farming.

