



# CFBA News

Newsletter of the Canadian Farm Builders Association

Newsletter 2014

President's news,

This has been a long forgotten Canadian winter, one that came in with attitude. Frost set in deep, the temperature stayed in the negative zone snow keeps coming along with the odd day of ice storms. It has been entertaining for all who work outside.

Thank you to all the participants that helped make are A.G.M meeting and conference a great success. Congratulations to all the category building winners and builder of the year Award participants, taking pride in what you do and paying close attention to details does pay off for you and your clients.

This is the time of year, before we all get too busy, to have your employees re-introduce themselves with their safety programs and certificates. Also to check that all equipment is serviced and ready for another busy year.

Let's stay informed and on top of your game with the changing times, make the C.F.B.A. web site a weekly read for the latest Construction information. Please keep in mind that we are always looking for new C.F.B.A. members and individuals that would like to be part of the C.F.B.A. board of directors.

***"Every morning you have two choices;  
Continue to sleep with your dreams or  
Wake up and chase them".***



Mark Cook  
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# Glen White Memorial Award

*for Project of the Year*

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## Horse II

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## *Dairy Facility*

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## **Dairy Barn c/w Milk House**

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Engineered by Tacoma Engineers*



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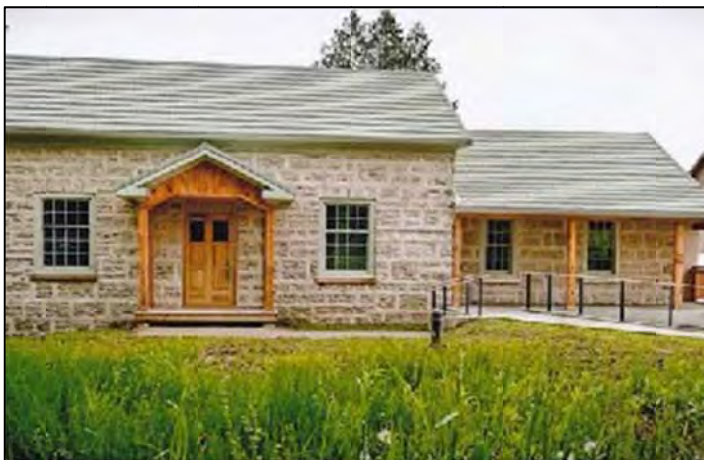
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*Built by HFH Inc.  
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# Swine Facility

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## Hog Finishing Barn

**Built by Middlesex Concrete Forming Ltd.**  
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## Other Livestock

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## Other Livestock Barn

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## Horse I Barn

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## Horse - Category II

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### 26,770 sq.ft. Equine Facility

*Built by Post Farm Structures  
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PROJECT OF THE YEAR AWARD



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Comm./Ind. Award/Hobby/Rec. Award/Farm Storage Award





Dan Reymer - Martin Habib

Swine Award



Dan Reymer - Chris Feenstra

Horse I Facility Award



Dan Reymer - Kyle Bosomworth

Dairy Facility Award



Dan Reymer - Neil Post

Horse II Facility Award/Other Livestock Award

### **ENTERTAINMENT – NICHOLAS WALLACE**



# PRESIDENT'S AWARD

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## **COCA president, Ian Cunningham presents Gary van Bolderen with the "PRESIDENT'S AWARD"**

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At the recent 2013 Annual Meeting of the Council of Ontario Construction Association (COCA), Gary was recognized by COCA's President, Ian Cunningham, for his positive volunteer contributions to COCA. Gary is a charter member of the CFBA and is the CFBA past-president. Gary is also the 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President at COCA. Gary has represented the Canadian Farm Builders Association for many years at COCA and participated in many events and lobbying efforts supporting the construction industry in Ontario.

COCA is the "Voice of Construction in Ontario" and represents not only its members, but all of construction's interests at Queen's Park. COCA is a very active participant in the legislative process on behalf of the industry. COCA members volunteer their time and experience at committee meetings, agency boards, direct Member of Parliament contacts, and industry promotions, such as the very successful, "Construction Day" at Queen's Park each year.

The President's Award was a complete surprise to Gary when it was announced. "It is always nice to be appreciated and recognized," said Gary and very humbling when I see the truly significant contributions made by so many others at COCA.

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Last week I attended the COCA annual conference. We had Elizabeth Witmer the head of the WSIB make a presentation and there were awards presented for different things and the usual routine housekeeping topics for the budget, etc., and committee reports.

To my complete surprise I was awarded the “President’s Award”. This is an award that is given out at the discretion of the President (Ian Cunningham) and not necessarily an annual award. In this case Ian stated that the award was for my volunteer work attending many meetings and events with COCA and my positive attitude during some tough times at COCA. The organization is on a very positive upswing with new members and great exposure at Queen’s Park, the Construction Day event. We have had some members appointed to significant government committees and agencies representing the contractor’s point of view. All this is of course not something that is top of mind to our members, but I believe are important to the future of construction, especially for the smaller contractors who do not have the time to be part of the governmental process that is easily side track with political decisions, not practical decisions, for an industry that a lot of MPP’s do not know enough about. Like the CFBA, COCA can be a support of our members, even if our membership does not recognize the role of advocacy on their behalf.

I would like to thank the CFBA Board for allowing me to represent the membership at COCA.



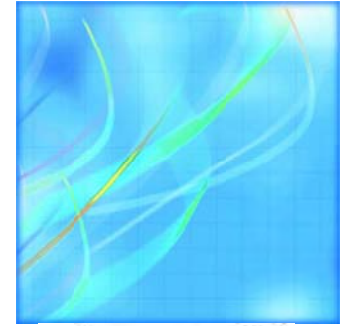
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Farm Income and Prices Section

# Net Farm Income

Agriculture Economic Statistics

## Analysis

The realized net income of Canadian farmers totaled \$7.3 billion in 2012, up 31.7% from 2011, as farm cash receipts rose more than operating costs. This follows gains of 56.3% in 2011 and 16.9% in 2010.

Realized net income is the difference between a farmer's cash receipts and operating expenses, minus depreciation, plus income in kind. Realized net income increased in Newfoundland and Labrador, Nova Scotia, Quebec, Ontario, Saskatchewan, Alberta and British Columbia.

Farm cash receipts, which include market receipts from crop and livestock sales as well as program payments, rose 9.2% to \$54.2 billion in 2012, following an 11.9% gain in 2011.

Market receipts increased 10.0% to \$50.7 billion in 2012. Crop receipts, which rose 15.6% to \$29.9 billion, were the largest contributor to the gain. Receipts from livestock products increased 2.8% to \$20.9 billion. Livestock receipts accounted for 41.1% of market receipts in 2012, compared with 55.7% 10 years earlier.

Stronger prices for grains and oilseeds played a major role in boosting crop receipts. For example, wheat receipts, excluding durum, rose 18.4% in 2012, mostly because of a 19.4% gain in prices. Canola receipts were up 7.3% to \$8.2 billion, on the strength of a 6.3% price increase. The 56.2% rise in soybean receipts and the 28.0% gain in corn receipts were both the result of increased marketing's and prices.

World grain prices began rising during the second half of 2012, as drought in the United States and other countries reduced world grain stocks. Crop receipts rose in every province except Prince Edward Island (-0.2%) and New Brunswick (-6.5%). A drop in potato marketing's contributed to the lack of growth in crop receipts in the two provinces.

Crop receipts rose 24.9% in Alberta in 2012. Increased prices and marketing's for both canola and wheat helped push crop receipts higher.

Overall livestock receipts increased in all provinces. Cattle receipts rose 4.2%, as a reduced supply of market animals boosted cattle prices. Conversely, hog receipts decreased 2.3% to \$3.8 billion, as prices fell 3.4%.

Receipts for producers in the three supply-managed sectors (dairy, poultry and eggs) increased 3.4%. A 9.2% rise in egg receipts exceeded gains for chickens (+5.2%) and dairy products (+1.7%).

Program payments fell 1.0% to \$3.4 billion in 2012. Better growing conditions led to a 22.1% decline in Saskatchewan that more than offset payment increases of 17.4% in Quebec and 12.9% in Alberta.

Farm operating expenses (after rebates) were up 6.7% to \$40.8 billion in 2012, following an 8.3% increase in 2011 and a 2.1% decline in 2010.

Sharp increases in seeded acres on the eastern prairies, together with moderate price gains, pushed fertilizer expenses up 20.2%. Producers in Saskatchewan and Manitoba had seeded notably fewer acres in 2011 as a result of flooding. Feed expenses were up 9.9% as feed prices rose throughout 2012.

Depreciation charges rose 4.3% in 2012, resulting in total farm expenses of \$47.0 billion, up 6.4% from 2011. Total farm expenses grew in every province in 2012. The largest percentage increases occurred in Saskatchewan (+9.0%), Manitoba (+8.0%) and Alberta (+8.0%).

## Net Farm Income – February 2014

Total net income reached \$7.1 billion in 2012, a \$1.1 billion gain over the previous year. The largest increases were in Manitoba (+\$1.0 billion), Ontario (+\$232 million) and Quebec (+\$172 million), while Saskatchewan and Alberta saw declines.

Total net income adjusts realized net income for changes in farmer-owned inventories of crops and livestock. It represents the return to owner's equity, unpaid labour, and management and risk.

Table 1-6

## Net farm income — Agriculture economic statistics — 2010 to 2012

	Newfoundland and Labrador	Prince Edward Island	Nova Scotia	New Brunswick	Quebec	Ontario	Manitoba	Saskat- chewan	Alberta	British Columbia	Canada
thousands of dollars											
<b>2010</b>											
+Total cash receipts	117,294	410,321	496,162	477,287	7,213,365	10,206,796	4,780,519	9,117,239	9,000,917	2,505,164	44,325,063
-Operating expenses after rebates	103,242	347,709	422,016	408,186	5,498,631	8,392,146	3,776,214	6,379,707	7,734,658	2,261,489	35,323,999
=Net cash income	14,052	62,612	74,145	69,101	1,714,734	1,814,651	1,004,305	2,737,531	1,266,258	243,675	9,001,064
+Income in kind	339	419	937	805	10,830	8,595	2,965	4,156	7,497	4,099	40,640
-Depreciation charges	8,338	40,759	59,135	52,604	763,251	1,212,000	529,544	1,163,217	1,323,298	357,359	5,509,504
=Realized net income	6,053	22,271	15,948	17,302	962,313	611,246	477,726	1,578,469	-49,543	-109,585	3,532,200
+Value of inventory change	-431	17,093	470	9,328	21,234	-84,155	-562,643	-832,579	321,963	-9,469	-1,119,188
= <b>Total net income</b>	<b>5,622</b>	<b>39,365</b>	<b>16,417</b>	<b>26,631</b>	<b>983,547</b>	<b>527,090</b>	<b>-84,916</b>	<b>745,890</b>	<b>272,420</b>	<b>-119,054</b>	<b>2,413,012</b>
<b>2011</b>											
+Total cash receipts	118,823	484,544	527,865	540,425	7,966,779	11,033,567	4,969,622	11,044,491	10,321,065	2,604,593	49,611,776
-Operating expenses after rebates	108,781	367,091	441,900	425,712	6,024,252	8,868,875	3,950,091	7,220,632	8,492,047	2,366,033	38,265,415
=Net cash income	10,042	117,453	85,966	114,713	1,942,527	2,164,693	1,019,531	3,823,858	1,829,018	238,561	11,346,361
+Income in kind	330	339	969	759	11,646	9,606	3,391	4,646	8,728	4,774	45,186
-Depreciation charges	8,719	42,999	61,499	53,946	804,446	1,285,354	565,267	1,283,325	1,392,998	372,043	5,870,596
=Realized net income	1,652	74,793	25,436	61,525	1,149,726	888,944	457,655	2,545,179	444,748	-128,709	5,520,951
+Value of inventory change	-217	-12,699	387	-50,957	-9,235	351,176	-492,569	169,694	509,445	53,241	518,265
= <b>Total net income</b>	<b>1,435</b>	<b>62,094</b>	<b>25,823</b>	<b>10,568</b>	<b>1,140,491</b>	<b>1,240,120</b>	<b>-34,914</b>	<b>2,714,873</b>	<b>954,193</b>	<b>-75,468</b>	<b>6,039,216</b>
<b>2012</b>											
+Total cash receipts	130,310	480,974	582,245	537,426	8,348,901	12,310,889	5,177,726	11,838,272	11,950,619	2,831,948	54,189,310
-Operating expenses after rebates	115,150	382,218	469,099	439,203	6,220,422	9,319,529	4,312,179	7,929,140	9,220,945	2,433,434	40,841,320
=Net cash income	15,160	98,756	113,146	98,223	2,128,479	2,991,359	865,547	3,909,132	2,729,674	398,515	13,347,990
+Income in kind	235	332	887	905	12,027	9,408	3,531	4,921	8,652	4,356	45,254
-Depreciation charges	8,737	44,470	62,309	54,467	833,096	1,348,809	585,788	1,344,147	1,458,862	379,852	6,120,538
=Realized net income	6,658	54,618	51,724	44,661	1,307,410	1,651,958	283,289	2,569,905	1,279,464	23,019	7,272,706
+Value of inventory change	-1,425	15,357	691	28,739	5,316	-180,312	691,932	-243,183	-454,893	-12,351	-150,129
= <b>Total net income</b>	<b>5,233</b>	<b>69,975</b>	<b>52,415</b>	<b>73,399</b>	<b>1,312,726</b>	<b>1,471,647</b>	<b>975,222</b>	<b>2,326,722</b>	<b>824,571</b>	<b>10,668</b>	<b>7,122,577</b>

**Note(s):** The data in this table were last revised in November 2013.

## Farmers urged to remove snow from barn roofs

CTV London

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Read more: <http://london.ctvnews.ca/farmers-urged-to-remove-snow-from-barn-roofs-1.1670640#ixzz2uFfHxYUa>



With winter far from over, farmers are being urged to watch for snow building on their barn roofs.

The warning comes after a Brussels area farmer's barn roof came crashing down thanks to the weight of the snow.

"I was going to go up literally going to go up yesterday to clean the snow, but Saturday's snow just kind of changed our plans a bit I guess," says Steve Rombouts. Instead of a preventative snow removal, Rombouts has a big mess on his hands. Roughly one quarter of the roof of one his pig barns collapsed Saturday. Amazingly no pigs inside the barn at the time of the collapse died.

"The winds changed from other years past, usually I'd be worried about the south side of the barn with snow load and this year the snow seemed to accumulate on the north side," adds Rombouts. And bigger isn't necessarily better. Larger and wider barns are more susceptible to collapsing.

"The types of barns we've been building have changed over the years. Namely they've got bigger, wider and larger. And especially when they start getting wider that presents some challenges in terms of snow sliding off the roof," says Howard House, an OMAFRA engineer.

Rombouts has an engineer working on reconstruction and reinforcement plans so he can get the hole fixed so he can get back to farming.



The partially collapsed roof of a pig barn is seen near Brussels, Ont. on Tuesday, Feb. 4, 2014. (Scott Miller / CTV London)



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## ***OAA QUANTIFIES THE COST OF SITE PLAN APPROVAL PROCESS***

TORONTO / The Ontario Association of Architects (OAA) commissioned Bousfields Inc. and Altus Group to create a first-of-its-kind report that quantifies the cost of delays in the site plan approval process in Ontario and outlines the financial impact of the delays in site plan review on new homebuyers, commercial tenants, developers, municipalities, the local economy and jobs. In a review of almost 500 site plan applications across the province, the report points to a process that is often delayed six to twelve months with over 35 per cent of applications taking longer than nine months. Additionally, the report highlights reasons for such delays including lack of municipal expertise, objectivity and co-ordination between departments and unnecessary submission requirements.

According to report findings, each additional month in site plan review costs:

- Residential developers \$193,000 including additional taxes, financing, inflation on construction costs and materials for a 100-unit building. Over a six to twelve month period the additional costs of the delay can be \$1.16 to \$2.3 million. These costs can be passed on to new homebuyers through higher prices;
- Individual new homebuyers roughly \$2,375 including costs passed on through higher prices, lost equity by not beginning a mortgage sooner and added rent costs;
- Commercial developers \$113,000 including additional taxes, financing, inflation on construction costs and materials for a 50,000 square foot building. Over a six to twelve month period the additional cost of the delay can be \$680,000 to \$1.36 million;
- Commercial tenants \$2.50 to \$2.70 per square foot including costs passed on by applicants through higher rents;

## Ag Maps Launches at Fall Farm Shows

OMAFRA recently launched its Geographic Information website Ag Maps, at the Outdoor Farm Show and the International Plowing Match in September. OMAFRA Geospatial Information Specialist, Jennifer Birchmore was on hand to provide demonstrations to interested visitors. "The site was well received with positive feedback from nutrient management consultants and landowners. Users are excited to find all the information required to submit agriculture strategies or plans and applications in one spot" said Jennifer.

Ag Maps offers professionals like nutrient management consultants and NASM Plan Developers access to all geospatial agricultural and rural information including the Agricultural Information Atlas mapping website. This interactive site provides visitors options to create and view agricultural data like soils, drainage and aerial imagery with relevant data layers from other Provincial ministries.

Nutrient Management professionals in particular can now create farmstead site and field sketches, measure field areas and distances to and from sensitive features, check roll numbers and lot concession property locations, use aerial photos to identify existing livestock barns and manure storages, as well as view sites for new or expanding barns or storage. Maps developed using the mapping tools can be submitted to OMAFRA in support of tile drainage record submissions, nutrient management and environmental farm plans.

As well, Ag Maps offers viewers access to pre-fabricated maps like the Canada Land Inventory map series plus maps from the data download pages like Ontario Farmers markets and OMAFRA office locations.

Farmers, Nutrient Management Consultants, NASM Plan Developers, Drainage Superintendents, Green Energy Developers, Real Estate Developers, Conservation Authorities and many other professionals and planners can benefit from having this site publicly available.

For more information:  
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This map was created using the Agriculture Information Atlas. The user located a specific property, turned on layers of interest (i.e., photography) and used available tools to sketch and label fields.

**Tile Drainage Record - Example Drainage Map**

Contractor ABC	
Licence Number 1234	
Landowner Example Farms	
County COUNTY OF HURON	
Township WAWANOSH	
Concession 5	Lot 13
Year of installation 2008	Acres Drained 30
Length of Tile Installed 200	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Feet <input type="checkbox"/> Metres
Drain Information	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Random <input type="checkbox"/> Systematic
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> New System <input type="checkbox"/> Improved System
Outlet Information	
<input type="checkbox"/> Road Ditch	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Municipal Drain
<input type="checkbox"/> Private Ditch	<input type="checkbox"/> Natural Watercourse
<input type="checkbox"/> Other _____	

Map Centre: 43° 51' 30.2" N, 81° 30' 28.3" W  
Scale: 1:12,000  
Map created: October 28, 2010

Visit Ag Maps at: [www.ontario.ca/agmaps](http://www.ontario.ca/agmaps)



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## WE NEED YOUR HELP!

***Our association is only as good as its members, so we need to know what you would like to see in this Newsletter.***

***We want to make this newsletter very informative to our members, so if there is a topic that you feel would help you or something that you could benefit from, please let us know.***

***We appreciate all the input that we have received in the past, but we need to keep the ideas flowing.***

***Thank you***



# CONCRETE CONTRACTOR DAY



## AGRICULTURAL CONCRETE TECHNOLOGY UPDATE

You are invited to attend an **INFORMATION SEMINAR** supported by your local ready mixed concrete producers & the Canadian Farm Builders Association. It will cover a broad range of topics related to your agricultural concrete business. A **Lunch** will be provided followed by an afternoon demonstration.

- Get up to date on concrete specifications
- Learn about slump technologies and self consolidating concrete
- Use technologies that enhance performance such as admixtures & fibres
- Address concrete troubleshooting issues

Speakers:

**Bart Kanters**, P.Eng, MBA, RMCAO  
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Cost: **\$30 per person** (including HST)

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**PARKHILL ~ Thursday, April 10, 2014**

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 519-294-6893

**Why You Should Attend** - Smooth operating construction sites provide the basis for ensuring cost effective delivery of the end product. This information will provide background on making sure the concrete requirements of your job are met.

### AGENDA

11:30 am	Registration	1:45 pm	Self Consolidating and Admixture Technology
12:00 pm	Welcome, Introductions & Lunch	2:05 pm	Fibre Technology
12:45 pm	Agricultural Concrete Specifications and OBC	2:30 pm	Exposed Aggregate and Pervious Demo
1:15 pm	Concrete Placement and Curing		Questions and Discussion

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