



The Canadian Dairy Commission

Our role

The CDC at a glance



Crown corporation **established in 1966** by the Canadian Dairy Commission Act



Based in
Ottawa



Over
70 employees



Dairy Year: **from August 1 to July 31**

Key facilitator for the Canadian dairy industry and serves to:

- Regulate the supply for dairy products
- Manage the milk supply
- Monitor the production, processing, and marketing of dairy products
- Manage milk classes with the provinces
- Manage the national market revenue pooling system on behalf of the dairy sector
- Promote dairy ingredients
- Harmonize

Our mandate

FAIR COMPENSATION

Provide producers of milk and cream with the opportunity to obtain a **fair return for their labour** and investment.

EFFICIENT SUPPLY

Provide consumers of dairy products with a **continuous and adequate supply** of dairy products of high **quality**.

Our vision

Provide leadership that **stimulates Canada's dairy industry** for the benefit of Canadians.

Our values

Excellence | Integrity | Respect | Stewardship

Our areas of activity

SETTING THE PRICE OF MILK

Goal: To ensure fair compensation to producers and provide consumers with access to a quality product

MANAGING SUPPLY AND ESTABLISHING QUOTAS

Goal: To minimize the risks of shortages or surpluses

ADJUSTING SUPPLY

Purchasing and storing dairy products throughout the seasons

Goal: To deal with seasonal fluctuations in supply and demand

PROGRAMS OF THE CDC

Goal: To promote innovation through our programs

IMPORTS

Managing tariff rate quotas for butter (WTO)

Goal: To ensure that imports of dairy products are in conformity with international agreements

Milk: A mobilizing industry

CANADA

In Canada, there are more than **10,300 dairy farms**, with a total of nearly 970,000 cows¹.



Quebec and Ontario have the greatest percentage of dairy farms at 81%.

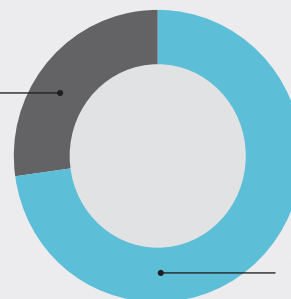
The average farm has 92 cows and an average annual production of 37,003 kg of butterfat.



More than 27,000 people work in the dairy **processing sector**.

Two main markets:

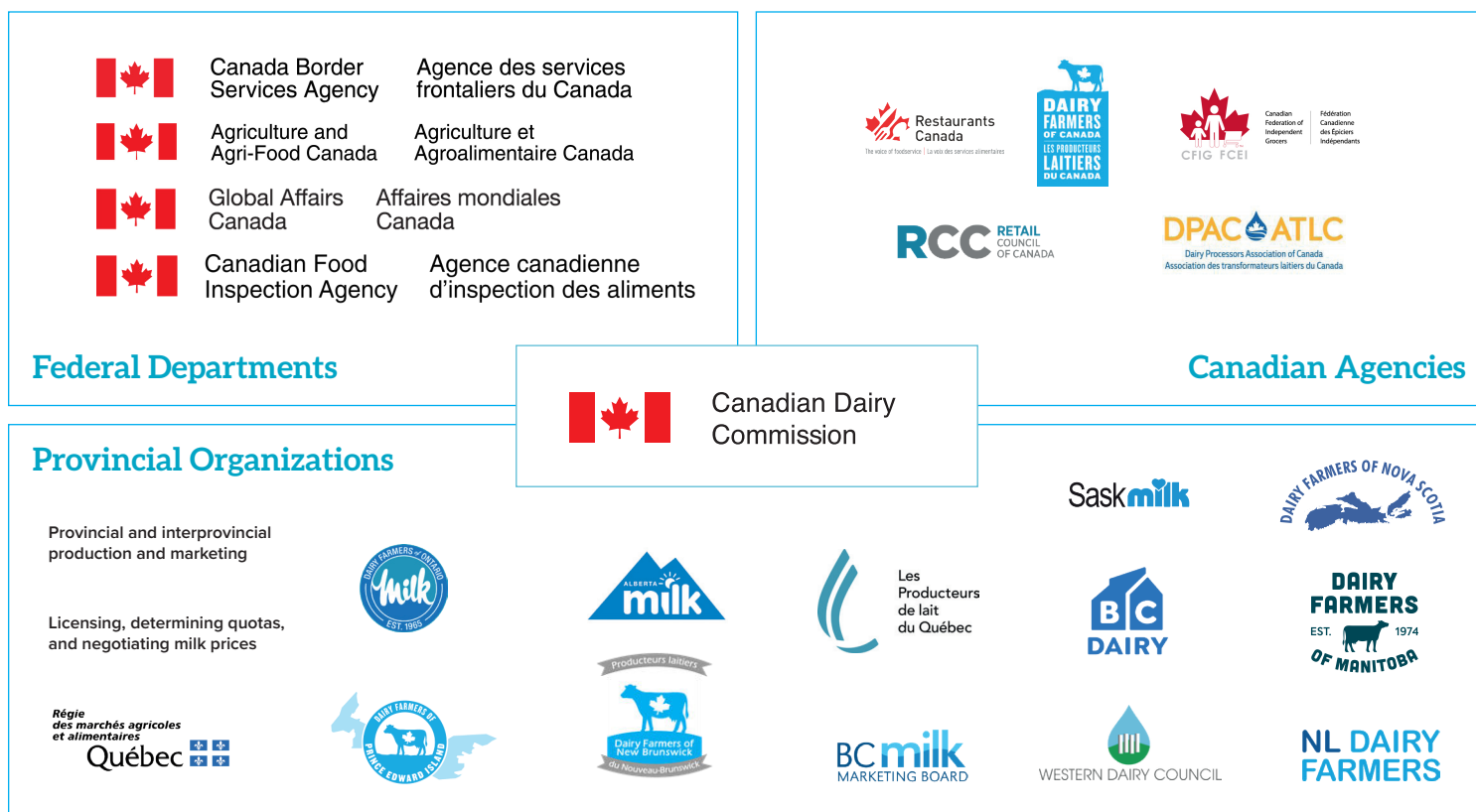
Fluid milk:
About **27%**



Industrial milk:
About **73%**

The Canadian dairy industry ecosystem

The Canadian Dairy Commission is **at the heart of the industry** and ensures a **good fit between the partners' different needs and interests**.



¹ Canadian Dairy Commission, 2020. 2019-2020 Annual Report

² Les Producteurs de lait du Québec. 2021. La gestion de l'offre et la mise en marché collective du lait.