

EXPLORE ANIMALS



Alberta has 40,638 farms. Many of them grow crops like wheat, canola or hay. Others raise animals.

Read the table and identify two animals that are raised on Alberta farms:

Name two animals that are poultry.

T _____ K _____

C _____ K _____

Livestock are mammals. True False

This table shows the kinds and number of livestock farms in Alberta.

TYPE OF FARM	NUMBER OF FARMS IN ALBERTA
Beef	12,282
Dairy	411
Poultry and egg	373
Pig	166
Sheep and goat	399
Other animals	5,101

Do you think there are more dairy or beef cattle in Alberta?

Can you match the parents and their offspring?

DAD:

- Tom
- Rooster
- Gander
- Drake
- Bull
- Buck
- Ram
- Boar
- Stallion

BABY OFFSPRING:

- Poult
- Calf
- Gosling
- Foal
- Duckling
- Lamb
- Chick
- Piglet
- Kid

MOM:

- Mare
- Doe
- Hen
- Cow
- Hen
- Goose
- Ewe
- Hen
- Sow



Alberta farms can have cattle, pigs and chickens. But there are also other animal farms too!

Name three "other" animals and identify the group they belong to...

Farm Animal	Animal Group
Bison	Mammal

Are there any animals on Alberta farms that aren't mammals or birds?

(Hint: one makes honey) _____

What animal category does that animal belong to? _____

Are they vertebrates or invertebrates? _____



There are farms in Alberta that raise fish. True False

Chicken Life Cycle Locations

On a small farm, a chicken could spend its whole life cycle in one place. In the poultry industry however, a bird often spends different stages of the life cycle at different farms.



Who can be found at which farm? Draw a line!

Life Cycle Stage
Roosters and hens live on this farm. They mate and the hens lay fertilized eggs.
Fertilized eggs are hatched on this farm. The chicks are sent to other farms.
Pullets (female chicks) grow into adults on this farm and lay eggs for sale in grocery stores.
Chicks, male and female, grow until they are about 8 weeks old when they are processed for meat.

Type of Farm
Hatchery
Broiler Farm
Hatching Egg Farm
Egg Farm

