

BC'S EQUINE COMMUNITY



A LARGE & GROWING BUSINESS

HORSEPOWER IN BC'S ECONOMY!

Equine activity plays an important role for BC voter's healthy living and leisure pursuits. The 2009 Horse Industry economic impact survey done with the Ministry of Agriculture shows that BC's horse industry generates over \$740 million dollars in economic activity and shows no signs of slowing down. Since that time, activity and membership in equine associations has increased by 3-5% annually.

THE EQUINE INDUSTRY IS THE FOURTH LARGEST AGRICULTURAL COMMODITY AND TRANSLATES TO OVER \$21 MILLION IN TAX REVENUE TO THE PROVINCE.



ELECTORAL DISTRICTS	EQUINE MEMBERS
Abbotsford-Mission	382
Abbotsford South	255
Abbotsford West	186
Alberni-Pacific Rim	349
Boundary-Similkameen	325
Burnaby-Deer Lake	30
Burnaby-Edmonds	23
Burnaby-Lougheed	99
Burnaby North	43
Cariboo-Chilcotin	280
Cariboo North	635
Chilliwack	428
Chilliwack-Hope	416
Columbia River-Revelstoke	235
Comox Valley	697
Coquitlam-Burke Mountain	52
Coquitlam-Maillardville	58
Cowichan Valley	718
Delta North	105
Delta South	313
Esquimalt-Royal Roads	149
Fort Langley-Aldergrove	1025
Fraser-Nicola	351
Juan de Fuca	420
Kamloops-North Thompson	397
Kamloops-South Thompson	621
Kelowna-Lake Country	349
Kelowna-Mission	382
Kootenay East	314
Kootenay West	239
Langley	790

DID YOU KNOW?



THERE ARE **OVER 1000 DAYS** OF EQUINE SPORT AROUND THE PROVINCE PER YEAR FROM GRASS ROOTS TO INTERNATIONAL WORLD CLASS COMPETITION.

THERE ARE **OVER 100,000 HORSES** IN BRITISH COLUMBIA...

THEY LIVE ON...
145,000 ACRES OF FARMLAND

SUPPORTED BY...
7,200 FULL TIME JOBS

WITH...
\$31.2 MILLION EMPLOYMENT INCOME

FOR...
\$740 MILLION IN ECONOMIC ACTIVITY

HORSE OWNER DEMOGRAPHICS COMPARED TO THE PROVINCIAL AVERAGE



"The horse sector overall is male dominated but continues to have a higher representation of females, people over 45 years old and people with a household income over \$60,000 than the population of BC as a whole. In each area the industry has a stronger representation than before. In the past ten years the percentage of females has gone from 12% over the provincial average to 17% over the provincial average. The age at which the horse industry is overrepresented rose from 36 to 45 and the household income level where the horse industry became overrepresented rose from \$30,000 to \$60,000." - 2009 Horse Industry Report

This is a testament to the commitment, passion, hard work and entrepreneurial skills it takes to be a success in the horse industry.

ELECTORAL DISTRICTS	EQUINE MEMBERS
Maple Ridge-Mission	541
Maple Ridge-Pitt Meadows	344
Nanaimo	125
Nanaimo-North Cowichan	537
Nechako Lakes	318
Nelson-Creston	390
New Westminster	59
North Coast	20
North Island	208
North Vancouver-Lonsdale	86
North Vancouver-Seymour	181
Oak Bay-Gordon Head	192
Parksville-Qualicum	327
Peace River North	652
Peace River South	720
Penticton	324
Port Coquitlam	99
Port Moody-Coquitlam	116
Powell River-Sunshine Coast	350
Prince George-Mackenzie	377
Prince George-Valemount	515
Richmond Centre	21
Richmond East	48
Richmond-Steveston	90
Saanich North and the Islands	817
Saanich South	439
Shuswap	656
Skeena	228
Stikine	236
Surrey-Cloverdale	350
Surrey-Fleetwood	60

**THE INDUSTRY DIRECTLY SUPPORTS
THE AGRICULTURAL COMMUNITY
WITH OVER \$335 MILLION
ANNUALLY GOING TO...**



**PROFESSIONAL
SERVICES
\$87.2 MILLION**



**TOURISM
\$26 MILLION**



**FEED & BEDDING
\$125 MILLION**

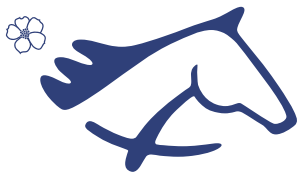
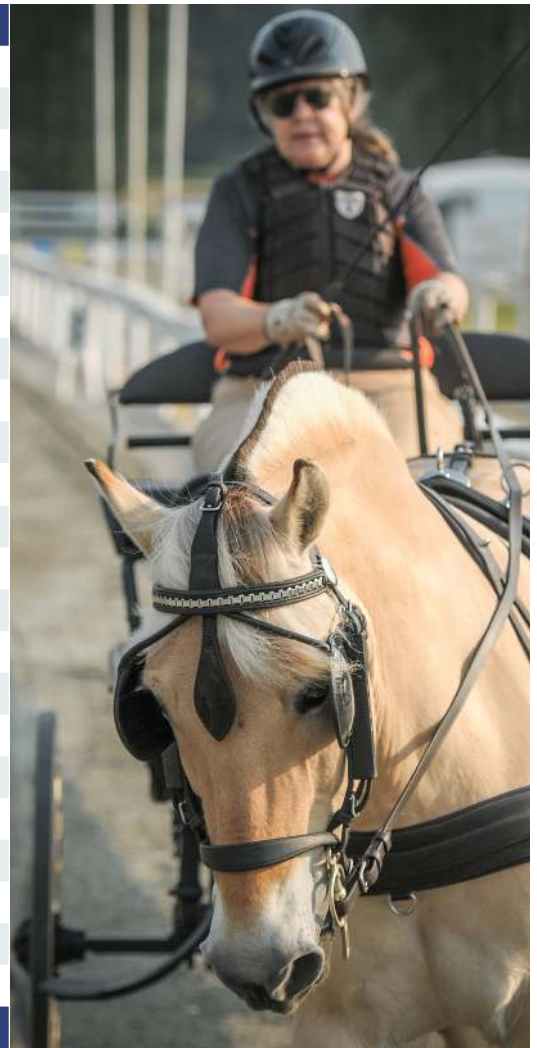


**SADDLERY &
GOODS
\$32 MILLION**



**COMMERCIAL
BOARDING OF
HORSES
\$60 MILLION**

ELECTORAL DISTRICTS	EQUINE MEMBERS
Surrey-Green Timbers	20
Surrey-Newton	16
Surrey-Panorama	182
Surrey-Tynehead	85
Surrey-Whalley	38
Surrey-White Rock	167
Vancouver-Fairview	78
Vancouver-False Creek	80
Vancouver-Fraserview	24
Vancouver-Hastings	44
Vancouver-Kensington	34
Vancouver-Kingsway	8
Vancouver-Langara	35
Vancouver-Mount Pleasant	51
Vancouver-Point Grey	168
Vancouver-Quilchena	304
Vancouver-West End	33
Vernon-Monashee	411
Victoria-Beacon Hill	113
Victoria-Swan Lake	110
West Vancouver-Capilano	159
West Vancouver-Sea to Sky	375
Westside-Kelowna	213
TOTAL EQUINE MEMBERS IN BC	22,857



**HORSE COUNCIL
BRITISH COLUMBIA**

Horse Council BC is a non-profit member service organization representing over 23,000 horse owners and breeders, equine industry businesses and professionals, and both competitive and recreational equestrians.

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Harness Racing BC promotes and advances the Standardbred Horse Industry by providing quality, exciting races to increase revenue for our industry participants and the government. Harness Racing in Cloverdale contributes substantially to the BC economic sectors through job creation in a variety of sectors - agriculture, breeding, hospitality, retail, manufacturing and careers directly related to working with the horses in the racing industry.

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The Canadian Thoroughbred Horse Society (BC Division) and its membership are a major part of the agriculture community in BC – We aim to ensure a viable future for our members by providing assistance and representation with the Thoroughbred Breeding Industry.

The objectives and purposes of the CTHS (BC Division) are:

- To assist and afford a means for the promotion of the interest of those engaged in the breeding of Thoroughbreds;
- To sponsor, assist and conduct sales of Thoroughbreds and promote the purchase of British Columbia Thoroughbreds;
- To compile statistics of the Industry for the purpose of encouraging the ownership and breeding of Thoroughbreds in British Columbia;



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