

# NEWSLETTER

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## Board Nominations – Three Positions

DFNS opens nominations for three Board Director positions. This fall, the positions held by Andrew McCurdy, Gerrit Damsteegt, and Byron Lamb are up for nomination.

The nomination period begins on September 1, 2016. Any producer wishing to stand for election needs to complete the nomination form, agree with and sign the DFNS Code of Conduct (available from the office), and obtain signatures from five other members.

Nomination forms are included in this newsletter and, along with the signed Code of Conduct document, **must be returned to DFNS by 4:30 pm on Wednesday, September 21, 2016**. Nominees will be posted on our website.

Once nominations close, there is a seven-day “cooling off period” when all nominees are notified who the other nominees are, and they can decide to continue or withdraw. If four or more nominees continue to let their names stand, an election will be held this fall.

The top three vote-getters will each be elected to three-year terms, joining the board following our January 2017 Annual Meeting. If three or fewer candidates stand for election, they will be acclaimed to the positions.

Board members find the experience rewarding but challenging as they address complex issues at the provincial, pool, and national levels, while keeping in mind what is best for the industry as a whole.

Directors also need a good support team at home in order to fulfil time commitments.

Please feel free to talk with a sitting board member to learn more about their roles and responsibilities.

### UPCOMING EVENTS & DEADLINES:

- September 5, 2016.....Labour Day—Office Closed
- September 13, 2016.....Quota Exchange Deadline
- September 1-21, 2016.....Election Nomination Period
- September 26, 2016.....Quota Lease Deadline

## Chair's Message

*It is dry here in central Nova Scotia. The word I am hearing is that there is enough feed around - hats off to all who worked together to put up all the forages for our cows this feeding season. Cereals, corn, and beans all look good now, but time will tell the whole story.*

*We had a good policy conference in July with good attendance and discussion. New this year we had out of province guests join us. There were board members from Ontario, NB, and PEI present providing opportunity for more interactions with Milk Committee Members. We have a national dairy industry which is managed provincially.*

*At the policy conference there is always discussion around fall elections. Byron Lamb and Gerrit Damsteegt have indicated that they will re-offer this fall. Both of these gentlemen have work tirelessly on your behalf. I congratulate them for reoffering.*

*I am the other director whose term ends this year. I have been thinking about re-offering, but I have not made my decision yet. Thank you for all the encouragement.*

*It is the responsibility of the membership to make sure there are nominations for the elections. If you know someone (including yourself) who could bring their talents to the board, I encourage you to make that happen. The office will have Code of Conduct and nomination forms (see article to the left).*

*Board work is an important function in continually advancing our supply management industry.*

*Andrew McCurdy, DFNS Chair*

### DFNB Newsletter

Visit [www.nbmilk.org/en/](http://www.nbmilk.org/en/) and click on the “Milk Matters” link to read their monthly newsletter.

## Results of the August 2016 Quota Exchange

Iteration (all buyers): 0.08 kgs

Prorated for buyers: 0.53%

	Kilograms	Producers
Purchased ( <b>actual</b> )	10.08	Buying Quota 69
Offered to Purchase	862.29	Offering to Buy 69
Offered to Sell	10.08	Selling Quota 6 Offering to Sell 6

Price	Offers to Sell (kgs)	Cumulative Sales	Difference	Cumulative Buys	Offers to Buy (kgs)
\$24,000	10.08	10.08	-852.21	862.29	862.29

Quota Exchange Deadline	Payment Due Date
August 12, 2016	August 29, 2016
September 13, 2016	September 28, 2016
October 13, 2016	October 28, 2016

## Dairy Services Lab Results

July 2016

### Bactoscan Individual Bacteria Count (IBC)

Count	Samples	Percent
<35,000	198	87.2
35,001-121,000	19	8.4
>121,000	10	4.4
TOTAL	227	100.0

95.6% meet provincial standard

Average IBC – July 2016 33,000

Average Somatic Cell Count (SCC): 209,195

### Adulteration (added water and/or antibiotics)

Water (Farm Tanks)	1
Antibiotics (Tankers)	0

## P5 QUOTA EXCHANGE MCP

PEI .....	\$24,000
New Brunswick .	\$23,000
Ontario .....	\$24,000
Quebec .....	\$24,000

## New Fee Review

Ten months after introducing two new fees, here is an update about the calculation of each, and the factors influencing them. The School Milk fee is calculated by multiplying the total quantity of white milk sold in schools in the previous month by the 15 cents per litre producer investment. The result is converted to a \$/kg BF deduction for all farms. This fee ranged between 1.16 and 2.22 cents per kg BF since September 2015. Variation results from volume of milk sold and the kg BF produced. The Milk Testing fee is calculated by dividing the monthly producer costs of testing milk by the number of producers. This fee ranged from \$12.20 to \$28.60 per producer per month. The increase in bacteria/freezing point testing cost in February, followed by a doubling of that testing frequency in April, are the main reasons the fee increased in two steps this past year (see Figure 1). Producers cost-share milk component/SCC testing 50:50 with processors, but pay 100% of the other quality testing. The NS industry awaits international approval of a newer inhibitor test, which will mean changes at the plants and confirmatory lab, possibly this fall. This new test will also be cost-shared 50:50 between processor s and producers.

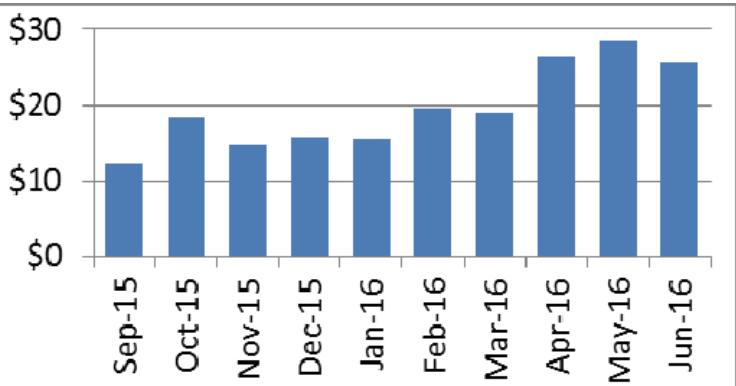


Figure 1 - Milk Testing Fee (\$/producer/month)

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## New DFNS Policy

At their meeting in late July, the DFNS Board approved a modification to the Time Temperature Recorder policy. Two elements of the policy have changed. Starting August 1, 2016, those farms with Automated Milking Systems (robots) which have the capability of continuously monitoring milk temperatures will not need to install a TTR.

The second change is that all farms requiring a TTR can now install one without "smart alarms," provided that the TTR record is initialed twice daily showing the results were reviewed, and any corrective actions were recorded and taken. All TTRs still need to meet the CQM requirements. This more closely aligns the Nova Scotia's TTR policy with both NB and PEI. Producers needing clarification on this change are asked to contact their area's proAction Coordinator Nancy Douglas (regions 1-3) or Ashley Baskin (regions 4-6). More information will also be provided at the November 7,8,9,14,15, and 17 proAction Training Workshops/Fall Regional Meetings.

## New Entrant Deadline

September 30, 2016, is the deadline for New Entrant applications. Since there were no applications last year, Nova Scotia can approve up to two New Entrants this fall. Starting in 2017, successful applicants can purchase up to 16 kg of quota in priority on the exchange, or acquire a dairy farm with up to 24 kg, then receive a matching quota loan for 10 years up to 16 kg.

## Pricing Update

The Canadian Dairy Commission announced an adjustment in their butter and skim milk powder support prices, effective September 1, 2016. These increases only apply to industrial milk made into cheese, butter, yogurt, ice cream, etc. The P5 Supervisory Body agreed to increase the industrial target processor billing prices. On an "all milk basis," this mid-year change should translate into increased blend of just over 1% in the P5. Actual returns will vary based on farm components and processor milk utilization. The increase was granted knowing that low producer blended returns are creating pressures on many farms.



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## Successful Policy Session

Most Milk Committee Members joined the DFNS Board and staff on July 21-22 to hear about policy direction and provide valuable input. Carol Versteeg and Liz Crouse from Natural Products Marketing Council also participated.

Interesting guest presentations were delivered by Dairy Farmers of Canada on a School Milk survey, and by the Ag and Food Exchange, raising awareness of the concerns surrounding animal welfare rights activists.

## Farm Equipment Inspection

If you are hauling farm equipment such as livestock trailers on Nova Scotia roads that travel faster than 40 km/hour, they must have a valid safety inspection. These trailers do not need to have plates or be registered (if towed by a bona fide farmer). A safety inspection must be done every two years to be valid.

Farm equipment displaying a slow moving vehicle sign does not have to be inspected, but it must not travel faster than 40 km/hour. The Department of Transportation and Infrastructure Renewal (DTIR) is aware that there is unsafe transportation of livestock taking place on Nova Scotia roads. For example, a loaded livestock trailer with bald tires and no safety chains jeopardizes not only the safety of the driver towing the trailer, but other motorists and the onboard livestock.

These types of infractions of vehicle compliance are also subject to fines. It is the mandate of Vehicle Compliance under the DTIR to ensure highways and roadways are safe for all traveling motorists. Please ensure that you are operating and towing all farm equipment in a safe manner and in compliance with inspection regulation to avoid downtime and interruption in your travel and livestock transportation.

If you have any questions about specifics or what is required, please contact a Motor Vehicle Inspector or inquire at an Official Inspection Station.

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## Quota Exchange Bid to BUY \_\_\_\_\_

(Exchange Month)

Registered Producer Name: \_\_\_\_\_

DFNS Registration Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

**Offers above the MCP Cap of \$24,000 will not be accepted.** Quantities offered may be in hundredths of a kilogram (two decimal places). Prices must be for a whole kilogram. Offers must not exceed 10% of the producer's total quota (exception for assisted new producers). Offers are limited to one buy or sell per producer per exchange.

Offer to Purchase \_\_\_\_\_ kgs of TPQ per day @ \$\_\_\_\_\_ per kg.

Email address: \_\_\_\_\_  
(for confirmation of receipt of offer, if requested)

Payment for quota must be made via the selected method below **on or before the third last business day of the month**. Producers choosing option 2 must have completed a PAD agreement (available on the DFNS website or from the office) and a void cheque.

<b>1. Cheque Payment</b> <input type="radio"/>	<b>2. Pre-Authorized Debit</b> <input type="radio"/>
Producer will provide a cheque to DFNS by the payment due date. Delivery method may be by mail, XpressPost, courier, or hand delivery. It is the producer's responsibility to ensure payment arrival and accuracy.	DFNS will withdraw required funds for quota from producer's bank account on payment due date; service fees will be processed within five business days of the exchange. Authorization provided by producer will be used.

**\$17.25 Service Fee must accompany offer (\$15 + \$2.25 HST) Reg No. 107788523**

In the event of a cancelled exchange, service fees are returned to the producer (or not collected in the case of PAD). Please note that offer forms cannot be held for future exchanges.

*All offers must be signed by the registered quota holder. In the case of a partnership or corporate quota holder, the offer must be signed by designated signing officer(s). It is the producer's responsibility to confirm receipt of offers by DFNS. If the buyer does not pay by the payment deadline, or the buyer's payment is dishonoured, the quota purchased by the buyer will return to DFNS, the producer is liable for all costs associated with non-payment, the producer is not eligible to purchase on the exchange for a period of 12 months, and the producer may only purchase TPQ on a future exchange using a bank draft, direct deposit, or wire transfer for a period of five years.*

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Date

Signature(s)

*The information on this form is a summary of the applicable rules, which are contained in the TPQ Regulations. The DFNS Producer Manual on our website contains the current policies and procedures, or you may contact office staff for assistance.*

### FOR DFNS OFFICE USE ONLY

Service Fee:  cash  cheque  PAD

Offer Received/Verified By: \_\_\_\_\_

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## Quota Exchange Offer to SELL \_\_\_\_\_

(Exchange Month)

Registered Producer Name: \_\_\_\_\_

DFNS Registration Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Offer to Sell \_\_\_\_\_. \_\_\_\_ kgs of TPQ per day @ \$\_\_\_\_\_ per kg.

*PLEASE NOTE: Offers above the MCP Cap of \$24,000 will not be accepted. Quantities offered for sale may be in hundredths of a kilogram (two decimal places). Prices must be for a whole kilogram. Offers are limited to one buy or sell per producer per exchange. Each participant in an exchange will be notified in writing of whether or not their offer was successful.*

Successful Sellers will be paid for their quota sold on the last business day before the 10<sup>th</sup> day of the month following the exchange. If the sold quota is assigned to a lender, cheques will be jointly payable to the producer and lending institution.

QUOTA CURRENTLY ASSIGNED:

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Name of Lending Institution(s)

**Seller's Service Fee must accompany offer as per schedule below (HST Reg No. 107788523)**

SELLERS FEE SCHEDULE	
Amount Offered	Fee Per Offer
1 kg or less	\$115 (\$100 + \$15 HST)
1.01 – 10 kg	\$230 (\$200 + \$30 HST)
More than 10 kg	\$345 (\$300 + \$45 HST)

All offers must be signed by the registered quota holder. An offer must be signed by all partners of a partnership, or the designated signing officer(s) of a partnership or corporation. It is the producer's responsibility to confirm receipt of offers by DFNS.

\_\_\_\_\_

Signature(s) \_\_\_\_\_

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### FOR DFNS OFFICE USE ONLY

Service Fee Received: ? cash ? cheque

Offer Received/Verified By: \_\_\_\_\_

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# TPQ Lease Agreement

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THIS LEASE made \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, A.D., 20\_\_\_\_\_

BETWEEN: \_\_\_\_\_ DFNS Reg. # \_\_\_\_\_ 2  
hereinafter called the "LESSOR" (Lender of the quota)

- and -

\_\_\_\_\_ DFNS Reg. # \_\_\_\_\_ 2  
hereinafter called the "LESSEE" (Borrower of the quota)

## AGREEMENT

The Lessor and the Lessee agree that:

1. The Lessor shall lease to the Lessee \_\_\_\_\_ kilograms of daily Total Production Quota (TPQ)
2. The lease term shall commence on the first day and terminate on the last day of \_\_\_\_\_ (month).
3. The Lessee shall pay to the Lessor \$ \_\_\_\_\_ per kilogram per day for milk quota leased, payable as described below:  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
4. This lease is not assignable.
5. This lease shall bind the heirs, executors, administrators and successors of each of the parties.

Signature of LESSOR

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

Signature of LESSEE

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

AUTHORIZED BY \_\_\_\_\_

on behalf of Dairy Farmers of Nova Scotia this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_\_.  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

## IMPORTANT NOTES

Leases will be for a one-month duration and will expire at the end of the month, so any adjustments to provincial TPQ do not apply to leases.

Quota may be leased in denominations of tenths of a kilogram.

A producer can lease in or out up to a maximum of 25% of the sum of current owned and non-saleable TPQ holdings.

A producer cannot be both a lessor and a lessee during the same month.

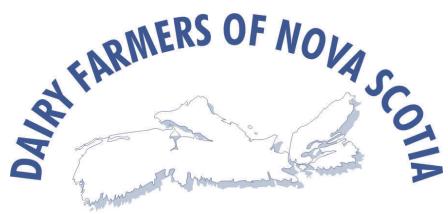
Only leases applying to the current month will be accepted.

DFNS is not responsible for receipt of lease forms mailed or faxed to our office. **IT IS THE PRODUCER'S RESPONSIBILITY TO CONFIRM RECEIPT.**

## DEADLINES

Completed lease forms must be delivered to the DFNS office no later than 4:30 p.m. on the fifth (5th) last business day of the month in which the lease will be effective.

<u>Lease Month</u>	<u>Deadline</u>
August	August 25, 2016
September	September 26, 2016
October	October 25, 2016
November	November 24, 2016



## Plan Member Communication – Register your Overage Dependents

**It's that time of year again...**

If you are enrolled in the health and dental plan, and have over-age dependents, this is a reminder to make sure they are registered for continued coverage.



### **Why does this need to be completed?**

Over-age dependents continue to receive health and dental coverage for the duration of their formal education, or until they reach the maximum age as outlined in your benefits plan contract. To ensure coverage is not interrupted, over-age dependents must be confirmed and registered on an annual basis.

### **Who qualifies as an over-age student dependent?**

To qualify for enrolment as a dependent after reaching the age of 21 (up until attainment of age 26), your dependent child(ren) must be a full-time student enrolled in accredited post-secondary education.

### **What do you need to do?**

Members who have overage dependents will receive a memo in August (via mail) from Morneau Shepell requesting that they complete and return the form by no later than September 30, 2016.

It is important to note that if you do not complete and return the form, coverage will be terminated for your over-age dependent. To re-enroll, you will need to complete the form and return it to Morneau Shepell.

**For more information on the DFNS group insurance plan or to apply for coverage, please contact  
Morneau Shepell at 1-800-667-6328 and ask for Angèle Aucoin.**

## **Challenges in the dairy industry can mean opportunities. We can help you look.**

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## Milk Production and Pricing

Esben Arnfast, Finance and Systems Administrator

Raw milk production dropped off as it usually does in July. The production level of 19,582 kgs of butterfat per day is 1% higher than last July, and represents usage of approximately 95% of the quota held by producers, which includes the 1% increase for July.

Overall quota holdings for the province after the July increase are 3% higher than last year, and will increase a further 1% each month as planned for August and September. The raw milk composition is the same as last July at 3.90 kgs BF/hl.

In months such as July, where provincial production is substantially less than quota, the average utilized tolerance drops rapidly and now stands at -10.4 days.

The equalized pool transportation rate for July dropped to \$2.51/hl as provinces pooled lower costs in June. The raw milk average in-quota price for July was \$74.86/hl, which was a \$3/hl drop from the price calculated in June.

Fluid class utilization dropped as it often does during the summer, and the fluid percentage in Nova Scotia dropped to below 37%, which is an all-time low for the province and represents some changes within the processing sector.

For the second straight month, a good portion of the province's SNF was exported, and although the prices were stronger than 4(m), they remained much lower than domestic value.

Over 3 million litres of raw milk was delivered to NB and Quebec to fulfill Milk Movement Obligations, with some designated as surplus milk. No skim milk was dumped in July due to processing capacity limitations.

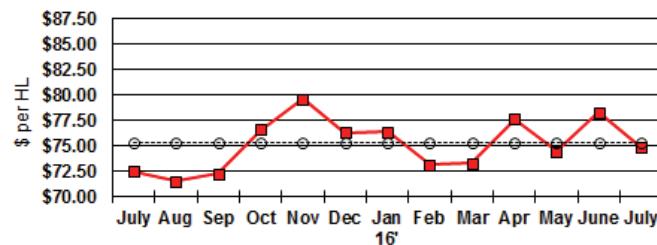
**Total Licensed Producers in July: 221**

## Milk Marketing Report

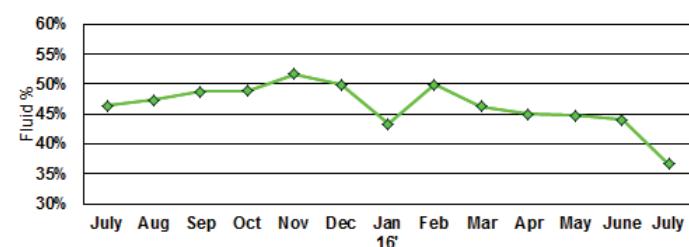
July 2016

PRODUCTION	2016	2015		
Average Liters/Day	501,984	496,744		
Average kg Butterfat/Day	19,582	19,367		
Average Composition, kg/hl				
Butterfat	3.9010	3.8987		
Protein	3.2317	3.2267		
Other Solids	5.7363	5.7238		
Bulk Haulage (\$/hl)	2.51	2.60		
PRODUCER PRICES	BF (\$ per kg)	Protein (\$ per kg)	LOS (\$ per kg)	Avg. per HL
July In-Quota	11.0070	7.3020	1.4511	74.86
July Butterfat Premium (\$/ kg) SNF/BF<2.35	0.1000			
July Over-Quota	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.00
August Over-Quota Penalty	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.00

NS Average In-Quota Producer Price  
Per HL basis



Fluid Utilization Percentage



## Continuous Quota Positions

As of the end of June 2016, figures are expressed as a percent of each province's annual quota. Only two provinces, including NS, are above zero with all provinces moving down slightly. The CMSMC agreed to waive provincial overquota and unrecoverable consequences until Feb. 28, 2017 to allow for butter stock rebuilding. Skim drying capacity is only being exceeded periodically. The July 1, August 1, and September 1, 1% quota issuance increases in the P5 are designed to maintain milk production and replenish butter stocks through the fall. Dry conditions across the country may impact on crop yield and quality.

Alta. -0.59%	Sask. -1.04%	Ont. +2.23%	<b>NS + 0.18%</b>	PEI -1.62%	P5 +0.94%
BC -0.15%	Man. -4.99%	Que. +.01%	NB -0.31%	NL -3.92%	<b>WMP -1.24%</b>



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## NOMINATION FORM

We hereby nominate \_\_\_\_\_ as a candidate  
(please print)

for election as a Director on the Dairy Farmers of Nova Scotia Board of Directors.

**NOTE: In order to be valid, the nomination requires the signature of five DFNS members (i.e., five separate producers).**

	Name (please print)	Signature	Date
1			
2			
3			
4			
5			

**COMPLETED NOMINATION FORMS MUST BE RECEIVED BY DFNS BY September 21, 2016.**

Full Name of Nominee

Farm Name

Address

Phone

Cell

email

*As indicated by my signature below, I hereby accept this nomination as a candidate for election as a Director on the Dairy Farmers of Nova Scotia Board of Directors. Pursuant to Section 19(1)(d) of the DFNS By-laws attached is a signed [Code of Conduct](#).*

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Candidate

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

A copy of the DFNS Code of Conduct and by-laws may be obtained from the DFNS office upon request.



# Latest News...

## Dairy Farmers of Canada

August 2016

### CELEBRATING CANADIAN FOOD

Last week, farmers, food bloggers and industry “agvocates” celebrated Canadian food on social media leading up to Food Day Canada (FDC), held on July 30. Canadians took to social media to share their food stories, including recipes using products made with 100% Canadian milk. It is clear that Canadians love and are proud of their dairy industry as appreciation for cheese and ice cream was shared numerous times!



A “Twitter Party” held on July 26 to get people excited about FDC was a big success! Dairy farmers Amy Matheson and Tim May did a great job answering dairy-related questions, sharing their favourite dairy foods and engaging with their followers.

Dairy Farmers of Canada (DFC) partnered with FDC to inspire Canadians to eat foods and ingredients grown and processed in Canada, including products made with 100% Canadian milk. Through this partnership, FDC shared several of our Dairy Goodness recipes on their website, in addition to including Canadian Cheese Grand Prix winners in their list of 149 Canadian ingredients in honour of Canada’s 149<sup>th</sup> birthday!

DFC’s partnership with FDC will continue through 2016 and into 2017 and we will utilize FDC’s vast social media presence to help roll out the new DFC logo. We will also work with FDC to ensure celebrations will be bilingual.

### A FRIENDLY REMINDER: STAY INFORMED WITH THE DAIRY EXPRESS

Sign up now for the *Dairy Express*, the bi-monthly enewsletter published by Dairy Farmers of Canada. To do so, simply send an email to [Chantal Marcotte](#) who will happily add your name to the mailing list.



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# DAIRY RESEARCH FOR A HEALTHY WORLD: RESEARCH HIGHLIGHTS 2015-2016

Six short fact sheets are now available describing DFC's investments in research, governance and the expected outcomes from farmers' investments in research. A list of all projects that were financed at the national level by DFC and partners in the priority areas of genetics and genomics, animal health and welfare, sustainability, and human nutrition and health is also available. For more information, visit [dairyresearch.ca](http://dairyresearch.ca).

## Financing and leveraging research investments

DFC's annual research budget totals approximately \$2 million. The value of research investments leveraged from DFC funding in 2015–2016 to drive innovation in the Canadian dairy sector was \$6.6 million. This funding is directed annually to address farmers' priorities for research in milk production, and human nutrition and health.

## Our Partners

DFC leverages farmers' research investments to four main partners' funding:

- Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada (AAFC)
- Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council of Canada (NSERC)
- Canadian Dairy Network (CDN)
- Canadian Dairy Commission (CDC)

DFC also finances research initiatives in collaboration with the provincial dairy organizations and other sector partners like Dairy Farmers of Ontario, Les Producteurs de lait du Québec, Alberta Milk, BC Dairy Association, Dairy Farmers of Manitoba, Novalait Inc., Valacta and CanWest DHI.



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