

## AGRICULTURE

**TABLE 35: LIVESTOCK NUMBERS**

Agricultural Census 2001 (revised)

	Total Milk Cattle	Total Meat Cattle	Total Sheep	Total Other Livestock	Total Livestock
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
Bass Coast	37 663	43 367	31 860	2 209 *	115 099
Gippsland	568 583	595 300	1 091 840	320 907	2 576 630
Victoria	1 970 752	2 434 698	22 271 877	4 674 681	31 352 008
<i>Bass Coast Shire as a % of Gippsland</i>	6.6	7.3	2.9	0.7	4.5

NOTE: \*Estimate has a relative standard error of 25% to 50% and should be used with caution

SOURCE: ABS, Agricultural Census 2001

**TABLE 36: NO. OF ESTABLISHMENTS WITH AGRICULTURAL ACTIVITY: Agricultural Census 2001**

	No. of Establishments	Sown Pasture (ha)	Area of Crops (ha)	Value of Crops (\$m)
Bass Coast Shire	544	38 828	56 706	8.1
Gippsland	5 710	648 563	869 610	207.0
Victoria	47 475	4 909 322	6 741 256	3 656.3
<i>Bass Coast Shire As % of Gippsland</i>	5.5	6.0	6.5	3.9

SOURCE: ABS, Agricultural Census 2001

**TABLE 37: GROSS VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTION (\$) Agricultural Census 2001**

	Bass Coast Shire (\$)	Bass Coast Shire as a % of Gippsland	Gippsland (\$)	Victoria (\$)
<u>Horticulture Products</u>				
Vegetables	1 247 099 *	1.4	89 671 313	580 802 618
Grapes	34 366	5.2	663 170	365 011 710
Fruit (excluding grapes)	2 828	0.1	5 305 034	457 640 504
Cut Flowers	107 791	1.1	10 144 350	71 555 392
Cultivated Turf	175 807 *	35.6	493 612	39 265 773
<b>Total Horticultural</b>	<b>1 567 891</b>	<b>1.5</b>	<b>106 277 479</b>	<b>1 514 275 997</b>
<u>Livestock Products</u>				
Wool	774 902	2.9	26 277 016	504 520 991
Milk	39 507 174	6.8	582 029 676	1 989 659 190
Eggs	-	-	7 652 652 *	90 405 538
<b>Total Livestock Products (a)</b>	<b>40 282 076</b>	<b>6.5</b>	<b>616 127 471</b>	<b>2 591 565 079</b>
<u>Livestock Slaughtering</u>				
Sheep/Lamb	1 197 553	4.8	24 693 041	472 643 637
Cattle/Calves	22 548 142	7.8	290 644 915	1 100 730 332
Pigs	224	0.0	7 450 346	191 161 984
Chickens	-	-	10 401 256	282 850 261
<b>Total Livestock Slaughtering (a)</b>	<b>23 909 535</b>	<b>7.2</b>	<b>334 096 011</b>	<b>2 053 380 439</b>
<u>Hay</u>				
Pasture Hay	5 379 419	7.6	70 389 537	353 328 529
Crops for Hay	26 860 *	1.2	2 179 662	40 845 080
Lucernes for Hay	68 039	1.3	5 207 915	44 674 929
<b>Total Hay</b>	<b>5 447 458</b>	<b>7.2</b>	<b>75 597 452</b>	<b>374 973 568</b>
Other Pastures & Grasses	58 482 *	4.8	1 229 531	21 645 039
<b>Total Agriculture GVP</b>	<b>72 328 952</b>	<b>6.2</b>	<b>1 160 149 896</b>	<b>8 301 249 631</b>

NOTE: \*Estimate has a relative standard error of 25% to 50% and should be used with caution

(a) Does not include 'Other'

SOURCE: ABS, Agricultural Census 2001

**TABLE 38 (C): RURAL PROPERTY SALES – HOBBY FARMS & UNSPECIFIED RURAL PROPERTIES**

	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006
<b><u>No. of Sales</u></b>							
<b>Bass Coast Shire</b>							
Hobby Farm with residence	21	26	20	21	35	35	34
Hobby Farm without residence	17	22	7	19	2	4	6
Unspecified Rural Property	19	17	21	30	18	19	29
<b>Country Victoria</b>							
Hobby Farm with residence	797	1 324	1 139	1 764	2 528	2 744	2 063
Hobby Farm without residence	855	994	815	1 612	973	937	648
Unspecified Rural Property	1 353	1 461	1 517	2 422	2 657	2 172	2 721
<b>Melbourne</b>							
Hobby Farm with residence	222	291	276	371	608	579	543
Hobby Farm without residence	28	116	74	121	40	60	38
Unspecified Rural Property	154	116	117	211	195	99	139
<b><u>Median Sale Price (\$)</u></b>							
<b>Bass Coast Shire</b>							
Hobby Farm with residence	200 000	205 000	318 750	293 750	365 000	350 000	355 000
Hobby Farm without residence	90 000	87 500	137 000	190 000	156 500	235 002	59 800
Unspecified Rural Property	220 000	222 500	350 000	417 500	455 000	450 000	588 955
<b>Country Victoria</b>							
Hobby Farm with residence	158 000	166 750	205 000	240 500	266 500	265 000	286 000
Hobby Farm without residence	80 000	73 000	70 000	86 000	85 000	75 000	89 359
Unspecified Rural Property	140 000	175 000	205 000	215 000	220 000	285 750	295 000
<b>Melbourne</b>							
Hobby Farm with residence	330 000	362 500	457 500	560 000	560 000	591 319	600 000
Hobby Farm without residence	192 000	213 000	233 750	297 000	200 000	262 500	360 000
Unspecified Rural Property	345 000	407 500	450 000	547 000	540 000	760 000	760 000
<b><u>Median Sale Price Per Unit Area (\$/ha)</u></b>							
<b>Bass Coast Shire</b>							
Hobby Farm with residence	200 000	100 000	77 183	102 500	197 500	135 000	136 323
Hobby Farm without residence	47 120	44 876	60 795	75 000	54 750	33 087	28 602
Unspecified Rural Property	14 963	11 988	74 168	26 268	9 674	4 453	36 366
<b>Country Victoria</b>							
Hobby Farm with residence	45 000	43 803	55 931	56 014	74 837	19 918	41 209
Hobby Farm without residence	27 272	20 035	49 535	21 554	22 645	14 074	34 746
Unspecified Rural Property	4 069	4 275	4 837	8 936	4 831	3 529	6 034
<b>Melbourne</b>							
Hobby Farm with residence	76 755	75 495	154 984	187 050	524 057	112 500	64 247
Hobby Farm without residence	61 375	67 285	120 435	125 370	15 683	14 134	284 733
Unspecified Rural Property	28 500	27 189	34 867	24 208	21 251	71 879	81 284
<b><u>Median Block Size (ha)</u></b>							
<b>Bass Coast Shire</b>							
Hobby Farm with residence	1.0	2.0	3.7	4.0	4.0	4.0	2.5
Hobby Farm without residence	3.0	2.0	1.8	2.0	3.0	6.7	1.1
Unspecified Rural Property	40.0	16.8	33.0	33.0	39.7	48.5	34.0
<b>Country Victoria</b>							
Hobby Farm with residence	3.0	3.9	4.1	4.2	4.6	3.6	3.6
Hobby Farm without residence	3.0	3.1	3.2	4.0	4.4	4.1	2.4
Unspecified Rural Property	32.0	40.5	40.2	38.3	54.6	56.8	43.1
<b>Melbourne</b>							
Hobby Farm with residence	4.8	4.2	4.5	4.2	4.2	4.0	3.7
Hobby Farm without residence	4.0	2.9	2.7	4.1	5.9	2.8	1.9
Unspecified Rural Property	13.0	20.1	28.7	24.0	33.4	35.4	29.4

SOURCE: Department of Sustainability and Environment

**TABLE 38 (a): RURAL PROPERTY SALES – CATTLE PROPERTIES****1997 to 2006**

	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006
<b><u>No. of Sales</u></b>										
Bass Coast Shire	6	6	2	5	11	6	3	4	4	3
Country Victoria	347	244	112	217	293	304	358	308	317	306
<b><u>Median Sale Price (\$)</u></b>										
Bass Coast Shire	113 500	125 750	161 785	466 000	282 500	322 322	570 000	245 000	345 000	594 000
Country Victoria	110 200	115 000	128 053	152 000	180 000	195 000	220 500	277 000	290 000	309 250
<b><u>Median Sale Price Per Unit Area (\$/ha)</u></b>										
Bass Coast Shire	5 753.7	27 332.9	3 397.0	10 556.0	7 425.5	4 787.0	13 854.8	7 949.1	22 618.1	15 857.5
Country Victoria	2 804.0	2 846.0	2 325.0	3 396.0	3 975.0	7 228.0	7 945.8	5 894.5	3 387.0	5 902.6
<b><u>Median Block Size (ha)</u></b>										
Bass Coast Shire	20.4	6.2	53.6	81.0	34.7	42.3	57.0	30.9	22.6	41.0
Country Victoria	40.2	45.0	49.2	47.0	41.6	40.4	42.8	43.7	40.4	41.2

SOURCE: Department of Sustainability and Environment

**TABLE 38 (b): RURAL PROPERTY SALES – DAIRY PROPERTIES****1997 - 2006**

	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006
<b><u>No. of Sales</u></b>										
Bass Coast Shire	2	-	2	5	6	4	2	3	6	5
Country Victoria	127	97	130	202	285	205	226	253	350	312
<b><u>Median Sale Price (\$)</u></b>										
Bass Coast Shire	200 729	-	147 000	206 312	397 500	275 575	646 000	501 323	567 500	475 000
Country Victoria	169 752	230 000	212 000	196 913	226 800	295 750	328 250	305 442	325 956	440 000
<b><u>Median Sale Price Per Unit Area (\$/ha)</u></b>										
Bass Coast Shire	5 939.1	-	3 731.0	4 942.0	6 722.5	6 202.0	11 969.0	10 680.6	15 468.7	15 045.9
Country Victoria	6 102.0	5 753.2	5 281.0	4 571.0	5 491.0	4 410.0	13 953.8	386.8	6 337.6	4 310.7
<b><u>Median Block Size (ha)</u></b>										
Bass Coast Shire	33.8	-	39.2	30.4	60.7	43.7	70.3	47.8	42.9	31.6
Country Victoria	35.1	44.7	41.0	43.7	46.3	50.6	49.1	46.5	46.2	49.3

SOURCE: Department of Sustainability and Environment

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