



Canola AgriScience Cluster

Sustainable, Reliable Supply for a Changing World

**Agri-Food Research and Innovation:
Looking Ahead to 2025**

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Who is the Canola Council of Canada?

Growers



Exporters



Life Science



Processors



• Canola AgriScience Cluster

• Sustainable, Reliable Supply for a Changing World

The Canola AgriScience Cluster, under the Canadian Agricultural Partnership, is a partnership between Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada and the canola industry. Announced in 2018, the initiative invested over \$20 million in funding into six areas of research. Amended in 2019, another \$5 million in joint funding with SaskCanola and Alberta was invested into blackleg and verticillium stripe research activities



CCC Primary Members



Keep it Coming
Our strategic plan guiding the canola value chain to the industry goal of achieving average yields of 52 bu/ac to meet global market demand of 26 million tonnes by 2025.

Increased Yields and Profitability, Reduced Environmental Footprint and Production Risk

Three strategic priorities:

- 1. Sustainable, reliable supply**
- 2. Differentiated value**
- 3. Stable and open trade**

Yield intensification for canola production while improving our environmental footprint is critical to meeting demand for sustainably produced healthy oil and high-quality protein


"52 by 2025"

2025 Environmental sustainability goals

USE LESS ENERGY

 **18%**
REDUCTION
in fuel use
per bushel

INCREASE LAND EFFICIENCY

 **40%**
DECREASE
in the amount of land
required to produce
one tonne of canola

SEQUESTER MORE CARBON

sequestering additional
 **5** **MILLION**
tonnes
of greenhouse
gas emissions in
Canadian soils,
every year

IMPROVE SOIL & WATER HEALTH

Utilize 4R nutrient
stewardship practices on
90% OF
CANOLA
ACRES 

PROTECT BIODIVERSITY

Safeguard over
2,000
BENEFICIAL INSECTS 
that call canola fields and
surrounding habitat home

CAP Canola AgriScience Cluster

- Sustainable, Reliable Supply for a Changing World

Theme 1 - Differentiated Quality & Enhanced Environmental Performance in Food Processing for Canola Oil & Protein

Theme 2 - Differentiated Quality & Sustainable Livestock Production using Canola Meal

Theme 3 - Yield and Quality Optimization for Sustainable Supply

Theme 4 - Sustainability and Climate Change – Improving Nutrient and Water Use Efficiency

Theme 5 - Sustainability and Climate Change – Integrated Pest Management

Theme 6 - Putting Innovation into Action – Knowledge and Technology Transfer



Theme 1

Differentiated Quality & Enhanced Environmental Performance in Food Processing for Canola Oil & Protein

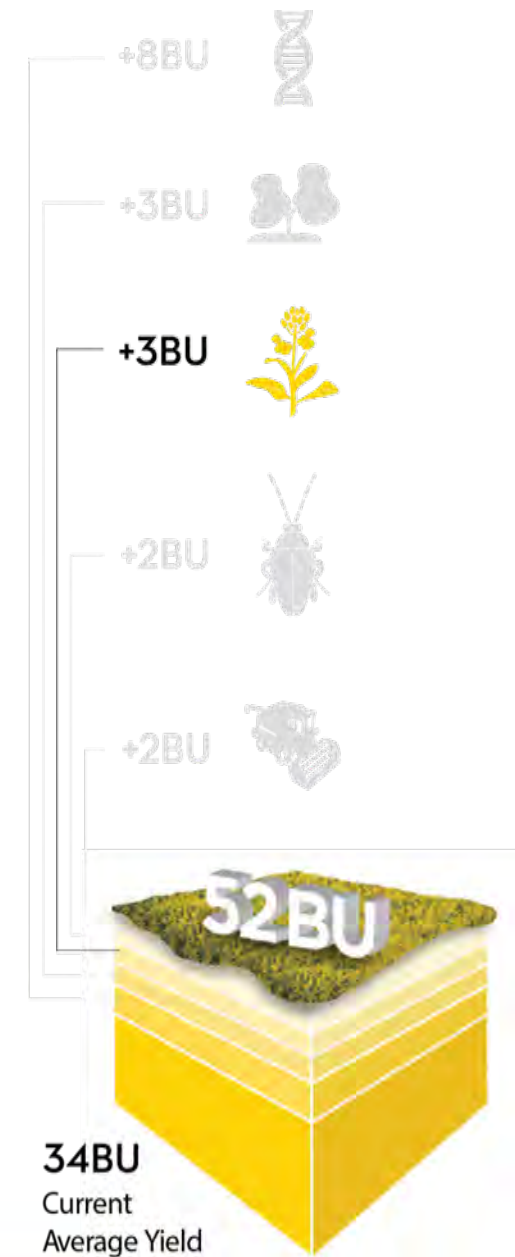
1. Nutrigenetics, canola oil and glucose tolerance: Does SCD1 genotype modulate a person's response to canola oil?
2. Novel extraction of oil & antioxidants from canola seed



Theme 4

Sustainability and Climate Change – Improving Nutrient and Water Use Efficiency

1. Improving nitrogen use efficiency (NUE) and soil sustainability in canola production across Canada
2. Making of a more sustainable canola: Using genetic diversity to improve NUE



Theme 6

Putting Innovation into Action – Knowledge and Technology Transfer

Promoting Best Management Practices

1. Canola Research Hub
2. Crop Production & Innovation Hub

+8BU



+3BU



+3BU



52nd 2025

KEEP IT COMING

Public Private Partnership: Research (Funding)

• Consortia

IP / Licensing

- Proof of Concept
- SUCCESS STORY

A close-up photograph of a field of yellow flowers, likely rapeseed or mustard. The flowers are in various stages of bloom, with some showing green buds and others fully open. The background is a soft, out-of-focus expanse of yellow, creating a bokeh effect. The text 'THANK YOU' is centered in the middle of the image in a white, sans-serif font.

THANK YOU



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Additional Information



Theme 2

Differentiated Quality & Sustainable Livestock Production using Canola Meal

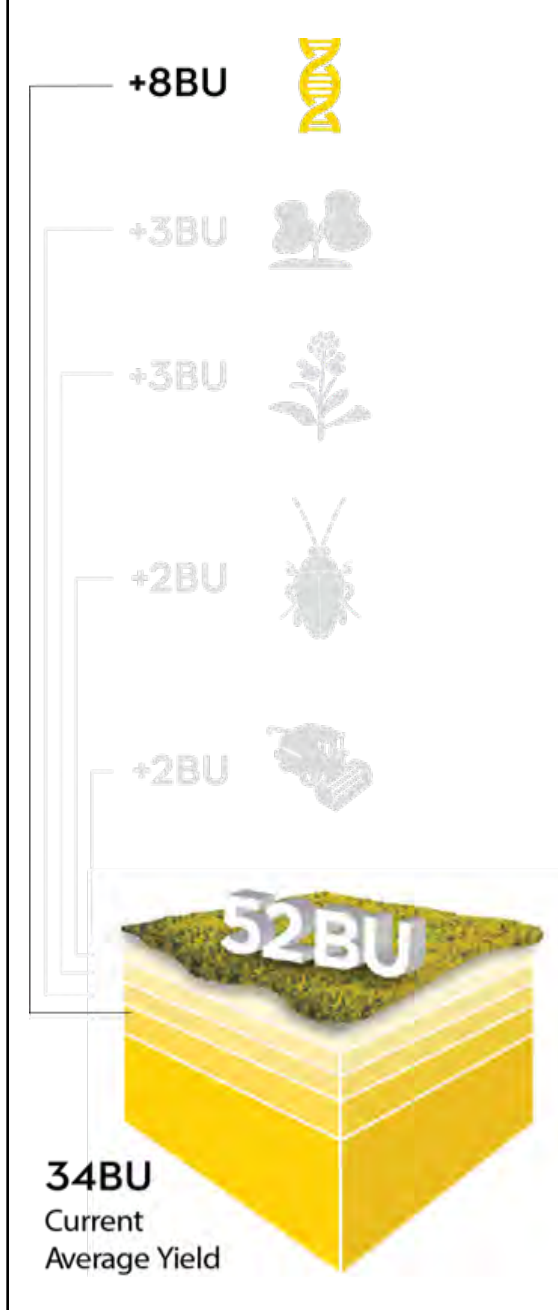
1. Gut health and digestive physiology of nursery pigs and broiler chicken fed canola coproducts-based diets
2. Canola meal to improve efficiency and sustainability of dairy production: Filling knowledge gaps
3. Understanding the impact of canola meal on gut microbiota and the long-term effects of high level of canola meal inclusion on sow and litter performance
4. Accurate determination of the contribution of canola meal to metabolizable protein supply in dairy cows
5. Evaluation of canola meal as compare to soybean meal in practical California rations



Theme 3

Yield and Quality Optimization for Sustainable Supply

1. Manipulating agronomic factors for optimum canola harvest timing, productivity and crop sequencing
2. Enhancing yield and biomass in canola by modifying carbohydrate metabolism
3. Weeding out secondary dormancy potential from volunteer canola
4. Advancing the functional, nutritional and economic value of canola protein in Canada



Theme 5

Sustainability and Climate Change – Integrated Pest Management

1. Feasibility of using *Trichomalus perfectus* for biological control of cabbage seedpod weevil in the prairies
2. Integrated approaches for flea beetle control II
3. Genetic resources for flea beetle resistance in canola
4. Improving the management of sclerotinia stem rot of canola using fungicides and better risk assessment tools
5. Development of a biosensor for Sclerotinia stem rot disease forecasting in canola



Theme 5

Sustainability and Climate Change – Integrated Pest Management

6. Protection of canola from pathogenic fungi using RNAi technologies
7. Resistance to *Sclerotinia sclerotiorum* effectors in canola
8. Clubroot Pillar 1: Integrated Disease Management
9. Clubroot Pillar 2: Developing novel resistance resources
10. Clubroot Pillar 3: Host-pathogen biology and interaction



Theme 7

Maintaining Canola Supply and Trade: Blackleg and Verticillium – Integrated Pest Management

1. Developing a robust system for efficient assessment of quantitative resistance (QR) in commercial canola varieties for blackleg management
2. Developing tools for the rapid screening of canola germplasm for quantitative resistance to blackleg disease
3. Understanding the critical infection window that causes blackleg of canola in western Canada
4. Fine-tuning of the blackleg yield loss model in canola
5. Improving management of blackleg on canola via better flea-beetle control and effective fungicide seed treatment in western Canada



Theme 7

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6. Improving blackleg resistance durability through R-gene rotation in commercial fields on the Canadian prairies – a science-based stewardship program
7. Genetic dissection of the RIM3-4-7 blackleg R gene cluster and KASP marker improvement
8. Verticillium disease etiology and nursery
9. Genetics and genomics of Brassica-Verticillium interaction



Canola Value Chain

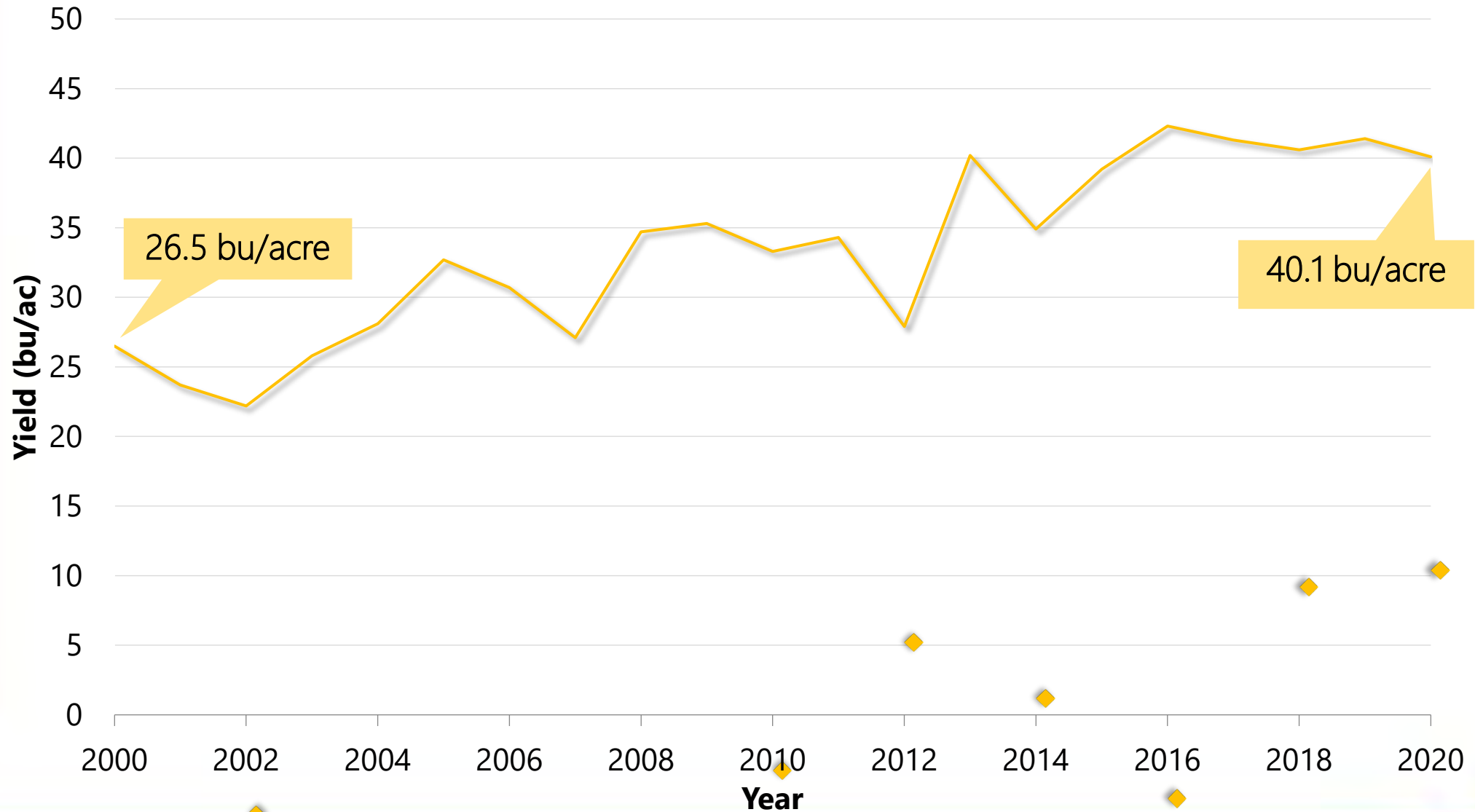
Our December 2020 economic impact study (from 2016/2017 to 2018/2019) for Canada completed by LMC showed:



- The total economic impact on the Canadian economy from the canola sector averaged **\$29.9 billion per year**
- **207,000 full time equivalent jobs** are supported by the canola sector
- The total wage impact of the sector average **\$12 billion**

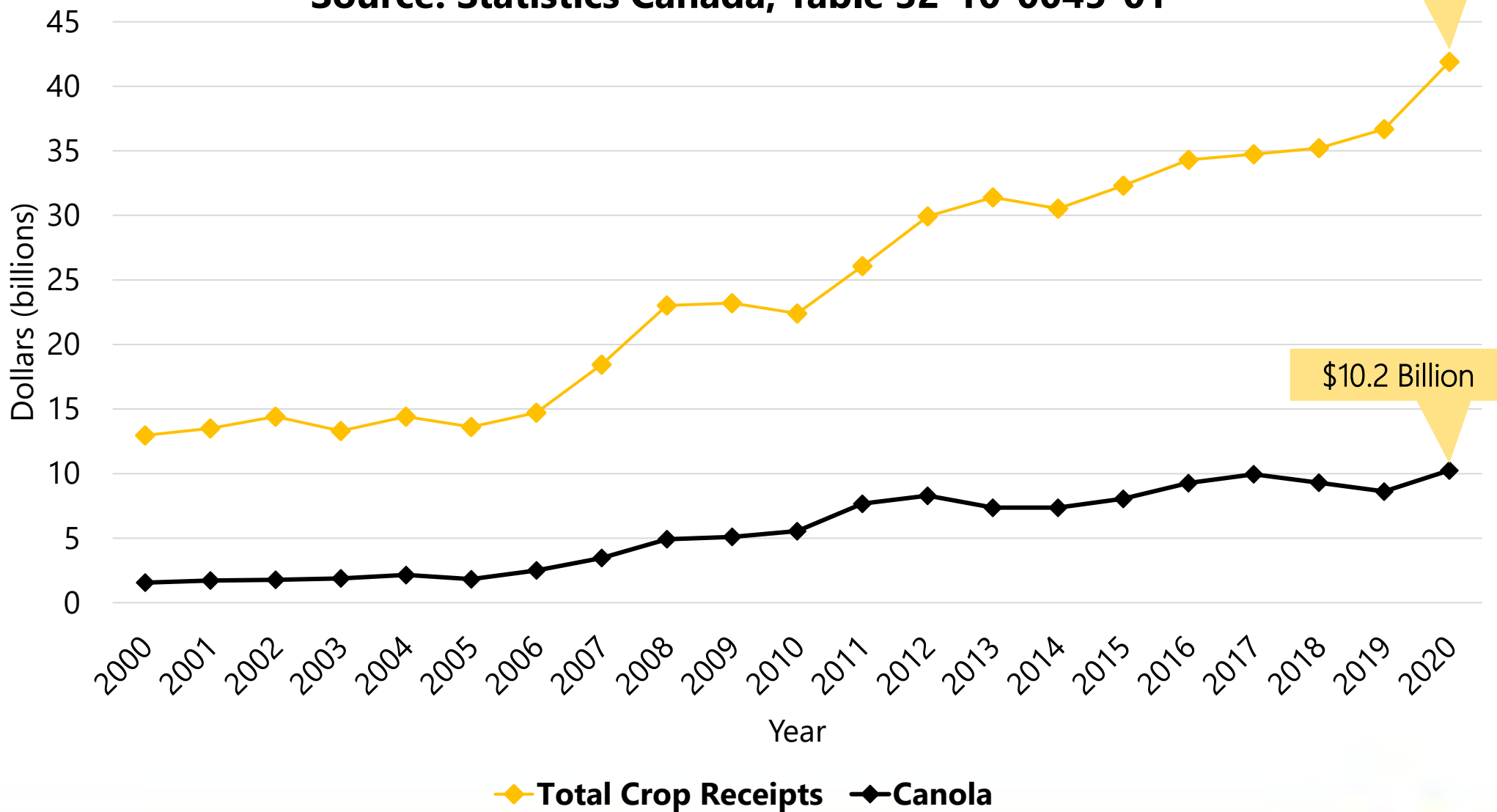
20-Year Canola Yield Trend

Source: Statistics Canada, Table 32-10-0359-01

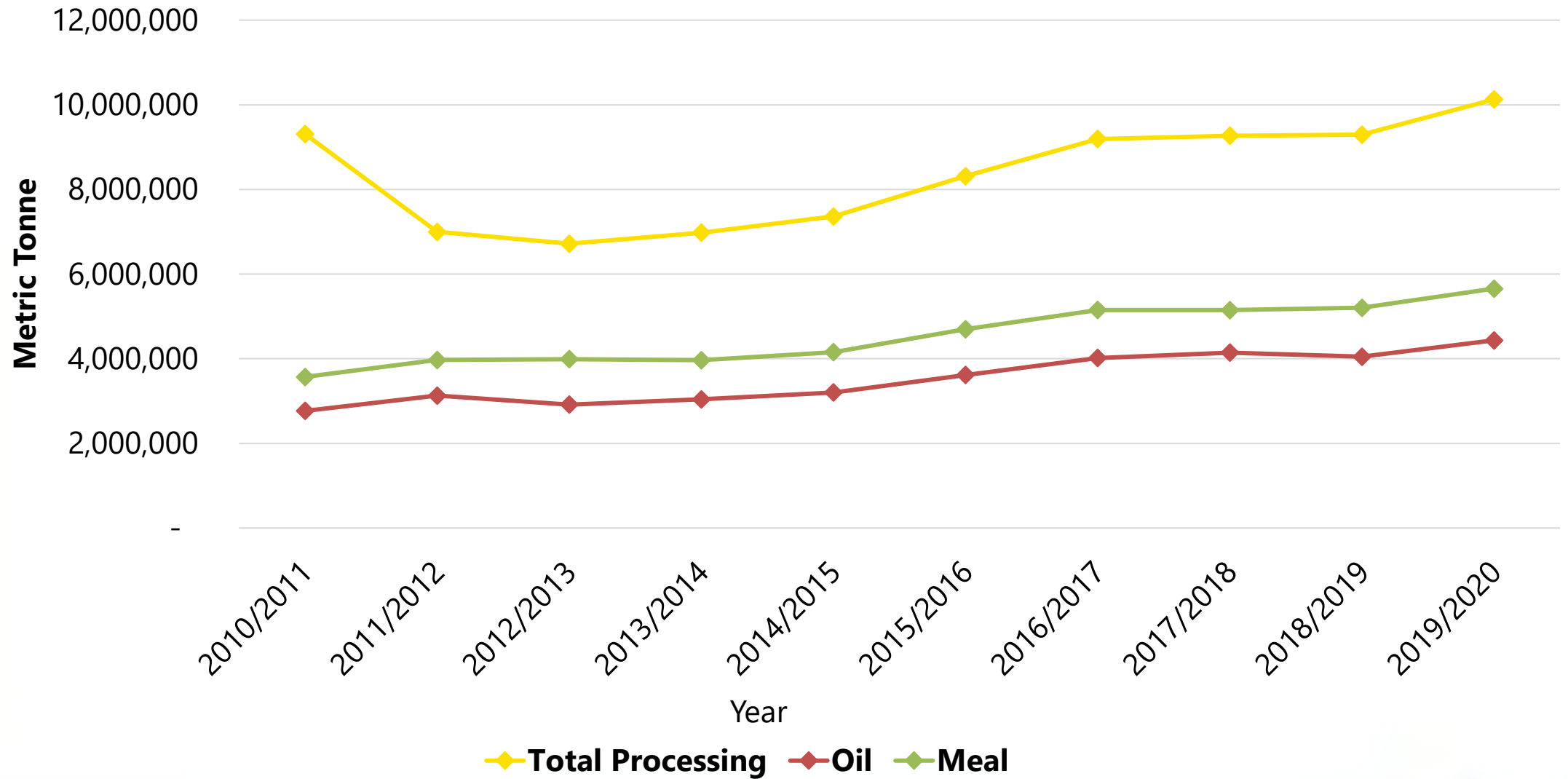


Farm Cash Receipts

Source: Statistics Canada, Table 32-10-0045-01



Canola Meal Production



Growing Forward and Growing Forward 2



In Growing Forward (2009-2013) and Growing Forward 2 (2013-2018) the canola industry partnered with AAFC on close to \$50 million worth of research through the Canadian AgriScience Clusters, developing innovative Agri-Products and AgriScience Programs

Growing Forward and Growing Forward 2 Research Impact

- Canola Oil – Canola Oil Multi-Centre Intervention Trial
- Canola Meal
- Stand Establishment
- Fertility Management
- Integrated Pest Management
 - Disease
 - Insect
- Harvest Management

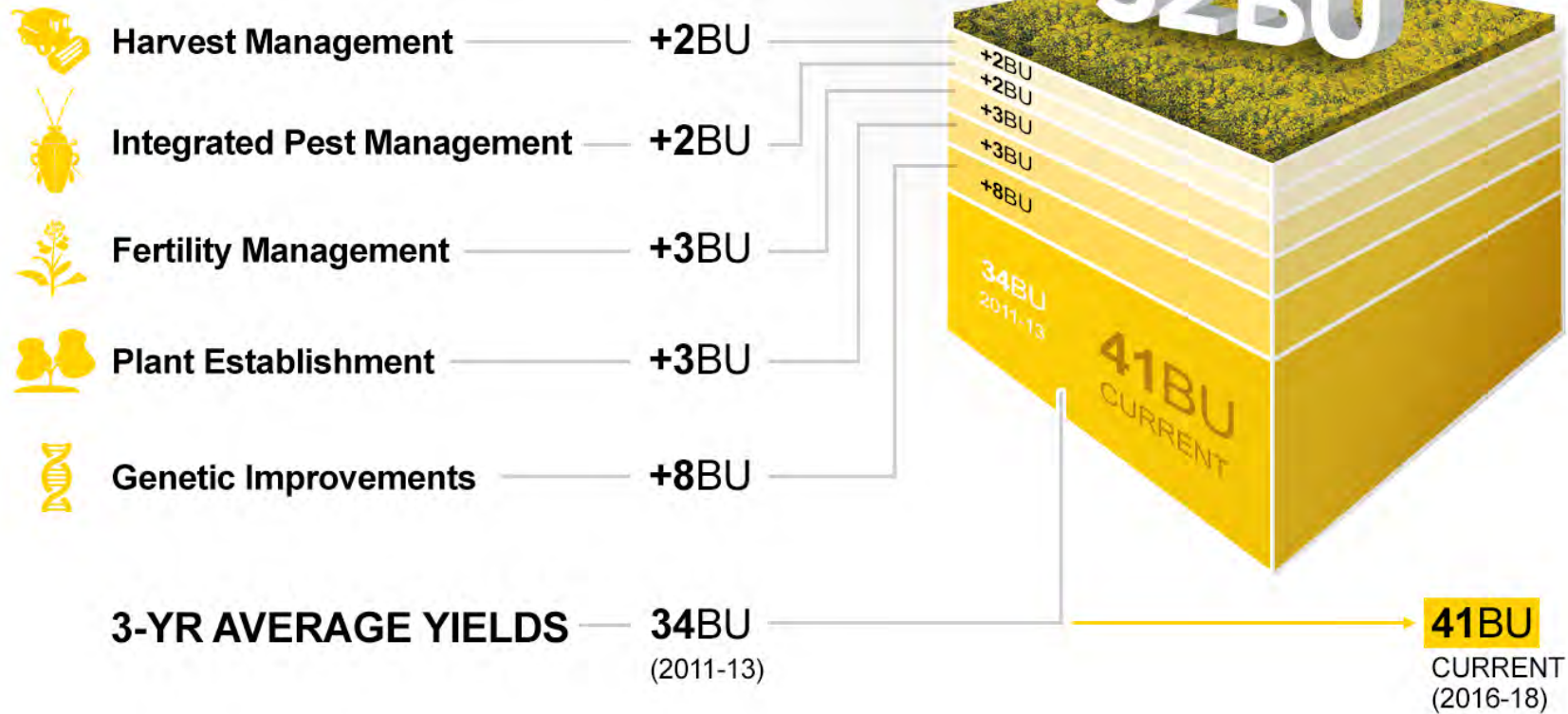
Progress Towards 2025 Targets

	2019 Results	2011 & 2012 Average (the initial strategic plan benchmarks)	2025 Targets
Exported Seed	8.2 MMT	8.1 MMT	12 MMT
Domestic Processing	9.6 MMT	6.9 MMT	14 MMT
Acres (Seeded Area)	21 million	20.2 million	22 million
Yield	40 bu/acre	31.2 bu/acre	52 bu/acre
Production	18.6 MMT	14.2 MMT	26 MMT
Oil Content (Average of No. 1 Grade)	44.60%	44.40%	Maintain global competitiveness in oil content (10 yr average = 44.4%)
Saturated Fat Content	6.60%	6.70%	Global leadership position in oil saturated fat content
Meal Crude Protein Content (Oil-free, 12% moisture basis)	38.30%	39.7%*	Increase protein availability by target species (10 yr average = 37.9%)

MMT = Million Metric Tonnes

52 by 2025: How we'll get there

OUR TOOLS FOR INCREASING YIELDS:





Grower Survey

Benchmarking

- Grower Survey conducted in 2011
AAFC / Blacksheep
- 2020
Best Management Practices
Knowledge & Tech Transfer Preferences

