

## PARTICIPATING IN AGRISTABILITY



### In Saskatchewan agriculture, there are no guarantees.

While you cannot control the weather, market fluctuations or rising input costs, you can manage your risk with AgriStability.

If you are not enrolled, there is still time to participate. The deadline to enrol in AgriStability for the 2020 program year has been extended to July 3, 2020.

### Why Choose AgriStability?

AgriStability is a low-cost business risk management program designed to help farm operations facing large margin declines caused by production loss, increased costs or market conditions. Coverage is personalized for each farm by using historical information, based on income tax and supplementary information.

In the last three program years, AgriStability benefits of over \$275 million were paid to Saskatchewan producers.

### It's Easy To Enrol

Applying for AgriStability is easy. Contact your local SCIC customer service office or call the AgriStability Call Centre (1-866-270-8450) and request a new participant package.

You will be asked a few simple questions:

- How many acres do you farm?
- What is your farm location?
- What crops are you intending to seed?
- How many head of livestock do you have?

There is no initial requirement to supply historical farm information. Once enrolled, you have the option of submitting either your previous three or five years of farm information for processing your final application.

### Enrolment/Fee Notice

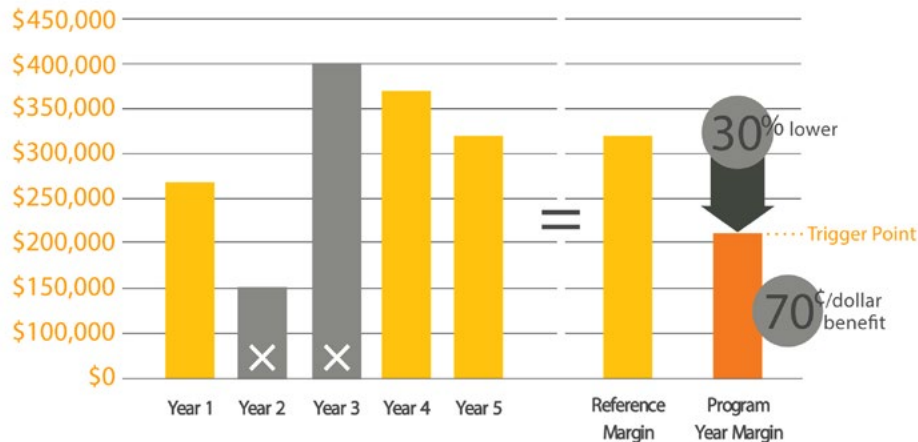
The AgriStability Program fee is \$3.15 for every \$1,000 of Contribution Reference Margin. All participants are given 30 days from the date on their Enrolment/Fee Notice or until July 3, 2020, whichever is later, to pay these fees without penalty.

### Simplified Participation

New producers, or those who have not participated in the AgriStability Program in any of the four years immediately prior to the current program year, have **the option of submitting either the previous three years or five years** of historical information for processing the final application.

## How AgriStability Works

AgriStability calculates a program year margin and a reference margin for each farming operation.



If your program year margin falls 30 per cent below your reference margin, due to any combination of production loss, adverse market conditions or increased costs, AgriStability could provide a payment.

Your program year margin is calculated each year. When the program year declines by more than 30 per cent of the reference margin, an AgriStability payment will be triggered. The payment provides 70 cents for every dollar of decline below the trigger point.

## AgriStability and Crop Insurance

To protect from crop production losses and large margin declines, consider Crop Insurance and AgriStability as part of your comprehensive risk management plan. Since AgriStability accounts for the whole farm, the Program can provide benefits even if you received a Crop Insurance payment.

## AgConnect

Access your AgriStability information online – anywhere, anytime – with SCIC’s secure, web-based application. With AgConnect, you can access your AgriStability information all in one place, eliminate tracking paper files, submit forms online, and view detailed program information.

Learn more: [www.scic.ca/agristability](http://www.scic.ca/agristability)

## Important Deadlines

**July 3**  
regularly  
April 30

*Current Program Year*  
Enrolment/Fee Deadline. Request to enrol, cancel participation or pay your program fees without penalty.\*

**September 30**

*Completed Program Year*  
Submit your AgriStability forms without penalty.

**December 31**

*Completed Program Year*  
Submit your AgriStability forms with penalty.\*\*

*Current Program Year*  
Pay your program fee with penalty.\*

**March 31**

*Completed Program Year*  
Submit your interim application.

\*For the 2020 program year, fees paid after July 3 (or 30 days from the date on your Enrolment/Fee Notice, whichever is later) will have a 20 per cent penalty added.

\*\*Forms submitted after September 30 and before December 31 will have a \$500/month penalty deducted from your benefit. If no benefit is calculated, there will be no penalty applied.