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**Subject:** Ontario's farmland/person fell by at least 4.3% in the last year**From:** Joseph Minor**Sent:** September 21, 2023 9:37 AM**Subject:** Ontario's farmland/person fell by at least 4.3% in the last year

The numbers with respect to farmland:

There are 8.06 billion people on the planet. There is 48.9 million square kilometers of farmland to feed them. This means that there is 1.50 acre of farmland per person in the world.

There are 15.5 million people in Ontario. There is less than 11.8 million acres of farmland to feed them. This means that there is less than 0.76 acre of farmland per person in Ontario.

One of the things that is shocking to me is just how rapidly the figure of farmland per person is dropping in Ontario. While the world average figure is holding pretty steady, the amount of farmland per person in Ontario has dropped at least 4.3% in the last year. I wish I could give you the real figure (i.e. how much higher it is than 4.3%) , but what I need to do this is how much farmland was lost in Ontario in the last year – a figure that the Ford government is unwilling to provide.

WHAT IS ABUNDANTLY CLEAR IS JUST HOW INCREDIBLY STUPID IT IS FOR THE FORD GOVERNMENT TO BE DICTATING THAT OUR POPULATION GROWTH OCCUR ON OUR RAPIDLY DIMINSHING PRIME AGRICULTURAL LAND.

This goes beyond “unsustainable”. I used to think that destroying our scarce Prime Agricultural Land would be filicidal, but now that Ford is destroying farmland with a maniacal vengence we may soon find out that his actions are more accurately described as suicidal. But that is not quite right because unless Ford is stopped he will be taking us with him. We need a better word.

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