

Farm structure in Spain – 2005

Every fifth holding is specialised in olive production

This Statistics in Focus is part of a series of country-specific publications on the results of the Farm Structure Survey (FSS) 2005. It provides a brief but nevertheless comprehensive insight into the farm structure in Spain. A similar publication was issued in March 2005 presenting the results of the FSS 2003 in Spain.

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At the end of 2005 in Spain, about **959 thousand*** agricultural holdings had an economic size of at least 1 European Size Unit (ESU).

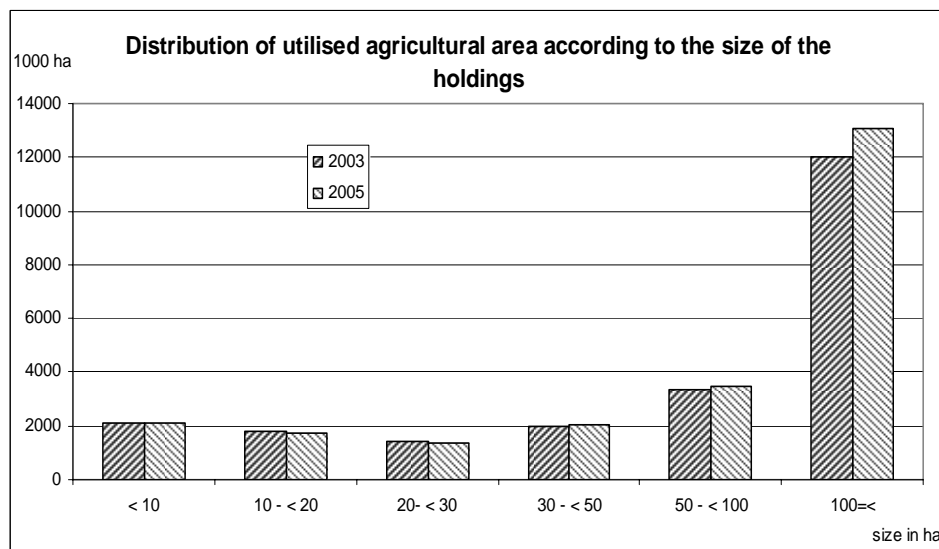
- These holdings employed 949.2 thousand AWUs (annual work units), the equivalent of 949.2 thousand persons working full time;
- they made use of about 23.7 million ha of agricultural area, which is on average **24.8 ha per holding** (compared to 23.2 ha in 2003).

Among these 959 thousand agricultural holdings

- 62% made use of less than one AWU, while 11% made use of 2 or more AWUs;
- 49% used less than 5 ha agricultural area, while 5% used 100 ha or more;
- 20% were holdings of the type specialist olives, 18% specialist fruit and citrus fruit, 12% specialist cereals, oil seed and protein crops, 8% specialist vineyard and 7% were engaged in mixed cropping;
- 77% of their agricultural area was situated in less favoured or mountain areas;
- 2% were organic farms;
- 6% benefited from direct investment aid.

Among the 912 thousand sole holders

- 28% were women;
- 58% were aged 55 or more, and only 6% were younger than 35 years;
- 27% had another gainful activity as their major occupation.



Due to differences in the threshold across Member States, the total number of farms is not comparable between countries. This is why the present analysis, including Tables 1-4 and the graphs focus on holdings of at least one ESU. See methodological notes for more information on the concept of the ESU.

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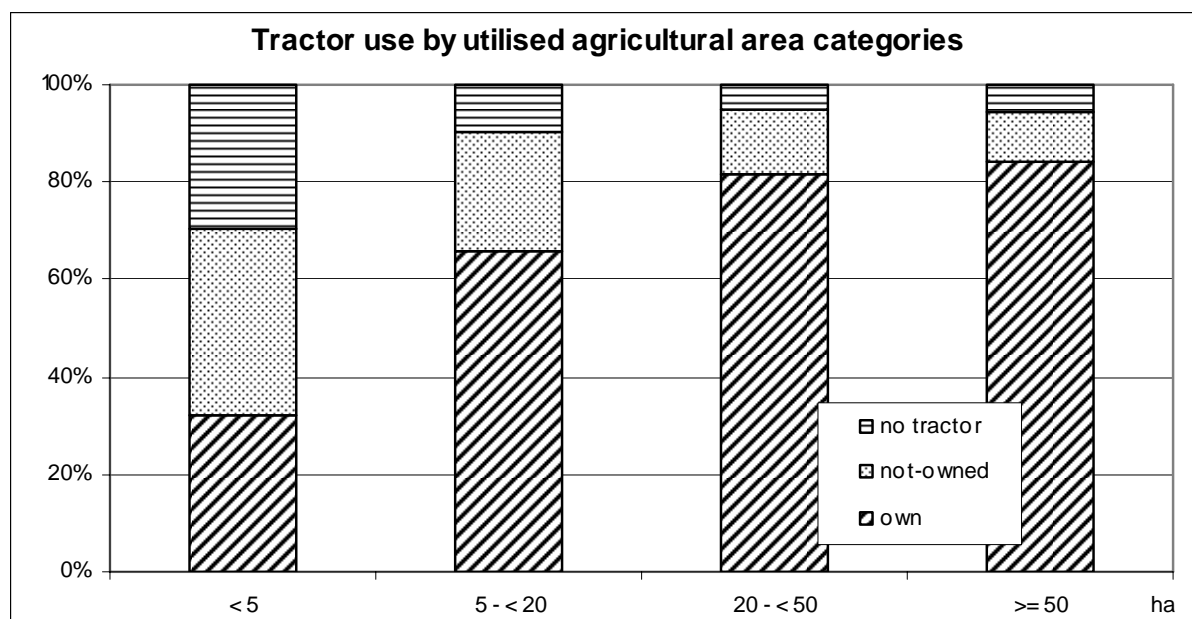
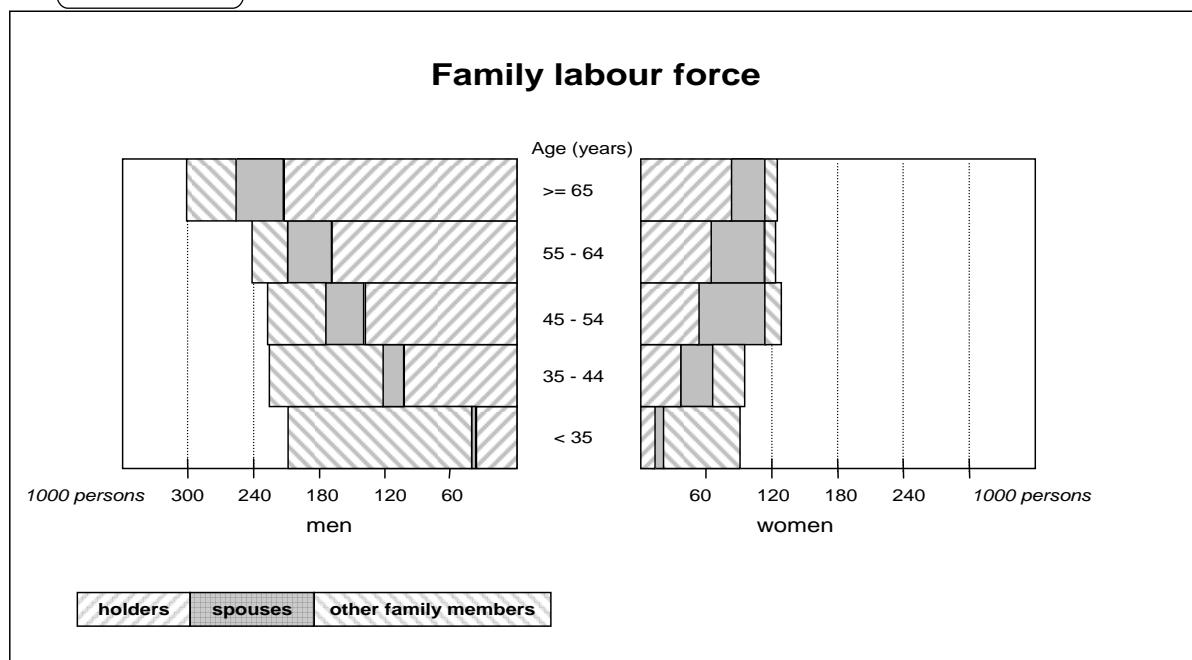
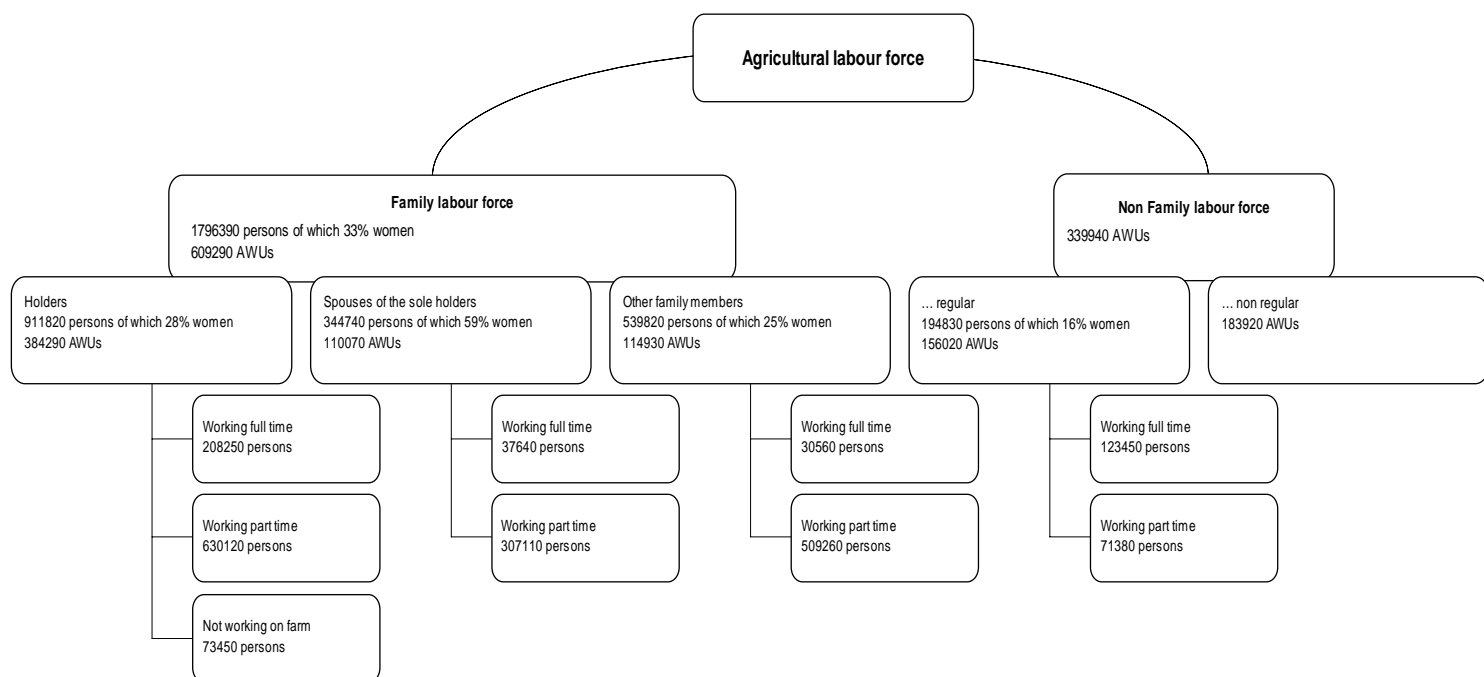
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Spain 2005 – Holdings of at least 1 ESU



| Size of the farms | Agricultural area (ha) | | | | All farms | Livestock (LU*) | | | |
|---|------------------------|--------------|--------------|-------------|--------------|-----------------|--------------|-------------|-------------|
| | < 5 | 5 - < 20 | 20 -< 50 | 50 =< | | 0 | 0 <- < 50 | 50 -< 100 | 100 =< |
| Total labour force | | | | | | | | | |
| 1000 annual work units | 305.3 | 266.1 | 147.8 | 230.1 | 949.2 | 552.3 | 272.1 | 47.9 | 76.9 |
| Family labour force | | | | | | | | | |
| 1000 persons | 915.3 | 551.0 | 194.3 | 135.8 | 1796.4 | 1259.1 | 458.8 | 44.0 | 34.5 |
| 1000 annual work units | 244.7 | 198.8 | 89.7 | 76.1 | 609.3 | 311.1 | 243.7 | 31.7 | 22.8 |
| Non-family labour regularly employed | | | | | | | | | |
| 1000 persons | 41.7 | 34.7 | 32.8 | 85.6 | 194.8 | 115.0 | 18.4 | 14.5 | 46.9 |
| 1000 annual work units | 31.1 | 27.1 | 25.5 | 72.4 | 156.0 | 85.0 | 15.0 | 12.7 | 43.3 |
| Non regular non family labour force | | | | | | | | | |
| 1000 annual work units | 29.6 | 40.2 | 32.7 | 81.5 | 183.9 | 156.2 | 13.4 | 3.5 | 10.8 |
| Holding managers (1000) | 472.0 | 281.0 | 109.4 | 96.6 | 959.0 | 673.8 | 231.1 | 26.3 | 27.8 |
| - women (%) | 19.2 | 19.3 | 15.0 | 9.1 | 17.7 | 14.7 | 28.1 | 12.3 | 9.1 |
| - part-time - under 50 % (%) | 70.9 | 57.0 | 40.6 | 27.3 | 59.0 | 72.3 | 31.3 | 8.7 | 14.0 |
| - 50 % and over(%) | 13.8 | 15.4 | 16.4 | 20.6 | 15.3 | 12.5 | 24.0 | 13.1 | 13.9 |
| - with a basic agricult. training only (%) | 6.9 | 9.6 | 15.9 | 19.1 | 9.9 | 9.6 | 8.5 | 19.4 | 21.2 |
| - with a full agricultural training (%) | 0.8 | 0.7 | 2.0 | 4.3 | 1.2 | 1.3 | 0.7 | 1.7 | 4.2 |
| Sole/main holders (1000) | 462.8 | 272.5 | 100.4 | 76.0 | 911.8 | 645.8 | 225.9 | 22.4 | 17.7 |
| - women (%) | 29.6 | 28.7 | 23.4 | 15.7 | 27.5 | 26.0 | 33.8 | 16.1 | 16.3 |
| - distribution by age (%) | | | | | | | | | |
| - under 35 years | 4.8 | 5.0 | 8.0 | 8.2 | 5.5 | 5.4 | 4.8 | 13.1 | 9.0 |
| - from 35 to 44 years | 13.5 | 15.9 | 17.9 | 21.5 | 15.4 | 14.8 | 14.9 | 28.8 | 25.4 |
| - from 45 to 54 years | 19.7 | 22.0 | 23.1 | 23.3 | 21.1 | 20.4 | 21.8 | 27.5 | 28.9 |
| - from 55 to 64 years | 24.8 | 25.9 | 25.9 | 29.0 | 25.6 | 24.9 | 28.1 | 22.2 | 25.3 |
| - 65 years and over | 37.2 | 31.2 | 25.1 | 18.0 | 32.5 | 34.6 | 30.4 | 8.3 | 11.3 |
| - part-time - under 50 % (%) | 72.3 | 58.7 | 44.3 | 34.7 | 62.0 | 75.4 | 32.0 | 10.1 | 22.0 |
| - 50 % and over(%) | 14.1 | 15.9 | 17.9 | 26.1 | 16.1 | 13.0 | 24.5 | 15.3 | 21.8 |
| - with another gainful activity ¹ (%) | 36.1 | 31.3 | 21.9 | 17.6 | 31.4 | 37.2 | 19.6 | 10.2 | 15.8 |
| - as main occupation | 33.0 | 26.2 | 15.7 | 10.1 | 27.0 | 32.8 | 15.5 | 4.6 | 8.0 |
| - as a subsidiary occupation | 3.1 | 5.1 | 6.2 | 7.5 | 4.4 | 4.4 | 4.1 | 5.6 | 7.7 |
| Spouse of sole holder working on the holding (1000) | 176.0 | 110.4 | 35.9 | 22.4 | 344.7 | 217.4 | 110.8 | 9.5 | 7.0 |
| - women (%) | 57.5 | 57.9 | 61.2 | 71.7 | 58.9 | 60.1 | 54.2 | 73.2 | 74.9 |
| - distribution by age (%) | | | | | | | | | |
| - under 35 years | 4.2 | 4.1 | 4.8 | 5.7 | 4.3 | 4.2 | 3.7 | 10.4 | 6.4 |
| - from 35 to 54 years | 44.5 | 47.7 | 48.1 | 53.1 | 46.4 | 49.0 | 39.1 | 61.1 | 62.1 |
| - 55 years and over | 51.4 | 48.3 | 47.1 | 41.2 | 49.3 | 46.7 | 57.2 | 28.5 | 31.5 |
| - part-time - under 50 % (%) | 80.3 | 74.8 | 67.8 | 69.0 | 76.5 | 88.8 | 56.8 | 42.6 | 53.0 |
| - 50 % and over(%) | 11.9 | 12.2 | 14.2 | 17.3 | 12.6 | 6.9 | 22.4 | 19.6 | 22.2 |
| - with another gainful activity (%) | 30.5 | 30.9 | 28.4 | 21.9 | 29.8 | 33.8 | 23.6 | 17.5 | 22.8 |
| Other members of the holder's family working on the holding (1000) | 276.4 | 168.0 | 58.0 | 37.4 | 539.8 | 396.0 | 122.1 | 12.0 | 9.8 |
| - women (%) | 26.7 | 26.5 | 21.3 | 16.3 | 25.4 | 24.4 | 29.6 | 18.4 | 20.7 |
| - part-time - under 50 % (%) | 92.1 | 86.3 | 78.7 | 71.4 | 87.4 | 92.7 | 75.3 | 59.2 | 58.1 |
| - 50 % and over(%) | 4.6 | 8.3 | 10.3 | 12.7 | 6.9 | 4.0 | 14.6 | 17.9 | 17.0 |
| - with another gainful activity (%) | 62.7 | 59.3 | 54.1 | 48.8 | 59.8 | 63.3 | 52.6 | 37.5 | 32.9 |

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* LU = Livestock Unit

¹ Refers only to holders who are also farm managers.

| Size of the farms | Agricultural area (ha) | | | | All farms | Livestock (LU) | | | |
|--|------------------------|----------|----------|-------|-----------|----------------|-----------|----------|--------|
| | < 5 | 5 - < 20 | 20 -< 50 | 50 =< | | 0 | 0 <- < 50 | 50 -<100 | 100 =< |
| Holdings | | | | | | | | | |
| - total number (1000) | 472.0 | 281.0 | 109.4 | 96.6 | 959.0 | 673.8 | 231.1 | 26.3 | 27.8 |
| - by legal personality of the holder (%) | | | | | | | | | |
| - sole holder | 98.1 | 97.0 | 91.8 | 78.7 | 95.1 | 95.8 | 97.7 | 85.5 | 63.7 |
| - legal person | 1.9 | 3.0 | 8.2 | 21.3 | 4.9 | 4.2 | 2.3 | 14.5 | 36.3 |
| - group holders | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| - by employed labour force (%) | | | | | | | | | |
| - under 1 AWU | 75.5 | 60.3 | 39.8 | 26.8 | 62.0 | 74.7 | 37.7 | 8.3 | 8.7 |
| - from 1 to less than 2 AWU | 18.8 | 28.7 | 40.9 | 42.6 | 26.6 | 18.1 | 46.7 | 55.4 | 39.7 |
| - from 2 to less than 3 AWU | 4.3 | 8.3 | 13.3 | 14.9 | 7.6 | 4.1 | 13.5 | 26.7 | 25.3 |
| - 3 AWU and over | 1.4 | 2.7 | 6.0 | 15.6 | 3.7 | 3.2 | 2.1 | 9.6 | 26.3 |
| - by economic size (%) | | | | | | | | | |
| - from 1 to less than 8 ESU | 78.0 | 45.9 | 19.6 | 2.8 | 54.4 | 57.4 | 58.1 | 0.6 | 0.3 |
| - from 8 to less than 16 ESU | 12.7 | 25.1 | 25.9 | 9.6 | 17.5 | 18.6 | 17.7 | 7.0 | 0.4 |
| - from 16 to less than 40 ESU | 6.5 | 22.7 | 30.1 | 36.6 | 17.0 | 15.7 | 18.9 | 39.1 | 10.9 |
| - from 40 to less than 100 ESU | 2.0 | 5.1 | 20.0 | 31.9 | 8.0 | 6.2 | 4.7 | 49.0 | 39.9 |
| - 100 ESU and over | 0.9 | 1.2 | 4.3 | 19.2 | 3.2 | 2.1 | 0.7 | 4.3 | 48.5 |
| - by farm type (%) | | | | | | | | | |
| - specialist olives | 25.3 | 20.1 | 10.7 | 5.4 | 20.1 | 26.8 | 5.2 | 0.2 | 0.3 |
| - specialist fruit and citrus fruit | 29.1 | 10.9 | 5.0 | 2.0 | 18.3 | 24.0 | 6.1 | 0.1 | 0.1 |
| - specialist cereals, oil seed and protein crops | 2.7 | 12.8 | 25.6 | 36.5 | 11.7 | 14.0 | 7.5 | 1.5 | 0.6 |
| - specialist vineyard | 7.1 | 12.0 | 7.5 | 2.4 | 8.1 | 10.6 | 2.7 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| - mixed cropping | 5.3 | 6.5 | 9.4 | 10.0 | 6.6 | 6.0 | 9.5 | 1.1 | 1.2 |
| - other types of farming | 30.4 | 37.7 | 41.8 | 43.8 | 35.2 | 18.6 | 69.1 | 97.0 | 97.8 |
| - by farming methods (%) | | | | | | | | | |
| - organic farming | 0.9 | 1.4 | 2.3 | 3.7 | 1.5 | 1.6 | 1.2 | 2.1 | 2.4 |
| - irrigating | 51.0 | 43.5 | 45.7 | 44.6 | 47.6 | 51.6 | 39.9 | 27.6 | 31.5 |
| - with fixed irrigation equipment | 56.0 | 47.0 | 44.9 | 40.3 | 50.5 | 53.4 | 45.7 | 32.6 | 37.1 |
| - with crops under glass | 5.7 | 1.6 | 0.8 | 0.4 | 3.4 | 3.9 | 2.4 | 0.5 | 0.4 |
| - benefiting of direct investment aids | 2.7 | 5.7 | 10.8 | 14.8 | 5.7 | 3.3 | 8.4 | 25.9 | 22.8 |
| - using a tractor (%) | | | | | | | | | |
| - with their own tractor | 32.2 | 65.6 | 81.5 | 84.4 | 52.9 | 47.3 | 63.1 | 75.6 | 80.6 |
| - using a combine harvester (%) | | | | | | | | | |
| - with another gainful activity than agricultural production (%) | | | | | | | | | |
| - tourism | 0.1 | 0.6 | 0.7 | 1.1 | 0.4 | 0.3 | 0.6 | 0.9 | 1.2 |
| - handicraft | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.1 |
| - processing of farm products | 1.5 | 1.4 | 1.6 | 1.3 | 1.5 | 0.9 | 3.1 | 2.5 | 1.6 |
| - wood processing | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.1 |
| - aquaculture | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| - renewable energy production | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.3 |
| - contractual work | 0.0 | 0.2 | 0.9 | 1.8 | 0.4 | 0.3 | 0.5 | 1.2 | 0.9 |
| - other gainful activities n.a.e. | 0.5 | 1.4 | 1.6 | 1.8 | 1.0 | 1.2 | 0.6 | 1.0 | 1.7 |

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| Size of the farm (1000 ha) | Agricultural area (ha) | | | | All farms | Livestock (LU) | | | |
|--|------------------------|---------------|---------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| | < 5 | 5 - < 20 | 20 - < 50 | 50 =< | | 0 | 0 < - < 50 | 50 - < 100 | 100 =< |
| Area | | | | | | | | | |
| Total area of agricultural holdings | 1577.2 | 3648.6 | 4057.3 | 21117.7 | 30400.7 | 18311.8 | 5166.6 | 2204.9 | 4717.5 |
| Other area | 586.3 | 794.1 | 668.5 | 4610.8 | 6659.7 | 4399.5 | 992.4 | 365.6 | 902.2 |
| Wooded area | 260.0 | 427.4 | 381.2 | 2800.1 | 3868.7 | 2497.5 | 554.0 | 218.0 | 599.2 |
| Agricultural area | 990.9 | 2854.4 | 3388.7 | 16506.9 | 23741.0 | 13912.4 | 4174.2 | 1839.3 | 3815.2 |
| Arable land | 198.9 | 968.1 | 1839.4 | 8849.0 | 11855.4 | 7790.0 | 2091.0 | 734.2 | 1240.2 |
| Cereals | 77.3 | 543.6 | 1150.2 | 5338.7 | 7109.8 | 4714.0 | 1258.6 | 412.1 | 725.2 |
| <i>Common wheat and spelt</i> | 10.6 | 94.4 | 226.7 | 1012.7 | 1344.5 | 873.1 | 282.9 | 70.9 | 117.5 |
| <i>Durum wheat</i> | 8.2 | 64.3 | 110.0 | 745.0 | 927.5 | 657.2 | 120.5 | 48.4 | 101.5 |
| <i>Rye</i> | 1.5 | 6.2 | 15.1 | 98.4 | 121.2 | 43.2 | 35.5 | 18.3 | 24.2 |
| <i>Barley</i> | 21.0 | 229.8 | 560.7 | 2604.6 | 3416.0 | 2446.9 | 550.7 | 156.3 | 262.2 |
| <i>Oats</i> | 6.8 | 46.2 | 91.8 | 537.7 | 682.4 | 295.9 | 150.4 | 85.7 | 150.3 |
| <i>Grain maize</i> | 22.4 | 72.7 | 109.3 | 234.7 | 439.1 | 267.2 | 97.5 | 26.0 | 48.4 |
| Dried pulses | 7.2 | 42.1 | 52.2 | 390.6 | 492.0 | 326.7 | 91.4 | 27.9 | 46.0 |
| Root crops | 10.8 | 22.1 | 37.3 | 104.0 | 174.2 | 123.4 | 37.6 | 5.6 | 7.6 |
| <i>Potatoes</i> | 9.9 | 10.9 | 13.2 | 23.4 | 57.3 | 35.0 | 19.7 | 1.1 | 1.4 |
| <i>Sugar beet</i> | 0.4 | 10.1 | 23.5 | 77.7 | 111.7 | 86.0 | 16.5 | 3.2 | 6.0 |
| <i>Fodder root</i> | 0.5 | 1.1 | 0.7 | 2.9 | 5.2 | 2.3 | 1.3 | 1.3 | 0.3 |
| Industrial crops | 7.5 | 65.9 | 104.7 | 490.4 | 668.5 | 533.7 | 82.7 | 18.5 | 33.6 |
| <i>Tobacco</i> | 1.5 | 4.9 | 2.1 | 4.4 | 12.9 | 9.1 | 3.2 | 0.3 | 0.3 |
| <i>Hops</i> | 0.2 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.2 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| <i>Cotton</i> | 2.3 | 21.2 | 14.6 | 45.7 | 83.8 | 72.9 | 4.7 | 1.3 | 4.9 |
| <i>Rape and turnip</i> | 0.0 | 0.1 | 1.5 | 4.3 | 5.9 | 4.5 | 0.5 | 0.1 | 0.8 |
| <i>Sunflower</i> | 2.5 | 38.3 | 84.0 | 400.9 | 525.7 | 416.7 | 68.4 | 15.0 | 25.6 |
| <i>Soya</i> | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.2 | 1.2 | 1.4 | 1.0 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.3 |
| Fresh vegetables, melons, strawberry | 56.6 | 57.5 | 43.7 | 125.2 | 283.0 | 240.7 | 27.4 | 5.0 | 9.9 |
| <i>outside</i> | 30.0 | 47.8 | 40.5 | 118.6 | 236.8 | 199.1 | 23.6 | 4.5 | 9.7 |
| <i>under glass</i> | 26.6 | 9.7 | 3.2 | 6.5 | 46.1 | 41.6 | 3.8 | 0.5 | 0.2 |
| Flower and ornamental plants | 2.6 | 1.7 | 1.0 | 0.9 | 6.1 | 5.4 | 0.5 | 0.0 | 0.2 |
| <i>outside</i> | 1.0 | 1.2 | 0.8 | 0.7 | 3.7 | 3.4 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 0.2 |
| <i>under glass</i> | 1.5 | 0.5 | 0.2 | 0.2 | 2.4 | 2.0 | 0.4 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Forage plants | 18.2 | 97.8 | 142.5 | 384.7 | 643.2 | 212.9 | 177.0 | 112.9 | 140.5 |
| Fallow land | 18.6 | 137.2 | 307.7 | 2013.3 | 2476.8 | 1631.7 | 415.8 | 152.3 | 277.0 |
| Kitchen garden | 1.7 | 1.4 | 0.5 | 0.3 | 3.9 | 1.5 | 2.2 | 0.1 | 0.1 |
| Permanent pasture and meadows | 112.2 | 589.8 | 667.5 | 6293.9 | 7663.4 | 2440.6 | 1707.5 | 1049.6 | 2465.7 |
| Permanent crops | 678.2 | 1295.1 | 881.4 | 1363.7 | 4218.3 | 3680.2 | 373.6 | 55.3 | 109.2 |
| Fruit and berry plantation | 147.3 | 295.7 | 165.8 | 195.3 | 804.2 | 656.7 | 109.2 | 14.2 | 24.1 |
| Citrus plantation | 110.0 | 72.3 | 35.3 | 64.6 | 282.3 | 263.0 | 14.6 | 0.8 | 3.9 |
| Olive trees | 329.2 | 596.1 | 420.7 | 759.2 | 2105.2 | 1823.6 | 183.4 | 31.6 | 66.7 |
| Vineyard | 88.9 | 327.9 | 257.2 | 339.4 | 1013.4 | 926.7 | 64.7 | 8.7 | 13.3 |
| Ratios | | | | | | | | | |
| Agricultural area per holding (ha) | 2.1 | 10.2 | 31.0 | 171.0 | 24.8 | 20.6 | 18.1 | 70.0 | 137.1 |
| Agricultural area... (%) | | | | | | | | | |
| ... own farmed | 92.1 | 82.3 | 67.8 | 63.2 | 67.4 | 72.3 | 59.9 | 52.0 | 64.9 |
| ... in less favoured or mountain area | 60.6 | 71.8 | 75.2 | 79.8 | 77.4 | 74.0 | 82.2 | 84.3 | 81.1 |
| ... organic farmed | 0.8 | 1.1 | 1.4 | 1.5 | 1.4 | 1.2 | 1.3 | 1.4 | 2.1 |
| ... irrigated | 32.6 | 22.1 | 19.4 | 10.5 | 14.1 | 18.9 | 8.9 | 6.1 | 6.1 |

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| Size of the farm | Agricultural area (ha) | | | | All farms | Livestock (LU) | | |
|---|------------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|----------------|----------------|---------------|----------------|
| | < 5 | 5 - < 20 | 20 - < 50 | 50 = < | | 0 < - < 50 | 50 - < 100 | 100 = < |
| Total livestock (1000 LU) | 4391.5 | 2861.4 | 2500.8 | 4644.1 | 14397.8 | 2481.9 | 1824.1 | 10091.8 |
| of which grazing (%) | 24.6 | 46.9 | 50.5 | 60.3 | 45.1 | 89.4 | 85.6 | 26.8 |
| Grazing livestock (1000 heads) | | | | | | | | |
| Equidae | 58.1 | 62.0 | 33.9 | 71.0 | 225.0 | 136.5 | 35.3 | 53.2 |
| Bovine animals | 790.9 | 1321.1 | 1259.9 | 2469.1 | 5840.8 | 1885.3 | 1256.8 | 2698.8 |
| Under 1 year | 347.0 | 353.9 | 397.3 | 743.8 | 1842.0 | 526.4 | 392.0 | 923.6 |
| From 1 to less than 2 years | 90.3 | 131.5 | 165.2 | 306.6 | 693.6 | 153.4 | 147.4 | 392.8 |
| Dairy cows | 103.1 | 381.8 | 324.8 | 192.3 | 1001.9 | 409.2 | 267.0 | 325.7 |
| Other cows | 168.5 | 322.5 | 264.5 | 796.2 | 1551.7 | 596.8 | 298.6 | 656.2 |
| Other bovine animals 2 years and older | 82.0 | 131.4 | 108.1 | 430.2 | 751.7 | 199.5 | 151.7 | 400.5 |
| Sheep | 4106.3 | 2622.1 | 3095.6 | 9802.9 | 19626.9 | 5950.4 | 5791.0 | 7885.4 |
| Goats | 1144.4 | 480.9 | 267.2 | 624.2 | 2516.7 | 1461.3 | 623.7 | 431.8 |
| Granivores | | | | | | | | |
| Pigs (1000 heads) | 8230.5 | 4387.4 | 3998.6 | 6141.9 | 22758.3 | 876.6 | 1008.4 | 20873.3 |
| Piglets < 20 kg | 2331.8 | 1087.1 | 1030.3 | 1610.6 | 6059.8 | 393.9 | 547.6 | 5118.4 |
| Breeding sows | 1250.6 | 562.4 | 589.6 | 975.3 | 3377.8 | 192.6 | 193.8 | 2991.4 |
| Other pigs | 4648.1 | 2737.9 | 2378.8 | 3556.0 | 13320.7 | 290.2 | 267.1 | 12763.5 |
| Poultry (million heads) | 100.4 | 33.5 | 19.0 | 21.2 | 174.1 | 3.8 | 8.5 | 161.7 |
| Broilers | 50.6 | 21.7 | 14.2 | 10.5 | 96.9 | 1.6 | 7.5 | 87.8 |
| Laying hens | 39.8 | 7.7 | 2.7 | 9.5 | 59.8 | 1.9 | 0.9 | 56.9 |
| Other poultry | 10.0 | 4.0 | 2.0 | 1.3 | 17.4 | 0.3 | 0.1 | 17.0 |
| Rabbits, breeding females (1000 heads) | 814.4 | 327.0 | 83.3 | 52.7 | 1277.4 | 1096.3 | 106.3 | 74.7 |
| Beehives* (1000) | 463.2 | 228.5 | 90.0 | 48.5 | 830.3 | 192.9 | 10.0 | 20.3 |
| Average size of herds** | | | | | | | | |
| Equidae (head/holding) | 2.2 | 3.3 | 4.0 | 7.0 | 3.6 | 2.6 | 6.6 | 9.5 |
| Cattle (head/holding) | 21.1 | 28.0 | 58.6 | 127.8 | 46.5 | 19.1 | 83.7 | 225.8 |
| Dairy cows (head/holding) | 9.0 | 19.3 | 40.0 | 64.2 | 23.6 | 12.2 | 44.8 | 107.8 |
| Other cows (head/holding) | 7.5 | 11.4 | 22.2 | 69.0 | 21.0 | 9.8 | 41.9 | 105.2 |
| Sheep (head/holding) | 133.2 | 132.8 | 271.7 | 556.2 | 246.6 | 99.1 | 495.0 | 1005.1 |
| Goats (head/holding) | 66.3 | 53.5 | 66.6 | 104.4 | 69.5 | 51.7 | 119.6 | 157.8 |
| Pigs (head/holding) | 196.9 | 121.4 | 273.9 | 459.0 | 214.9 | 10.6 | 123.2 | 1383.3 |
| Breeding sows (head/holding) | 98.1 | 50.2 | 95.6 | 111.3 | 86.9 | 7.5 | 40.8 | 360.7 |
| Other pigs > 20 kg (head/holding) | 134.8 | 91.2 | 194.4 | 322.2 | 151.7 | 4.3 | 39.3 | 941.0 |
| Rabbits, breeding females (head/holding) | 41.5 | 23.9 | 17.1 | 18.2 | 31.1 | 28.7 | 56.6 | 73.2 |
| Laying hens (1000/holding) | 0.6 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.7 | 0.4 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 9.1 |
| Broilers (1000/holding) | 2.1 | 1.2 | 2.0 | 2.1 | 1.8 | 0.0 | 2.0 | 20.9 |
| Beehives (hive/holding) | 91.1 | 56.3 | 55.6 | 61.4 | 71.9 | 21.7 | 20.4 | 52.2 |

Symbols : not available 0 less than half of the unit or nil

* Bees are not taken into account when calculating Livestock Unit, there are 341.6 thousand hives on holdings with 0 LU.

** Number of animals of a given livestock category per holding with this kind of animal.

| | | Absolute figures | | | % of total | |
|--|------------------|------------------|---------|----------|------------|----------|
| | | Total | < 1 ESU | >= 1 ESU | < 1 ESU | >= 1 ESU |
| Regular labour force | (1000 persons) | 2185.7 | 194.5 | 1991.2 | 8.9 | 91.1 |
| Regular labour force | (1000 AWU) | 807.7 | 42.4 | 765.3 | 5.3 | 94.7 |
| Holders | (1000 persons) | 1027.8 | 116.0 | 911.8 | 11.3 | 88.7 |
| ... at least 65 years old | | 359.4 | 63.4 | 296.0 | 17.6 | 82.4 |
| ... having another gainful activity | | 274.3 | 30.9 | 243.4 | 11.3 | 88.7 |
| Number of holdings | (1000) | 1079.4 | 120.4 | 959.0 | 11.2 | 88.8 |
| ... producing mainly for own consumption | | 4.0 | 1.6 | 2.3 | 41.5 | 58.5 |
| ... producing mainly for direct sales | | 2.5 | 0.2 | 2.3 | 8.0 | 92.0 |
| ... using a tractor | | 847.3 | 65.2 | 782.1 | 7.7 | 92.3 |
| Standard Gross Margin (SGM) | (1000 ESU) | 20002.8 | 64.7 | 19938.1 | 0.3 | 99.7 |
| Agricultural area | (1000 ha) | 24855.1 | 1114.1 | 23741.0 | 4.5 | 95.5 |
| ... owned farmed | | 17067.2 | 1070.2 | 15997.0 | 6.3 | 93.7 |
| Livestock | (1000 LU) | 14452.4 | 54.6 | 14397.8 | 0.4 | 99.6 |

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► METHODOLOGICAL NOTES

The survey on the structure of agricultural holdings in Spain was carried out between 1 October and 31 December 2005 on a sample basis. The previous full-scale agricultural census had been conducted in 1999. The reference period of the farm structure survey 2005 was the production year 2005 which ended on 30 September 2005. However, for livestock the reference date was the day of the interview.

The target population was all holdings in the last agricultural census, which exceeded one of the following three thresholds: at least 1 ha UAA or at least 0.2 ha UAA under vegetables, flowers and ornamental plants, production under protection or irrigated fruit trees or nurseries or at least 1 LSU and 0.75 ESU. A stratified simple random sample was drawn. The stratification was made separately for each autonomous community (NUTS 2) based on type of farming and size of the holding (5 size-classes determined by using economic size, LSU, UAA, AWU, total area). In the strata, optimum allocation was applied. Certain holdings were included in an exhaustive stratum created with the use of the sigma-gap rule to each key variable in each region. The total size of the sample was about 55.000.

For each activity ('enterprise') on a farm (for instance wheat, dairy cow or vineyard), a **standard gross margin (SGM)** is estimated, based on the area (or the number of heads) and a regional coefficient. The sum of such margins in a farm is its **economic size**, expressed in **European Size Units (ESU)**. 1 ESU is equal to 1200 euros.

Each farm is classified in the community typology by its economic size and its **type of farming**, depending on the share of each

enterprise in its economic size. For instance, a farm where breeding sows account for more than 2/3 of the economic size, is classified as *specialist pig rearing* (type 5011). Depending on the level of aggregation, farms are grouped into 8 to 70 types.

Annual work unit (AWU) is equivalent to a worker employed on a full time basis for one year. In Spain it is 1824 hours (228 working days of 8 working hours per day).

Livestock Unit (LU) is equivalent to a dairy cow. The number of animals (number of heads) is converted into LU using a set of coefficients reflecting the feed requirements of the different animal categories.

Subsistence farming refers here to all farms below 1 ESU economic size. Note that the number of farms cannot be compared between countries due to the differences in coverage of FSS.

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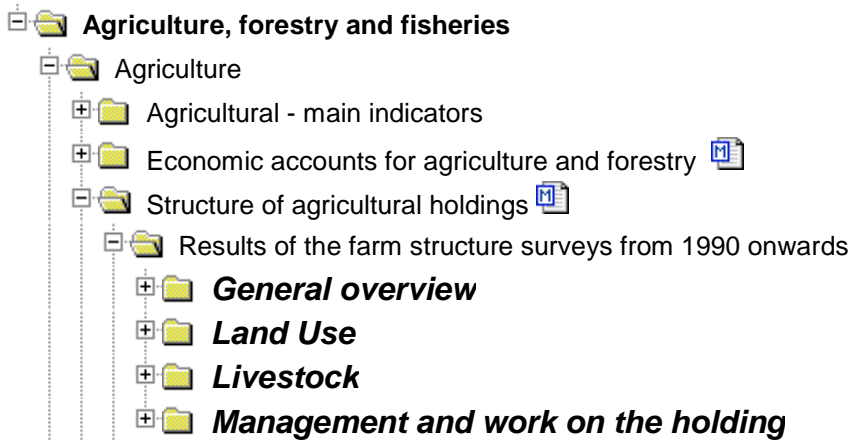
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