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## **REPORT**

on the proposal for a regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council  
on farm structure surveys and the survey on agricultural production methods  
and repealing Council Regulation (EEC) No 571/88  
(COM(2007)0245 – C6-0127/2007 – 2007/0084(COD))

Committee on Agriculture and Rural Development

Rapporteur: Gábor Harangozó

### ***Symbols for procedures***

- \* Consultation procedure  
*majority of the votes cast*
- \*\*I Cooperation procedure (first reading)  
*majority of the votes cast*
- \*\*II Cooperation procedure (second reading)  
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*majority of Parliament's component Members, to reject or amend the common position*
- \*\*\* Assent procedure  
*majority of Parliament's component Members except in cases covered by Articles 105, 107, 161 and 300 of the EC Treaty and Article 7 of the EU Treaty*
- \*\*\*I Codecision procedure (first reading)  
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*majority of Parliament's component Members, to reject or amend the common position*
- \*\*\*III Codecision procedure (third reading)  
*majority of the votes cast, to approve the joint text*

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### ***Amendments to a legislative text***

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## DRAFT EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION

on the proposal for a regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council on farm structure surveys and the survey on agricultural production methods and repealing Council Regulation (EEC) No 571/88  
(COM(2007)0245 – C6-0127/2007 – 2007/0084(COD))

(Codecision procedure: first reading)

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the Commission proposal to the European Parliament and the Council (COM(2007)0245)<sup>1</sup>,
  - having regard to Articles 251(2) and 285(1) of the EC Treaty, pursuant to which the Commission submitted the proposal to Parliament (C6-0127/2008),
  - having regard to Rule 51 of its Rules of Procedure,
  - having regard to the report of the Committee on Agriculture and Rural Development (A6-0061/2008),
1. Approves the Commission proposal as amended;
  2. Calls on the Commission to refer the matter to Parliament again if it intends to amend the proposal substantially or replace it with another text;
  3. Instructs its President to forward its position to the Council and Commission.

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Text proposed by the Commission

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Amendments by Parliament

### Amendment 1 Recital 4

(4) There is a need to **monitor** the implementation of measures associated with rural development defined in Council Regulation (EC) No 1698/2005 of 20 September 2005 on support for rural development by the European Agricultural Fund for Rural development (EAFRD).

(4) There is a need to **collect data on** the implementation of measures associated with rural development defined in Council Regulation (EC) No 1698/2005 of 20 September 2005 on support for rural development by the European Agricultural Fund for Rural development (EAFRD).

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<sup>1</sup> Not yet published in OJ.

Amendment 2  
Recital 5

(5) In their conclusions on agri-environmental indicators, the Council recognised the need for comparable data on agricultural activities, at the appropriate geographical level, and covering the whole Community. The Council asked the Commission to undertake the actions in the Commission Communication COM(2006)508 which includes the **development of new EU surveys**, particularly regarding farm management practices and the use of farm inputs.

(5) In their conclusions on agri-environmental indicators, the Council recognised the need for comparable data on agricultural activities, at the appropriate geographical level, and covering the whole Community. The Council asked the Commission to undertake the actions in the Commission Communication COM(2006)508 which includes the **production of statistical data**, particularly regarding farm management practices and the use of farm inputs.

Amendment 3  
Recital 6

(6) There is a lack of statistical information on the different methods of agricultural production at the level of individual holdings. Therefore **a special survey** on agricultural production methods, linked to structural information on agricultural holdings, **is** required to provide additional statistics for the development of agri-environmental policy and to improve the quality of agri-environmental indicators.

(6) There is a lack of statistical information on the different methods of agricultural production at the level of individual holdings. Therefore **improvements to the collection of information** on agriculture production methods, linked to structural information on agricultural holdings, **are** required to provide additional statistics for the development of agri-environmental policy and to improve the quality of agri-environmental indicators.

Amendment 4  
Recital 7

(7) Comparable statistics from all Member States on the structure of agricultural holdings are important in determining the development of agricultural policy in the Community. Therefore standard classifications and definitions should be used as far as possible for survey characteristics.

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Amendment 5  
Recital 7 a (new)

*(7a) The implementation of the farm structure survey in 2010 and the decennial population census in 2011 would place a heavy burden on the statistical resources of Member States if the periods of fieldwork for these two major surveys overlap. Provision should therefore be made for a derogation which allows Member States to implement the farm structure survey in 2009.*

Amendment 6  
Recital 8

(8) Council Regulation (EC) No 322/97 of 17 February 1997 on Community Statistics constitutes the reference framework for the provisions of this Regulation. In particular, ***it requires*** conformity to standards of impartiality, reliability, objectivity, scientific independence, cost-effectiveness and statistical confidentiality.

(8) Council Regulation (EC) No 322/97 of 17 February 1997 on Community Statistics constitutes the reference framework for the provisions of this Regulation, in particular ***as regards*** conformity to standards of impartiality, reliability, objectivity, scientific independence, cost-effectiveness and statistical confidentiality. ***Council Regulation (Euratom, EEC) No 1588/90 of 11 June 1990 on the transmission of data subject to statistical confidentiality to the Statistical Office of the European Communities<sup>1</sup> constitutes a reference framework for the transmission and protection of confidential statistical data provided under this Regulation, in order to ensure that no unlawful disclosure and non-statistical use occur when Community statistics are produced and disseminated.***

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<sup>1</sup> OJ L 151, 15.6.1990, p. 1. Regulation as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 1882/2003 of the European Parliament and of the Council (L 284, 31.10.2003, p. 1).

### *Justification*

*It is important that the confidentiality of exchange and disclosure of information is guaranteed in order to ensure the protection of the information relating to an identified or identifiable natural person (data subject). Therefore a reference to existing Community legislation on data protection should be included in the text.*

### Amendment 7 Recital 9

(9) The use of ***geo-reference information, which provides an*** agricultural holding's ***precise*** location, ***will*** be limited to statistical ***purposes***. The necessary protection of confidentiality of data should be ensured, among other means, by appropriate aggregation when publishing statistics.

(9) The use of ***the*** agricultural holding's location ***by the Commission should*** be limited to statistical ***analyses and should exclude drawing samples and carrying out surveys***. The necessary protection of confidentiality of data should be ensured, among other means, by ***limiting the precision of the location parameters and by*** appropriate aggregation when publishing statistics.

### Amendment 8 Recital 13 a (new)

***(13a) It is recognised that the requirements of the satellite recognition and identification of agricultural holdings present significant methodological and technical difficulties in many Member States.***

### Amendment 9 Article 2, point (a a) (new)

***(aa) 'Livestock units' means a standard measurement unit which makes it possible to aggregate the various categories of livestock in order to compare them; livestock units shall be defined on the basis of the feed requirements of the individual animal categories, for which the coefficients shall be adopted in accordance with the regulatory procedure***



*with scrutiny referred to in Article 15(2).*

Amendment 10  
Article 2, point (c a) (new)

*(ca) ‘Location of the holding’ means the latitude and longitude coordinates within an arc of 5 minutes, so that an individual holding cannot be directly identified; if a latitude and longitude location contains only one agricultural holding, then this holding shall be placed in a neighbouring location which contains at least one other agricultural holding.*

Amendment 11  
Article 3, paragraph 2

2. However, Member States which use a ***different*** survey threshold shall fix this threshold at a level to exclude only the smallest agricultural holdings which together contribute 2% or less to the total agricultural area excluding common land and 2% or less to the total number of farm livestock units.

2. However, Member States which use a survey threshold ***above one hectare*** shall fix this threshold at a level to exclude only the smallest agricultural holdings which together contribute 2% or less to the total ***utilised*** agricultural area excluding common land and 2% or less to the total number of farm livestock units.

Amendment 12  
Article 4, paragraph 2

***2. In duly justified cases the Commission may allow Member States to use other administrative sources.***

***2. If a Member State decides to use an administrative source other than those specified in paragraph 1, the Member State shall inform the Commission in advance and shall provide details concerning the method to be used and the quality of the data from this administrative source.***

Amendment 13  
Article 5, paragraph 2

2. In duly justified cases the Commission **may** allow Member States exceptions to the precision requirements for specific regions.

2. In duly justified cases the Commission **shall** allow Member States exceptions to the precision requirements for specific regions.

Amendment 14  
Article 5, paragraph 3

**3. The Commission may determine additional precision requirements. That measure, designed to amend non-essential elements of this Regulation, inter alia by supplementing and/or by deleting some non-essential elements, shall be adopted in accordance with the regulatory procedure with scrutiny referred to in Article 15(2).**

**deleted**

Amendment 15  
Article 6, paragraph 2

2. The farm structure survey in 2010 shall be carried out in the form of a census. However, sample surveys may be used for the characteristics concerning **machinery and** other gainful activities of the labour force, listed in Annex III **Sections IV(i) and V(ii)**.

2. The farm structure survey in 2010 shall be carried out in the form of a census. However, sample surveys may be used for the characteristics concerning other gainful activities of the labour force, listed in Annex III **Section V(ii)**.

Amendment 16  
Article 7, paragraph 1

1. Member States shall **collect** information on the characteristics **of agricultural holdings** listed in Annex III.

1. Member States shall **provide** information on the characteristics listed in Annex III.

Amendment 17  
Article 7, paragraph 2

2. The Commission may amend the list of characteristics provided in Annex III for

2. The Commission may amend the list of characteristics provided in Annex III for

the farm structure surveys for 2013 and 2016. ***That measure, designed to amend non-essential elements of this Regulation, inter alia by supplementing and/or by deleting some non-essential elements, shall be adopted*** in accordance with the regulatory procedure with scrutiny referred to in Article 15(2).

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Amendment 18  
Article 7, paragraph 3

3. If a characteristic has a low or zero prevalence ***in a Member State, the Member State may be authorised by the Commission to exclude the characteristic from a farm structure survey, provided the Member State submits appropriate justification.***

3. If ***a Member State determines that*** a characteristic has a low or zero prevalence, ***that characteristic may be excluded from the data collection. The Member State shall inform the Commission in the calendar year immediately preceding the survey year about any characteristic excluded from the data collection.***

Amendment 19  
Article 7, paragraph 4

4. The ***Commission determines*** definitions of the characteristics. ***That measure, designed to amend non-essential elements of this Regulation, inter alia by supplementing and/or by deleting some non-essential elements,*** shall be adopted in accordance with the regulatory procedure with scrutiny referred to in Article 15(2).

4. The definitions of the characteristics shall be adopted in accordance with the regulatory procedure with scrutiny referred to in Article 15(2).

Amendment 20  
Article 9, paragraph 3

3. ***However, data*** relating to the rural development measures referred to in Annex III, and based on administrative records, may be transmitted to the Commission separately within 18 months of the end of the survey year.

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Amendment 21  
Article 9, paragraph 5 a (new)

***5a. The farm structure survey data shall not be used by the Commission for drawing samples or for carrying out surveys.***

Amendment 22  
Article 11

***Article 11***

***deleted***

***Survey on agricultural production methods***

***1. Member States shall carry out a sample survey on agricultural production methods used by agricultural holdings.***

***2. In duly justified cases, the Commission may allow a Member State to carry out the sample survey using separate sub-samples.***

***3. Member States shall collect information on the characteristics of the agricultural production methods listed in Annex V. If a characteristic has a low or zero prevalence in a Member State, in duly justified cases the Commission may allow the Member State to exclude the characteristic from the survey. The volume of water used for irrigation per year may be calculated using statistical imputation.***

***4. The Commission determines the definitions of the characteristics. That measure, designed to amend non-essential elements of this Regulation, inter alia by supplementing and/or by deleting some non-essential elements, shall be adopted in accordance with the regulatory procedure with scrutiny referred to in Article 15(2).***

***5. The reference period shall coincide with the reference periods used for the characteristics of the farm structure survey in 2010.***

***6. The results of this survey shall be linked to the data obtained from the farm structure survey in 2010 at the level of individual agricultural holding. The combined validated data set shall be transmitted to the Commission in electronic form no later than 31 December 2012.***

***7. The Commission determines the format for the transmission of the survey data.***

#### *Justification*

*The proposal for an additional survey of some 100 characteristics concerning agricultural production methods in accordance with Article 11 and Annex V, is rejected. It goes beyond the existing Directive (EEC) No 571/88. The substantial increase in the administrative burden for citizens cannot be justified by the additional information obtained which, it is recognised, will be limited. The results of this survey would not be usable, since this one-off survey provides no basis for making projections. It would generate further unnecessary bureaucratic costs.*

#### **Amendment 23** **Article 12, paragraph 1**

***1. Member States shall supply the Commission with any information it may require regarding the organisation and methodology of the surveys covered by this Regulation.*** ***deleted***

#### **Amendment 24** **Article 12, paragraph 2, introductory part**

***2. In particular, "National Methodological Reports" shall be provided by Member States describing:***

***2. "National Methodological Reports" shall be provided by Member States **for the surveys covered by this Regulation**, describing:***

Amendment 25  
Article 12, paragraph 2, point (a)

(a) the methodology applied;

(a) the ***organisation and*** methodology applied;

Amendment 26  
Article 12, paragraph 3

3. The National Methodological Reports shall be submitted to the Commission with the validated survey results.

3. The National Methodological Reports shall be submitted to the Commission with the validated survey results, ***by the deadlines specified in Article 9(1) and (2).***

Amendment 27  
Article 12, paragraph 3 a (new)

***3a. In addition to the National Methodological Reports required at the end of each survey, Member States shall provide the Commission with any additional information that may be required concerning organisation and methodology of the survey.***

Amendment 28  
Article 13, paragraph 1

1. Member States shall receive a financial contribution of ***50%*** from the Community towards the cost of carrying out the surveys defined in this Regulation, subject to the maximum amounts defined in paragraphs 2 and 3 of this Article.

1. Member States shall receive a ***maximum*** financial contribution of ***75%*** from the Community towards the cost of carrying out the surveys defined in this Regulation, subject to the maximum amounts defined in paragraphs 2 and 3 of this Article.

Amendment 29  
Article 13, paragraph 1 a (new)

***1a. Upon the entry into force of this Regulation, the Commission shall provide the necessary technical and advisory assistance in respect of the satellite***

***recognition of agricultural holdings to those Member States which request it.***

*Justification*

*The requirements for the satellite recognition and identification of agricultural holdings present significant methodological and technical difficulties in many Member States. It would therefore be useful if the Commission were to provide the necessary assistance, wherever requested, so as to ensure reliable statistics.*

Amendment 30

Article 13, paragraph 2, third subparagraph

<b><i>EUR 0.15 million each for Cyprus, the Czech Republic, Estonia and the Slovak Republic;</i></b>	<b><i>deleted</i></b>
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Amendment 31

Article 13, paragraph 3

3. For the Farm Structure Surveys in 2013 and 2016, the maximum amounts specified in paragraph 2 shall be reduced by **60%**.

3. For the Farm Structure Surveys in 2013 and 2016, the maximum amounts specified in paragraph 2 shall be reduced by **50%**.

Amendment 32

Article 14, paragraph 1

1. The financial envelope for the implementation of this programme, including the appropriations necessary for the management, maintenance and development of the database systems used within the Commission to process the data supplied by Member States under the provisions of this Regulation, shall be EUR **54.27 million** for the period 2008 - 2013.

1. The financial envelope for the implementation of this programme, including the appropriations necessary for the management, maintenance and development of the database systems used within the Commission to process the data supplied by Member States under the provisions of this Regulation, shall be EUR **58 850 000** for the period 2008 - 2013.

Amendment 33

Article 16, paragraph 1

1. By way of derogation from Articles 6(1)

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and (2), 8, 9(1), 11(5) and (6), 13(2) and Annex IV, the references to the year 2010 are replaced by the year 2009 for Greece, Spain and Portugal.

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Amendment 34  
Annex II, table, description of "Utilised agricultural area"

Arable land, kitchen gardens, permanent  
***pasture and meadow***, permanent crops

Arable land, kitchen gardens, permanent  
***grassland***, permanent crops

Amendment 35  
Annex III  
Text proposed by the Commission

ANNEX III  
List of farm structure survey characteristics

<u>Characteristics</u>	<u>Units/categories</u>
<b>I. GENERAL CHARACTERISTICS</b>	
<b><i>Geographical situation</i></b> of the holding	
<b><i>Geo-reference of the headquarters of the holding</i></b>	<b><i>Code</i></b>
Legal personality of the holding	
Is the legal and economic responsibility of the holding assumed by:	
a natural person who is a sole holder, where the holding is independent?	Yes/No
If the answer to the previous question is "yes", is this person (the holder) also the manager?	Yes/No
If this person is not the manager, is the manager a member of the holder's family?	Yes/No
If the manager is a member of the holder's family, is the manager the spouse of the holder?	Yes/No
one or more natural persons who is/are a partner, where the holding is a group holding?	Yes/No
a legal person?	Yes/No
Type of tenure (in relation to the holder) and farming system	
Agricultural area utilised:	
For owner farming	ha
For tenant farming	ha
For share farming or other modes	ha



CharacteristicsUnits/categories

Certified production:

Organic farming

The total utilised agricultural area of the holding on which organic farming production methods are applied and certified according to National or European Community rules ha

The total utilised agricultural area of the holding that is under conversion to organic farming production methods to be certified according to National or European Community rules ha

Area of the holding on which organic farming production methods according to National or European Community rules are either applied and certified or under conversion to be certified:

Cereals ha

Dried pulses ha

Potatoes ha

Sugar beet ha

Oil crops ha

Fresh vegetable, melons, strawberries ha

Pasture and meadow, excluding rough grazings ha

Fruit and berry ha

Citrus fruit ha

Olives ha

Wine grapes ha

Other crops (textile crops etc.) ha

Organic production methods applied to animal production and certified according to National or European Community rules:

Bovine animals Heads

Pigs Heads

Sheep and goats Heads

Poultry Heads

Other animals **Heads**

***Agricultural production under certified or labelled contractual frameworks (other than organic farming)***

***EC quality schemes:***

***Holding's crop area covered by these schemes ha***

***Holding's livestock covered by these schemes Heads***

***National quality schemes:***

***Holding's crop area covered by these schemes ha***

***Holding's livestock covered by these schemes Heads***

CharacteristicsUnits/categories***EC/National quality schemes***

<b><i>Cereals</i></b>	<b><i>ha</i></b>
<b><i>Fruits and vegetables</i></b>	<b><i>ha</i></b>
<b><i>Wine grapes</i></b>	<b><i>ha</i></b>
<b><i>Olives</i></b>	<b><i>ha</i></b>
<b><i>Bovine animals</i></b>	<b><i>Heads</i></b>
<b><i>Pigs</i></b>	<b><i>Heads</i></b>
<b><i>Sheep and goats</i></b>	<b><i>Heads</i></b>
<b><i>Poultry</i></b>	<b><i>Heads</i></b>

Destination of the holding's production:

Household consumes more than 50% of the value of the final production of the holding	Yes/No
Direct sale to final consumers represents more than 50% of the total sales of the holding	Yes/No

## II. LAND

## Arable land

Cereals for the production of grain (including seed):

Common wheat and spelt	ha
Durum wheat	ha
Rye	ha
Barley	ha
Oats	ha
Grain maize	ha
Rice	ha
Other cereals for the production of grain	ha
Dried pulses and protein crops for the production of grain (including seed and mixtures of cereals and pulses)	ha
of which peas, field beans and sweet <b><i>lupines</i></b>	ha
Potatoes (including early potatoes and seed potatoes)	ha
Sugar beet (excluding seeds)	ha
Fodder roots and brassicas (excluding seeds)	ha
Industrial <b><i>plants (including seeds for herbaceous oil-seed plants; excluding seeds for fibre plants, hops, tobacco and other industrial plants), of which:</i></b>	
Tobacco	ha

<u>Characteristics</u>	<u>Units/categories</u>
Hops	ha
Cotton	ha
Rape and turnip rape	ha
Sunflower	ha
Soya	ha
Linseed (oil flax)	ha
Other oil seed crops	ha
Flax	ha
Hemp	ha
Other <i>textile</i> crops	ha
Aromatic plants, medicinal and culinary plants	ha
Other industrial <i>plants</i> not mentioned elsewhere	ha
Fresh vegetables, melons, strawberries of which:	
outdoor or under low (not accessible) protective cover	ha
open field	ha
market gardening	ha
under glass or other (accessible) protective cover	ha
Flowers and ornamental plants (excluding nurseries):	
outdoor or under low (not accessible) protective cover	ha
under glass or other (accessible) protective cover	ha
<b>Forage</b> plants:	
temporary grass	ha
other green <i>fodder</i> :	
Green maize ( <i>maize for silage</i> )	ha
Leguminous <i>forage</i> plants	ha
Other <i>forage</i> plants	ha
Arable land seeds and seedlings ( <i>excluding cereals, dried vegetables, potatoes and oil-seed plants</i> )	ha
Other arable land crops	ha
Fallow land without any subsidies	ha
Fallow land subject to the payment of subsidies, with no economic use	ha
Kitchen gardens	ha
Permanent <i>pasture and meadow</i>	ha
Pasture and meadow, excluding rough grazings	ha
Rough grazings	ha

<u>Characteristics</u>	<u>Units/categories</u>
Permanent grassland and meadows no longer used for production purposes and eligible for the payment of subsidies	ha
Permanent crops	
Fruit and berry plantations	ha
<b><i>Fresh</i></b> fruit species, of which:	ha
<b><i>fresh</i></b> fruit of temperate climate zones	ha
<b><i>fresh</i></b> fruit of subtropical climate zones	ha
Berry species	ha
Nuts	ha
Citrus plantations	ha
Olive plantations	ha
Normally producing table olives	ha
Normally producing olives for oil production	ha
Vineyards, of which normally producing:	ha
Quality wine	ha
Other wines	ha
Table grapes	ha
Raisins	ha
Nurseries ( <i>including Christmas trees</i> )	<b><i>ha</i></b>
<i>of which Christmas trees</i>	<b><i>ha</i></b>
Other permanent crops	ha
Permanent crops under glass	ha
Other land	
Unutilised agricultural land ( <i>agricultural land which is no longer farmed, for economic social or other reasons, and which is not used in the crop rotation system</i> )	ha
Wooded area	ha
of which short rotation coppices	ha
<i>of which is exploited for forestry purposes</i>	<b><i>ha</i></b>
Other land (land occupied by buildings, farmyards, tracks, ponds, quarries, infertile land, rock, etc.)	ha
<b><i>Successive secondary cropping</i></b> , mushrooms, irrigated area, <b><i>combined crops</i></b> , <b><i>areas no longer used for food production purposes, subject to the payment of subsidies, and area subject to set-aside incentive schemes, bio-fuel production areas</i></b> and genetically modified crops	
<b><i>Successive secondary crops (excl. market-garden crops and crops under glass)</i></b>	<b><i>ha</i></b>
Mushrooms	ha

<u>Characteristics</u>	<u>Units/categories</u>
Irrigated area	
Total irrigable area	ha
Total cultivated area irrigated at least once during the previous 12 months	ha
<b><i>Combined (associated) crops</i></b>	ha
<b><i>Areas no longer used for food production purposes, subject to the payment of subsidies, and area subject to set-aside incentive schemes (already recorded elsewhere in section II. LAND), broken down by:</i></b>	<b>ha</b>
<b><i>Areas no longer used for food production purposes, subject to the payment of subsidies</i></b>	<b>ha</b>
<b><i>Areas used for the production of agricultural raw material for non-food purposes (e.g. rape, trees, bushes, etc., incl. lentils, chick peas and vetches)</i></b>	<b>ha</b>
<b><i>Other areas</i></b>	<b>ha</b>
<b><i>Bio-fuel (or other renewable energy) production areas (e.g. rape, soy-bean, wheat and sugar-beets); already recorded elsewhere in section II. LAND</i></b>	<b>ha</b>
<b><i>of which genetically modified crops</i></b>	<b>ha</b>
<b><i>Areas used for production of bio-energy as a secondary product (e.g. straw, stalks)</i></b>	<b>ha</b>
Genetically modified crops; <i>already recorded elsewhere in section II. LAND</i>	ha
<b>III. LIVESTOCK</b>	
Equidae	Heads
Bovine animals:	
Bovine animals, under one year old, male and female	Heads
Bovine animals, one but less than two years old, male	Heads
Bovine animals, one but less than two years old, female	Heads
Male bovine animals , two years old and over	Heads
Heifers , two years old and over	Heads
Dairy cows	Heads
Other cows	Heads
Sheep and goats:	
Sheep (all ages)	Heads
Breeding females	Heads
Other sheep	Heads
Goats (all ages)	Heads
Breeding females	Heads
Other goats	Heads
Pigs:	
Piglets having a live weight of under 20 kilograms	Heads

<u>Characteristics</u>	<u>Units/categories</u>
Breeding sows weighing 50 kilograms and over	Heads
Other pigs	Heads
Poultry:	
Broilers	Heads
Laying hens	Heads
Other poultry:	
Turkeys	Heads
Ducks	Heads
Geese	Heads
Ostriches	Heads
Other poultry, not mentioned elsewhere	Heads
Rabbits, breeding females	Heads
Bees	Hives
Livestock not mentioned elsewhere	Yes/No
<i>of which fur animals</i>	<i>Yes/No</i>

#### IV. MACHINERY AND EQUIPMENT

##### IV. (i) MACHINERY

Belonging exclusively to the holding

Four-wheel tractors, track-laying tractors, tool carriers	Number
Cultivators, hoeing machines, rotary hoes and motor mowers	Number
Combine harvesters	Number
Other fully mechanised harvesters	Number

Machinery used by several holdings (*belonging to another holding, to a cooperative or owned jointly with other holdings*) or *belonging to a service supply agency*

Four-wheel tractors, track-laying tractors, tool carriers	Yes/No
Cultivators, hoeing machines, rotary hoes and motor mowers	Yes/No
Combine harvesters	Yes/No
Other fully mechanised harvesters	Yes/No

##### IV. (ii) EQUIPMENT

Equipment used for renewable energy production by type of energy source:

Wind	Yes/No
Biomass	Yes/No
of which bio-methane	Yes/No
Solar	Yes/No

<u>Characteristics</u>	<u>Units/categories</u>
Hydro-energy	Yes/No
Other types of renewable energy sources	Yes/No

## V. LABOUR FORCE

### V.(i) FARM WORK ON THE HOLDING

#### Holder

Gender Male/Female

Age Age bands<sup>1</sup>

The farm work on the holding (apart from housework) AWU % band<sup>2</sup>

#### Manager

Gender Male/Female

Age Age bands

The farm work on the holding (apart from housework) AWU % band

#### Training of manager

Agricultural training of manager Training codes<sup>3</sup>

Vocational training undertaken by manager during the last 12 months Yes/No

#### Members of sole holder's family carrying out farm work for the holding: male

The farm work on the holding (apart from housework) AWU % band

#### Members of sole holder's family carrying out farm work for the holding: female

The farm work on the holding (apart from housework) AWU % band

#### Non-family labour regularly employed: male

The farm work on the holding (apart from housework) AWU % band

#### Non-family labour regularly employed: female

The farm work on the holding (apart from housework) AWU % band

#### Non-family labour employed on a non-regular basis: male and female

working days

Total number of equivalent full-time working days of farm work during the 12 months preceding the day of the survey, not included under previous categories, undertaken on the holding by persons not employed directly by the holding (e.g. contractors' employees)

Full-time days

### V.(ii) OTHER GAINFUL ACTIVITIES (non-farm work on the holding and work outside the holding)

#### Other gainful activities of the holder who is also the manager:

*The work on the holding (other than farm work)* AWU % band

<sup>1</sup> Age bands: (From school leaving age-24 years), (25-34), (35-44), (45-54), (55-64), (65 and over).

<sup>2</sup> Annual Work Unit (AWU) percentage bands: (0), (>0-<25), (≥25-<50), (≥50-<75), (≥75-<100), (100).

<sup>3</sup> Training codes: (only practical agricultural experience), (basic agricultural training), (full agricultural training).

<u>Characteristics</u>	<u>Units/categories</u>
<i>The work outside the holding (agricultural and non-agricultural)</i>	<i>AWU % band</i>
<i>Other gainful activities of the spouse of the sole holder:</i>	
<i>The work on the holding (other than farm work)</i>	<i>AWU % band</i>
<i>The work outside the holding (agricultural and non-agricultural)</i>	<i>AWU % band</i>
<i>Other gainful activities of the other members of the sole holder's family engaged in the farm work of the holding:</i>	
<i>The work on the holding (other than farm work)</i>	<i>AWU % band</i>
<i>The work outside the holding (agricultural and non-agricultural)</i>	<i>AWU % band</i>
<i>Non-family labour force involved in other gainful activities on the holding (other than farm work), directly relating to the holding</i>	<i>AWU % band</i>

#### VI. **NON-FARMING** GAINFUL ACTIVITIES OF THE HOLDING (directly related to the holding)

##### VI.(i) List of **non-farming** gainful activities

Tourism, accommodation and other leisure activities	Yes/No
Handicraft	Yes/No
Processing of farm products	Yes/No
Wood processing (e.g. sawing)	Yes/No
Aquaculture	Yes/No
Contractual work (using production means of the holding)	
Agricultural (for other holdings)	Yes/No
Non-agricultural	Yes/No
Other	Yes/No

##### VI.(ii) Importance of the **non-farming** gainful activities directly related to the holding

Percentage of the final output of the holding	Percentage bands <sup>1</sup>
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#### VII. SUPPORT FOR RURAL DEVELOPMENT

Holding's benefit of one of the following rural development measures during the last 3 years	Yes/No
Use of advisory services	Yes/No
Modernisation of agricultural holdings	Yes/No
Adding value to agricultural and forestry products	Yes/No
Meeting standards based on Community legislation	Yes/No
Participation of farmers in food quality schemes	Yes/No
Natura 2000 payments for agricultural area	Yes/No

<sup>1</sup> Percentage bands: ( $\geq 0$ - $\leq 10$ ) ( $> 10$ - $\leq 50$ ) ( $> 50$ - $< 100$ ).



CharacteristicsUnits/categoriesCharacteristicsUnits/categories

Payments linked to the Water Framework Directive	Yes/No
Agri-environment payments	Yes/No
of which in the framework of organic farming	Yes/No
Animal welfare payments	Yes/No
Diversification into non-agricultural activities	Yes/No
Encouragement of tourism activities	Yes/No

Amendments by Parliament

## ANNEX III

## List of farm structure survey characteristics

CharacteristicUnits/categories

## I. GENERAL CHARACTERISTICS

**Location** of the holding**Latitude (within an arc of 5 minutes or less)****Degrees: Minutes****Longitude (within an arc of 5 minutes or less)****Degrees: Minutes**

## Legal personality of the holding

Is the legal and economic responsibility of the holding assumed by:

a natural person who is a sole holder, where the holding is independent? Yes/No

If the answer to the previous question is "yes", is this person (the holder) also the manager? Yes/No

If this person is not the manager, is the manager a member of the holder's family? Yes/No

If the manager is a member of the holder's family, is the manager the spouse of the holder? <sup>1</sup> Yes/No

one or more natural persons who is/are a partner, where the holding is a group holding? Yes/No

a legal person? Yes/No

## Type of tenure (in relation to the holder) and farming system

**Utilised agricultural area:**

For owner farming ha

For tenant farming ha

<sup>1</sup> *Not to be provided in 2010.*

<u>Characteristic</u>	<u>Units/categories</u>
For share farming or other modes	ha
Certified production:	
Organic farming	
The total utilised agricultural area of the holding on which organic farming production methods are applied and certified according to National or European Community rules	ha
The total utilised agricultural area of the holding that is under conversion to organic farming production methods to be certified according to National or European Community rules	ha
Area of the holding on which organic farming production methods according to National or European Community rules are either applied and certified or under conversion to be certified:	
Cereals	ha
Dried pulses	ha
Potatoes	ha
Sugar beet	ha
Oil crops	ha
Fresh vegetable, melons, strawberries	ha
Pasture and meadow, excluding rough grazings	ha
Fruit and berry	ha
Citrus fruit	ha
Olives	ha
Wine grapes	ha
Other crops (textile crops etc.)	ha
Organic production methods applied to animal production and certified according to National or European Community rules:	
Bovine animals	Heads
Pigs	Heads
Sheep and goats	Heads
Poultry	Heads
Other animals	<b>Yes/No</b>
<b><i>(deletion)</i></b>	
Destination of the holding's production:	
Household consumes more than 50% of the value of the final production of the holding	Yes/No
Direct sale to final consumers represents more than 50% of the total sales of the	Yes/No

<u>Characteristic</u>	<u>Units/categories</u>
holding <sup>1</sup>	
II. LAND	
Arable land	
Cereals for the production of grain (including seed):	
Common wheat and spelt	ha
Durum wheat	ha
Rye	ha
Barley	ha
Oats	ha
Grain maize	ha
Rice	ha
Other cereals for the production of grain	ha
Dried pulses and protein crops for the production of grain (including seed and mixtures of cereals and pulses)	ha
of which peas, field beans and sweet <i>lupins</i>	ha
Potatoes (including early potatoes and seed potatoes)	ha
Sugar beet (excluding seeds)	ha
Fodder roots and brassicas (excluding seeds)	ha
Industrial <i>crops</i> :	
Tobacco	ha
Hops	ha
Cotton	ha
Rape and turnip rape	ha
Sunflower	ha
Soya	ha
Linseed (oil flax)	ha
Other oil seed crops	ha
Flax	ha
Hemp	ha
Other <i>fibre</i> crops	ha
Aromatic plants, medicinal and culinary plants	ha
Other industrial <i>crops</i> not mentioned elsewhere	ha

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<sup>1</sup> *Not to be provided in 2010.*

<u>Characteristic</u>	<u>Units/categories</u>
Fresh vegetables, melons <i>and</i> strawberries of which:	
Outdoor or under low (not accessible) protective cover	ha
Under glass or other (accessible) protective cover	ha
Flowers and ornamental plants (excluding nurseries):	
Outdoor or under low (not accessible) protective cover	ha
Under glass or other (accessible) protective cover	ha
Plants <i>harvested green</i> :	
Temporary grass	ha
Other <i>plants harvested green</i> :	
Green maize ( <i>deletion</i> )	ha
Leguminous ( <i>deletion</i> ) plants	ha
Other ( <i>deletion</i> ) plants <i>harvested green not mentioned elsewhere</i>	ha
Arable land seeds and seedlings ( <i>deletion</i> )	ha
Other arable land crops	ha
Fallow land without any subsidies	ha
Fallow land subject to the payment of subsidies, with no economic use	ha
Kitchen gardens	ha
Permanent <i>grassland</i>	ha
Pasture and meadow, excluding rough grazings	ha
Rough grazings	ha
Permanent grassland ( <i>deletion</i> ) no longer used for production purposes and eligible for the payment of subsidies	ha
Permanent crops	
Fruit and berry plantations	ha
Fruit species, of which:	ha
<i>Fruit</i> of temperate climate zones	ha
<i>Fruit</i> of subtropical climate zones	ha
Berry species	ha
Nuts	ha
Citrus plantations	ha
Olive plantations	ha
Normally producing table olives	ha
Normally producing olives for oil production	ha
Vineyards, of which normally producing:	ha
Quality wine	ha

<u>Characteristic</u>	<u>Units/categories</u>
Other wines	ha
Table grapes	ha
Raisins	ha
Nurseries <i>(deletion)</i>	ha
Other permanent crops	ha
<i>of which Christmas trees<sup>1</sup></i>	<i>ha</i>
Permanent crops under glass	ha
Other land	
Unutilised agricultural land <i>(deletion)</i>	ha
Wooded area	ha
of which short rotation coppices	ha
<i>(deletion)</i>	<i>(deletion)</i>
Other land (land occupied by buildings, farmyards, tracks, ponds, quarries, infertile land, rock, etc.)	ha
<i>(deletion)</i> Mushrooms, irrigated area, <i>energy</i> crops <i>(deletion)</i> and genetically modified crops	
<i>(deletion)</i>	<i>(deletion)</i>
Mushrooms	ha
Irrigated area	
Total irrigable area	ha
Total cultivated area irrigated at least once during the previous 12 months	ha
<i>Energy crops (for the production of biofuels or other renewable energy)</i>	<i>ha</i>
<i>of which on set-aside area</i>	<i>ha</i>
Genetically modified crops <i>(deletion)</i>	ha
 III. LIVESTOCK	
Equidae	Heads
Bovine animals:	
Bovine animals, under one year old, male and female	Heads
Bovine animals, one but less than two years old, male	Heads
Bovine animals, one but less than two years old, female	Heads
Male bovine animals , two years old and over	Heads
Heifers , two years old and over	Heads
Dairy cows	Heads

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<sup>1</sup> *Not to be provided in 2010.*

<u>Characteristic</u>	<u>Units/categories</u>
Other cows	Heads
Sheep and goats:	
Sheep (all ages)	Heads
Breeding females	Heads
Other sheep	Heads
Goats (all ages)	Heads
Breeding females	Heads
Other goats	Heads
Pigs:	
Piglets having a live weight of under 20 kilograms	Heads
Breeding sows weighing 50 kilograms and over	Heads
Other pigs	Heads
Poultry:	
Broilers	Heads
Laying hens	Heads
Other poultry:	<b>Heads</b>
Turkeys <sup>1</sup>	Heads
Ducks <sup>2</sup>	Heads
Geese <sup>3</sup>	Heads
Ostriches <sup>4</sup>	Heads
Other poultry, not mentioned elsewhere <sup>5</sup>	Heads
Rabbits, breeding females	Heads
Bees	Hives
Livestock not mentioned elsewhere	Yes/No
<b>(deletion)</b>	<b>(deletion)</b>

#### IV. MACHINERY AND EQUIPMENT

##### IV. (i) MACHINERY <sup>6</sup>

Belonging exclusively to the holding

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<sup>1</sup> *Not to be provided in 2010.*

<sup>2</sup> *Not to be provided in 2010.*

<sup>3</sup> *Not to be provided in 2010.*

<sup>4</sup> *Not to be provided in 2010.*

<sup>5</sup> *Not to be provided in 2010.*

<sup>6</sup> *Not to be provided in 2010.*

<u>Characteristic</u>	<u>Units/categories</u>
Four-wheel tractors, track-laying tractors, tool carriers	Number
Cultivators, hoeing machines, rotary hoes and motor mowers	Number
Combine harvesters	Number
Other fully mechanised harvesters	Number
Machinery used by several holdings ( <i>deletion</i> )	
Four-wheel tractors, track-laying tractors, tool carriers	Yes/No
Cultivators, hoeing machines, rotary hoes and motor mowers	Yes/No
Combine harvesters	Yes/No
Other fully mechanised harvesters	Yes/No
IV. (ii) EQUIPMENT	
Equipment used for renewable energy production by type of energy source:	
Wind	Yes/No
Biomass	Yes/No
of which bio-methane	Yes/No
Solar	Yes/No
Hydro-energy	Yes/No
Other types of renewable energy sources	Yes/No
V. LABOUR FORCE	
V.(i) FARM WORK ON THE HOLDING	
Holder	
Gender	Male/Female
Age	Age bands <sup>1</sup>
The farm work on the holding (apart from housework)	AWU % band 1 <sup>2</sup>
Manager	
Gender	Male/Female
Age	Age bands
The farm work on the holding (apart from housework)	AWU % band 2 <sup>3</sup>
Training of manager	
Agricultural training of manager	Training codes <sup>4</sup>

<sup>1</sup> Age bands: (From school leaving age-24 years), (25-34), (35-44), (45-54), (55-64), (65 and over).

<sup>2</sup> Annual Work Unit (AWU) percentage **band 1**: (0), (>0-<25), (≥25-<50), (≥50-<75), (≥75-<100), (100).

<sup>3</sup> **Annual Work Unit (AWU) percentage band 2**: (>0-<25), (≥25-<50), (≥50-<75), (≥75-<100), (100).

<sup>4</sup> Training codes: (only practical agricultural experience), (basic agricultural training), (full agricultural training).

<u>Characteristic</u>	<u>Units/categories</u>
Vocational training undertaken by manager during the last 12 months <sup>1</sup>	Yes/No
Members of sole holder's family carrying out farm work for the holding: male	
The farm work on the holding (apart from housework)	AWU % band 2
Members of sole holder's family carrying out farm work for the holding: female	
The farm work on the holding (apart from housework)	AWU % band 2
Non-family labour regularly employed: male	
The farm work on the holding (apart from housework)	AWU % band 2
Non-family labour regularly employed: female	
The farm work on the holding (apart from housework)	AWU % band 2
Non-family labour employed on a non-regular basis: male and female	<b>Full-time</b> working days
Total number of equivalent full-time working days of farm work during the 12 months preceding the day of the survey, not included under previous categories, undertaken on the holding by persons not employed directly by the holding (e.g. contractors' employees)	Full-time <b>working</b> days

**(deletion)**

#### VI. **OTHER** GAINFUL ACTIVITIES OF THE HOLDING (directly related to the holding)

##### VI.(i) List of **other** gainful activities

Tourism, accommodation and other leisure activities	Yes/No
Handicraft	Yes/No
Processing of farm products	Yes/No
<b>Production of renewable energy</b>	<b>Yes/No</b>
Wood processing (e.g. sawing)	Yes/No
Aquaculture	Yes/No
Contractual work (using production means of the holding)	
Agricultural (for other holdings)	Yes/No
Non-agricultural	Yes/No
<b>Forestry</b>	<b>Yes/No</b>
Other	Yes/No

##### VI.(ii) Importance of the **other** gainful activities directly related to the holding

Percentage of the final output of the holding	Percentage bands <sup>2</sup>
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#### VII. SUPPORT FOR RURAL DEVELOPMENT

<b>Holding benefited from</b> one of the following rural development measures during the last	Yes/No
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<sup>1</sup> **Not to be provided in 2013.**

<sup>2</sup> Percentage bands: ( $\geq 0$ - $\leq 10$ ) ( $> 10$ - $\leq 50$ ) ( $> 50$ - $< 100$ ).



<u>Characteristic</u>	<u>Units/categories</u>
3 years	
Use of advisory services	Yes/No
Modernisation of agricultural holdings	Yes/No
Adding value to agricultural and forestry products	Yes/No
Meeting standards based on Community legislation	Yes/No
Participation of farmers in food quality schemes	Yes/No
Natura 2000 payments for agricultural area	Yes/No
Payments linked to the Water Framework Directive	Yes/No
Agri-environment payments	Yes/No
of which in the framework of organic farming	Yes/No
Animal welfare payments	Yes/No
Diversification into non-agricultural activities	Yes/No
Encouragement of tourism activities	Yes/No

#### *Justification*

*'Agricultural production under certified or labelled contractual frameworks (other than organic farming)' and 'other gainful activities (non-farm work on the holding and work outside the holding)' are rejected. These characteristics are difficult to survey because they are so differentiated and in any case only have limited use as information.*

Amendment 36  
Annex IV  
Text proposed by the Commission

Precision requirements

The sample surveys specified in this Regulation must be statistically representative at **a regional level** (NUTS 2 level and for national aggregations of less-favoured areas<sup>1</sup>) in terms of the type and the size of the agricultural holdings, in line with Commission Decision 85/377<sup>2</sup> establishing a Community typology for agricultural holdings. In addition, **certain** levels of precision are required at the NUTS 2 level for the crop and livestock characteristics of the agricultural holdings. These precision levels are specified below and are based on the list of characteristics specified in Annex III of this Regulation. **The relevant crop and livestock characteristics of the holdings in the Survey on Agricultural Production Methods will be available from the results of the Farm Structure Survey 2010.**

PRECISION CATEGORIES FOR THE FARM STRUCTURE SURVEYS 2013 AND 2016

Crop characteristics:

***Each individual crop characteristic listed in section "II. LAND" in Annex III, but excluding characteristics whose specific description begins with "Other";***

Cereals for the production of grain (including seed), comprising common wheat and spelt, durum wheat, rye, barley, oats, grain maize, rice and other cereals for the production of grain;

Potatoes (including early potatoes and seed potatoes) **and sugar beet (excluding seeds)**;

Oilseed crops comprising rape, turnip rape, sunflower, soya, linseed (oil flax) and other oil seed crops;

***Permanent outdoor crops comprising fruit, berry, citrus and olive plantations, vineyards, nurseries and other permanent outdoor crops***

Livestock characteristics:

***Each individual animal characteristic listed in section "III. LIVESTOCK" in Annex III;***

Bovine animals (all ages);

Sheep and goats (all ages);

Pigs;

Poultry

PRECISION CATEGORIES FOR SAMPLE SURVEYS UNDERTAKEN AS PART OF THE FARM STRUCTURE SURVEY 2010 AND THE SURVEY ON AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTION METHODS

Crop characteristics:

Cereals for the production of grain (including seed), comprising common wheat and spelt, durum wheat, rye, barley, oats, grain maize, rice and other cereals for the production of grain;

Potatoes (including early potatoes and seed potatoes) and sugar beet (excluding seeds);

Oilseed crops comprising rape, turnip rape, sunflower, soya, linseed (oil flax) and other oil seed crops;

Permanent outdoor crops comprising fruit, berry, citrus and olive plantations, vineyards, nurseries and other permanent outdoor crops;

Fresh vegetables, melons, strawberries, flowers and ornamental plants (excluding nurseries);

Temporary grass and permanent ***pasture and meadow***

Livestock characteristics:

Bovine animals (all ages);

Sheep and goats (all ages);

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<sup>1</sup> OJ L 160, 26.6.1999, p. 80.

<sup>2</sup> OJ L 220, 17.8.85, p. 1.

Pigs;  
Poultry

PRECISION TABLE

Precision categories	Farm structure surveys 2013 and 2016		Survey on Agricultural Production Methods	
	Prevalence (NUTS 2)	Relative standard error	Prevalence (NUTS 2)	Relative standard error
Crop characteristics of the agricultural holding	5% or more of the utilised agricultural area	< 5%	10% or more of the utilised agricultural area	< 7.5%
Livestock characteristics of the agricultural holding	5% or more of the livestock units	< 5%	10% or more of the livestock units	< 7.5%

### Amendments by Parliament

#### ANNEX IV

##### Precision requirements

The sample surveys specified in this Regulation must be statistically representative at **the** level **of** NUTS 2 **regions** and for national aggregations of less-favoured areas<sup>1</sup> in terms of the type and the size of the agricultural holdings, in line with Commission Decision 85/377<sup>2</sup> establishing a Community typology for agricultural holdings. In addition, **specified** levels of precision are required for the crop and livestock characteristics of the agricultural holdings. **(deletion)**

**These levels of precision are given in the Precision Tables below and apply to all NUTS 2 regions with at least 10 000 holdings. For a NUTS 2 region with fewer than 10,000 holdings, these levels of precision apply instead to the associated NUTS 1 region, provided this NUTS 1 region contains at least 1000 holdings.**

**For the Survey on Agricultural Production Methods, the relevant crop and livestock characteristics** will be available from the results of the Farm Structure Survey 2010.

##### PRECISION CATEGORIES FOR THE FARM STRUCTURE SURVEYS 2013 AND 2016

Crop characteristics:

**(deletion)**

Cereals for the production of grain (including seed), comprising common wheat and spelt, durum wheat, rye, barley, oats, grain maize, rice and other cereals for the production of grain;

**Dried pulses;**

Potatoes (including early potatoes and seed potatoes) **(deletion)**;

**Sugar beet (excluding seed);**

Oilseed crops comprising rape, turnip rape, sunflower, soya, linseed (oil flax) and other oil seed crops;

**(deletion)**

**Fresh vegetables, melons and strawberries (excluding nurseries);**

**Flowers and ornamental plants (excluding nurseries);**

**Plants harvested green;**

**Pasture and meadow, excluding rough grazing;**

**Fruit and berry;**

**Citrus fruits;**

<sup>1</sup> OJ L 160, 26.6.1999, p. 80.

<sup>2</sup> OJ L 220, 17.8.85, p. 1.

***Olives;***  
***Wine grapes***

Livestock characteristics:

***Dairy cows;***  
***Other cows;***  
***Other*** bovine animals;  
***Breeding sows;***  
***Other pigs;***  
Sheep;  
Goats;  
Poultry

PRECISION CATEGORIES FOR SAMPLE SURVEYS UNDERTAKEN AS PART OF THE FARM  
STRUCTURE SURVEY 2010 AND THE SURVEY ON AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTION METHODS

Crop characteristics:

Cereals for the production of grain (including seed), comprising common wheat and spelt, durum wheat, rye, barley, oats, grain maize, rice and other cereals for the production of grain;  
Potatoes (including early potatoes and seed potatoes) and sugar beet (excluding seeds);  
Oilseed crops comprising rape, turnip rape, sunflower, soya, linseed (oil flax) and other oil seed crops;  
Permanent outdoor crops comprising fruit, berry, citrus and olive plantations, vineyards, nurseries and other permanent outdoor crops;  
Fresh vegetables, melons, strawberries, flowers and ornamental plants (excluding nurseries);  
Temporary grass and permanent ***grassland***

Livestock characteristics:

Bovine animals (all ages);  
Sheep and goats (all ages);  
Pigs;  
Poultry

PRECISION TABLE ***FOR NUTS 2 REGIONS WITH AT LEAST 10,000 AGRICULTURAL HOLDINGS***

Precision categories	Farm structure surveys 2013 and 2016		Survey on Agricultural Production Methods	
	Prevalence <i>of the characteristic in the NUTS 2 region</i>	Relative standard error	Prevalence <i>of the characteristic in the NUTS 2 region</i>	Relative standard error
Crop characteristics of the agricultural holding	7.5% or more of the utilised agricultural area	< 5%	10% or more of the utilised agricultural area	< 10%
Livestock characteristics of the agricultural holding	7.5% or more of the livestock units <i>and more than 5% of national share of each category</i>	< 5%	10% or more of the livestock units <i>and more than 5% of national share of each category</i>	< 10%

**PRECISION TABLE APPLICABLE WHEN A NUTS 2 REGION HAS FEWER THAN 10 000 AGRICULTURAL HOLDINGS**

<i>Precision categories</i>	<i>Farm structure surveys 2013 and 2016</i>		<i>Survey on Agricultural Production Methods</i>	
	<i>Prevalence of the characteristic in the associated NUTS 1 Region with at least 1000 holdings</i>	<i>Relative standard error</i>	<i>Prevalence of the characteristic in the associated NUTS 1 Region with at least 1000 holdings</i>	<i>Relative standard error</i>
<i>Crop characteristics of the agricultural holding</i>	<i>7.5% or more of the utilised agricultural area</i>	<i>&lt; 5%</i>	<i>10% or more of the utilised agricultural area</i>	<i>&lt; 10%</i>
<i>Livestock characteristics of the agricultural holding</i>	<i>7.5% or more of the livestock units and more than 5% of national share of each category</i>	<i>&lt; 5%</i>	<i>10% or more of the livestock units and more than 5% of national share of each category</i>	<i>&lt; 10%</i>

Amendment 37  
Annex V  
Text proposed by the Commission

ANNEX V

List of characteristics for the survey on agricultural production methods

<u>Characteristics</u>		<u>Units/ categories</u>
Tillage methods	Conventional tillage (mouldboard plough or disc plough)	ha
	Conservation tillage (low tillage)	ha
	Zero tillage (direct seeding)	ha

<u>Characteristics</u>			<u>Units/ categories</u>
Soil conservation, actions against erosion and nutrient leaching	Soil cover in winter:	Normal winter crop	ha
		Cover crop or intermediate crop	ha
		Plant residues	ha
		Bare soil	ha
	Crop rotation:	Arable area out of planned crop rotation	ha
	Anti-erosion measures for arable land and permanent crops:	Terraces	Yes/No
		Contour farming or herring bone farming	Yes/No
		Permanently vegetated ditches or strips	Yes/No
		Other anti-erosion measures	Yes/No
Landscape features	Linear elements maintained by farmer during the last 3 years, of which:	Hedges	Yes/No
		Tree lines	Yes/No
		Stonewalls	Yes/No
	Linear elements established during the last 3 years, of which:	Hedges	Yes/No
		Tree lines	Yes/No
		Stonewalls	Yes/No
Animal grazing	Grazing on the holding	Area grazed during the last year	ha
		Amount of time when animals are outdoors on pasture	Months per year
		Amount of time when animals are outdoors on bare soil or hard standing	Months per year
	Common land grazing:	Total number of animals grazing on common land	Heads
		Amount of time when animals are grazing on common land	Months per year
Animal housing	Cattle:	<b><i>Conventional stable (stanchion-tied stalls)</i></b>	Places
		<b><i>On partially slatted floors</i></b>	Places
		<b><i>On completely slatted floors</i></b>	Places
		<b><i>On straw beds (deep litter-loose housing)</i></b>	Places
		Other	Places
	Pigs:	On partially slatted floors	Places
		On completely slatted floors	Places
		On straw beds (deep litter-loose housing)	Places
		Other	Places
	Laying hens:	On straw beds (deep litter-loose housing)	Places
		Battery cage (all types)	Places
		Battery cage with manure belt	Places
		Battery cage with deep pit	Places

Characteristics			Units/ categories
		Battery cage with stilt house	Places
		Other	Places
Nutrients	Basis for decision on the use of nutrients:	Soil tests (carried out at least once during the last 3 years)	Yes/No
	Manure application techniques:	Application of solid/farmyard manure	ha
		Of which: with immediate incorporation	ha
	Application of slurry:	Total area	ha
		Of which: with immediate incorporation or injection	ha
	Percentage of the total produced manure exported from the holding		Percentage
Manure storage and treatment facilities	Storage facilities for:	Solid dung	Yes/No
		Liquid manure	Yes/No
		<b>Slurry</b>	<b>Yes/No</b>
	<b>Use of:</b>	Slurry tank	Yes/No
		Lagoon	Yes/No
	Are the storage facilities covered?	Solid dung	Yes/No
		Liquid manure	Yes/No
		Slurry	Yes/No
Plant protection	Type of plant protection methods applied:	Physical/mechanical	Yes/No
		Biological	Yes/No
		Chemical (preventive and curative)	Yes/No
	Area on which the methods of Integrated Pest Management (IPM) are applied:	Total	ha
		<b>Of which certified IPM</b>	<b>ha</b>
	<b>Use of pesticide application equipment:</b>	<b>Equipment for non-liquid formulation</b>	<b>Yes/No</b>
		<b>Field crop sprayer with a boom</b>	<b>Yes/No</b>
		<b>Air-assisted sprayer</b>	<b>Yes/No</b>
		<b>Aerial spraying</b>	<b>Yes/No</b>
	<b>Treatment decision techniques:</b>	<b>Treatment scheme</b>	<b>Yes/No</b>
		<b>Advisory services</b>	<b>Yes/No</b>
		<b>Forecasts from media</b>	<b>Yes/No</b>
		<b>Advice from chemical companies</b>	<b>Yes/No</b>
		<b>Economic damage threshold</b>	<b>Yes/No</b>
		<b>None</b>	<b>Yes/No</b>
Irrigation	Irrigated area	Average irrigated area the last three years	ha
	Total cultivated area irrigated at least once during the previous 12	Total	ha
		Cereals for the production of grain (excluding maize and rice)	ha

<u>Characteristics</u>			<u>Units/ categories</u>
	months	Maize (grain and green)	ha
		Rice	ha
		Pulses	ha
		Potatoes	ha
		Sugar beet	ha
		Rape and turnip rape	ha
		Sunflower	ha
		Textile crops (flax, hemp, other textile crops)	ha
		Fresh vegetables, melons, strawberries-open field	ha
		Temporary and permanent grass	ha
		Other crops on arable land	ha
		Fruit and berry plantations	ha
		Citrus plantations	ha
		Olive plantations	ha
		Vineyards	ha
	Irrigation methods employed:	Surface irrigation (flooding, furrows)	Yes/No
		Sprinkler irrigation	Yes/No
		Drop irrigation	Yes/No
	Source of irrigation water used on the holding:	On farm ground water	Yes/No
		On-farm surface water (ponds or dams)	Yes/No
		Off-farm surface water from lakes, rivers or watercourses	Yes/No
		Off-farm water from common water supply networks	Yes/No
		Other sources	Yes/No
	<i>Volume of water used for irrigation per year</i>		<i>m<sup>3</sup> per year</i>

### Amendments by Parliament

#### ANNEX V

#### List of characteristics for the survey on agricultural production methods

<u>Characteristics</u>	<u>Units/ categories</u>
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<u>Characteristics</u>			<u>Units/ categories</u>
Tillage methods	Conventional tillage (mouldboard plough or disc plough)		ha
	Conservation tillage (low tillage)		ha
	Zero tillage (direct seeding)		ha
Soil conservation, actions against erosion and nutrient leaching	Soil cover in winter:	Normal winter crop	ha
		Cover crop or intermediate crop	ha
		Plant residues	ha
		Bare soil	ha
	Crop rotation:	Arable area out of planned crop rotation	ha
	Anti-erosion measures for arable land and permanent crops:	Terraces	Yes/No
		Contour farming or herring bone farming	Yes/No
		Permanently vegetated ditches or strips	Yes/No
		Other anti-erosion measures	Yes/No
Landscape features	Linear elements maintained by farmer during the last 3 years, of which:	Hedges	Yes/No
		Tree lines	Yes/No
		Stonewalls	Yes/No
	Linear elements established during the last 3 years, of which:	Hedges	Yes/No
		Tree lines	Yes/No
		Stonewalls	Yes/No
Animal grazing	Grazing on the holding	Area grazed during the last year	ha
		Amount of time when animals are outdoors on pasture	Months per year
		Amount of time when animals are outdoors on bare soil or hard standing	Months per year
	Common land grazing:	Total number of animals grazing on common land	Heads
		Amount of time when animals are grazing on common land	Months per year
Animal housing	Cattle:	<b>Stanchion stable - with solid dung and slurry</b>	Places
		<b>Stanchion stable - with slurry</b>	Places
		<b>Loose housing - with solid dung and slurry</b>	Places
		<b>Loose housing - with slurry</b>	Places
		Other	Places
	Pigs:	On partially slatted floors	Places
		On completely slatted floors	Places
		On straw beds (deep litter-loose housing)	Places
		Other	Places
	Laying hens:	On straw beds (deep litter-loose housing)	Places

Characteristics			Units/ categories	
		Battery cage (all types)	Places	
		Battery cage with manure belt	Places	
		Battery cage with deep pit	Places	
		Battery cage with stilt house	Places	
		Other	Places	
Nutrients	Basis for decision on the use of nutrients:	Soil tests (carried out at least once during the last 3 years)	Yes/No	
	Manure application techniques:	Application of solid/farmyard manure	ha	
		Of which: with immediate incorporation	ha	
	Application of slurry:	Total area	ha	
		Of which: with immediate incorporation or injection	ha	
	Percentage of the total produced manure exported from the holding		Percentage	
Manure storage and treatment facilities	Storage facilities for:	Solid dung	Yes/No	
		Liquid manure	Yes/No	
		<i>(deletion)</i>		
	<i>(deletion)</i>	<i>Slurry</i>	Slurry tank	Yes/No
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Plant protection	Type of plant protection methods applied:	Physical/mechanical	Yes/No	
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	Area on which the methods of Integrated Pest Management (IPM) are applied:	Total	ha	
		<i>(deletion)</i>	<i>(deletion)</i>	
	<i>(deletion)</i>	<i>(deletion)</i>	<i>(deletion)</i>	
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	<b>(deletion)</b>		<b>(deletion)</b>

### *Justification*

*As regards animal housing - cattle: the amendment makes it easier for persons included in the survey to answer questions and provides clearer information for those using the data (for a database for emission reporting) than the layout of the Commission proposal. For example: the cubicle housing system used in dairy farming could only be entered under the Commission proposal as 'completely slated floors' or 'partially slated floors' or 'other'. This would mean a considerable loss of information. Moreover, those asked would not understand the purpose of such questions.*

## EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

Farm structure surveys are one of the oldest statistics on Community level and have been carried out since 1966. Farm surveys provide substantial and necessary information on agricultural holdings and land-use in Europe. Comparable data on Community level are needed, not only to evaluate the Common Agricultural Policy, but other policies having a close link with agriculture, like regional and rural development policies or environmental protection (soil and water protection, pesticides). The main focus is on implementation of agricultural and other policies mentioned and their ex-post-evaluation.

The next general farm survey in form of a census shall be carried out in 2010 (in some Member States already at the end of 2009) and in 2013 and 2016 interim-surveys in form of sample surveys shall be carried out.

The most sensitive point of the proposal concerns the Community contribution to the farm structure surveys as it might indeed be problematic for the Member States' national budgets since the determination of EU contribution being in force up to 2007 was based on the area and the number of agricultural holdings of Member States. As full scope survey should now be implemented, the rapporteur welcomes the raise of the maximum financial contribution from the Community towards the cost of carrying out the surveys defined in this Regulation as well as the increase of the overall financial envelope for implementation.

Member States need enough time to prepare the surveys, which is why the rapporteur tried to reach a first reading agreement. He is convinced that the amendments tabled in close cooperation with the Council working group are a well-balanced compromise between the 'need-to-know' and 'simplification'.

## PROCEDURE

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