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# Structure of agricultural holdings Poland 2002

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A farm structure survey was carried out in all EU Member States – except Poland – in 2003. Poland has already executed this survey in 2002. The detailed results are now available for all the Member States. This Statistics in Focus is part of a series of country-specific publications on these results, all following the same structure.

In Poland, in May/June 2002, about 1 056 300 agricultural holdings had an economic size of at least 1 ESU (European Size Unit)\*. They made use of 12.9 million ha of agricultural area, which is on average 12.2 hectare per holding.

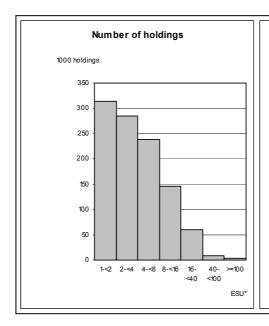
Amongst these 1 056 300 agricultural holdings

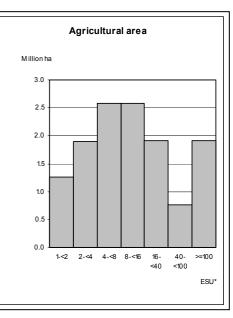
- 34% used less than 5 ha, while 1% used 100 ha or more;
- 62% were mixed holdings, while 38% were specialised: field cropping 8%, dairies 7%, pigs and poultry 6%, dairies combined with cattle fattening and rearing 5%, cereals, oil seed and protein crops 5%, fruit orchards 3%, horticulture 3% (of which 82% under glass) and sheep, goats and other grazing livestock 1%.

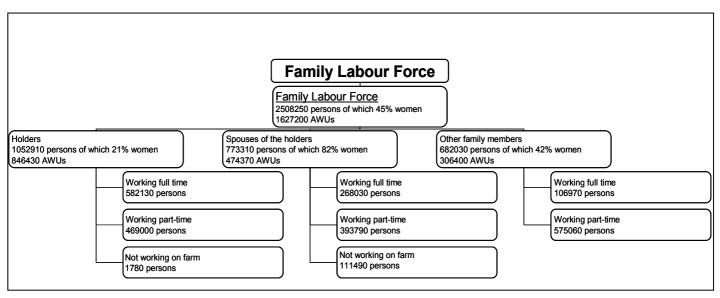
The <u>sole holdings</u>\*\* employed 1 682 700 AWUs (annual work units), the equivalent of 1 682 700 persons working full time. Among these holdings 22% made use of less than one AWU, while 35% made use of 2 or more AWUs.

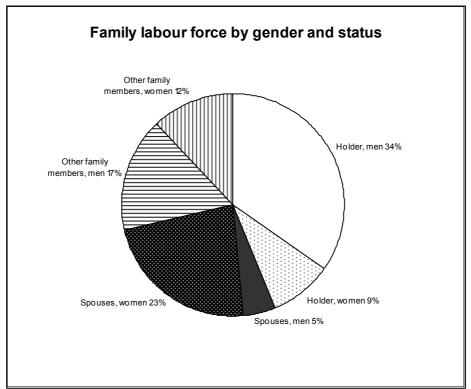
Amongst the 1 052 900 sole holders

- 21% were women;
- 19% were aged 55 or more, and 20% younger than 35 years;
- 17% had another gainful activity as major occupation.
- \* ESU measures the economic size of the holdings (see methodological notes).
- \*\* Labour force data are referring only to sole holdings (see methodological notes).











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

Economi	c size (ESU)	<1	>=1	1-<2	2-<4	4-<8	8-<16	16-<40	40-<100	>=100
Total labour force										
1000 annual worl	k units	508.2	1682.7	367.1	424.7	425.8	291.0	134.2	24.5	15.3
Family labour force										
1000 persons		2177.0	2508.2	713.2	668.9	580.3	364.2	155.2	22.2	4.3
1000 persons	k units	502.1	1627.2	364.2	420.3	418.7	280.8	122.7	17.3	3.1
		302.1	1027.2	301.2	120.5	110.7	200.0	122.7	17.5	5.1
Non-family labour 1 1000 persons	eguiariy empioyed	60	35.5	2.4	2.6	2.1	3.7	6.1	5.3	12.3
1000 persons	zunite	6.8 4.2	27.9	2.4 1.5	2.6 1.7	3.1 2.1	2.6	4.7	3.3 4.4	10.9
		4.2	21.9	1.5	1.7	2.1	2.0	4.7	7.4	10.9
Non regular non far		2.0	27.6		2.7	- 1	<b>-</b> -		2.0	1.2
1000 annual worl	k units	2.0	27.6	1.5	2.7	5.1	7.5	6.7	2.8	1.3
Holding managers	(1000)		1052.9	313.7	284.6	239.1	145.6	59.6	8.5	1.8
- women	(%)	38.5	20.4	29.7	22.9	15.3	9.9	7.4	8.0	8.8
- part-time	- under 50 % (%)	79.8	18.3	35.2	18.8	8.3	4.3	3.7	5.1	8.3
	- 50 % and over (%)	15.3	26.5	37.1	31.9	20.3	11.5	8.1	9.0	13.0
Sole/main holders	(1000)	1115.3	1052.9	313.7	284.6	239.1	145.6	59.6	8.5	1.8
- women	(%)	38.9	20.7	30.2	23.3	15.6	10.0	7.5	8.0	9.3
- distribution by a	age (%)									
- under 35 ye	ears	12.5	20.3	16.9	20.4	22.3	23.3	23.3	20.9	16.5
- from 35 to	44 years	21.9	29.4	25.2	28.4	31.4	34.2	36.1	34.1	30.2
- from 45 to	54 years	26.4	31.4	29.0	31.5	33.2	32.7	32.1	34.5	40.7
- from 55 to	64 years	17.1	11.9	15.2	12.6	10.2	8.3	7.4	8.7	10.7
- 65 years ar	nd over	22.1	7.0	13.7	7.2	2.9	1.5	1.2	1.7	1.8
- part-time	- under 50 % (%)	79.2	18.1	34.8	18.6	8.1	4.2	3.6	5.1	9.2
	- 50 % and over (%)	15.3	26.5	37.2	31.9	20.3	11.5	8.1	9.0	12.4
- with another ga	inful activity <sup>1</sup> (%)	35.1	21.5	29.6	25.3	17.1	10.3	8.6	12.7	23.8
- as main occ	cupation	34.3	17.1	27.1	20.9	11.2	4.7	3.0	4.7	10.4
- as a subsid	iary occupation	0.8	4.4	2.5	4.3	5.9	5.6	5.5	8.0	13.4
Spouse of sole holde	er (1000)	762.9	773.3	217.9	200.4	178.6	116.8	50.6	7.4	1.5
- women	(%)	69.8	82.1	73.7	78.6	86.1	91.7	94.1	93.9	93.1
- distribution by a	age (%)									
- under 35 ye	ears	15.1	22.8	17.7	21.1	25.1	28.6	29.7	25.7	18.9
- from 35 to	54 years	54.6	63.4	58.2	63.4	66.5	66.4	66.1	68.6	73.3
- 55 years ar		30.3	13.8	24.0	15.5	8.3	5.0	4.2	5.7	7.8
- part-time	- under 50 % (%)		23.8	37.6	26.5	16.7	11.4	10.0	11.1	14.2
	- 50 % and over (%)		27.1	27.1	30.2	27.6	24.0	21.4	19.1	16.7
- with another ga	•		18.0	23.7	21.6	15.5	10.0	7.8	9.2	14.7
- as main occ	•	21.0	16.7	23.0	20.4	13.8	8.3	6.2	7.0	11.3
- as a subsid	iary occupation	0.2	1.3	0.7	1.2	1.7	1.7	1.6	2.2	3.4
Other members of t working on the hold		298.8	682.0	181.6	183.8	162.6	101.8	45.0	6.3	1.0
- women	(%)	42.4	41.6	42.1	42.3	42.2	40.6	38.3	34.5	33.5
- part-time	- under 50 % (%)	87.0	62.0	70.5	63.9	59.3	55.1	47.9	42.7	46.1
	- 50 % and over (%)	10.3	22.4	20.9	23.1	23.0	22.5	22.8	20.9	17.8
- with another ga	inful activity (%)	25.7	14.9	19.8	15.7	12.6	10.9	9.7	9.1	12.7

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Only holders being also farm managers.

<sup>\*</sup> Labour force data are referring only to sole holdings (see methodological notes)



Symbols : not available  ${\it 0}$  less than half of the unit or nil

Economic size (ESU)	<1	>=1	1-<2	2-<4	4-<8	8-<16	16-<40	40-<100	>=100
Holdings						r			
- total number (1000)	1115.9	1056.3	313.9	284.9	239.3	145.9	60.0	9.1	3.4
- by legal personality of the holder (%)									
- sole holder	99.9	99.7	99.9	99.9	99.9	99.8	99.3	93.6	54.4
- legal person	0.1	0.3	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.7	6.4	45.6
- group holders	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
- by employed labour force* (%)									
- under 1 AWU	85.9	22.0	42.7	22.8	9.7	4.7	3.6	5.9	12.6
- from 1 to less than 2 AWU	11.8	43.1	42.3	49.4	45.6	37.0	28.5	21.4	7.1
- from 2 to less than 3 AWU	2.0	28.5	12.9	23.8	37.6	47.2	49.4	38.4	10.9
- 3 AWU and over	0.3	6.4	2.1	4.1	7.1	11.2	18.4	34.4	69.4
- by agricultural area (%)									
- under 5 ha	96.9	34.4	73.2	34.7	9.2	5.2	6.5	12.2	8.0
- from 5 to less than 20 ha	3.1	55.4	26.6	64.5	85.3	65.3	28.1	14.7	6.4
- from 20 to less than 50 ha	0	8.5	0.2	0.7	5.3	28.1	51.7	26.2	6.3
- from 50 to less than 100 ha	0	1.1	0	0	0.1	1.3	11.2	22.5	5.5
- 100 ha and over	0	0.6	0	0	0	0.1	2.5	24.3	73.8
- by livestock size (%)									
- without livestock	53.9	12.5	17.1	11.4	9.2	9.3	11.3	23.7	25.3
- under 10 LSU <sup>+</sup>	46.1	64.5	82.8	88.0	62.3	12.1	6.0	5.2	2.2
- from 10 to less than 20 LSU	0	13.8	0.1	0.4	28.0	50.8	6.0	1.5	0.5
- from 20 to less than 50 LSU	0	7.4	0	0.1	0.3	26.8	62.6	6.0	1.5
- from 50 to less than 100 LSU	0	1.1	0	0	0.2	0.4	11.8	34.2	4.1
- 100 LSU and over	0	0.7	0	0	0	0.7	2.3	29.3	66.3
- by farm type (%)									
specialist cereals, oil seed and protein crops	18.3	4.8	7.9	4.5	2.4	2.2	3.7	10.2	17.6
general field cropping	35.3	7.5	10.1	7.7	6.2	5.1	4.6	5.5	9.0
specialist horticulture	1.7	2.9	1.5	2.1	3.1	4.4	8.1	14.3	7.5
specialist vineyard	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
specialist fruit and citrus fruit	6.4	3.2	3.6	3.2	3.4	3.2	1.5	0.8	0.7
specialist olives	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
various permanent crops combined	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.4	0.7	1.8	2.4
specialist dairy farming	4.8	6.6	7.7	5.1	6.2	8.6	5.4	1.0	0.4
specialist cattle – rearing and fattening	0.3	0.5	0.7	0.4	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.1
cattle – dairy farming, rearing and	0.2	5.1	2.2	1.6	4.0	0.4	10.0	5.2	2.5
fattening combined	0.3	5.1	3.3	4.6	4.8	8.4	10.9	5.2	3.5
sheep, goats and other grazing livestock	2.1	1.2	2.3	1.2	0.5	0.3	0.2	0.1	0.1
specialist granivores	3.4	5.7	2.9	3.6	4.9	9.1	19.4	35.8	24.6
mixed cropping	8.2	10.5 14.0	10.3	12.9	11.6	7.4	4.2	2.3	3.3 2.9
mixed livestock, mainly grazing livestock	3.2		12.0	14.3	17.0	15.8	9.6	2.8	
mixed livestock, mainly granivores field crops – grazing livestock combined	0.9 6.0	11.4 16.4	4.9	10.4 18.8	15.9 12.1	17.7 7.8	17.2	7.4 2.8	3.5 12.2
various crops and livestock combined	6.5		24.3		11.3		4.8 9.7	2.8 9.5	11.9
•		10.0	8.3	11.1	11.3	9.6	9./	9.3	11.9
- by farming methods (%)									
- organic farming	:	:	:	:	:	1.7	:	:	:
- irrigating	0.1	0.8	0.2	0.4	0.7	1.7	3.3	6.7	7.3
- with crops under glass	0.4	3.6	1.4	2.5	4.1	6.2	10.0	15.5	7.8
- % in less favoured or mountain area	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0



<sup>+</sup> LSU: Livestock Unit \*Labour force data are referring only to sole holdings (see methodological notes)

Poland – 2002 Table 3 – Land use

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

Economic size (ESU)	<1	>=1	1-<2	2-<4	4-<8	8-<16	16-<40	40-<100	>=100
Area (1000 ha)				'	•				
Total area of agricultural holdings	2279.8	14751.9	1595.8	2266.1	2950.3	2859.6	2129.9	831.4	2118.9
H. Other area	742.9	1862.5	333.2	370.8	368.9	284.1	217.4	73.8	214.3
Wooded area	220.6	793.7	156.4	185.1	188.4	143.1	71.3	18.7	30.7
A gricultural area		12889.4		1895.3	2581.4	2575.5			1904.6
Agricultural area	1536.9		1262.5				1912.4	757.6	
- D. Arable land Cereals	<b>987.5</b> 669.8	<b>10005.9</b> 7623.9	<b>880.9</b> 668.3	<b>1390.7</b> 1089.5	1926.4	<b>1948.2</b> 1500.3	<b>1545.3</b> 1191.9	661.9	<b>1652.4</b> 1154.0
Cereais  Common wheat and spelt	200.5	2213.7	174.3	255.5	1500.8 <i>340.8</i>	364.1	336.7	519.1 <i>178.9</i>	563.4
Durum wheat	0	0	0	233.3	0	0	0	0	0
Rye	174.7	1457.0	175.3	285.7	355.9	285.6	171.2	68.5	114.6
Barley	60.3	990.4	66.6	117.0	176.4	200.2	186.9	84.8	158.4
Oats	167.8	1730.8	185.6	312.1	435.0	411.4	263.1	68.0	55.6
Grain maize	6.5	312.2	7.2	12.2	16.8	26.4	44.9	46.6	158.2
Dried pulses	4.2	75.8	5.6	11.1	16.8	14.7	12.5	5.5	9.8
Root crops	152.7	1004.7	117.3	167.9	229.1	220.2	141.5	34.6	94.1
Potatoes	147.1	656.3	106.8	143.9	172.5	136.2	66.3	11.7	18.8
Sugar beet	1.2	301.8	3.2	13.4	43.5	73.9	70.8	22.3	74.8
Fodder root	4.4	46.6	7.3	10.7	13.0	10.1	4.4	0.6	0.5
Industrial crops	7.0	484.6	10.8	23.3	39.7	54.0	70.6	57.5	228.7
Tobacco	0.2	10.1	0.7	2.3	4.3	2.2	0.5	0.1	0
Hops	0	2.2	0	0.2	0.8	0.6	0.3	0.1	0.1
Cotton	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Rape and turnip	4.5	434.5	7.3	15.5	27.2	44.7	64.1	53.6	222.1
Sunflower	0.1	0.5	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0	0	0
Soya	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Fresh vegetables, melons,	27.7	187.9	16.8	28.5	46.8	44.1	29.2	10.9	11.6
outside	27.6	181.6	16.7	28.2	46.0	42.7	27.2	9.8	11.1
under glass	0	6.3	0.1	0.3	0.8	1.4	2.1	1.1	0.5
Flower and ornamental plants	0.6	4.0	0.3	0.3	0.5	0.6	0.9	0.6	0.8
outside	0.6	2.6	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.4	0.5	0.3	0.5
<i>under glass</i> Fodder plants	0 27.4	1.4 449.1	23.8	<i>0</i> 37.3	0.1 65.6	<i>0.2</i> 93.1	0.4 79.2	0.3 21.8	0.3 128.3
Fallow land	95.5	154.6	36.5	31.0	24.3	18.1	15.6	9.8	19.2
- E. Kitchen garden	5.4	11.1	2.5	2.8	2.7	1.7	0.8	0.2	0.5
<ul> <li>F. Permanent pasture and meadows</li> </ul>	511.8	2629.2	353.6	460.6	587.5	563.8	339.1	87.2	237.5
	32.3	243.2	25.6	41.2	64.8	61.8	27.3	8.3	
- G. Permanent crops  Fruit and berry plantation	32.3	236.2	25.6 25.5	41.2	64.8 64.4	61.8 61.0	27 <b>.3</b> 25.8	7.0	<b>14.1</b> 11.4
Citrus plantation	0	230.2	23.3	41.0	04.4	01.0	23.8	0	0
Olive trees	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Vineyard	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
•				U	V	U	O	V	V
Ratios				. <b>-</b>	400	1	21.0	00.4	5.65.5
Agricultural area per holding (ha)		12.2	4.0	6.7	10.8	17.7	31.9	83.4	567.2
Agricultural area (%)									
own farmed	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:
in less favoured or mountain area	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
organic farmed	:		:	:	:	:	:	:	:
irrigated	0	0.4	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.3	0.5	0.9	0.9
under cover crop protecting soil	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:



Poland – 2002 Table 4 – Livestock

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

Economic size (ESU)	<1	>=1	1-<2	2-<4	4-<8	8-<16	16-<40	40-<100	>=100
Total livestock (1000 LSU) of which grazing (%)	<b>422.9</b> 56.1	<b>10748.9</b> 41.2	<b>615.9</b> 64.9	<b>1106.3</b> 57.7	<b>1878.5</b> 53.5	<b>2374.3</b> 49.7	<b>2112.8</b> 35.9	<b>974.2</b> 11.8	<b>1686.7</b> 19.5
Grazing livestock (1000 heads)									
Equidae	64.6	264.9	76.3	75.4	55.4	30.5	15.7	3.5	8.2
Bovine animals									
Under 1 year	40.8	1343.5	82.7	168.9	314.6	381.5	242.3	38.1	115.6
From 1 to less than 2 years	12.2	1071.1	44.4	109.7	233.9	323.4	233.1	37.7	88.8
Dairy cows	146.2	2705.2	262.3	410.8	634.6	726.1	438.1	57.8	175.5
Other cows	0.4	21.4	0.5	0.9	2.0	3.1	2.5	3.0	9.3
Other bovine animals 2 years and older	0.5	191.4	3.9	15.8	30.4	48.0	48.5	11.0	33.9
Sheep	52.4	292.9	44.8	57.0	61.0	49.3	38.2	10.4	32.3
Goats	82.4	110.9	38.0	28.5	20.8	13.3	6.3	1.9	2.2
Granivores									
Pigs (1000 heads)									
Piglets < 20 kg	96.4	6420.6	231.4	662.9	1324.4	1557.5	1332.0	447.8	864.7
Breeding sows	13.8	1904.6	61.8	203.3	395.4	444.2	398.5	137.4	264.0
Other pigs	111.6	10082.0	286.5	762.6	1620.8	2288.6	2519.2	1026.6	1577.6
Poultry (million heads)	8.9	189.9	5.8	7.7	11.1	23.8	35.3	46.0	60.2
Broilers	2.4	120.9	1.6	2.3	4.5	16.8	25.5	34.2	36.0
Laying hens	4.8	47.0	2.9	3.8	4.9	5.3	6.9	7.6	15.6
Other poultry	1.7	22.0	1.3	1.6	1.7	1.7	3.0	4.1	8.6
Rabbits, breeding females (1000 heads)	388.4	481.9	173.9	135.7	101.0	47.0	16.0	6.9	1.3
Beehives (1000)	85.0	477.5	103.5	141.6	105.8	77.1	40.0	5.1	4.4
Total livestock per holding with (LSU/holding)									
Livestock	0.8	11.6	2.4	4.4	8.7	17.9	39.7	140.6	672.8
Grazing livestock	1.3	9.9	2.5	4.5	8.7	17.3	35.0	87.4	538.0
Bovine animals (cattle)	1.4	9.9	2.5	4.5	8.7	17.3	34.9	84.8	555.8
Cattle, other than cows	1.5	12.0	2.8	4.8	9.0	17.5	35.2	84.5	556.7
Granivores	0.8	11.8	2.4	4.4	8.7	18.0	40.2	146.9	785.0
Pigs	1.2	11.5	2.5	4.5	8.7	17.2	36.0	94.7	560.2
Average size of herds*									
(head/holding)									
Equidae	1.3	1.7	1.3	1.5	2.0	2.6	4.1	6.1	22.1
Dairy cows	1.0	3.7	1.4	2.0	3.5	6.6	11.0	17.7	162.3
Other cows	1.3	6.1	1.5	1.8	2.5	3.2	4.4	23.6	53.2
Sheep Goats	7.2 2.3	27.6	14.8 3.0	19.8 3.1	24.6 3.3	33.7 4.3	64.4 5.2	121.9 12.7	403.6 50.7
Breeding sows	1.2	4.3	1.4	1.8	2.7	4.5	10.2	31.7	203.9
Other pigs > 20 kg	1.9	18.5	3.0	5.4	10.4	22.1	58.6	197.7	1044.7
Rabbits, breeding females	5.2	5.6	6.0	5.3	5.3	5.1	5.9	31.4	52.2
	0	0.1	0	0	0	0.1	0.2	2.5	42.9
Laying hens (1000/holding)	U	0.1							
Laying hens (1000/holding) Broilers (1000/holding) Beehives (hive/holding)	0 5.6	0.4	0 14.1	0 20.3	0.1 18.5	0.3 20.7	1.3 27.2	16.7 38.2	113.0 201.7

<sup>\*</sup> number of animals of a given livestock category per holding with this kind of animals



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

Economic size (ESU)	<1	>=1	1-<4	2-<4	4-<8	8-<16	16-<40	40-<100	>=100
Holdings with another gainful activity than agricultural production:									
(% all holdings)	2.8	3.8	4.1	3.8	3.5	3.3	3.4	4.8	13.9
Tourism	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.5	1.6
Handicraft	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0	0.1	0.1	0.3
Processing of farm products	2.1	3.2	3.3	3.2	3.0	2.9	3.0	3.9	11.8
Wood processing	0.4	0.3	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.9
Aquaculture	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:
Renewable energy production	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.3
Contractual work	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:
Other gainful activities n.a.e	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:

#### **▶METHODOLOGICAL NOTES**

The survey on the structure of agricultural holdings in Poland was carried out between 21 May and 8 June 2002 on an exhaustive base. Prior to this census, a full-scale agricultural survey was conducted last time in 1996. The reference time of the farm structure survey 2002 was 20th May 2002 in case of land area and land use and livestock. However for other characteristics the reference period was the preceding 12 months until 20th May 2002.

The agricultural census has covered all private farms using agricultural land area of at least 0.1 ha, private farms having no land area or less than 0.1 ha, but having livestock reaching the threshold of 1 cattle or horse, 5 pigs, 1 sow, 3 sheep or goats, 30 poultry, 5 furry-animal or 1 beehive, as well as agricultural enterprises with legal personality. The list of units to be observed was compiled from the statistical tax register [update during a pre-census step], list of livestock owners and from the Statistical Units Database (enterprises).

The data are multi-level checked. Unit non-response is not significant; these holdings were imputed by using data of `model holdings` (similar ones at the same geographical area). Item non-response was imputed only in case of certain questions by using the most frequent answer in the population, but information from earlier surveys, as well as experts` opinion were used, too.

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.

Due to differences in the coverage of units of less than 1 ESU across Member States, these data are not comparable between countries. That is why the present analysis and graphs focus on the holdings of at least one ESU.

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.

The individual data provided by Poland on the census 2002 concern 1 056 300 holdings with at least 1 ESU economic size. However, data on the labour force characteristics are available only for the sole holdings (i.e. holdings of natural persons). Therefore the analyses and the tables do not refer to any labour force data on the legal entities (about 3.400) of at least 1 ESU.

**Annual working unit** (AWU) means the labour force working yearly like a worker employed on full time basis, it is 2120 hours (265 working days of 8 working hours per day).

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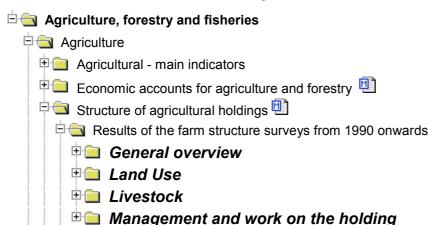
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