

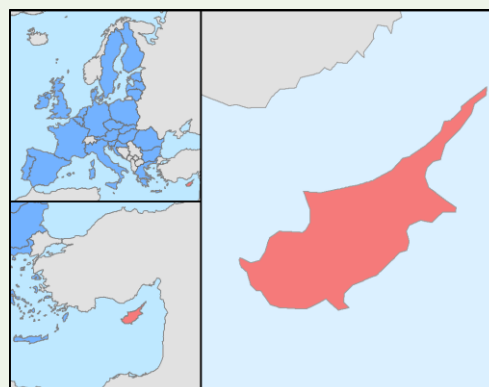
1. General information

Geographical Area	Country	Cyprus
	Region	/
Rural population (1)	Inhabitants (4)	0.9 million
	% of total population (4)	100.0 %
	Density - Inhab/km2 (5)	93.6
Rural area (1)	Km2 (3)	9 251
	% of total area (3)	100.0 %
Agricultural area <i>Total Utilised Agricultural Area (UAA)</i>	Ha (2)	0.1 million
	% of total territory (6)	12.8 %
Forest and other wooded land	Ha (2)	0.4 million
	% of total area (2)	42.0 %
Total employment	People (3)	0.4 million
Rural employment (1)	% of total workforce (2)	100.0 %

Data source: Cyprus 2014-2020 Rural Development Programme (RDP). Note: (1) OECD definition applies, including intermediate and predominantly rural regions; (2) 2010 data; (3) 2012 data; (4) 2013 data; (5) 2013, calculation based on 2012 total Member State territory data; (6) 2010, calculation based on 2012 total Member State territory data.

Primary sector contribution to Gross Value Added (GVA)	% of total (4)	2.7 %
No of agricultural holdings	No (2)	38 860
Average farm size	ha UAA/holding (2)	3.0
High Nature Value farming	% of total UAA (3)	54.5 %
Farmland Birds Index (FBI)	Index 2000 = 100	n/a

Map: Cyprus



EAFRD* support:
EUR 132 244 377
0.1 % of Total EAFRD support for EU-28



National contribution:
EUR 111 065 767



Planned total public expenditure:
EUR 243 310 144

* European Agricultural Fund for Rural Development (EAFRD)

Examples of expected achievements

- In Cyprus, 2 800 training places will be available for increasing knowledge and skills of agricultural entrepreneurs and foresters.
- In total 40 cooperation projects are envisaged, mainly by establishing Operational Groups and pilot projects developing innovative products, practices and technologies under the European Innovation Partnership.
- It is envisaged that almost 2 % of the holdings will be supported to restructure and modernise in order to improve their economic performance.
- The RDP will grant start-up aid to 300 young farmers to facilitate initial establishment of their farms and business.
- More than 9 % of agricultural and almost 8 % of forest land is envisaged to enter management contracts supporting biodiversity and better water management. Nearly 21 % of the agricultural land is expected to be under contracts to improve soil management and/or to prevent soil erosion.
- More than 40 % of the irrigated land will switch to more efficient irrigation systems with the aim of making savings of at least 10 % in the volume of water used for irrigation.
- A total of EUR 10 million of public funds will be invested in the production of renewable energy (mainly from solar panels).
- Almost 12 % of Cyprus' population will benefit from local development strategies, implemented by 4 LEADER Local Action Groups (LAGs) and around 20 new jobs will be created.

Examples of key challenges

- Only 2.6 % of the total number of farm managers is less than 35 years old and merely 5.7 % have agricultural training.
- Low rainfall, high temperatures and increased periods of drought are putting extreme pressure on Cyprus' scarce natural resources, such as water, agricultural land, forests and soils, and threaten ecosystem biodiversity.
- Water supply and diffuse water and soil pollution from agriculture are major concerns for Cyprus. The majority of underground aquifers are "in less than good" status.
- Cyprus relies heavily on imported fuel for its energy needs. There is a need to increase energy efficiency through adoption of innovative technologies and the use of renewable energy (e.g., solar energy) in farms and agri-food businesses.

2. RDP focus areas: planned expenditure, measures and 2023 targets

This section illustrates each rural development priority (P) with a focus on: the indicative budget per Focus Area (FA) and its breakdown by selected measure; and the relation between the indicative planned total public expenditure and the expected 2023 targets set by the Managing Authority for each focus area. The target indicator identified with the country code (CY) is specific to the Cyprus Programme.

P1 - Knowledge transfer & innovation: Fostering knowledge transfer and innovation in agriculture, forestry, and rural areas

Priority 1 is considered a cross-cutting priority: the budget under Priorities 2 - 6 contributes to the achievement of Priority 1 specific targets.

Focus Area 1A. Innovation & cooperation

Target indicator	Value
T1 - % of expenditure under Articles 14, 15 and 35 of Regulation (EU) No 1305/2013 in relation to the total expenditure for the RDP	2.1 %

Focus Area 1C. Lifelong learning & vocational training

Target indicator	Value
T3 - Total number of participants trained under Article 14 of Regulation (EU) No 1305/2013	2 800

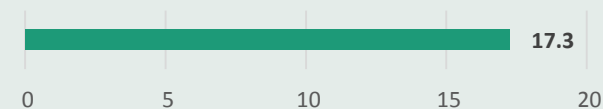
Focus Area 1B. Links with research & innovation

Target indicator	Value
T2 - Total number of cooperation operations supported under the cooperation measure (Article 35 of Regulation (EU) No 1305/2013) (groups, networks/clusters, pilot projects...), of which: Nr of EIP operational groups to be supported (establishment and operation)	40
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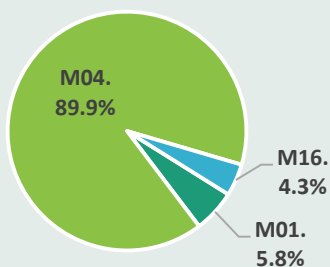
P2 – Competitiveness: Enhancing farm viability and competitiveness of all types of agriculture in all regions and promoting innovative farm technologies and sustainable management of forest

Focus Area 2A. Farm's performance, restructuring & modernization

Total public budget (million EUR)



Breakdown of FA budget by measure (%)



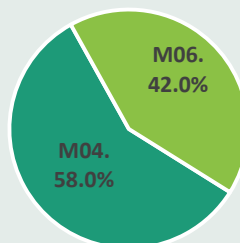
Target indicator	Value
T4 - % of agricultural holdings with RDP support for investments in restructuring or modernisation	1.9 %

Focus Area 2B. Entry of skilled/younger farmers

Total public budget (million EUR)



Breakdown of FA budget by measure (%)



Target indicator	Value
T5 - % of agricultural holdings with RDP supported business development plan/investments for young farmers	0.8 %

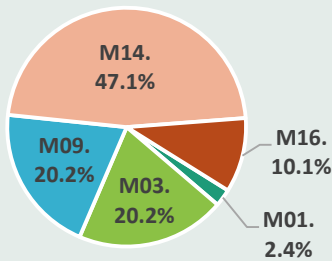
P3 – Food chain & risk management: Promoting food chain organisation, including processing and marketing of agricultural products, animal welfare and risk management in agriculture

Focus Area 3A. Agri-food chain integration & quality

Total public budget (million EUR)



Breakdown of FA budget by measure (%)



Measure	m EUR
M01	0.4
M03	3.0
M09	3.0
M14	7.0
M16	1.5

Target indicator

Value

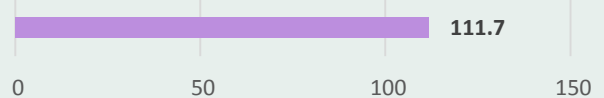
T6 - % of agricultural holdings receiving support for participating in quality schemes, local markets and short supply circuits, and producer groups/organisations	4.1 %
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P4 – Ecosystems management: Restoring, preserving and enhancing ecosystems related to agriculture and forestry

Focus Areas

Total public budget (million EUR)

- 4A. Biodiversity's restoration, preservation & enhancement
- 4B. Water management
- 4C. Soil erosion & soil management



Target indicator

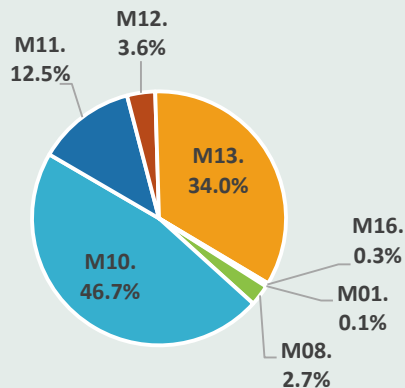
Value

T8 - % of forest/other wooded area under management contracts supporting biodiversity	7.8 %
T9 - % of agricultural land under management contracts supporting biodiversity and/or landscapes	9.1 %
T10 - % of agricultural land under management contracts to improve water management	9.0 %
T11 - % of forestry land under management contracts to improve water management	7.8 %
T12 - % of agricultural land under management contracts to improve soil management and/or prevent soil erosion	20.6 %
T13 - % of forestry land under management contracts to improve soil management and/or prevent soil erosion	7.8 %

Breakdown of FA budget by measure (%)

Measure

m EUR

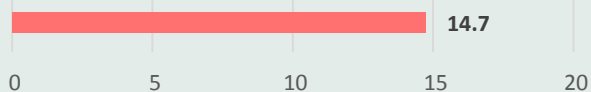


M01	0.2
M08	3.0
M10	52.1
M11	14.0
M12	4.0
M13	38.0
M16	0.4

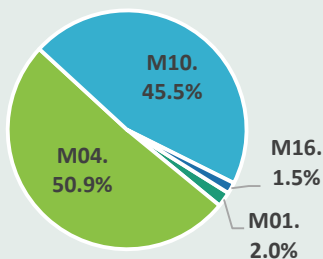
P5 - Resource efficiency & climate: Promoting resource efficiency and supporting the shift towards a low carbon and climate resilient economy in agriculture, food and forestry sectors

Focus Area 5A. Water use efficiency

Total public budget (million EUR)



Breakdown of FA budget by measure (%)



Target indicator

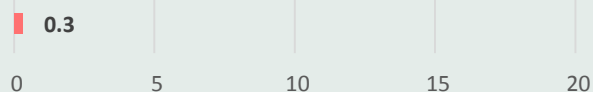
T14 - % of irrigated land switching to more efficient irrigation system

Value

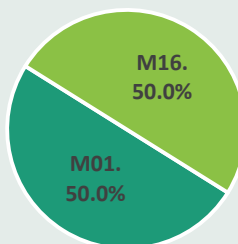
41.4 %

Focus Area 5B. Energy use efficiency

Total public budget (million EUR)



Breakdown of FA budget by measure (%)



Target indicator

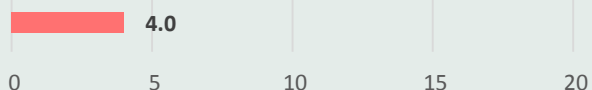
CY_01 - Number of projects related to increasing the efficiency of energy use

Value

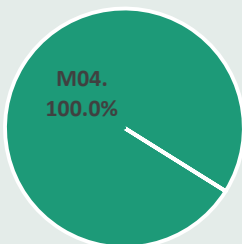
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Focus Area 5C. Renewable sources & waste management

Total public budget (million EUR)



Breakdown of FA budget by measure (%)



Target indicator

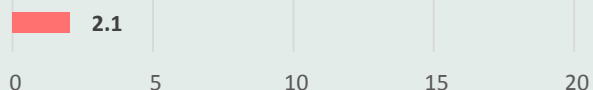
T16 - Total investment in renewable energy production (EUR)

Value

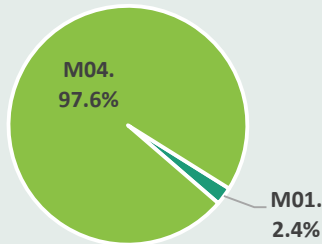
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Focus Area 5D. Greenhouse Gas (GHG) & ammonia emissions

Total public budget (million EUR)



Breakdown of FA budget by measure (%)



Target indicator

T17 - % of Livestock Units (LU) concerned by investments in livestock management in view of reducing GHG and/or ammonia emissions

Value

7.5 %

T18 - % of agricultural land under management contracts targeting reduction of GHG and/or ammonia emissions

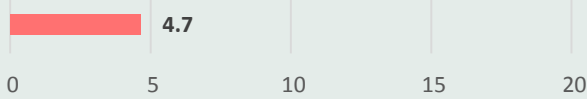
Value

0.6 %

P5 - Resource efficiency & climate: Promoting resource efficiency and supporting the shift towards a low carbon and climate resilient economy in agriculture, food and forestry sectors

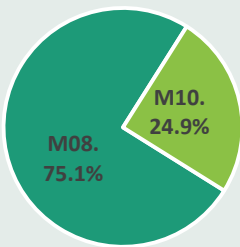
Focus Area 5E. Carbon conservation & sequestration

Total public budget (million EUR)



Breakdown of FA budget by measure (%)

Measure	m EUR
M08	3.5
M10	1.2



Target indicator

Value

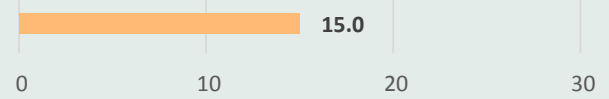
T19 - % of agricultural and forest land under management contracts contributing to carbon sequestration and conservation

0.6 %

P6 - Social inclusion & local development: Promoting social inclusion poverty reduction and economic development in rural areas

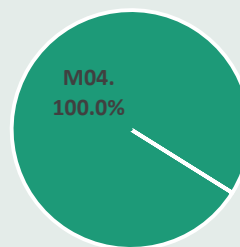
Focus Area 6A. Diversification & job creation

Total public budget (million EUR)



Breakdown of FA budget by measure (%)

Measure	m EUR
M04	15.0



Target indicator

Value

T20 - Jobs created in supported projects

100

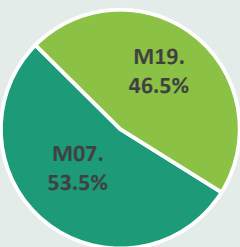
Focus Area 6B. Local development

Total public budget (million EUR)



Breakdown of FA budget by measure (%)

Measure	m EUR
M07	14.4
M19	12.5



Target indicator

Value

T21 - % of rural population covered by local development strategies

11.6 %

T22 - % of rural population benefiting from improved services/infrastructures

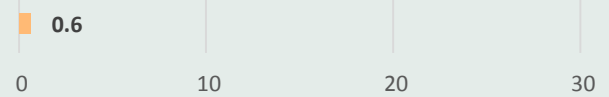
46.2 %

T23 - Jobs created in supported projects (LEADER)

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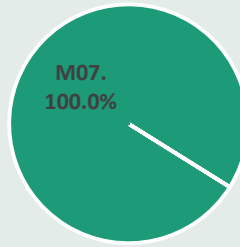
Focus Area 6C. Information & communication technologies (ICT)

Total public budget (million EUR)



Breakdown of FA budget by measure (%)

Measure	m EUR
M07	0.6



Target indicator

Value

T24 - % of rural population benefiting from new or improved services/infrastructures (ICT)

46.2 %

3. Planned expenditure per priority

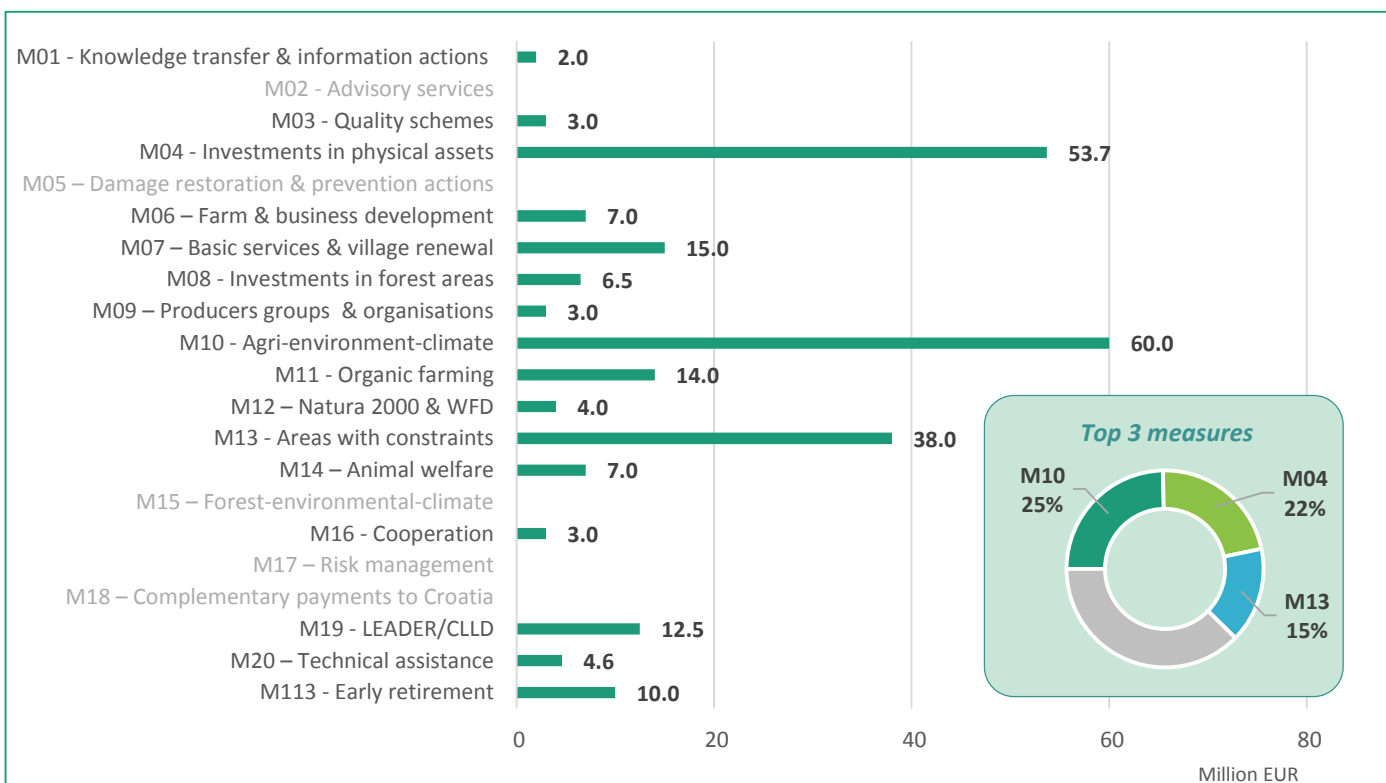
The following table shows how the planned total public expenditure (comprising the EAFRD support and the national contribution) is allocated between rural development priorities. Priority 1 is considered to be cross-cutting and no separate financial allocation is shown as the expenditure is distributed across other focus areas.

Priority	Total public expenditure per priority (million EUR)	% of total public expenditure*	
P1 - Knowledge transfer & innovation	P2 - Competitiveness	34.0	14.0 %
	P3 - Food chain & risk management	14.9	6.1 %
	P4 - Ecosystems management	111.7	45.9 %
	P5 - Resource efficiency & climate	25.7	10.6 %
	P6 - Social inclusion & local development	42.5	17.5 %

* Figures do not add up to 100 % because the budget for technical assistance is not included. The budget for technical assistance is available in Section 4.

4. Planned expenditure per measure (million EUR)

The following chart shows the indicative planned total public expenditure per measure (comprising the EAFRD support and the national contribution). The measures illustrated in the chart are the complete list of measures selected within the RDP. Measures in color light gray were not selected by the Member State.



5. Choice of measures by priority and focus areas

The following chart shows which priorities and focus areas are selected in the RDP and the combination of measures used to address them. For each measure the budget breakdown per focus area is given. Priority 1 is considered to be cross-cutting and no separate financial allocation is shown as the expenditure is distributed across other focus areas. Expenditure under Priority 4 is programmed for the priority as a whole, not for individual focus areas.

Priority	P1 Knowledge transfer & innovation			P2 Competitiveness		P3 Food chain & risk management		P4 Ecosystems management			P5 Resource efficiency & climate					P6 Social inclusion & local development			Total	Planned expenditure (million EUR)
	1A - Innovation & cooperation	1B - Links with research & innovation	1C - Lifelong learning & vocational training	2A - Farm's performance, restructuring & modernisation	2B - Entry of skilled/younger farmers	3A - Agri-food chain integration & quality	3B - Risk prevention & management	4A - Biodiversity's restoration, preservation & enhancement	4B - Water management	4C - Soil erosion & soil management	5A - Water use efficiency	5B - Energy use efficiency	5C - Renewable sources & waste management	5D - Greenhouse Gas & ammonia emissions	5E - Carbon conservation & sequestration	6A - Diversification & job creation	6B - Local development	6C - ICT - Information & communication technologies		
M01 - Knowledge transfer & information actions				50%		18%		8%			15%	8%		3%					100%	2.0
M02 - Advisory services																				
M03 - Quality schemes						100%													100%	3.0
M04 - Investments in physical assets				29%	18%						14%		7%	4%		28%			100%	53.7
M05 - Damage/restoration /prevention actions																				
M06 - Farm & business development					100%														100%	7.0
M07 - Basic services & village renewal																	96%	4%	100%	15.0
M08 - Investments in forest areas								46%						54%					100%	6.5
M09 - Producers groups & organisations						100%													100%	3.0
M10 - Agri-environment-climate								87%		11%				2%					100%	60.0
M11 - Organic farming								100%											100%	14.0
M12 - Natura 2000 & WFD								100%											100%	4.0
M13 - Areas with constraints								100%											100%	38.0
M14 - Animal welfare						100%													100%	7.0
M15 - Forest-environmental-climate																				
M16 - Cooperation				25%		50%		13%		8%	5%								100%	3.0
M17 - Risk management																				
M18 - Complementary payments to Croatia																				
M19 - LEADER/CLLD																100%			100%	12.5

6. Additional info

Date of RDP approval	03/12/2015
Cyprus National Rural Network	Εθνικό Αγροτικό Δίκτυο Κύπρου (ΕΑΔ) http://www.moa.gov.cy/moa/da/ead/ead.nsf/index_gr/index_gr?OpenDocument
Managing authority	Ministry of Agriculture, Natural Resources and Environment
Paying agency	Cyprus Agricultural Paying Organization
Coordination body	/
RDP country documents	http://ec.europa.eu/agriculture/rural-development-2014-2020/country-files/cy_en.htm
National Partnership Agreement summary	http://ec.europa.eu/contracts_grants/pa/partnership-agreement-cyprus-summary_en.pdf
Partnership Agreement	http://ec.europa.eu/contracts_grants/agreements/index_en.htm
Rural Development Regulation 2014-2020	Regulation (EU) N° 1305/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council on support for rural development by the European Agricultural Fund for Rural Development (EAFRD) [PDF en]

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