

### 1. General information

Geographical Area	Country	Denmark
	Region	/
Rural population (1)	Inhabitants (3)	4.3 million
	% of total population (3)	78.0 %
	Density - Inhab/km2 (3)	102.5
Rural area (1)	Km2 (3)	42 400
	% of total area (3)	98.9 %
Agricultural area (Total Utilised Agricultural Area (UAA))	Ha (2)	2.6 million
	% of total territory (2)	61.7 %
Forest and other wooded land	Ha (2)	635 000
	% of total area (2)	14.8 %
Total employment	People (3)	2.8 million
Rural employment	% of total workforce (2)	27.1 %

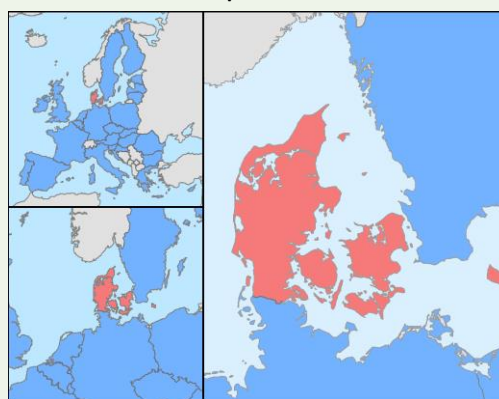
Data source: Denmark 2014-2020 Rural Development Programme (RDP).  
Note: (1) OECD definition applies, including intermediate and predominantly rural regions; (2) 2010 data; (3) 2012 data; (4) 2013 data.

<b>EAFRD* support:</b> <b>EUR 629 400 690</b> <small>0.7 % of Total EAFRD support for EU-28</small>	+	<b>National contribution:</b> <b>EUR 277 479 063</b>	=	<b>Planned total public expenditure:</b> <b>EUR 906 879 753</b>
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\* European Agricultural Fund for Rural Development (EAFRD)

Primary sector contribution to Gross Value Added (GVA)	% of total (3)	1.4 %
No of agricultural holdings	No (2)	42 100
Average farm size	ha UAA/holding (2)	62.9
High Nature Value farming	% of total UAA (4)	5.8 %
Farmland Birds Index (FBI)	Index 2000 = 100	79.2
	<i>From 2000 to 2008 the FBI measuring the relative abundance of farmland bird species decreased by 20.8 %.</i>	

Map: Denmark



#### Examples of expected achievements

- The overarching objective of the RDP is achieving "Green conversion and green jobs" with a target of almost 1 000 new green jobs.
- Farm investments of the pig and cattle sectors aim to restructure 3 300 farms (8 % of the total), while simultaneously targeting environment, climate and animal welfare.
- Almost 100 cooperation projects will be established while the European Innovation Partnership (EIP) can also be supported.
- Half of the allocated amount under the priority of restoring, preserving and enhancing ecosystems will be used for area based payments to cover the cost of farmers adopting environment/climate friendly land management practices. Organic farming is an important element. It is envisaged to double the area so it covers 12 % of the agricultural area.
- Almost 3 000 environment/climate friendly and resource efficient farm investments are envisaged.
- Over 700 investments will aim at reducing Greenhouse Gas (GHG) emissions, while almost 200 jobs are created through green conversion.
- A total of 26 Local Action Groups (LAGs) will implemented the CLLD/LEADER bottom-up approach covering 51 % of the rural population creating jobs and improving living conditions.

#### Examples of key challenges

- A challenge, which arises from the relatively low employment rate in the agricultural sector, is the lack of innovators and entrepreneurs in rural areas. It is difficult to attract and maintain a well-educated work force in these areas due, among other things, to a lack of basic services.
- Annual gross investment in the Danish agricultural sector has decreased by 50 % in the last five years, while the debt levels of agricultural holdings have more than doubled. During this time the productivity and profitability has stagnated.
- Over the last 10 years the number of farms has decreased by 35 %, while the average farm size has almost doubled to 63 ha.
- The Danish agriculture sector accounts for 16 % of GHG emissions of the country, which is above the EU average.
- Over 90 % of the utilised agricultural area is arable land characterised by intensive and specialised production putting pressure on certain ecosystems and high nature value areas.

Source: DG AGRI, **Factsheet on 2014-2020 Rural Development Programme for Denmark**, December 2014.  
[http://ec.europa.eu/agriculture/rural-development-2014-2020/country-files/dk/factsheet\\_en.pdf](http://ec.europa.eu/agriculture/rural-development-2014-2020/country-files/dk/factsheet_en.pdf)

## 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 indicators identified with the country code (DK) are specific to the Danish 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 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	7.6 %

#### 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)	91 0

#### Focus Area 1C. Lifelong learning & vocational training

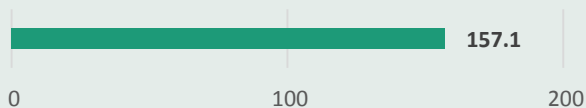
Target indicator	Value
T3 - Total number of participants trained under Article 14 of Regulation (EU) No 1305/2013	11 586

### P2 – Competitiveness:

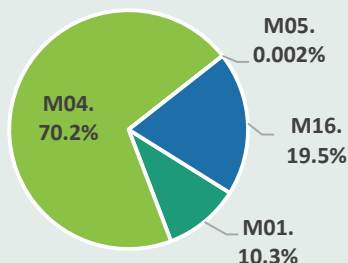
Enhancing farm viability and competitiveness of all types of agriculture in all regions and promoting innovative farm technologies and sustainable management of forest

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

Total public budget (million EUR)



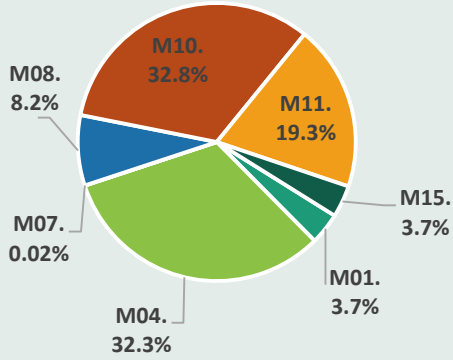
Breakdown of FA budget by measure (%)



Target indicator	Value
T4 - % of agricultural holdings with RDP support for investments in restructuring or modernisation	8.0 %
DK01a - N° of jobs created by the green transition (excluding Leader)	550
DK02 - N° of supported business development projects (Measure 01) and business development co-operation projects (Measure 16)	167

## P4 – Ecosystems management: Restoring, preserving and enhancing ecosystems related to agriculture and forestry

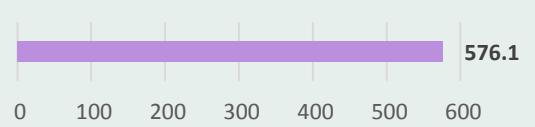
Breakdown of FA budget by measure (%)



Measure

Measure	m EUR
M01	21.2
M04	186.3
M07	0.1
M08	47.1
M10	188.7
M11	11.2
M15	21.4

Total public budget (million EUR)

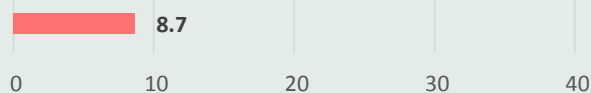


Focus Areas	Target indicator	Value
4A. Biodiversity's restoration, preservation & enhancement	T8 - % of forest/other wooded area under management contracts supporting biodiversity	1.5 %
	T9 - % of agricultural land under management contracts supporting biodiversity and/or landscapes	11.7 %
	DK03 - N° of investment projects supporting biodiversity and/or landscapes (agriculture)	2 003
	DK04 - N° of participants trained or advised	5 538
	DK05a - N° of projects with support for ecological investments	736
	DK10 - N° of investment operations within the European Union priorities for biodiversity (FA 4A), better water management (FA 4B) and better soil management (FA 4C)	2 907
4B. Water management	T10 - % of agricultural land under management contracts to improve water management	7.9 %
	T11 - % of forestry land under management contracts to improve water management	0.3 %
	DK01b - N° of jobs created by the green transition (excluding Leader)	161
	DK05b - N° of projects with support for ecological investments	736
	DK06 - N° of supported non-productive investments that contribute to improving water management	326
	DK07 - N° of investment projects which contribute to improving water management	1 322
4C. Soil erosion & soil management	T12 - % of agricultural land under management contracts to improve soil management and/or prevent soil erosion	6.8 %
	DK05c - N° of projects with support for ecological investments	736

**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

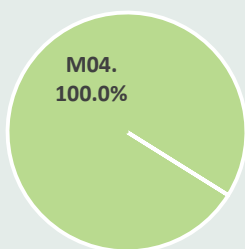
**Focus Area 5B. Energy use efficiency**

Total public budget (million EUR)



Breakdown of FA budget by measure (%)

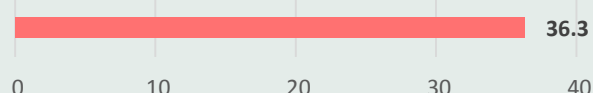
Measure	m EUR
M04	8.7



Target indicator	Value
T15 - Total investment for energy efficiency (EUR)	22 m
DK01c - N° of jobs created by the green transition (excluding Leader)	32

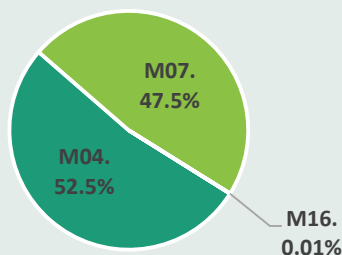
**Focus Area 5C. Renewable sources & waste management**

Total public budget (million EUR)



Breakdown of FA budget by measure (%)

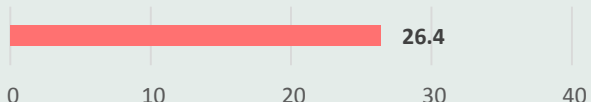
Measure	m EUR
M04	19.0
M07	17.2
M16	0.003



Target indicator	Value
T16 - Total investment in renewable energy production (EUR)	105 m
DK01d - N° of jobs created by the green transition (excluding Leader)	71

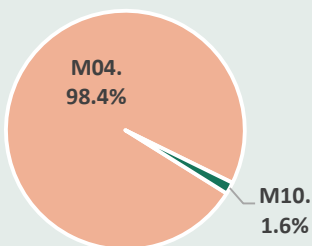
**Focus Area 5D. Greenhouse gas & ammonia emissions**

Total public budget (million EUR)



Breakdown of FA budget by measure (%)

Measure	m EUR
M04	25.9
M02	0.4



Target indicator	Value
T17 - % of LU concerned by investments in live-stock management in view of reducing GHG and/or ammonia emissions	1.8 %
T18 - % of agricultural land under management contracts targeting reduction of GHG and/or ammonia emissions	0.01 %
DK01e - N° of jobs created by the green transition (excluding Leader)	90
DK08 - N° of supported non-productive investments targeting the reduction of greenhouse gas and/or ammonia emissions	22
DK09 - N° of investment projects aimed at reducing greenhouse gas and/or ammonia emissions	740

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

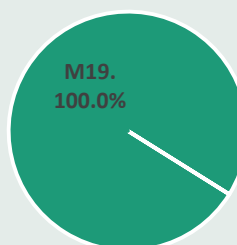
**Focus Area 6B. Local development**

Total public budget (million EUR)



Breakdown of FA budget by measure (%)

Measure	m EUR
M19	54.8



Target indicator	Value
T21 - % of rural population covered by local development strategies	50.9 %
T22 - % of rural population benefiting from improved services/infrastructures	5.1 %
T23 - Jobs created in supported projects (LEADER)	411

### 3. Planned expenditure per priority

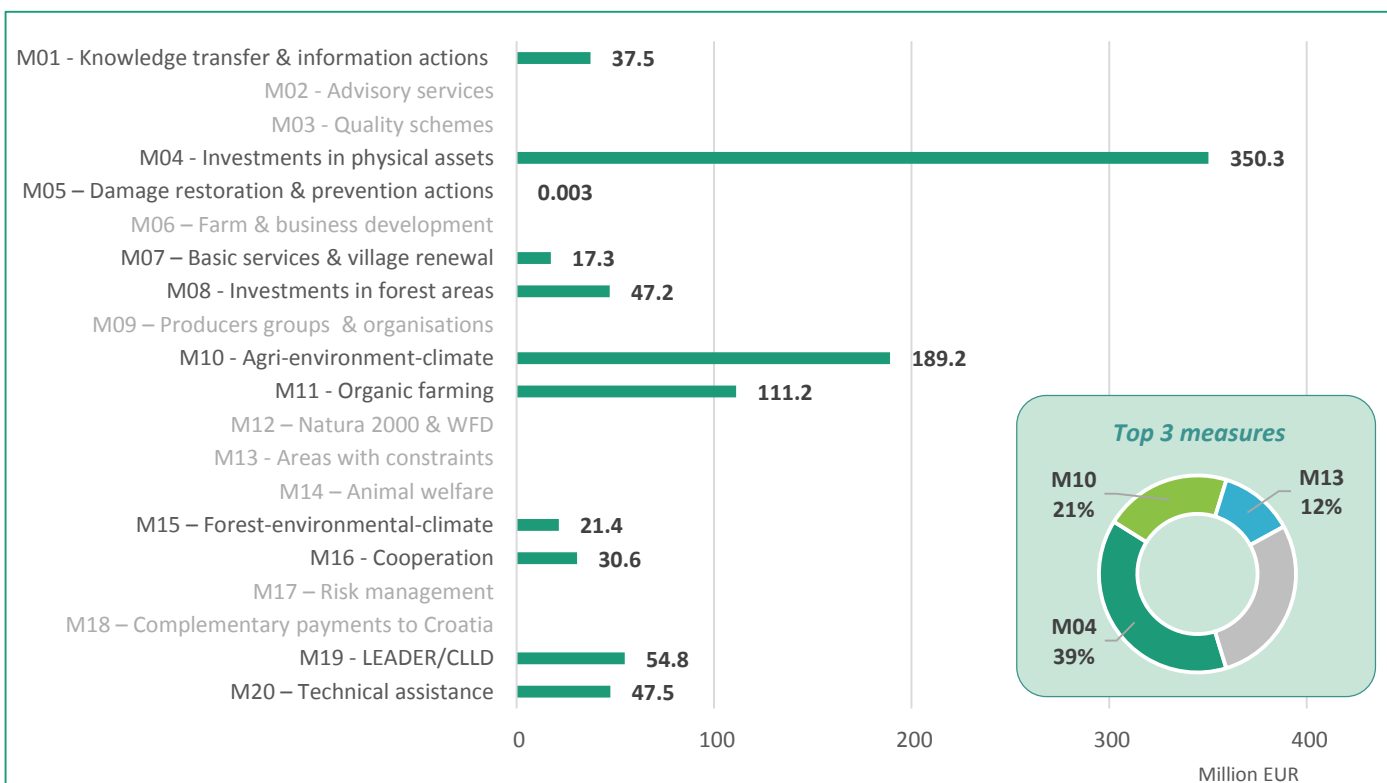
The following table shows how the planned total public expenditure (comprising the EAFRD support and the national contribution) is allocated between rural development priorities. Priority 1 is considered to be cross-cutting and no separate financial allocation is shown as the expenditure is distributed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

Priority	Total public expenditure per priority (million EUR)	% of total public expenditure*	
P1 - Knowledge transfer & innovation	P2 - Competitiveness	157.1	17.3 %
	P3 - Food chain & risk management	-	-
	P4 - Ecosystems management	576.1	63.5 %
	P5 - Resource efficiency & climate	71.3	7.9 %
	P6 - Social inclusion & local development	54.8	6.0 %

\* 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				43%				57%											100%	37.5
M02 - Advisory services																				
M03 - Quality schemes																				
M04 - Investments in physical assets				31%				53%				2%	5%	7%					100%	350.3
M05 - Damage/restoration /prevention actions				100%															100%	0.003
M06 - Farm & business development																				
M07 - Basic services & village renewal								0.6%					99%						100%	17.3
M08 - Investments in forest areas								100%											100%	47.2
M09 - Producers groups & organisations																				
M10 - Agri-environment-climate								99%						0.2%					100%	189.2
M11 - Organic farming								100%											100%	111.2
M12 - Natura 2000 & WFD																				
M13 - Areas with constraints																				
M14 - Animal welfare																				
M15 - Forest-environmental-climate								100%											100%	21.4
M16 - Cooperation				99%									0.01%						100%	30.6
M17 - Risk management																				
M18 - Complementary payments to Croatia																				
M19 - LEADER/CLLD																	100%		100%	54.8

## 6. Additional info

<b>Date of RDP approval</b>	12/12/2014
<b>Danish National Rural Network</b>	Landdistrikter <a href="http://www.mbbi.dk/medarbejder/netvaerkscentret">http://www.mbbi.dk/medarbejder/netvaerkscentret</a>
<b>Managing authority</b>	NaturErhvervstyrelsen, Ministeriet for Fødevarer, Landbrug og Fiskeri
<b>Paying agency</b>	NaturErhvervstyrelsen, Ministeriet for Fødevarer, Landbrug og Fiskeri
<b>RDP country documents</b>	<a href="http://ec.europa.eu/agriculture/rural-development-2014-2020/country-files/dk_en.htm">http://ec.europa.eu/agriculture/rural-development-2014-2020/country-files/dk_en.htm</a>
<b>National Partnership Agreement summary (ENG)</b>	<a href="http://ec.europa.eu/contracts_grants/pa/partnership-agreement-germany-summary_en.pdf">http://ec.europa.eu/contracts_grants/pa/partnership-agreement-germany-summary_en.pdf</a>
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<b>Rural Development Regulation 2014-2020</b>	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 <a href="#">en</a> ]

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