

1. General information

Geographical Area	Country	Spain
	Region	Comunidad Valenciana
Rural population (1)	Inhabitants (5)	912 102
	% of total population (5)	18.2 %
	Density - Inhab/km2 (7)	55.7
Rural area (1)	Km2 (7)	16 371
	% of total area (7)	70.4 %
Agricultural area <i>Total Utilised Agricultural Area (UAA)</i>	Ha (4)	657 470
	% of total territory (8)	28.3 %
Forest and other wooded land	Ha (3)	1 247 000
	% of total area (3)	53.6 %
Total employment	People (6)	1 747 000
Rural employment (1)	% of total workforce (6)	87.4 %

Data source: Spain – Comunidad Valenciana 2014-2020 Rural Development Programme (RDP). Note: (1) OECD definition applies, including intermediate and predominantly rural regions; (2) 2008 data; (3) 2009 data; (4) 2010 data; (5) 2012 data; (6) 2013 data (7) 2012, calculation based on 2013 total MS territory; (8) 2010, calculation based on 2013 total region territory data.

EAFRD* support:
EUR 204 000 000

0.2 % of Total EAFRD support for EU-28



National contribution:
EUR 246 000 000

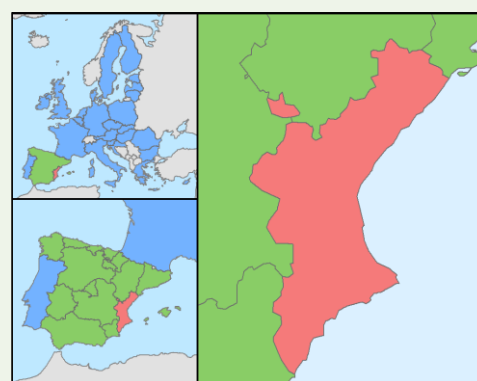


Planned total public expenditure:
EUR 450 000 000

* European Agricultural Fund for Rural Development (EAFRD)

Primary sector contribution to Gross Value Added (GVA)	% of total (6)	2.4 %
No of agricultural holdings	No (4)	120 180
Average farm size	ha UAA/holding (4)	5.5
High Nature Value farming	% of total UAA (5)	54.4 %
Farmland Birds Index (FBI)	Index 2000 = 100	84.2
	<i>From 2000 to 2008 the FBI measuring the relative abundance of farmland bird species decreased by 15.8 %.</i>	

Map: Spain – Comunidad Valenciana



Examples of expected achievements

- Knowledge transfer and innovation will be addressed mainly through measures supporting training of more than 9 000 participants. In addition, 30 cooperation projects will be supported.
- Farm investments aimed at modernising and restructuring the sector will be supported in around 744 farms in the region, while an additional 640 farms will receive support for young farmers to launch their businesses.
- The RDP will support 650 projects investing in agricultural holdings as well as processing and marketing of agricultural products.
- Around 22 500 ha of farmland and 25 % of forestry will come under management contracts to improve biodiversity. This also includes supporting the conversion or maintenance of organic farming on nearly 15 000 hectares. As well, around 22 500 ha of farmland and forest land will be under contracts contributing to fostering carbon conservation and sequestration in agriculture and forestry.
- Nearly 46% of the rural population will be affected by the Local Development Strategies (LDS), which will also create around 150 new jobs.

Examples of key challenges

- Agriculture plays a key role in maintaining the environment and landscapes as well as in supporting the export-oriented agri-food sector of the region. A key challenge is to enhance the dimension of the 120 000 agricultural holdings (average size 7.5 hectares) which is due to a lack of know-how and part-time farming and limitations in investment capacity.
- Other challenges of the region are the low level of generation renewal in the primary sector, the risk of abandonment of farmland and the fragmentation of holdings. The region also faces high unemployment rates among the youth (more than 50% rate).
- On the environmental side, the region faces problems of vulnerability to climate change (risk of flood, drought, fire), water scarcity and soil and forest deterioration.

Source: DG AGRI, *Factsheet on 2014-2020 Rural Development Programme for Comunidad Valenciana*, July 2015
http://ec.europa.eu/agriculture/rural-development-2014-2020/country-files/es/factsheet-comunidad-valenciana_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 (ES_VAL) are specific to the Comunidad Valenciana 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	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	9 000

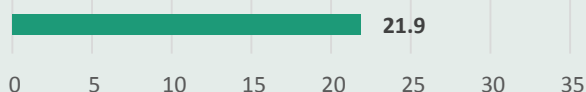
Focus Area 1B. Links with research & innovation

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...)	30
of which: Nr of EIP operational groups to be supported (establishment and operation)	0

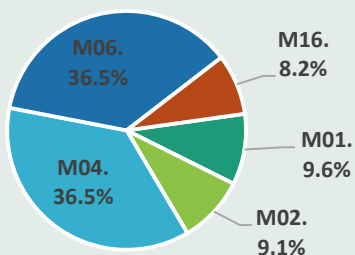
P2 – Competitiveness: Enhancing farm viability and competitiveness of all types of agriculture in all regions and promoting innovative farm technologies and sustainable management of forest

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

Total public budget (million EUR)



Breakdown of FA budget by measure (%)



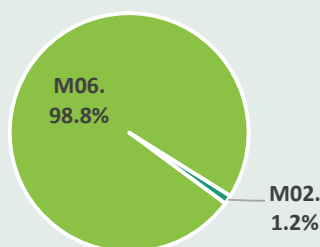
Target indicator	Value
T4 - % of agricultural holdings with RDP support for investments in restructuring or modernisation	0.6 %

Focus Area 2B. Entry of skilled/younger farmers

Total public budget (million EUR)



Breakdown of FA budget by measure (%)

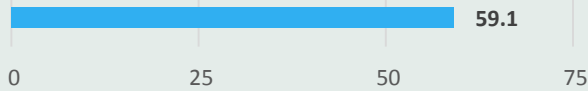


Target indicator	Value
T5 - % of agricultural holdings with RDP supported business development plan/investments for young farmers	0.5 %

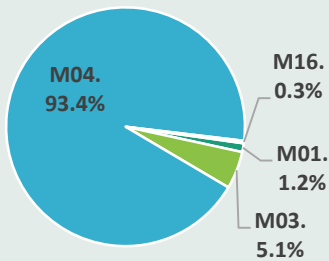
P3 – Food chain: Promoting food chain organisation, including processing and marketing of agricultural products, animal welfare and risk management in agriculture

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

Total public budget (million EUR)



Breakdown of FA budget by measure (%)



Measure	m EUR
M01	0.7
M03	3.0
M04	55.2
M16	0.2

Target indicator

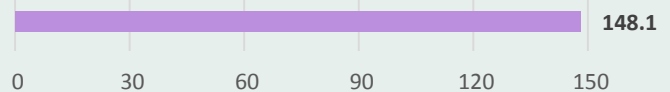
Target indicator	Value
T6 - % of agricultural holdings receiving support for participating in quality schemes, local markets and short supply circuits, and producer groups/organisations	0.5 %
ES_VAL01 - Number of beneficiaries of sub-measure 4.2	700

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

Focus Areas

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

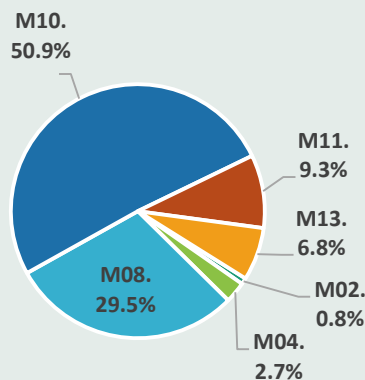
Total public budget (million EUR)



Target indicator

Target indicator	Value
T8 - % of forest/other wooded area under management contracts supporting biodiversity	24.5 %
T9 - % of agricultural land under management contracts supporting biodiversity and/or landscapes	3.4 %
T10 - % of agricultural land under management contracts to improve water management	2.8 %
T11 - % of forestry land under management contracts to improve water management	24.5 %
T12 - % of agricultural land under management contracts to improve soil management and/or prevent soil erosion	1.1 %
T13 - % of forestry land under management contracts to improve soil management and/or prevent soil erosion	24.5 %

Breakdown of FA budget by measure (%)



Measure	m EUR
M02	1.2
M04	4.0
M08	43.7
M10	75.4
M11	13.8
M13	10.0

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

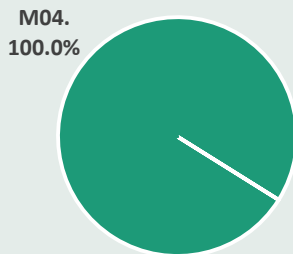
Focus Area 5A. Water use efficiency

Total public budget (million EUR)



Breakdown of FA budget by measure (%)

Measure	m EUR
M04	53.0



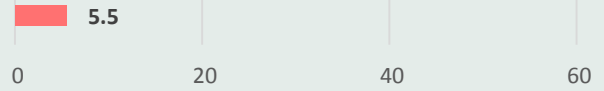
Target indicator

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T14 - % of irrigated land switching to more efficient irrigation system	5.6 %
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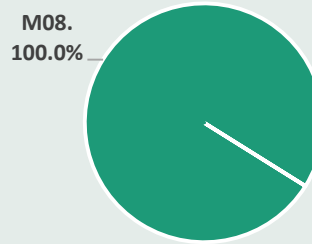
Focus Area 5C. Renewable sources & waste management

Total public budget (million EUR)



Breakdown of FA budget by measure (%)

Measure	m EUR
M08	5.5



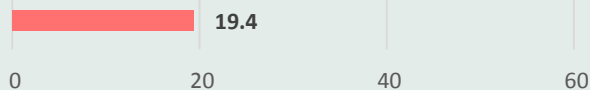
Target indicator

Value

T16 - Total investment in renewable energy production (EUR)	5.5 m
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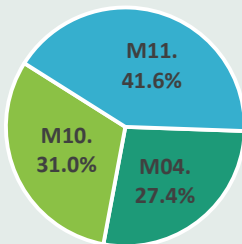
Focus Area 5D. Greenhouse Gas (GHG) & ammonia emissions

Total public budget (million EUR)



Breakdown of FA budget by measure (%)

Measure	m EUR
M04	5.3
M10	6.0
M11	8.1



Target indicator

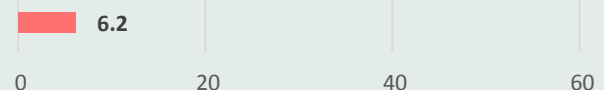
Value

T17 - % of livestock units concerned by investments in livestock management in view of reducing GHG and/or ammonia emissions	0.08 %
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T18 - % of agricultural land under management contracts targeting reduction of GHG and/or ammonia emissions	0.5 %
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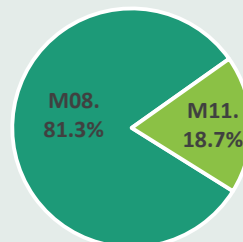
Focus Area 5E. Carbon conservation & sequestration

Total public budget (million EUR)



Breakdown of FA budget by measure (%)

Measure	m EUR
M08	5.0
M11	1.2



Target indicator

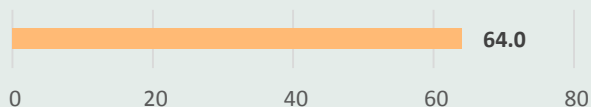
Value

T19 - % of agricultural and forest land under management contracts contributing to carbon sequestration and conservation	1.2 %
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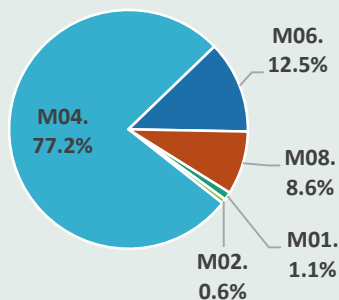
P6 - Social inclusion & local development: Promoting social inclusion poverty reduction and economic development in rural areas

Focus Area 6A. Diversification & job creation

Total public budget (million EUR)



Breakdown of FA budget by measure (%)



Measure m EUR

Measure	m EUR
M01	0.7
M02	0.4
M04	49.4
M06	8.0
M8	5.5

Target indicator

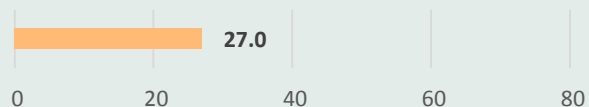
Value

T20 - Jobs created in supported projects

550

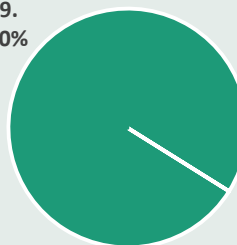
Focus Area 6B. Local development

Total public budget (million EUR)



Breakdown of FA budget by measure (%)

M19.
100.0%



Measure m EUR

Measure	m EUR
M19	27.0

Target indicator

Value

T21 - % of rural population covered by local development strategies

45.8 %

T23 - Jobs created in supported projects (LEADER)

150

3. Planned expenditure per priority

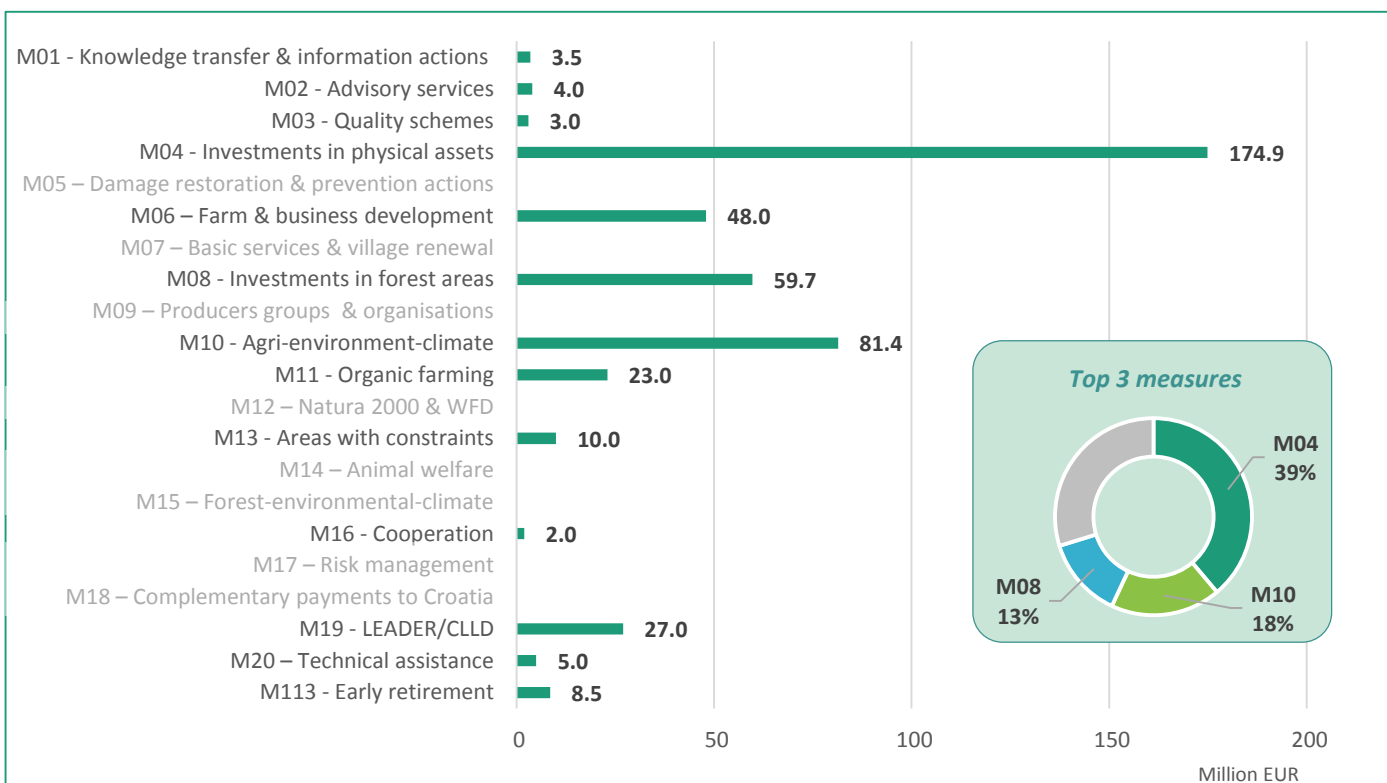
The following table shows how the planned total public expenditure (comprising the EAFRD support and the national contribution) is allocated between rural development priorities. Priority 1 is considered to be cross-cutting and no separate financial allocation is shown as the expenditure is distributed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

Priority	Total public expenditure per priority (million EUR)	% of total public expenditure*	
P1 - Knowledge transfer & innovation	P2 - Competitiveness	54.3	12.1 %
	P3 - Food chain & risk management	59.1	13.1 %
	P4 - Ecosystems management	148.1	32.9 %
	P5 - Resource efficiency & climate	84.0	18.7 %
	P6 - Social inclusion & local development	91.0	20.2 %

* 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 region.



5. Choice of measures by priority and focus areas

The following chart shows which priorities and focus areas are selected in the Rural Development Programme 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 crosscutting 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				60%		20%										20%			100%	3.5
M02 - Advisory services				50%	10%			30%								10%			100%	4.0
M03 - Quality schemes						100%													100%	3.0
M04 - Investments in physical assets				5%		32%		2%		30%				3%		28%			100%	174.9
M05 - Damage/restoration /prevention actions																				
M06 - Farm & business development				17%	67%											17%			100%	48.0
M07 - Basic services & village renewal																				
M08 - Investments in forest areas								73%					9%		8%	9%			100%	59.7
M09 - Producers groups & organisations																				
M10 - Agri-environment-climate								93%						7%					100%	81.4
M11 - Organic farming								60%						35%	5%				100%	23.0
M12 - Natura 2000 & WFD																				
M13 - Areas with constraints								100%											100%	10.0
M14 - Animal Welfare																				
M15 - Forest-environmental-climate																				
M16 - Cooperation				90%		10%													100%	2.0
M17 - Risk management																				
M18 - Complementary payments to Croatia																				
M19 - LEADER/CLLD																100%			100%	27.0

6. Additional info

Date of RDP approval	28/07/2015
Spanish National Rural Network	Red Rural Nacional http://www.magrama.gob.es/es/desarrollo-rural/temas/red-rural-nacional/
Managing authority	Agencia Valenciana de Fomento y Garantía Agraria
Paying agency	Agencia Valenciana de Fomento y Garantía Agraria
RDP country documents	http://ec.europa.eu/agriculture/rural-development-2014-2020/country-files/es_en.htm
National Partnership Agreement summary	http://ec.europa.eu/contracts_grants/pa/partnership-agreement-spain-summary_en.pdf
Partnership Agreement	http://www.dgfc.sggp.meh.es/sitios/dgfc/es-ES/ipr/fcp1420/p/pa/Paginas/inicio.aspx
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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