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- The number of agricultural holdings in 2007 was 128,200, less than a third of the number in 1855.
- In June 2008 there were 6.7 million cattle, 5.1 million sheep and 1.5 million pigs.
- The total area farmed in 2008 was 4.2 million hectares. Crops, fruit and horticulture accounted for 10% of that area, silage for 25%, hay for 6%, pasture for 49% and rough grazing for 11%.
- Between 1998 and 2008 agricultural output prices rose by 24.8%, while input prices rose by 67.6%.

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Introduction

This chapter contains information on Irish agriculture. The statistics are mainly drawn from CSO surveys. The tables presented cover estimates of activity on farms (crop areas, livestock numbers and number of farm holdings); the price trends and values of agricultural inputs and outputs; and some detailed figures on Ireland's fishery sector.

Long term trends

Tables 10.1 to 10.3 present a historical review of farm activity since 1847. There has been a huge decrease in the area under crops, particularly oats and potatoes, reflecting a change from horse drawn transport and a more varied diet, especially increased consumption of meat. The number of farm holdings has declined from 419,500 in 1855 to 128,200 in 2007.

This decline is due to a number of factors: greater land ownership; increased mechanisation allowing larger farms to be operated; the migration of labour to urban areas and the change from subsistence farming to business farming. The number of horses and ponies decreased from 445,000 in 1847 to 95,700 in 2008. In contrast, the number of cattle has more than trebled, the number of pigs has almost trebled and the number of sheep has more than doubled.

Some recent trends

Cattle numbers increased during most of the 1990s, reaching a peak of 7.64 million in 1998, but have declined sharply since then.

Sheep numbers increased sharply during the late 1980s and early 1990s but have declined in recent years.

Income from farming

Table 10.6 shows the value of agricultural income (operating surplus). In 2008 cattle (28.6%) and milk (28.0%) accounted for 56.6% of goods output at producer prices.

The cost of farm inputs (intermediate consumption) rose by 30.4% over the period 2003 to 2008.

Agriculture price indices

Tables 10.7 and 10.8 show recent trends in the agricultural output and input price indices. In 2008, both the total outputs index and total inputs index were greater than in 1998. In particular, the input price indices for energy and fertilisers have increased substantially.

Fishery data

Tables 10.10 to 10.12 present information on fishing. Aquaculture accounted for 35% of the value of fishery production in 2004.

Technical Notes

Yield

The yield figures are given on a green (as harvested) basis.

Annual Work Unit

This is defined as 1,800 hours or more per annum. Holidays and sick leave are excluded.

Number of farms

A new methodology was introduced as part of the Census of Agriculture in 1991. The new results were generally consistent for crop areas and numbers of livestock. However, the more rigorous nature of the 1991 Census resulted in fewer farms than under the old methodology.

Tables 10.3 and 10.5

The number of sheep shown for the year 2000 differs from the total shown in the Census of Agriculture June 2000 publication. As explained in that publication, the Census figure for lambs was considerably less than a matched sample estimate. The difference was due to delayed response by some farmers to the Census. The CSO considers the matched sample estimate to be the best estimate of numbers in that category on 1 June 2000 and the data in the Yearbook incorporate that figure.

Table 10.4

In 2006, the EU formally adopted a reform on the EU sugar regime. This resulted in the end of sugar production in Ireland and a sharp drop in the area under sugar beet. From 2007 onwards, areas under sugar beet and fodder beet are being combined to give an overall figure for area under beet.

Table 10.6

The operating surplus figure is comprised of the operating surplus earned by farmers and that earned by agricultural contractors. The part earned by farmers is an approximation for the income indicator used under the old agriculture accounts methodology. It is calculated before deductions for interest payments on borrowed capital and before deductions for land annuities and for rent paid by farmers to landowners for the use of their land.

Table 10.10

From 2003 onwards prawn tails are included with Dublin Bay prawns.

Tables 10.13 and 10.14

Totals at State level differ slightly from the corresponding totals in table 10.6. The totals in table 10.6 are more recent estimates for which regional breakdowns are not yet available.

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Table 10.1 Area under selected crops

Hectares (thousands)

Year	Wheat	Oats	Barley	Potatoes	Crops, fruit and horticulture
1847	272	625	120	89	1,266
1857	192	565	81	359	1,373
1867	88	475	69	308	1,121
1877	42	403	90	262	970
1887	18	362	65	238	841
1897	13	313	68	199	745
1907	12	290	67	172	687
1917	43	420	71	210	907
1927	14	261	49	148	612
1937	89	232	53	132	644
1947	235	334	59	155	937
1957	164	186	124	108	711
1967	76	96	183	65	527
1977	48	35	298	53	508
1987	56	23	255	29	438
1997	94	21	190	18	414
2000	78	17	182	14	401
2001	85	17	182	14	415
2002	103	19	176	15	423
2003	96	21	183	14	436
2004	103	20	184	13	424
2005	95	17	164	12	401
2006	88	20	167	12	381
2007	84	21	168	12	379
2008	105	23	181	12	419

Source: CSO

Table 10.2 Number of holdings

Number

Year	Leinster	Munster	Connacht	Ulster (part)	Total
1855	117,800	115,500	115,600	70,600	419,500
1865	114,000	114,600	120,700	70,000	419,400
1875	109,600	113,000	119,700	67,700	410,000
1885	105,100	110,000	116,000	65,700	396,900
1895	104,800	111,200	116,100	65,700	397,800
1905	104,000	113,400	116,700	65,800	399,900
1915	87,900	101,800	109,000	60,900	359,700
1930	83,600	98,200	103,000	53,100	338,000
1940	81,100	95,600	99,400	50,600	326,700
1950	78,500	93,700	97,100	48,600	317,900
1960	71,800	88,200	87,300	42,900	290,300
1970	70,400	86,700	81,800	40,500	279,500
1980	66,600	83,100	76,200	37,600	263,600
1991	42,700	56,300	48,900	22,100	170,100
1997	38,000	50,000	41,200	18,600	147,800
2002	34,300	44,600	39,500	18,200	136,500
2003	34,100	44,300	39,200	18,100	135,600
2004	33,700	43,800	38,700	17,900	134,100
2005	33,400	43,300	38,300	17,700	132,700
2006	32,800	42,600	37,700	17,400	130,500
2007	32,200	41,900	37,000	17,100	128,200

Source: CSO

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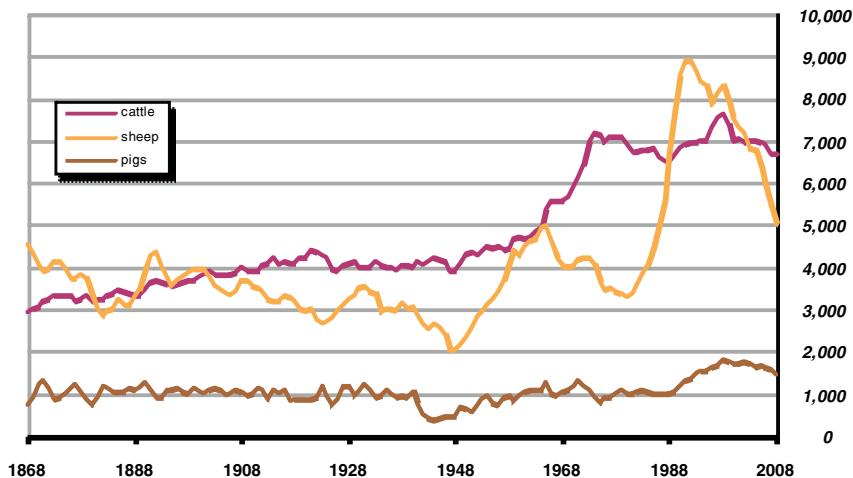
Table 10.3 Number of selected livestock

Thousands

Year	Cattle	Sheep	Pigs	Poultry	Horses and ponies
1847	2,005	2,046	542	4,630	445
1857	2,902	3,240	1,029	7,677	466
1867	2,996	4,546	1,050	8,302	399
1877	3,238	3,739	1,221	10,852	417
1887	3,412	3,117	1,146	11,146	431
1897	3,662	3,796	1,064	13,431	471
1907	3,889	3,425	1,085	18,200	464
1917	4,132	3,327	844	17,047	470
1927	4,047	3,120	1,178	21,584	429
1937	3,955	3,000	934	19,491	429
1947	3,950	2,094	457	17,304	438
1957	4,417	3,720	900	14,502	258
1967	5,586	4,239	985	10,593	143
1977	7,124	3,534	939	9,336	80
1987	6,545	5,595	999	9,823	59
1997	7,533	8,132	1,700	13,433	72
2000	7,037	7,555	1,722	13,961	70
2001	7,050	7,330	1,743	n/a	71
2002	6,992	7,210	1,785	n/a	73
2003	7,000	6,849	1,726	13,012	70
2004	7,016	6,777	1,653	n/a	73
2005	6,983	6,392	1,688	11,817	80
2006	6,916	5,973	1,643	n/a	87
2007	6,704	5,522	1,588	11,884	89
2008	6,720	5,061	1,467	n/a	96

Source: CSO

Number of cattle, sheep and pigs



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Table 10.4 Area under crops and pasture in June

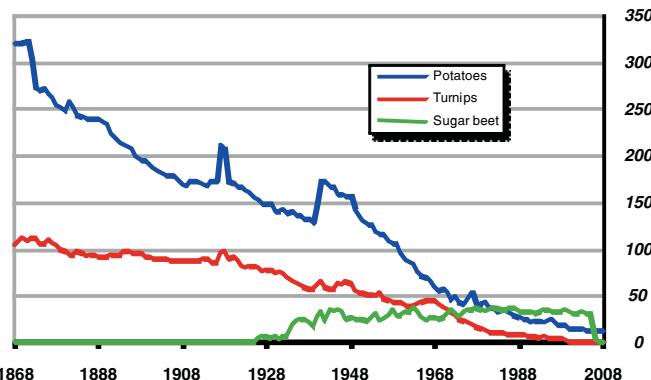
Hectares (thousands)

Crop	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
Total wheat	84.9	102.7	95.7	102.7	95.2	87.5	84.3	104.9
Winter	49.9	80.0	60.6	71.5	65.0	59.2	64.7	80.8
Spring	35.0	22.7	35.2	31.2	30.2	28.3	19.6	24.1
Total oats	16.8	18.8	21.0	20.0	16.8	20.4	21.3	23.3
Winter	5.7	11.8	9.4	12.9	8.6	9.3	13.5	18.6
Spring	11.1	7.0	11.6	7.0	8.2	11.1	7.8	4.7
Total barley	182.0	176.0	183.1	183.7	164.4	167.0	167.5	181.2
Winter	19.6	23.2	19.8	20.5	17.0	15.1	18.7	19.7
Spring	162.4	152.8	163.3	163.2	147.4	151.9	148.8	161.6
Other cereals	2.2	1.8	3.1	3.8	5.5	4.9	5.8	4.3
Total cereals	285.9	299.3	302.9	310.2	282.0	279.8	278.9	313.8
Beans and peas	1.9	1.7	2.8	2.7	3.7	4.3	2.9	2.4
Oilseed rape	2.4	2.2	2.3	2.2	3.7	5.1	8.2	6.7
Arable silage	24.4	20.8	29.4	21.2	19.6	14.7	17.0	29.6
Maize silage	19.7	19.3	15.6	13.5	14.6	20.2	20.9	20.8
Potatoes	14.3	15.4	14.2	13.3	11.8	11.5	11.7	12.0
Turnips	1.8	1.6	1.2	1.2	1.3	1.2	1.1	1.1
Beet ¹	35.3	35.4	35.1	35.2	35.0	9.3	7.8	7.3
Sugar beet	31.1	31.3	31.5	31.1	31.0	1.7	n/a	n/a
Fodder beet	4.3	4.1	3.6	4.1	4.0	7.7	n/a	n/a
Fodder rape and kale	1.0	1.0	0.8	1.1	1.5	2.4	2.0	2.2
Vegetables for sale	4.3	4.0	4.1	3.7	4.1	3.9	4.2	4.0
Fruit	1.2	0.9	1.3	1.2	1.6	1.5	1.6	1.4
Nursery stock, bulbs and flowers	0.9	0.9	1.0	1.3	1.3	1.4	1.2	1.3
Other crops	22.4	21.0	25.6	17.2	20.9	25.8	21.8	16.4
Total crops, fruit and horticulture	415.4	423.3	436.4	423.9	401.1	381.0	379.4	418.9
Silage	1,065.9	1,015.1	999.3	1,020.4	1,198.3	1,211.2	1,039.9	1,034.8
Hay	251.5	199.4	184.0	189.0	242.3	264.6	243.3	238.1
Pasture	2,214.0	2,262.4	2,282.5	2,218.1	1,988.7	1,932.7	2,158.5	2,062.3
Crops and pasture	3,946.8	3,900.2	3,902.2	3,851.4	3,830.5	3,789.5	3,821.1	3,754.1
Rough grazing in use	463.1	471.7	468.1	453.5	471.5	471.0	454.8	445.8
Area farmed	4,409.9	4,372.0	4,370.2	4,305.0	4,302.0	4,260.5	4,275.9	4,199.9

¹ Includes sugar beet and fodder beet

Source: CSO

Area under principal root crops



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Table 10.5 Number of livestock in June

Thousands

Livestock	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
Breeding cattle								
Bulls	58.8	62.8	64.1	66.5	68.3	69.3	68.0	68.5
Cows	2,379.2	2,318.3	2,342.9	2,363.2	2,341.5	2,324.6	2,267.8	2,293.8
Dairy	1,182.5	1,164.1	1,155.6	1,156.1	1,113.7	1,109.2	1,087.0	1,113.9
Other	1,196.8	1,154.2	1,187.3	1,207.1	1,227.8	1,215.4	1,180.9	1,179.9
Heifers in calf	331.2	373.9	352.8	369.2	378.3	385.7	370.6	373.3
Dairy	198.3	230.7	215.8	229.6	230.2	228.7	217.8	225.4
Other	132.8	143.2	137.0	139.6	148.1	157.0	152.8	147.9
Other cattle								
Two years old and upwards	941.1	844.7	901.5	910.6	929.5	951.2	928.4	902.1
Male	642.1	560.4	598.7	605.4	619.3	639.7	614.5	589.0
Female	299.0	284.3	302.8	305.2	310.2	311.5	313.8	313.1
One year old and under two years	1,515.0	1,593.2	1,577.1	1,534.7	1,575.5	1,553.8	1,475.8	1,466.3
Male	913.3	991.8	983.3	949.8	940.2	915.7	843.9	842.5
Female	601.7	601.4	593.9	585.0	635.3	638.1	631.9	623.8
Under one year	1,824.4	1,799.3	1,761.2	1,771.4	1,689.5	1,631.2	1,593.5	1,615.9
Male	955.2	953.1	922.1	929.8	842.5	801.7	784.5	801.2
Female	869.2	846.2	839.1	841.6	847.0	829.5	809.0	814.7
Total cattle	7,049.8	6,992.2	6,999.5	7,015.6	6,982.6	6,915.9	6,704.1	6,719.9
Sheep								
Rams	104.9	105.3	102.5	99.6	96.3	95.7	89.6	81.8
Ewes	3,914.6	3,804.1	3,615.4	3,570.4	3,358.2	3,104.3	2,854.2	2,614.1
Two years and over	3,261.3	3,150.0	3,026.8	2,985.6	2,774.7	2,619.7	2,402.1	2,219.5
Under two years	653.3	654.1	588.6	584.8	583.5	484.6	452.1	394.6
Other sheep	3,310.9	3,300.1	3,131.0	3,107.3	2,937.8	2,773.2	2,577.8	2,365.4
Total sheep	7,330.3	7,209.6	6,848.9	6,777.2	6,392.2	5,973.2	5,521.6	5,061.4
Pigs								
Boars	3.4	3.5	3.1	2.9	2.6	1.9	1.8	1.5
Female breeding pigs	183.4	181.6	172.6	167.4	170.8	167.5	163.6	155.3
Other pigs classified by liveweight	1,556.1	1,599.4	1,550.5	1,482.8	1,514.3	1,473.8	1,422.4	1,309.7
20 kg and over	1,008.3	1,051.3	1,030.0	987.7	1,005.2	1,037.5	972.5	922.3
under 20 kg	547.9	548.2	520.5	495.2	509.1	496.3	449.9	387.4
Total pigs	1,743.0	1,784.5	1,726.2	1,653.1	1,687.7	1,643.2	1,587.8	1,466.5
Poultry								
Ordinary fowl	n/a	n/a	11,750.0	n/a	10,540.1	n/a	10,711.5	n/a
Other fowl	n/a	n/a	1,261.8	n/a	1,276.9	n/a	1,172.6	n/a
Total poultry	n/a	n/a	13,011.8	n/a	11,817.0	n/a	11,884.1	n/a
Horses and ponies	71.0	72.6	70.4	72.8	79.9	86.6	89.2	95.7
Mules, jennets and asses	4.9	4.7	5.8	5.7	6.0	7.0	7.2	8.8
Goats	7.8	7.7	7.6	7.5	7.3	6.7	7.3	8.9
Farmed deer	12.1	11.6	11.2	10.6	10.1	9.3	9.6	9.7

Source: CSO

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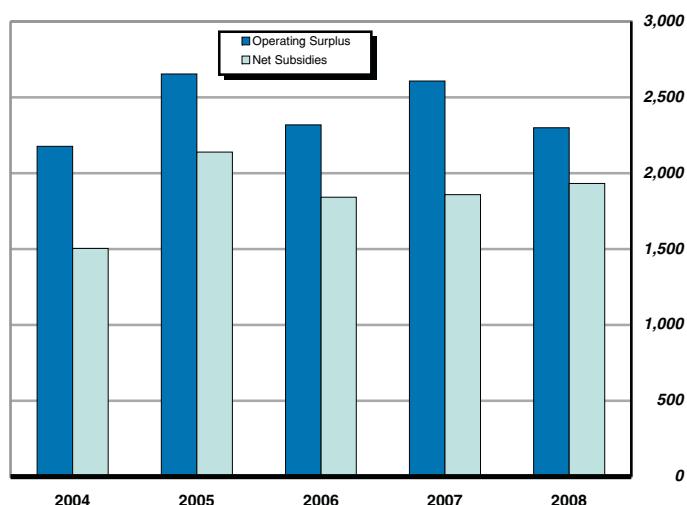
Table 10.6 Output, input and income in agriculture

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Commodity	Estimated value at current prices					
	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
Livestock	2,065.4	2,212.8	2,274.9	2,417.3	2,399.4	2,541.4
(including stock changes)						
Cattle	1,244.0	1,346.1	1,413.2	1,501.7	1,502.7	1,668.0
Pigs	285.1	297.5	292.0	320.8	293.3	333.8
Sheep	193.3	200.4	191.8	190.5	182.2	171.4
Horses	204.3	217.6	234.0	263.4	269.3	216.8
Poultry	138.7	151.2	144.0	140.9	151.8	151.4
Livestock Products	1,470.6	1,459.3	1,375.8	1,367.4	1,706.9	1,677.5
Milk	1,431.3	1,417.8	1,333.3	1,324.9	1,663.4	1,629.7
Other products	39.3	41.6	42.5	42.5	43.5	47.8
Crops	1,302.7	1,350.6	1,380.4	1,453.9	1,595.5	1,603.6
(including stock changes)						
Barley	102.2	98.6	67.2	85.1	137.7	116.2
Wheat	59.5	72.4	51.6	61.8	83.5	68.9
Oats	10.0	10.4	6.9	12.8	20.6	10.3
Potatoes	98.7	89.1	78.8	113.0	109.2	74.4
Sugar beet	75.6	75.6	66.7	0.0	0.0	0.0
Mushrooms	124.5	114.7	110.0	99.9	99.6	102.8
Other fresh vegetables	78.7	84.1	89.3	89.0	93.8	93.7
Fresh fruit	30.4	28.9	34.0	40.8	33.0	33.2
Turf	34.2	33.5	37.1	35.9	32.8	33.2
Other crops	44.7	52.5	51.5	53.7	62.7	62.8
Forage plants	644.2	690.7	787.4	861.8	922.5	1,008.0
Goods output at producer prices	4,838.7	5,022.8	5,031.1	5,238.6	5,701.7	5,822.4
Contract work	247.9	261.1	270.1	271.5	288.3	288.2
Subsidies on products	928.4	912.1	453.4	3.8	0.7	32.4
Taxes on products	35.8	39.1	38.8	21.1	18.4	26.2
Agricultural output at basic prices	5,979.1	6,156.9	5,715.9	5,492.8	5,972.3	6,116.8

Total net subsidies and operating surplus

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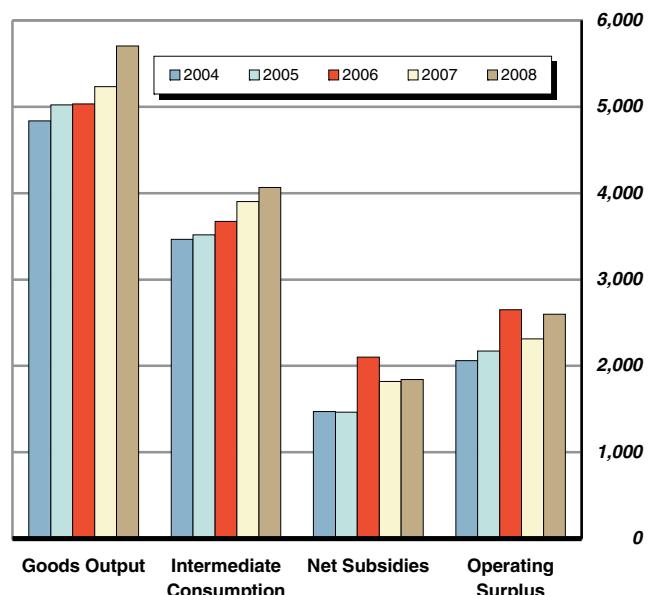
Table 10.6 Output, input and income in agriculture (continued)

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Commodity	Estimated value at current prices					
	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
Agricultural output at basic prices	5,979.1	6,156.9	5,715.9	5,492.8	5,972.3	6,116.8
Intermediate consumption	3,464.7	3,516.1	3,674.0	3,901.5	4,058.4	4,516.4
Feedingstuffs	923.0	903.9	874.6	970.3	1,037.0	1,201.3
Fertilisers	371.2	358.0	363.3	379.5	358.8	507.1
Financial intermediation services indirectly measured	8.0	83.0	91.0	88.0	87.0	90.0
Seeds	81.3	84.3	85.9	93.2	106.5	109.3
Energy and lubricants	227.7	237.6	283.5	309.7	320.1	344.6
Maintenance and repairs	325.1	327.2	349.2	354.2	360.9	364.7
Services	295.7	284.5	288.0	308.2	294.2	294.1
Crop protection products	65.1	64.6	55.9	46.4	50.9	62.3
Veterinary pharmaceutical products	112.0	117.4	114.6	109.6	117.2	124.6
Other goods (detergents, small tools etc)	112.8	114.2	123.1	123.3	130.4	139.6
Forage plants	635.0	680.4	774.8	847.4	907.2	990.8
Contract work	247.9	261.1	270.1	271.5	288.3	288.2
Gross value added at basic prices	2,514.4	2,640.9	2,041.9	1,591.3	1,913.9	1,600.4
Fixed capital consumption	639.8	651.9	664.1	685.3	716.0	763.0
Machinery, equipment etc	440.6	442.5	447.9	455.8	470.0	494.7
Farm buildings	199.2	209.3	216.2	229.5	246.1	268.3
Net value added at basic prices	1,874.6	1,989.0	1,377.8	905.9	1,197.9	837.3
Other subsidies less taxes on production	577.2	592.4	1,685.7	1,838.5	1,858.8	1,899.9
Factor income	2,451.8	2,581.4	3,063.5	2,744.4	3,056.7	2,737.3
Compensation of employees	391.1	404.0	409.1	425.3	448.6	438.1
Operating surplus	2,060.7	2,177.4	2,654.4	2,319.1	2,608.0	2,299.2

Source: CSO

Selected income indicators



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Table 10.7 Agricultural output price index

Base year 2000=100

	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
Cattle	93.4	89.1	100.0	92.3	94.4	93.6	103.3	105.6	113.2	111.0	127.8
Sheep	96.5	88.7	100.0	142.9	121.3	119.5	117.7	109.6	112.2	114.9	120.2
Pigs	89.0	80.6	100.0	114.0	99.5	95.4	103.3	101.5	108.8	103.0	112.4
Poultry	104.0	98.6	100.0	103.1	105.5	105.6	111.6	108.1	106.9	112.2	125.2
Milk	101.1	98.4	100.0	104.3	97.1	95.6	95.3	93.5	90.2	111.0	112.7
Cereals	99.0	104.8	100.0	104.5	91.8	109.0	100.9	96.6	110.6	185.4	133.1
Sugar beet	98.6	99.5	100.0	102.8	103.8	103.8	103.8	103.7	—	—	—
Potatoes	146.5	118.2	100.0	152.1	148.0	154.2	97.6	145.5	236.3	218.4	179.1
Vegetables	97.8	97.2	100.0	105.4	114.9	110.0	110.7	116.1	123.6	138.1	139.0
Total outputs	98.0	94.0	100.0	104.3	100.0	99.6	101.8	102.3	107.4	118.0	122.3

Source: CSO

Table 10.8 Agricultural input price index

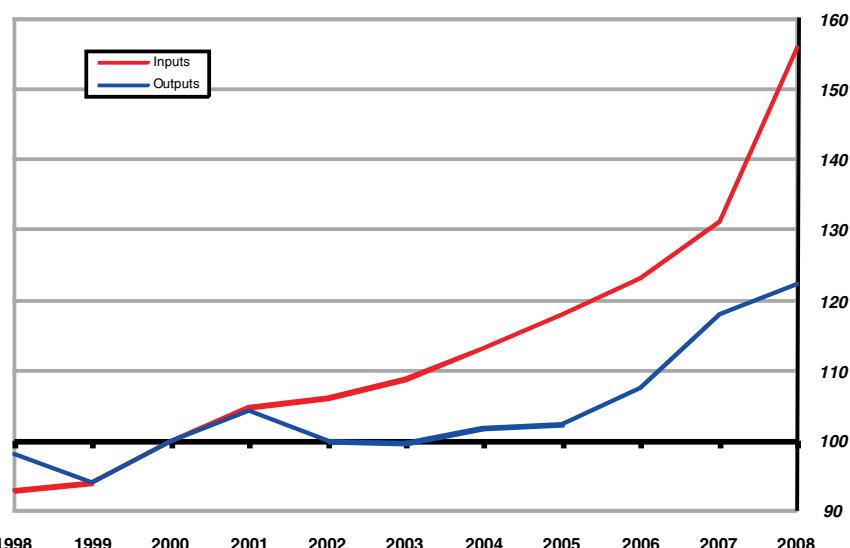
Base year 2000=100

	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
Feedingstuffs	98.6	97.4	100.0	105.0	106.5	106.5	110.8	109.0	111.1	125.6	143.4
Fertilisers	91.3	93.3	100.0	113.4	110.5	113.0	115.1	124.5	133.1	136.4	220.6
Seeds	102.0	102.1	100.0	103.7	107.4	115.2	116.1	115.7	120.1	130.8	141.9
Energy (including electricity)	75.9	80.2	100.0	97.1	97.1	102.9	112.6	131.7	143.1	148.1	168.9
Plant protection products	100.8	100.6	100.0	100.8	101.6	101.6	103.2	102.7	101.7	101.7	103.1
Veterinary expenses	94.7	95.9	100.0	104.7	109.4	114.7	115.8	117.6	122.4	126.2	128.9
Other inputs	93.6	95.9	100.0	105.9	110.4	114.1	116.9	121.0	124.0	128.9	136.8
Total inputs	93.0	94.1	100.0	104.8	106.2	108.8	113.1	118.0	123.1	131.3	155.9

Source: CSO

Annual agricultural price indices

Base year 2000=100



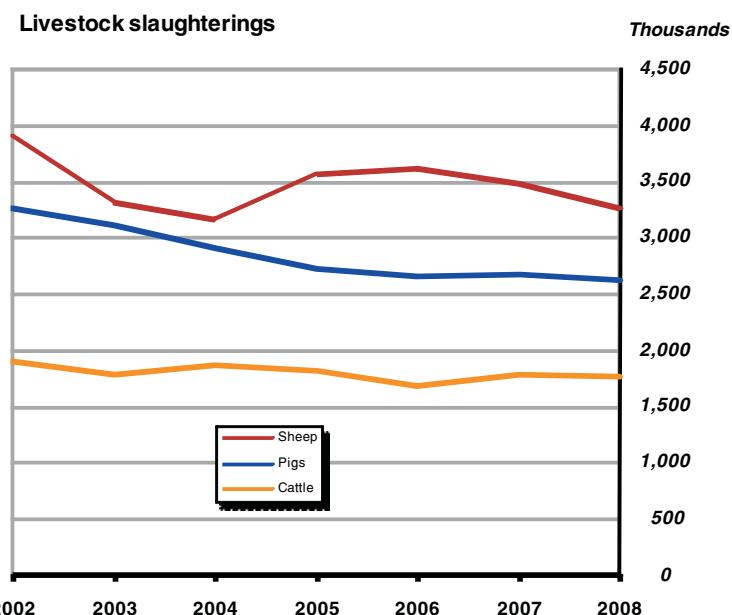
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Table 10.9 Livestock slaughterings

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	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
Cattle	2,133	1,886	1,893	1,782	1,863	1,815	1,685	1,774	1,771	1,665
Pigs	3,488	3,151	3,255	3,110	2,896	2,711	2,647	2,658	2,615	2,578
Sheep	4,523	4,117	3,903	3,308	3,159	3,565	3,613	3,488	3,264	2,919

Source: CSO



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Table 10.10 Sea fish landings by species

Species	Tonnes live weight				Value €000			
	2001	2002	2003	2004	2001	2002	2003	2004
Demersal	43,020	32,089	29,419	27,645	95,176	61,105	50,600	48,941
Brill	96	100	112	130	902	670	472	540
Cod	2,653	2,503	1,694	1,246	8,004	5,680	5,126	3,702
Dogfish	1,966	1,871	2,212	1,685	1,644	2,563	1,557	1,125
Dover Sole	376	334	312	292	4,483	3,794	2,964	3,444
Haddock	5,398	3,505	2,788	2,257	8,440	4,709	5,215	4,379
Hake	1,113	698	1,077	1,068	4,660	2,401	3,372	3,344
John Dory	169	154	266	327	889	655	709	969
Lemon Sole	441	482	521	519	1,288	1,197	790	759
Ling	1,464	1,305	1,299	1,258	1,953	1,627	1,081	1,020
Megrim	3,703	2,848	2,679	2,613	11,045	8,415	8,444	8,494
Monk/Angler	3,067	2,523	2,116	2,249	11,594	8,138	6,411	7,045
Plaice	841	801	876	564	2,582	2,126	1,678	1,087
Ray/Skate	2,141	2,503	2,890	2,705	4,165	2,778	2,315	2,408
Saithe	2,046	1,354	924	724	2,013	1,772	667	496
Turbot	185	184	231	321	2,249	1,950	1,557	2,161
White Pollock	1,381	1,335	1,238	1,119	2,563	2,261	1,195	1,014
Whiting	6,581	6,657	5,351	4,799	8,469	5,452	4,468	4,026
Witch	916	832	971	962	1,921	1,713	1,397	1,375
Other demersal	5,007	2,100	1,862	2,806	6,560	3,204	1,183	1,554
Pelagic	223,740	173,085	197,660	243,935	79,375	63,973	60,734	66,125
Blue Whiting	29,909	14,268	22,586	61,470	2,845	972	3,244	8,346
Herring	41,979	30,606	28,839	33,178	11,227	6,430	6,036	7,139
Horse Mackerel	63,497	34,769	36,960	37,431	20,847	10,394	8,981	8,845
Mackerel	70,451	71,431	67,480	72,345	35,289	38,624	27,411	32,241
Pilchard	7,856	12,002	3,972	12,997	3,464	4,055	479	2,465
Sprat	291	1,728	5,059	4,639	68	607	866	730
Tuna	2,105	1,313	947	582	4,674	2,444	2,765	825
Other pelagic	7,652	6,968	31,818	21,294	961	447	10,952	5,534
Shellfish	31,760	32,087	33,859	34,803	79,061	67,228	57,483	62,195
Blue Mussel	864	408	422	412	194	379	339	343
Crab	11,443	11,527	12,441	14,429	19,161	15,444	12,744	15,409
Crawfish	35	37	58	80	1,002	877	1,266	1,787
Dublin Bay Prawns	4,901	4,991	6,825	6,790	22,289	23,906	18,768	19,507
Escallop	1,411	1,139	1,758	1,824	4,597	3,367	3,662	3,590
Lobster	781	737	657	853	15,434	9,522	8,241	10,705
Periwinkle	2,775	2,274	1,838	1,683	3,351	2,268	2,484	2,518
Prawn Tails	2,173	1,992			3,761	2,986		
Shrimp	269	216	202	413	2,098	1,493	1,412	2,547
Squid	378	513	457	322	859	1,068	1,306	914
Whelk	6,363	7,901	8,752	7,560	5,130	5,029	5,798	3,332
Other shellfish	368	351	449	436	1,184	888	1,464	1,542
Deepwater	—	7,905	3,442	2,949	—	17,577	11,512	3,646
Orange Roughy	2,759	4,646	310	209	8,656	13,021	399	230
Siki	—	340	728	485	—	715	2,109	1,413
Other deepwater	—	2,919	2,404	2,255	—	3,841	9,005	2,003
TOTAL	298,521	245,165	264,381	309,332	253,612	209,883	180,330	180,907

Source: Department of Communications, Marine and Natural Resources

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Table 10.11 Aquaculture production

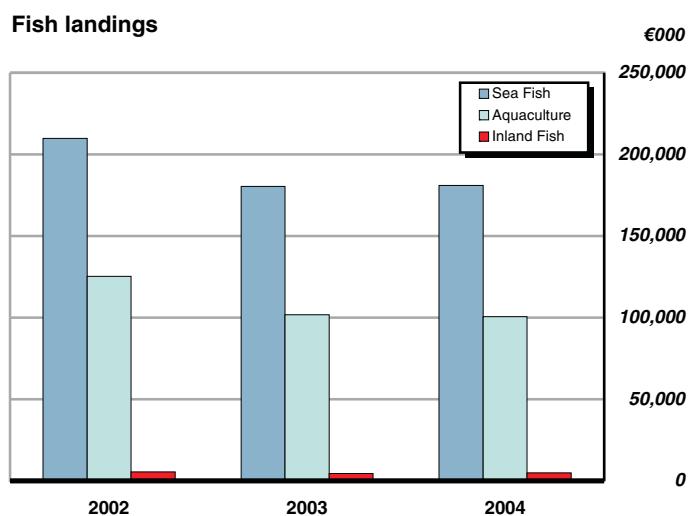
Species	Tonnes					Value €000				
	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
Shellfish	31,110	35,853	37,704	44,678	43,092	21,512	27,944	37,892	41,782	43,600
Finfish	20,137	25,082	23,280	17,838	15,263	73,840	79,166	87,326	60,066	56,902
Salmon	17,648	23,312	21,423	16,347	14,067	61,445	70,869	77,731	54,198	51,289
Aquaculture	51,247	60,935	60,984	62,516	58,355	95,354	107,109	125,218	101,848	100,502

Source: Bord Iascaigh Mhara

Table 10.12 Inland fish catches

Species	Tonnes					Value €000				
	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
Salmon	621	792	673	501	431	4,944	5,410	4,893	4,005	4,308
Other	260	108	116	104	124	1,120	574	568	542	660
Inland	881	900	789	605	555	6,064	5,984	5,461	4,547	4,968

Source: Central Fisheries Board and CSO



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Table 10.13 Border, Midland and Western regional agricultural accounts

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	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
Livestock	843.7	874.7	921.8	952.3	1,020.9	1,022.1
of which						
cattle	460.2	488.5	523.3	556.1	595.5	596.5
pigs	142.4	138.5	137.3	137.8	156.4	137.5
sheep	105.6	101.2	104.9	101.8	103.3	97.9
Livestock products	356.6	368.9	364.7	328.7	325.6	404.8
of which						
milk	329.2	342.0	337.9	302.0	297.7	374.5
Crops	447.9	459.5	475.7	510.8	537.2	570.9
of which						
cereals	25.7	33.1	36.4	24.1	30.3	47.5
root crops	35.3	35.3	34.3	28.7	24.7	31.4
forage plants	240.6	245.4	267.0	319.0	346.5	359.5
Goods output at producer prices	1,648.2	1,703.1	1,762.3	1,791.7	1,883.8	1,997.8
Contract work	87.6	86.7	91.6	99.6	100.1	102.5
Subsidies on products less taxes on products	376.5	375.1	363.9	188.3	-5.1	-5.4
Agricultural output at basic prices	2,112.3	2,164.8	2,217.8	2,079.6	1,978.7	2,095.0
Intermediate consumption	1,300.9	1,325.3	1,340.6	1,415.9	1,535.9	1,613.3
of which						
feedingstuffs	421.5	417.2	404.6	387.2	427.9	473.0
fertilisers	108.6	118.3	114.4	119.9	128.4	122.3
financial intermediation services indirectly measured	21.3	23.8	29.1	32.2	32.1	31.0
energy and lubricants	83.2	85.8	90.0	111.1	122.9	133.1
forage plants	236.8	241.9	263.0	313.9	340.7	353.6
contract work	87.6	86.7	91.6	99.6	100.1	102.5
Gross value added at basic prices	811.4	839.6	877.2	663.7	442.8	481.7
Fixed capital consumption	232.9	235.4	241.6	249.9	261.0	265.5
Net value added at basic prices	578.5	604.2	635.6	413.8	181.8	216.1
Other subsidies less taxes on production	349.0	337.1	350.2	799.7	843.2	836.0
Factor income	927.5	941.2	985.8	1,213.6	1,025.0	1,052.1
Compensation of employees	119.8	116.5	131.9	128.3	132.3	140.3
Operating surplus	807.7	824.8	854.0	1,085.3	892.7	911.8

Source: CSO

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Table 10.14 Southern and Eastern regional agricultural accounts

	€m					
	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
Livestock	1,171.1	1,190.7	1,291.0	1,322.6	1,395.3	1,374.8
of which						
cattle	718.9	755.5	822.9	857.1	906.2	906.2
pigs	158.5	146.6	160.1	154.2	164.4	155.8
sheep	96.5	92.1	95.5	90.1	87.2	84.3
Livestock products	1,094.3	1,101.1	1,093.3	1,048.5	1,042.9	1,303.4
of which						
milk	1,083.8	1,088.7	1,078.6	1,032.6	1,028.3	1,290.2
Crops	797.5	843.2	874.9	869.6	910.3	1,026.7
of which						
cereals	116.2	138.6	145.0	101.6	129.4	194.3
root crops	133.4	138.9	130.5	116.8	77.1	78.0
forage plants	388.7	398.8	423.7	468.4	515.3	563.0
Goods output at producer prices	3,062.9	3,135.1	3,259.2	3,240.8	3,348.5	3,704.9
Contract work	160.7	161.2	169.5	170.5	171.5	185.8
Subsidies on products less taxes on products	500.2	517.4	509.1	226.4	-12.2	-12.3
Agricultural output at basic prices	3,723.8	3,813.7	3,937.8	3,637.7	3,507.7	3,878.3
Intermediate consumption	2,112.4	2,139.4	2,175.5	2,258.1	2,366.6	2,450.4
of which						
feedingstuffs	534.4	505.8	499.3	487.5	542.5	566.3
fertilisers	232.8	252.9	243.6	243.4	251.2	236.4
financial intermediation services indirectly measured	39.7	44.2	53.9	58.8	56.9	57.0
energy and lubricants	138.3	141.8	147.6	172.4	186.8	186.5
forage plants	382.5	393.1	417.4	460.9	506.7	553.6
contract work	160.7	161.2	169.5	170.5	171.5	185.8
Gross value added at basic prices	1,611.4	1,674.3	1,762.3	1,379.6	1,141.1	1,427.9
Fixed capital consumption	403.2	405.2	412.5	418.2	430.3	457.0
Net value added at basic prices	1,208.2	1,269.1	1,349.9	961.4	710.9	970.9
Other subsidies less taxes on production	267.1	240.1	241.6	885.6	995.0	1,024.9
Factor income	1,475.3	1,509.1	1,591.5	1,847.0	1,705.9	1,995.9
Compensation of employees	258.3	274.6	272.1	280.8	285.9	310.9
Operating surplus	1,217.0	1,234.5	1,319.4	1,566.2	1,419.9	1,685.0

Source: CSO

