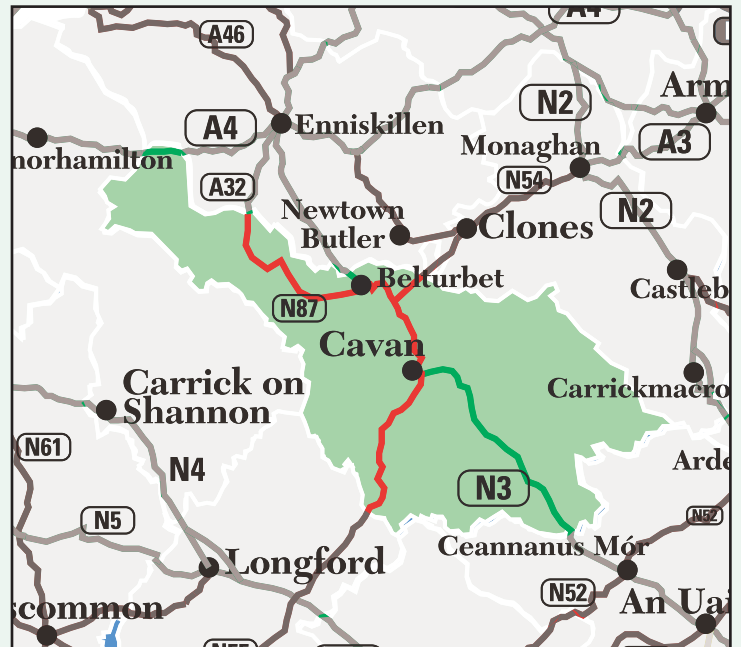


Importance of Farming and the Agri-food Industry

CAVAN



Farm Structure

- Number of Farms – 5,258
- Average Farm Size – 25.8 ha
- Land area farmed – 135,703 ha
- Numbers employed at farm level (FTE) – 6,109
- Stock on farm
 - Number of dairy cows – 32,464
 - Number of other (beef) cows – 48,537
 - Number of ewes – 37,013
 - Number of sows – 31,845
 - Number of poultry – 1,008,137

Forestry

- Land area under private forestry – 10,555 ha
- Output from private forestry – 16,603 m³

Farm Income and Direct Payments

- Farm Income – €94.5m
- Direct Payments
 - Basic Payment - €34.5m
 - ANCs – €9.4m
 - BDGP - €1.7m
 - Agri-environment payments - €4.2m
 - Forestry Premium – €2.29m

Value of Output and Exports

- Value of Agricultural Output - €299m
- Value of Agricultural Exports arising from the agricultural output in county - €438m

Agri-Industry Employment

- Agriculture in Cavan supports thousands of jobs in the rural economy, both directly in food & drink processing and also in the wider agri-industry, including input suppliers, agricultural contractors, jobs in auctioneering, transport and engineering and in accountancy, legal, veterinary and other advisory services.
- Number of food and drink processing jobs supported by agricultural output of county – 2,106
- Number of food and drink processing jobs based in the local region (Border Region – Donegal, Cavan, Monaghan, Sligo, Leitrim, Louth) – 8,231