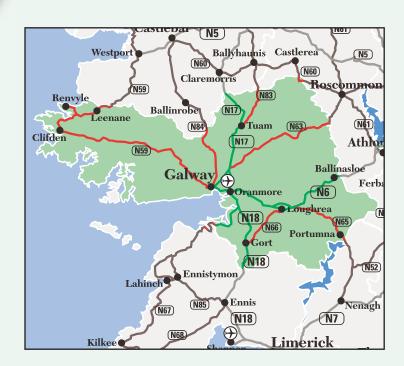


Importance of Farming and the Agri-food Industry

GALWAY



Farm Structure

- Number of Farms 13,355
- Average Farm Size 25.6 ha
- Land area farmed 341,777 ha
- Numbers employed at farm level (FTE) 14,905
- Numbers employed in aquaculture (FTE) 237
- Stock on farm
 - Number of dairy cows 27,383
 - Number of other (beef) cows 109,652
 - Number of ewes 280,719
 - Number of sows 513
 - Land area under tillage 4,260 ha
 - Land area under other crops. fruit & horticulture - 2,900 ha
 - Number of poultry 34,658

Forestry

- Land area under private forestry 20,759 ha
- Output from private forestry 32,655 m³

Farm Income and Direct Payments

- Farm Income €165m
- Direct Payments
 - Basic Payment €80m
 - ANCs €24m
 - BDGP €3.6m
 - Agri-environment payments €20m
 - Forestry Premium €3.6m

Value of Output and Exports

- Value of Agricultural Output €329m
- Value of Aquaculture Output €42 m
- Value of Agricultural Exports arising from the agricultural output in county - €481m

Agri-Industry Employment

- Agriculture in Galway supports thousands of jobs in the rural economy, both directly in food & drink processing and also in the wider agriindustry, 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 -2,314
- Number of food and drink processing jobs based in the local region (West - Galway, Mayo, Roscommon) - 3,819

Data sources and methodology for estimating figures available at www.ifa.ie/economics