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PREFACE

This publication presents detailed analyses of the results of the Northern Ireland Agricultural Census for June 2006 as well as time series data from 1992 to 2006. As such, the analyses provide a considerable amount of information on the changes that have occurred in the farming sector over the past 15 years.

The census data set includes geographical indicators that enable data to be produced for any area that can be defined in terms of electoral ward or by grid reference co-ordinates. This facilitates small area analyses that may be carried out on request, so long as this will not lead to data for individual farms being identified.

The Census results are now available on the DARD website, at www.dardni.gov.uk, as are all other DARD statistical publications. Any enquiries about the tables contained within this booklet should be addressed to Malcolm Megaw, Room 820, Dundonald House, Belfast BT4 3SB. (Telephone 028 90524850 or e-mail Malcolm.Megaw@dardni.gov.uk.)

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SECTION 1

INTRODUCTION

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SECTION 1: INTRODUCTION

1.1 CENSUS COVERAGE

The June 2006 Census was conducted by means of a sample survey in which forms were issued to half those classified as 'Very Small' (i.e. with a Standard Labour Requirement of less than 1 standard labour unit (1900 hours)) and to all other farm businesses. (Although no longer strictly a 'census', it will continue to be referred to as such because farmers are familiar with the term.) Estimates were made for the crop areas, livestock and labour numbers for farms that failed to return their 2006 census form. For the most part these estimates were based on data collated from other administrative systems within the Department, or from the latest return from each farm. However, all farms which had substantive numbers or areas of pigs, poultry or mushrooms in 2005, and which failed to make a return in 2006, were telephoned for the information.

The population of farms to which these census statistics refer includes **all active farm businesses having one or more hectare of farmed land, whether owned, leased or taken in conacre, and those with under one hectare having any cattle, sheep or pigs or with significant poultry or horticultural activity.**

The main results of the census, showing the total areas of each crop and total numbers of each type of livestock, were published in a Press Release on 14th November 2006. Further analyses are shown in this booklet, including details of the numbers, types and sizes of farms, the numbers of farms participating in each of the main enterprises and the size distribution of these enterprises. Data are also shown for the main geographical units below Northern Ireland level, namely District Council Areas, Rural Districts and Counties and for the three land classification categories.

Section 3 of this report presents data on the areas of crops and numbers of livestock over the past 15 years, from 1992 to 2006.

1.2 HISTORY OF THE AGRICULTURAL CENSUS

The first agricultural census in Ireland was conducted in 1847, in response to the need for information on the famine conditions at that time. The main use of the census continues to be to provide information for those involved in the industry or responsible for agricultural policy. With data stretching back over 150 years, the records provide an interesting insight into the changes which have taken place in farming. The statistics below, relating to 50 year intervals, show how Northern Ireland has changed from a mixed farming economy to one dependent on grazing livestock.

Crop Areas and Livestock Numbers in Northern Ireland, 1856-2006

	1856	1906	1956	2006
<i>Crop areas ('000 ha)</i>				
Cereals	277	155	109	34
Potatoes	102	71	51	5
Flax	25	18	3	0
Hay and pasture	639	767	722	804

Livestock numbers
(‘000 head)

Cattle	720	803	918	1,636
of which Cows	n.a.	n.a.	253	579
Sheep	217	363	873	2,070
Horses	121	116	n.a.	10
Pigs	159	244	653	387
Poultry	1,715	4,717	11,536	18,411

1.3 CHANGES TO THE CENSUS SYSTEM

Since 1950, there have been a number of changes in the coverage of the census and the way the census data were collected. These are summarised below:

Years	Census methods and coverage
Until 1954	Census information was collected by police enumerators who identified and visited all farms, including those under one acre. This information was given to them orally by the farmer and recorded in special books.
1954- 1972	A postal census was introduced in 1954. This used the list of farmers which had been identified in the 1953 census, but included only those of one acre or more . From this time onwards a distinction was made between “ main ” holdings which were included in the census and “ minor ” holdings (i.e. those under 1 acre) which were surveyed on a sample basis using fewer questions. Estimates for the minor holdings were made of their total crop areas and livestock numbers but these holdings were not included in the count of farms.
1973- 1980	In 1973, in conformity with a similar change in the rest of the United Kingdom, an alteration was made in the scope of the census in Northern Ireland. From then until 1980, the main census covered holdings which had at least 10 acres of land plus any below that size which had any full-time agricultural workers or whose livestock and cropping amounted to an annual estimated labour requirement of more than 40 man-days. This removed some 7,700 holdings from the old register but, at the same time, included a number of “minor” holdings of less than one acre. Arising from these adjustments the net reduction in the number of holdings covered in the main census was some 5,500.
1981- 1996	A new system of farm classification and changes to the minimum threshold were introduced in 1981. This new threshold restricted the census to holdings which had (a) a total land area (owned or taken on long-term lease) of 6 hectares or more or (b) any full-time workers other than the farmer or (c) a farm business size of 1,000 ecus of Standard Gross Margin. This change resulted in the exclusion of a further 6,690 “minor” holdings from the main census between 1980 and 1981.

- 1997 In 1997 the basis of the Northern Ireland Agricultural Census was changed from a “census register” to a central register of all of the Department’s “clients”. The change was made possible as a result of the introduction of IACS¹ and of work undertaken in DARD to streamline administrative functions. This resulted in a common means of identification of clients across all schemes, with each farmer who is in contact with the Department being allocated a unique Client Reference Number and each “Client” being linked to a Business Identifier. The population surveyed in the 1997 census consisted of one “Client” in each business for which a census return with crops and/or livestock was obtained in the preceding year or which had received a subsidy in respect of crops or livestock during the preceding 15 months. Also included were those with a milk quota and those known by DARD to be engaged in the production of pigs, poultry, potatoes or horticultural crops. The distinction between “main” and “minor” holdings was discontinued.
- 1998 Sampling was introduced and forms were issued to only half the farms categorised as “Very Small”. The records which were aggregated to provide the published results include 1998 returns from the sampled farms and 1997 returns from those not in the sample for 1998. The latter were trended to reflect the changes between 1997 and 1998 as recorded by the sampled farms. New information led to the addition of a further 166 pig farms involving no owned land; estimates of pig numbers in previous years were revised.
- 1999 The same level of sampling applied as in 1998 but the survey included all pig farms.
- 2000 A full census of all farm businesses in Northern Ireland was carried out
- 2001 A sample survey was carried out on the same basis as that conducted in 1999. Farms on which animals had been slaughtered due to Foot and Mouth outbreaks were not surveyed. Estimates were made for the crop areas, livestock and labour numbers for these farms.
- 2002 – 2006 A sample survey was carried out on the same basis as that conducted in 1999. Where available, administrative data were used in conjunction with previous census data, to provide estimates for those that were not sampled, or failed to make a return in the current year.

¹ The EU Integrated Administration and Control System

SECTION 2

TERMS AND DEFINITIONS

- 2.1 Farms and farm structure
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- 2.3 Other terms
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SECTION 2: TERMS AND DEFINITIONS

2.1 FARMS AND FARM STRUCTURE

Farms

In the 2006 census, a farm² was defined in accordance with the definition adopted for European Union surveys on the structure of agricultural holdings, namely:

a single unit, both technically and economically, which has a single management and which produces agricultural products

Only those with at least one hectare of agricultural land or with any cattle, sheep, pigs or significant poultry or horticultural crops were defined as a farm.

Farm business size

Farm business size is determined by calculating each farm's total Standard Labour Requirement (SLR). Standards or norms have been calculated for all major enterprises. The total SLR for each farm is calculated by multiplying its crop areas and livestock numbers by the appropriate SLR coefficients and then summing the result for all enterprises on the farm.

Prior to 2004, the farm business size had been determined by calculating each farm's total Standard Gross Margin (SGM). However, it was felt that using SLRs was a more appropriate and accurate method to size farm businesses in the UK (See annex 1).

To show year-to-year changes in business size, the enterprise SLR coefficients are held constant for a number of years. In UK agricultural statistics, business size is described in terms of five SLR size bands.

UK agricultural statistics business size bands

Size	Standard labour unit* (2002)
Very Small	Less than 1
Small	1 < 2
Medium	2 < 3
Large	3 < 5
Very Large	5 or more

*1 Standard labour unit = 1900 hours

Since there are very few farms in the Very Large size range in Northern Ireland, these are included in the Large category in Census analyses.

² In UK agricultural statistical publications the terms "holdings" and "farms" are used synonymously but in Northern Ireland, where many landowners let out all their land and take no part in agriculture, the former term refers to the areas under single ownership and the latter to the areas farmed in separate units, i.e. after adjustment for land let out or taken in conacre. Farms exclude holdings that take no part in farming.

Farm business type

The system of classifying farms according to farm type is set out in **Commission Decision 85/377/EEC**. This specifies 72 EC types determined according to the distribution of Standard Gross Margin (SGM) between enterprises - of which 65 are applicable in Northern Ireland.

To show year-to-year changes in business type, the enterprise coefficients are held constant for a number of years. Those currently used within the UK are based on average prices during the period 2001-2003.

For UK statistical purposes, the 65 farm types are grouped into 9 "robust" categories which have particular relevance to UK conditions. These are:

Cereals	Farms with more than two thirds of their total SGM in cereals, oilseed and set aside.
General cropping	Farms which do not qualify as cereals farms but have more than two thirds on their total SGM in arable (not horticultural) crops or in a mixture of arable and horticultural crops and where arable crops account for more than one third of the total SGM.
Horticulture	Farms with more than two thirds of their total SGM in horticultural crops (excluding specialist mushroom growers).
Pigs and Poultry	Farms with more than two thirds of their total SGM in pigs and / or poultry.
Dairy	Farms with more than two thirds of the total SGM in dairying (including associated young stock).
Grazing livestock (LFA)	Farms wholly or mainly in the Less Favoured Areas which do not qualify as Dairy farms but have more than two thirds of their total SGM in grazing livestock (cattle and sheep).
Grazing livestock (Lowland)	Farms entirely or mainly outside the Less Favoured Areas, which do not qualify as Dairy farms but have more than two thirds of their total SGM in grazing livestock (cattle and sheep).
Mixed	Farms which have no dominant enterprise and do not fit into the above types.
Other types	Farms that specialise in enterprises which do not fit the definitions of mainstream agricultural activities. These enterprises include activities such as specialist mushrooms, specialist goats and specialist horses. This category also includes farms which are unclassified because they have no crops or stock at June (but which made hay/silage or intended to restock at a later date).

2.2 AGRICULTURAL LABOUR FORCE

In conjunction with the other UK Agricultural Departments, an in-depth investigation was carried out in 1995 into the quality of statistics on the agricultural labour force. This indicated that, while the number of workers recorded on each census form was generally realistic, there was confusion about the categories of workers into which farmers were asked to record themselves and other persons working on their farm. Consequently, the questions were revised to provide clearer definitions of the various categories and to bring these more into line with the requirements of data users. The definitions now used are:

Regular workers Those who work on the farm during at least 20 weeks per year.

Full-time Working 30 hours per week or more.

Part-time Working less than 30 hours per week.

Casual workers Those who work less than 20 weeks per year.

2.3 OTHER TERMS

Conacre	A system of short-term lettings, nominally for 11 months or 364 days
Less favoured areas (LFA)	Areas of poorer agricultural land which qualify for special aid under EU schemes
SDA	Severely Disadvantaged Areas, i.e. land classed as LFA under Directive 75/268/EEC
DA	Disadvantaged Areas, i.e. land classed as LFA under Directive 84/169/EEC.
Area farmed	Area farmed by each business on the census date. Agricultural land which is taken in conacre by persons operating a business is included but owned land which they let out in conacre is not. Common rough grazing is excluded
Crops & grass areas	Total area excluding rough grazing, set-aside, farm woodlands and non-agricultural land.
Livestock numbers	Numbers on farms on the census date.
Cereals	Barley, wheat, oats and mixed corn
Dairy cows	Cows in milk or in calf, mainly for producing milk for sale; includes heifers in milk but excludes in-calf heifers.
Beef cows	Cows in milk or in calf, mainly for producing calves for beef; includes heifers in milk but excludes in-calf heifers.
Breeding ewes	Female sheep over one year which lambed in the current season or are for future breeding. (In 1995 and earlier years, only those to be put to the ram in the current year were included)
Sows & gilts	Includes in-pig gilts but excludes gilts not yet in pig.
Total poultry	Hens, pullets, breeding fowl, broilers, turkeys, geese, ducks and other fowl

2.4 SYMBOLS USED

-- Not available

..... Figures combined

2.5 STANDARD GROSS MARGINS

		€	
Crops	Wheat	1,021	per ha
	Barley	864	per ha
	Oats	1,130	per ha
	Mixed corn	668	per ha
	Potatoes	3,503	per ha
	Oilseed rape	761	per ha
	Linseed	N/A	per ha
	Open-air horticulture		
	Vegetables	7,770	per ha
	Fruit	5,761	per ha
	Flowers/nursery	N/A	per ha
	Glasshouses:		
	Vegetables	355,259	per ha
	Flowers	426,337	per ha
	Mushrooms	6,234	per 100 m ²
	Grass/ fodder crops	0	per ha
	Setaside	302 (291)	per ha (in LFA)
Other crops	607	per ha	
Cattle	Dairy cows	958	per head
	Beef cows	397(306)	per head (in LFA)
	Heifers 2 yrs +	115	per head
	Heifers 1-2 yrs	104	per head
	Bulls/steers 2 yrs +	147	per head
	Bulls/steers 1-2 yrs	154	per head
	Calves under 1 year	142	per head
Sheep	Ewes	70 (61)	per head (in LFA)
	Other sheep	1	per head
	Lambs	0	per head (included with ewe)
Horses	Mares, stallions	66	per head
	Others	0	per head
Pigs	Sows	165	per head
	Piglets (under 20kg)	0	per head (included with sow)
	Other pigs	42	per head
Poultry	Hens	468	per 100
	Broilers	57	per 100
	Others	1,449	per 100

Notes: 1 These SGMs apply to crop areas and livestock numbers at June (not to the annual throughput).

2 At the time of calculation, 1 euro = £0.65 (2001-2003)

2.5 STANDARD LABOUR REQUIREMENTS

The following factors have been used to classify farms in N.I.

	Item	Unit	Standard Labour Requirement (hours)	Units per 1900 hours
Crops	Cereals	ha	30	63
	Oilseeds	ha	22.5	84
	Potatoes	ha	135	14
	Out door vegetables	ha	150	12.7
	Fruit	ha	450	4.2
	Ornamentals	ha	1,500	1.3
	Glasshouse vegetables	ha	5,000	0.4
	Other glasshouse	ha	25,000	0.1
	Mushrooms	house	1,050	1.8
	Setaside	ha	1.5	1,267
	Forage crops	ha	9	211
	Grass	ha	6	317
	Rough grazing	ha	2.25	844
	Cattle	Dairy cows	head	39
Beef cows		head	12	158
Other cattle		head	9	211
Sheep	Ewes and rams: Lowland	head	5.2	365
	Ewes and rams: LFA	head	4.2	452
	Other sheep: Lowland	head	3.3	576
	Other sheep: LFA	head	2.6	730
Pigs	Sows and gilts	head	16	119
	Piglets	head	1.0	1,900
	Other pigs	head	1.3	1,462
Poultry	Laying hens	head	0.17	11,176
	Pullets	head	0.12	15,833
	Broilers	head	0.04	47,500
	Turkeys, Ducks etc.	head	0.045	42,222
Other	Horses	head	150	12
	Goats	head	20	95
	Deer	head	15	127

SECTION 3

NORTHERN IRELAND TOTALS, 1992-2006

Tables and charts showing the crop areas, livestock numbers and numbers of farmers and other workers in each year from 1992 to 2006.

Note that in 1997 there were major revisions to the data for 1990 to 1996. Full details of this are given in Section 1.3. In 1998 a further revision was made to numbers of pigs in the census and data in table 3.4 were revised for each year up to and including 1997. In 2006 there were no additional changes to data for earlier years.

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Table 3.1 Crop areas in Northern Ireland 1992-2006

	('000 hectares)							
	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999
Grass								
Under 5 yrs old	185.4	199.5	196.1	195.0	190.6	181.9	155.6	140.9
Over 5 yrs old	613.0	615.9	616.9	622.4	628.7	643.1	675.0	697.2
Total grass	798.4	815.4	813.0	817.4	819.3	825.1	830.6	838.1
Hill or rough land	179.2	177.1	176.3	170.9	169.0	164.1	159.1	158.7
Cereals								
Oats	2.0	2.0	2.2	2.3	2.2	2.4	2.6	2.8
Wheat	7.6	6.9	7.2	6.6	6.9	6.9	7.1	3.3
Barley (winter)	5.5	6.3	6.0	6.8	7.3	7.7	7.7	5.1
Barley (spring)	32.4	33.2	28.3	26.7	26.9	28.7	27.1	30.6
Mixed corn	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.2
Total cereals	47.8	48.5	43.8	42.5	43.4	45.8	44.7	41.9
Other field crops								
Potatoes	11.1	9.2	8.7	9.0	8.8	7.8	7.5	7.5
Arable crop silage	1.5	1.6	1.8	2.0	1.6	1.7	2.0	2.4
Forage maize	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	0.1
Other crops	0.9	1.3	1.1	0.9	0.9	0.8	1.0	1.2
Total other field crops	14.6	13.0	12.3	12.4	11.5	10.7	11.2	11.2
Horticultural crops								
Fruit	1.9	1.8	1.8	1.7	1.7	1.6	1.7	1.7
Vegetables	1.5	1.5	1.4	1.3	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.5
Ornamentals	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.1
Total horticultural crops	3.6	3.3	3.3	3.2	3.2	3.1	3.2	3.4
Total crops	65.9	64.8	59.4	58.1	58.2	59.7	59.1	56.5
Total crops & grass	864.4	880.2	872.4	875.5	877.5	884.8	889.8	894.5
Other land								
Set-aside	n.a.	0.9	1.9	1.7	1.5	1.0	1.1	2.0
Woods and plantations	9.5	8.2	8.2	8.1	8.2	8.2	8.2	8.2
Other land	19.2	13.5	12.8	11.5	11.4	10.8	10.1	9.6
Total other land	28.6	22.6	22.9	21.3	21.1	20.0	19.5	19.8
TOTAL AREA FARMED	1,072.2	1,079.9	1,071.6	1,067.8	1,067.6	1,068.9	1,068.4	1,073.0

(*000 hectares)

2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	
							Grass
141.6	140.2	136.4	138.0	141.8	135.6	126.5	Under 5 yrs old
687.9	699.9	707.3	710.3	696.7	675.8	677.2	Over 5 yrs old
829.4	840.1	843.7	848.2	838.5	811.4	803.7	Total grass
156.5	154.1	151.6	152.9	151.2	148.6	151.3	Hill or rough land
							Cereals
2.9	2.4	2.4	2.5	2.5	1.9	1.9	Oats
5.0	4.1	7.2	7.3	8.6	8.4	8.7	Wheat
5.2	2.8	3.9	4.1	4.5	4.0	4.6	Barley (winter)
27.4	30.0	24.5	23.6	22.5	21.7	18.2	Barley (spring)
0.2	0.2	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.1	Mixed corn
40.7	39.5	38.1	37.8	38.3	36.2	33.6	Total cereals
							Other field crops
6.8	6.7	6.7	6.0	5.7	4.5	4.7	Potatoes
2.2	2.3	1.9	2.3	2.8	3.2	3.3	Arable crop silage
0.1	1.4	1.7	2.1	2.2	2.4	2.7	Forage maize
0.9	0.9	1.0	1.4	1.8	1.8	2.5	Other crops
10.1	11.4	11.4	12.0	12.5	12.3	13.3	Total other field crops
							Horticultural crops
1.6	1.5	1.5	1.6	1.5	1.5	1.5	Fruit
1.5	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.4	1.4	1.4	Vegetables
0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.1	Ornamentals
3.3	3.1	3.2	3.2	3.1	3.0	3.0	Total horticultural crops
54.1	54.1	52.6	53.0	53.9	51.5	49.8	Total crops
883.5	894.1	896.3	901.2	892.3	862.9	853.5	Total crops & grass
							Other land
2.5	2.9	3.0	3.5	3.4	2.4	2.3	Set-aside
8.6	8.2	7.9	8.4	8.2	8.6	9.6	Woods and plantations
9.3	9.0	8.4	7.8	7.6	7.1	11.8	Other land
20.4	20.0	19.3	19.6	19.2	18.1	23.7	Total other land
1,060.5	1,068.2	1,067.3	1,073.7	1,062.8	1,029.5	1,028.5	TOTAL AREA FARMED

Table 3.2 Cattle and calves in Northern Ireland 1992-2006

('000 head)

	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999
Dairy cows								
In milk	249.5	250.5	254.9	251.8	260.1	259.4	266.8	267.1
In calf	19.9	18.9	19.4	19.7	21.0	19.8	20.8	19.3
Total	269.4	269.3	274.2	271.5	281.1	279.2	287.7	286.4
Dairy heifers-in-calf								
2 years old	19.5	21.0	20.6	23.9	25.1	26.7	24.5	24.4
1-2 years	26.4	28.0	29.7	32.0	37.0	35.9	36.4	35.6
Total	45.9	49.0	50.3	55.9	62.1	62.6	60.9	60.0
Beef cows								
In milk	252.3	260.4	262.7	260.8	266.9	272.1	287.1	274.2
In calf	43.4	47.6	46.1	47.7	48.5	51.8	57.6	58.0
Total	295.7	308.0	308.7	308.6	315.4	323.9	344.7	332.2
Beef heifers-in-calf								
2 years old	18.9	21.0	18.8	18.4	20.1	26.2	24.2	21.1
1-2 years	15.2	15.8	13.7	14.5	15.3	20.4	16.7	13.5
Total	34.0	36.9	32.5	32.9	35.4	46.5	40.9	34.6
Breeding bulls								
2 years old and over	9.6	9.7	10.1	10.3	11.1	12.2	12.9	13.0
1-2 years	4.3	4.4	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.3	4.2	4.0
Total	13.9	14.2	14.6	14.8	15.6	16.5	17.1	16.9
Other cattle								
2 years old								
Male	103.5	96.1	94.4	96.5	105.4	66.9	71.7	68.0
Females for slaughter	35.4	31.4	31.3	32.1	33.5	20.6	24.3	24.2
Females for breeding	11.0	11.8	11.6	12.8	12.5	13.7	12.6	13.5
Total	149.9	139.3	137.4	141.4	151.3	101.2	108.6	105.7
1-2 years								
Male	215.3	213.5	211.7	211.0	218.3	232.5	213.6	204.6
Females for slaughter	131.4	123.8	122.9	117.3	116.7	114.9	125.4	128.8
Females for breeding	50.0	52.7	57.0	61.6	67.1	69.9	70.6	68.7
Total	396.7	390.1	391.6	389.9	402.2	417.3	409.6	402.1
6-12 months								
Male	102.4	99.3	98.7	104.1	102.1	89.7	87.7	82.3
Female	93.0	95.0	98.9	100.1	96.5	98.6	102.4	101.8
Total	195.4	194.2	197.6	204.1	198.6	188.3	190.1	184.1
Under 6 months								
Male	139.7	139.0	135.6	135.8	146.4	139.6	143.8	136.5
Female	140.9	145.0	145.0	144.2	151.2	155.9	164.0	160.0
Total	280.6	284.1	280.6	280.0	297.6	295.5	307.7	296.5
TOTAL CATTLE	1,681.5	1,685.0	1,687.5	1,699.1	1,759.4	1,731.0	1,767.3	1,718.5

(000 head)

2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	
							Dairy cows
265.7	275.4	276.2	268.7	265.9	268.3	271.5	In milk
18.6	19.6	21.7	21.5	22.4	22.3	24.5	In calf
284.4	295.0	297.9	290.1	288.3	290.5	296.0	Total
							Dairy heifers-in-calf
26.0	26.4	25.9	25.7	28.1	29.8	30.4	2 years old
34.8	34.2	32.5	34.3	34.4	34.2	33.1	1-2 years
60.9	60.7	58.5	60.0	62.5	64.0	63.5	Total
							Beef cows
262.2	260.2	255.5	239.9	240.5	239.6	225.8	In milk
55.8	51.6	51.5	55.5	55.7	57.3	57.2	In calf
318.0	311.8	307.0	295.4	296.2	296.9	283.0	Total
							Beef heifers-in-calf
18.9	19.9	20.1	19.8	21.0	19.2	19.3	2 years old
12.6	13.2	12.9	13.4	13.3	10.9	11.7	1-2 years
31.5	33.1	33.0	33.3	34.3	30.1	30.9	Total
							Breeding bulls
12.6	12.6	12.4	12.6	12.9	13.2	14.1	2 years old and over
3.7	4.1	4.1	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.2	1-2 years
16.3	16.7	16.5	16.6	17.0	17.2	18.4	Total
							Other cattle
							2 years old
69.0	68.7	68.7	66.9	66.8	71.3	73.1	Male
26.4	27.9	29.3	32.8	33.2	34.0	38.5	Females for slaughter
11.4	13.8	13.4	15.0	15.5	15.6	15.4	Females for breeding
106.8	110.3	111.4	114.8	115.4	120.8	127.1	Total
							1-2 years
197.5	199.6	202.7	210.4	208.6	202.6	188.8	Male
126.9	118.0	122.0	123.4	119.2	121.1	126.8	Females for slaughter
63.4	62.7	63.1	69.7	69.6	65.3	59.3	Females for breeding
387.8	380.3	387.8	403.5	397.3	389.0	374.8	Total
							6-12 months
84.0	88.9	91.7	96.7	95.4	90.4	88.2	Male
95.7	92.7	93.2	95.0	93.2	93.7	94.6	Female
179.7	181.6	184.9	191.7	188.6	184.0	182.8	Total
							Under 6 months
138.5	141.4	140.0	138.2	136.6	133.9	125.8	Male
152.7	148.2	147.4	141.6	141.5	139.2	133.5	Female
291.1	289.7	287.5	279.8	278.1	273.0	259.3	Total
1,676.5	1,679.1	1,684.5	1,685.3	1,677.6	1,665.6	1,635.7	TOTAL CATTLE

Table 3.3 Sheep, horses, ponies and goats in Northern Ireland 1992-2006

(*'000 head*)

	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999
SHEEP								
Ewes								
Ewes which lambed	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	1,169.8	1,211.4	1,262.0	1,242.2
Others for breeding	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	171.8	172.7	187.8	162.7
Total	1,428.3	1,408.6	1,382.1	1,345.3	1,341.6	1,384.1	1,449.8	1,404.9
Other sheep								
Rams for service	36.1	34.4	32.9	32.0	32.7	33.1	34.3	33.9
Not for breeding	6.5	6.5	6.1	6.3	5.7	7.3	6.5	8.8
Lambs								
Under 1 year old	1,490.2	1,460.9	1,399.7	1,369.9	1,373.2	1,455.5	1,496.0	1,461.3
TOTAL SHEEP	2,961.0	2,910.4	2,820.9	2,753.5	2,753.1	2,880.1	2,986.6	2,908.9
HORSES AND PONIES								
Mares								
Horses	2.6	2.2	2.2	2.2	2.2	2.2	2.2	2.2
Ponies	n.a.	0.6	0.7	0.8	0.9	0.9	0.8	0.9
Total mares	2.6	2.8	2.9	3.0	3.1	3.1	3.1	3.1
Stallions	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.3
Other horses	4.4	3.8	4.1	4.2	4.3	4.4	4.3	4.3
Other ponies	n.a.	1.8	1.9	2.2	2.2	2.2	2.2	2.2
Horses/Ponies owned by occupier	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
Horses/Ponies not owned by occupier	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
TOTAL HORSES & PONIES	7.1	8.6	9.1	9.6	9.8	9.9	9.8	9.9
GOATS								
Female goats which have kidded	2.9	2.5	2.2	2.0	1.8	1.6	1.6	1.6
All other goats and kids	2.5	2.3	2.0	1.9	1.8	1.8	2.0	1.9
TOTAL GOATS	5.5	4.8	4.2	3.8	3.6	3.5	3.6	3.5

(000 head)

2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	
							SHEEP
							Ewes
1,182.4	1,090.3	998.5	953.6	943.1	900.8	864.6	Ewes which lambed
150.2	142.0	130.2	152.0	157.4	126.5	126.5	Others for breeding
1,332.6	1,232.3	1,128.6	1,105.6	1,100.5	1,027.3	991.1	Total
							Other sheep
32.2	31.4	31.1	29.6	29.2	28.6	27.5	Rams for service
8.2	9.3	8.2	9.5	10.1	10.6	11.1	Not for breeding
							Lambs
1,367.5	1,252.6	1,156.3	1,096.4	1,085.6	1,078.6	1,040.9	Under 1 year old
2,740.6	2,525.6	2,324.2	2,241.1	2,225.4	2,145.1	2,070.5	TOTAL SHEEP
							HORSES AND PONIES
							Mares
2.2	2.4	2.3	2.4	2.3	2.4	n.a.	Horses
0.8	0.8	0.9	0.8	0.9	0.7	n.a.	Ponies
3.0	3.2	3.2	3.2	3.1	3.1	n.a.	Total mares
0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	n.a.	Stallions
4.2	4.5	4.5	4.5	3.9	4.1	n.a.	Other horses
2.1	2.2	2.2	2.0	2.0	1.9	n.a.	Other ponies
n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	8.5	Horses/Ponies owned by occupier
n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	1.7	Horses/Ponies not owned by occupier
9.5	10.1	10.1	9.9	9.2	9.3	10.3	TOTAL HORSES & PONIES
							GOATS
1.6	1.6	1.6	1.3	1.4	1.2	1.2	Female goats which have kidded
1.8	1.8	1.7	1.5	1.3	1.2	1.3	All other goats and kids
3.4	3.4	3.3	2.9	2.7	2.3	2.5	TOTAL GOATS

Table 3.4 Pigs and poultry in Northern Ireland 1992-2006

(*'000 head*)

	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999
PIGS								
Female breeding herd								
Sows in pig	43.5	45.0	43.8	42.8	42.6	46.1	43.1	32.6
Gilts in pig	8.9	8.9	8.3	8.8	9.9	9.5	7.6	5.4
Others sows for breeding	18.9	18.4	17.6	16.8	16.3	16.6	16.3	9.1
Total	71.2	72.3	69.8	68.4	68.8	72.2	66.9	47.1
Other breeding pigs								
Boars being used for service	3.3	3.3	3.1	2.9	2.9	3.0	2.8	1.7
Maiden gilts	5.1	4.8	4.3	4.6	5.6	5.9	5.2	3.5
Other pigs								
Cull sows being fattened	<i>n.a.</i>	0.4	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.6	0.5
110kg and over	4.1	4.3	4.9	4.4	4.3	0.7	3.0	2.1
80 kg and under 110kg	72.2	70.0	70.8	75.3	83.3	75.5	71.5	58.6
50kg and under 80kg	173.6	164.7	157.5	154.9	149.1	171.0	162.5	117.3
20kg and under 50kg	182.6	198.9	180.0	170.0	161.6	189.3	174.6	135.3
Under 20kg	171.1	172.0	162.7	156.2	162.2	178.6	166.3	124.0
Total	603.6	610.3	576.3	561.1	560.8	615.5	578.5	437.9
TOTAL PIGS	683.3	690.7	653.4	636.9	638.1	696.7	653.4	490.3
POULTRY								
Commercial laying flock								
Laying birds up to end of first laying cycle	3,029.5	2,944.0	3,169.8	3,005.9	2,971.2	2,490.0	2,412.4	1,960.2
Second cycle	214.0	288.1	139.9	200.4	165.2	158.9	149.7	179.9
Total	3,243.5	3,232.1	3,309.7	3,206.3	3,136.4	2,648.9	2,562.1	2,140.0
Growing pullets	1,003.2	1,174.8	1,157.7	1,344.3	1,240.9	1,266.2	845.7	781.3
Breeding flock	1,053.1	1,376.0	1,544.6	1,748.8	1,968.5	2,138.2	2,334.5	2,266.1
Table birds								
Broilers	7,414.0	8,062.7	8,082.0	9,170.0	9,006.2	8,994.9	8,854.1	9,342.0
Other poultry	416.9	460.9	506.7	533.9	547.4	559.6	574.2	518.4
TOTAL POULTRY	13,130.7	14,306.5	14,600.7	16,003.3	15,899.5	15,607.8	15,170.6	15,047.9

('000 head)

2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	
							PIGS
							Female breeding herd
27.8	26.7	26.4	28.1	25.4	25.7	25.9	Sows in pig
5.2	4.9	5.0	5.0	4.6	4.5	4.8	Gilts in pig
8.8	9.1	7.9	9.7	7.8	6.6	6.7	Others sows for breeding
41.8	40.6	39.3	42.9	37.8	36.7	37.4	Total
							Other breeding pigs
1.3	1.3	1.2	1.2	1.1	1.0	0.9	Boars being used for service
3.7	2.9	2.9	3.3	3.2	2.8	3.4	Maiden gilts
							Other pigs
0.6	0.6	0.3	0.4	0.7	0.4	0.6	Cull sows being fattened
2.0	1.3	1.5	1.6	1.7	3.3	3.3	110kg and over
52.3	47.7	48.4	61.0	54.3	55.2	51.9	80 kg and under 110kg
106.7	98.1	96.6	106.5	108.4	87.1	79.9	50kg and under 80kg
106.1	99.7	105.6	112.6	111.4	91.8	83.6	20kg and under 50kg
98.9	93.2	91.9	104.1	105.4	126.6	125.6	Under 20kg
366.7	340.7	344.3	386.3	381.9	364.5	344.9	Total
413.5	385.6	387.7	433.7	424.1	405.1	386.6	TOTAL PIGS
							POULTRY
							Commercial laying flock
2,049.9	2,022.3	1,919.2	1,945.9	2,093.4	2,111.7	2,084.6	Laying birds up to end of first laying cycle
250.0	120.3	180.3	257.4	172.7	207.5	103.1	Second cycle
2,300.0	2,142.6	2,099.4	2,203.2	2,266.1	2,319.2	2,187.7	Total
798.3	735.1	534.1	552.9	509.8	669.5	743.1	Growing pullets
2,196.3	2,145.2	2,506.2	2,518.2	2,284.8	1,634.5	1,594.8	Breeding flock
							Table birds
9,655.4	8,863.6	11,273.3	12,811.4	15,006.9	12,525.7	13,367.1	Broilers
425.9	461.0	448.8	439.6	441.7	465.4	518.3	Other poultry
15,375.9	14,347.5	16,861.8	18,525.4	20,509.2	17,614.3	18,411.0	TOTAL POULTRY

Table 3.5 Farmers and other workers in Northern Ireland 1992-2006

('000 workers)

		1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999
Farmers									
Full time	Male	23.0	22.6	22.5	21.6	20.9	20.8	20.8	20.0
	Female	3.0	2.2	2.1	1.8	1.8	1.6	1.7	1.5
	Total full-time farmers	26.0	24.8	24.6	23.4	22.7	22.4	22.5	21.5
Part time	Male	12.1	12.0	13.5	13.6	14.4	14.3	14.0	13.8
	Female	4.4	3.3	3.0	2.7	2.8	2.5	2.4	2.2
	Total part-time farmers	16.5	15.3	16.5	16.3	17.2	16.8	16.3	16.1
TOTAL FARMERS		43.4	40.4	41.4	39.9	40.0	39.2	38.8	37.6
Farmers' spouses									
Full time	Total	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	2.7	2.6	2.6
	Part time	Total	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	4.3	4.4	4.5
TOTAL SPOUSES		4.4	6.5	6.2	6.8	6.8	7.0	7.0	7.0
Other workers									
Full time	Male	3.6	3.4	3.3	3.2	3.0	2.7	2.6	2.7
	Female	1.0	0.6	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.3
	Total full-time	4.6	3.9	3.7	3.6	3.4	3.0	2.9	3.0
Part time	Male	2.4	2.6	2.4	2.5	2.4	2.4	2.3	2.3
	Female	1.0	0.8	0.8	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.6	0.5
	Total part-time	3.4	3.4	3.2	3.2	3.1	3.1	2.9	2.8
Casual	Male	7.2	8.3	8.2	8.7	8.3	8.6	8.5	8.0
	Female	0.9	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.9	0.9	0.9	0.8
	Total casual/seasonal	8.1	9.0	9.0	9.6	9.2	9.6	9.4	8.8
TOTAL OTHER WORKERS		16.1	16.4	15.8	16.3	15.8	15.6	15.2	14.6
TOTAL FARMERS, SPOUSES AND OTHER WORKERS		62.9	63.0	63.1	63.0	62.5	61.9	61.1	59.3

Table 3.6 Number of Farms in Northern Ireland, 1992 - 2006

('000 farms)

	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999
TOTAL FARMS	34.5	34.1	33.6	33.1	32.6	32.1	31.8	31.1

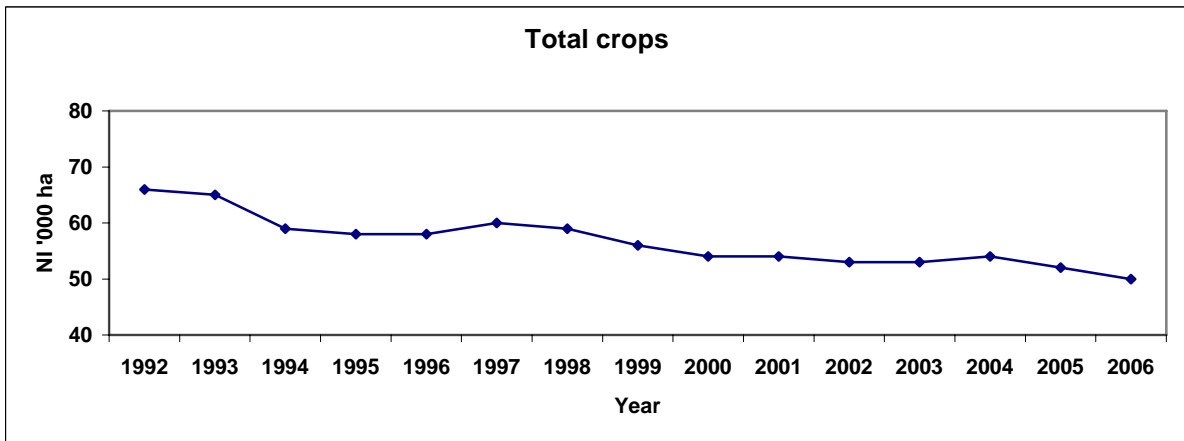
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2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006		
19.2	18.8	18.4	18.1	17.2	17.1	16.9	Male	Farmers
1.3	1.4	1.3	1.2	1.1	1.1	1.1	Female	Full time
20.5	20.2	19.7	19.3	18.3	18.2	18.0		Total full-time farmers
13.3	13.7	12.7	12.8	13.0	12.5	12.2	Male	Part time
2.1	2.1	2.1	1.9	2.0	1.9	1.8	Female	
15.4	15.8	14.8	14.7	14.9	14.4	14.0		Total part-time farmers
35.9	36.0	34.5	34.0	33.3	32.5	32.0		TOTAL FARMERS
2.5	2.2	2.1	2.2	2.1	2.0	2.1	Total	Farmers' spouses
4.6	4.3	4.1	4.3	4.3	4.1	4.2	Total	Full time
								Part time
7.0	6.5	6.2	6.4	6.4	6.2	6.3		TOTAL SPOUSES
2.7	2.5	2.4	2.5	2.4	2.2	2.1	Male	Other workers
0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.4	Female	Full time
3.0	2.8	2.7	2.8	2.7	2.6	2.5		Total full-time
2.4	2.3	2.2	2.3	2.3	2.1	2.0	Male	Part time
0.7	0.5	0.6	0.6	0.5	0.4	0.4	Female	
3.1	2.8	2.8	2.8	2.8	2.5	2.3		Total part-time
7.9	7.5	7.2	7.6	7.4	6.7	6.2	Male	Casual
0.9	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.7	0.6	0.6	Female	
8.8	8.3	8.0	8.4	8.1	7.3	6.8		Total casual/seasonal
14.9	13.9	13.5	14.1	13.7	12.4	11.7		TOTAL OTHER WORKERS
57.8	56.4	54.3	54.5	53.3	51.1	50.0		TOTAL FARMERS, SPOUSES AND OTHER WORKERS

(’000 farms)

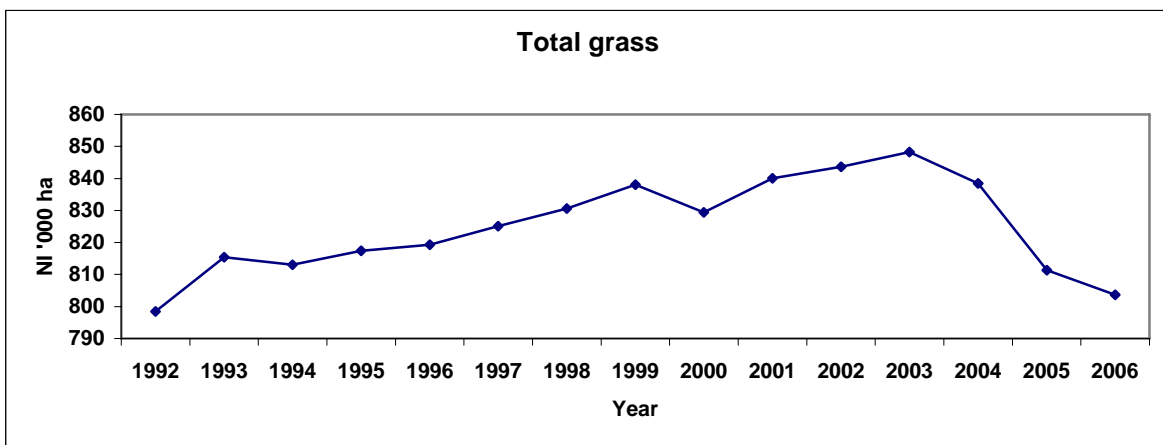
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29.9	29.8	28.5	28.3	27.6	27.1	26.7	TOTAL FARMS

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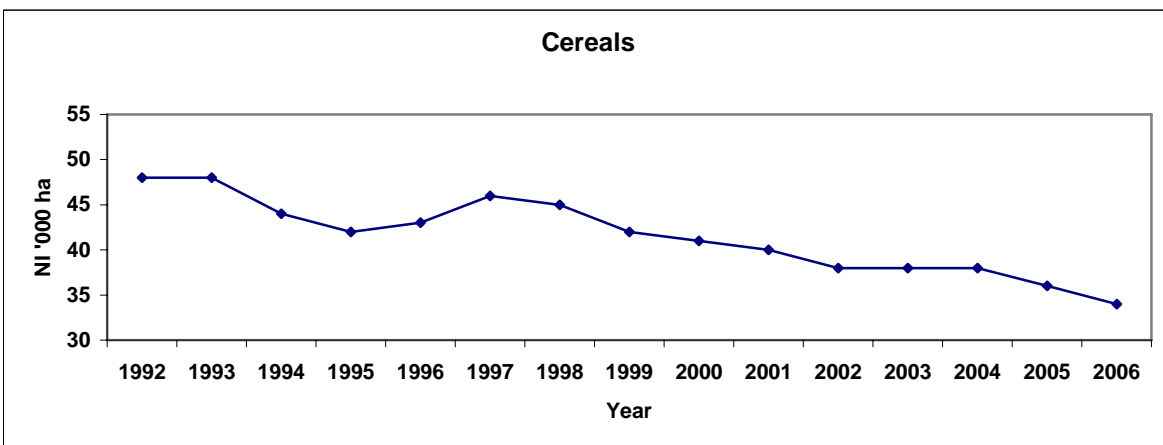
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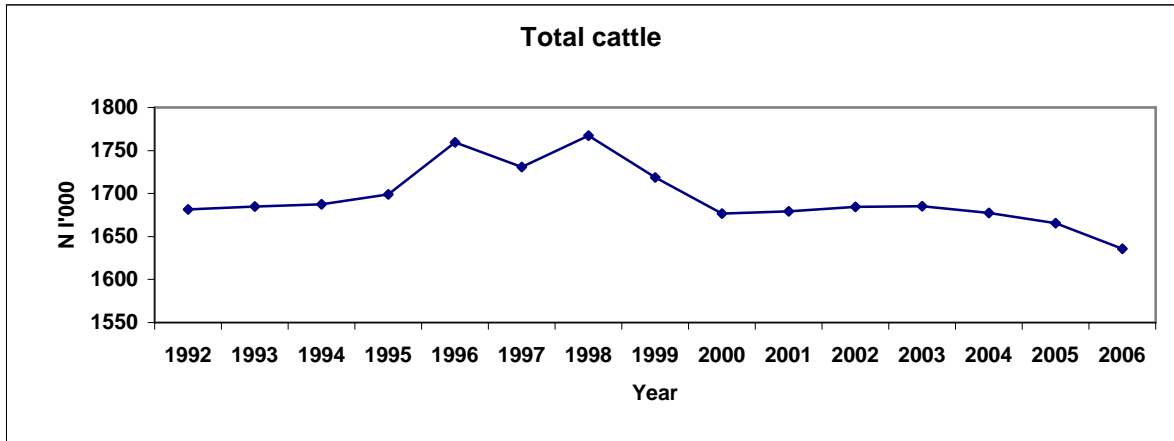
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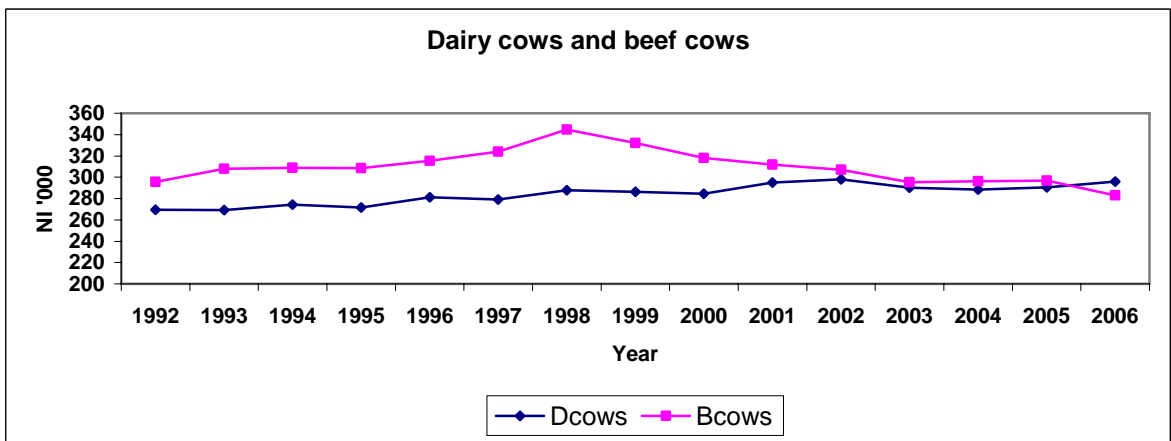
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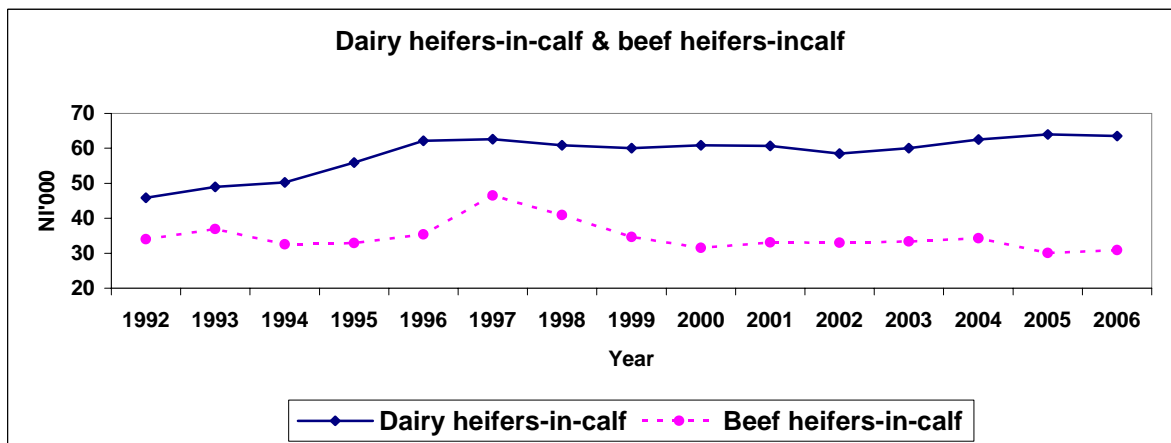
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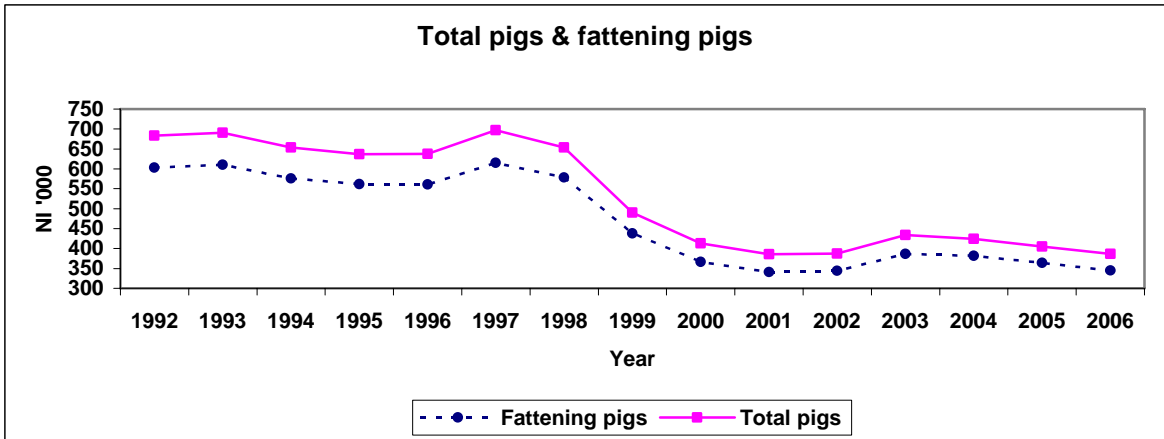
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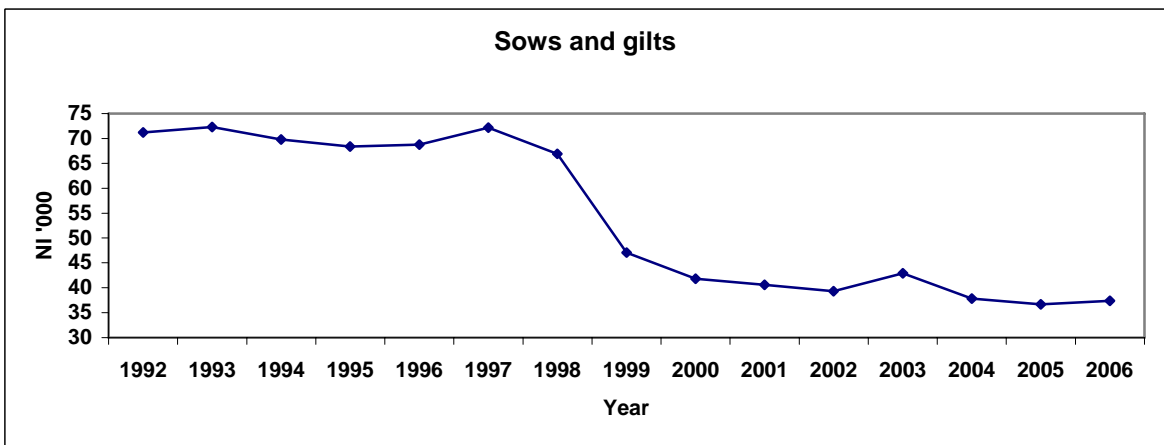
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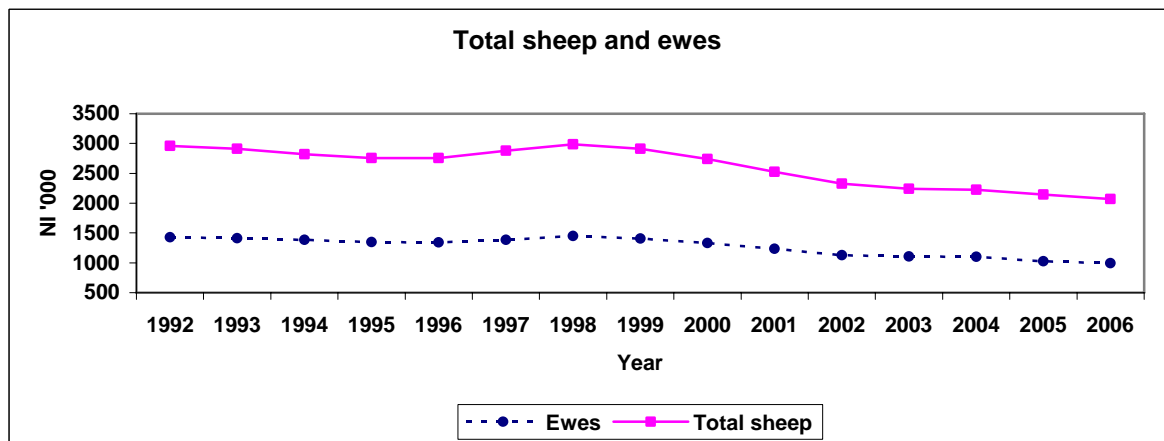
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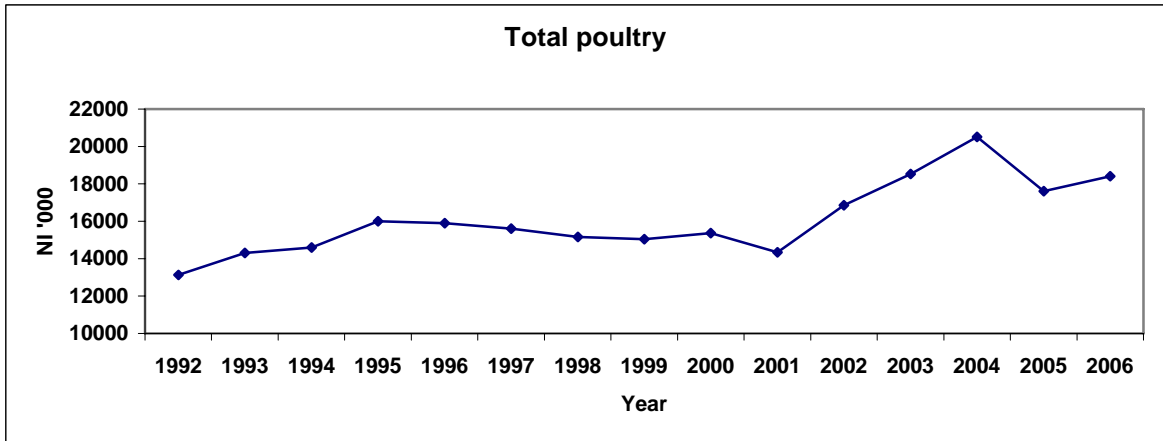
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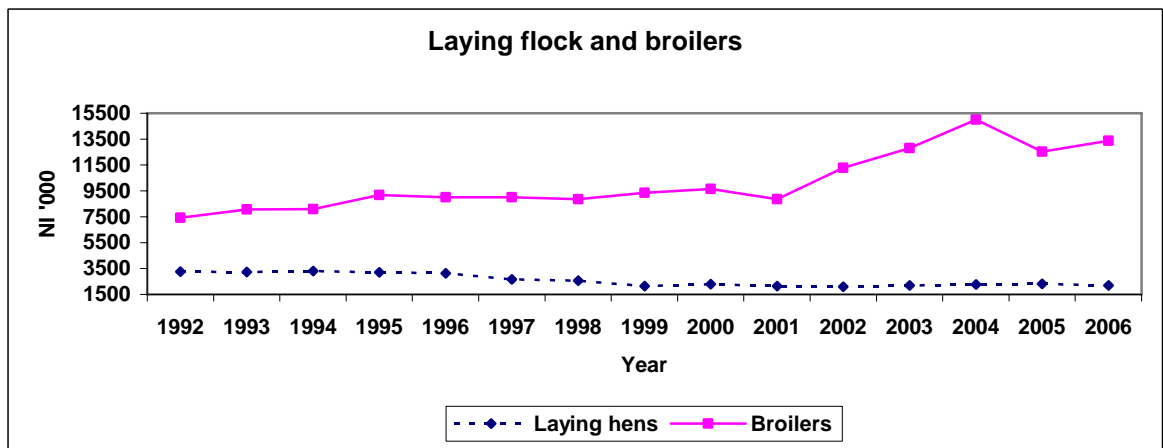
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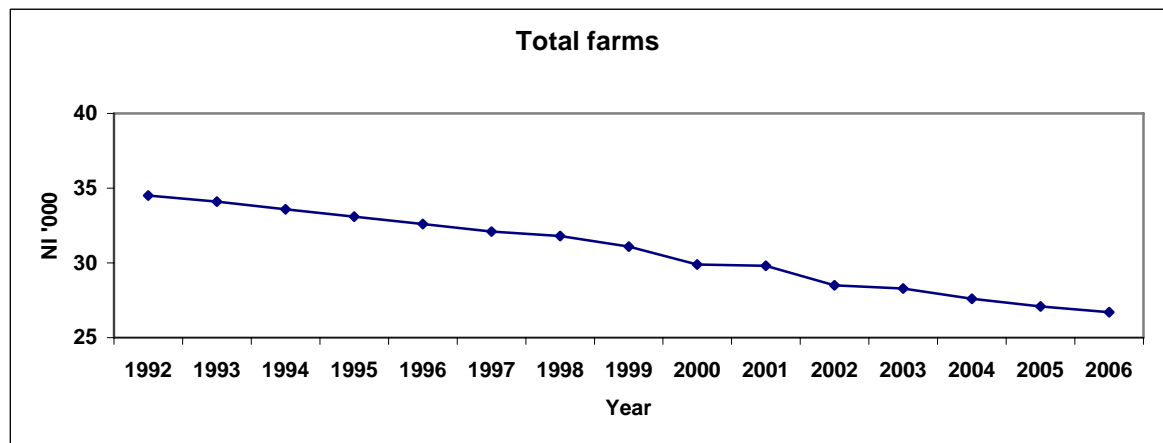
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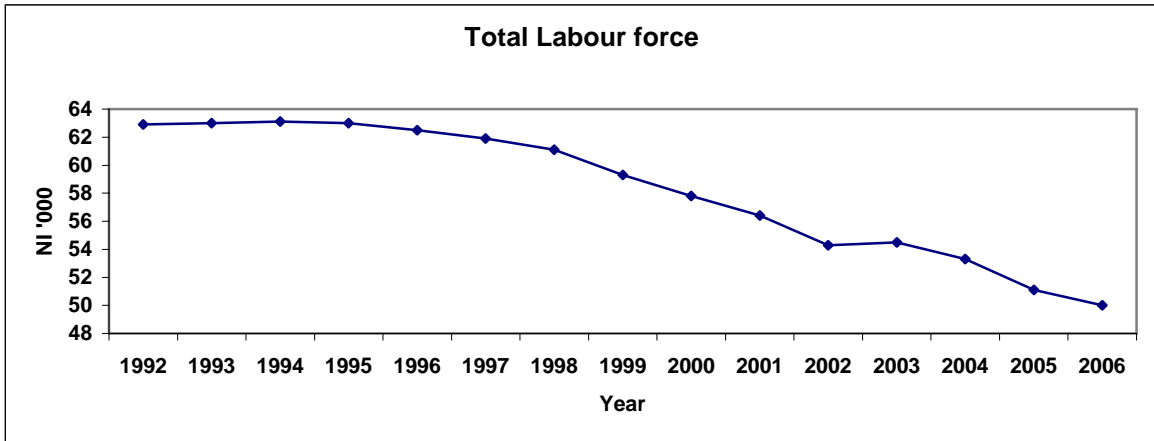
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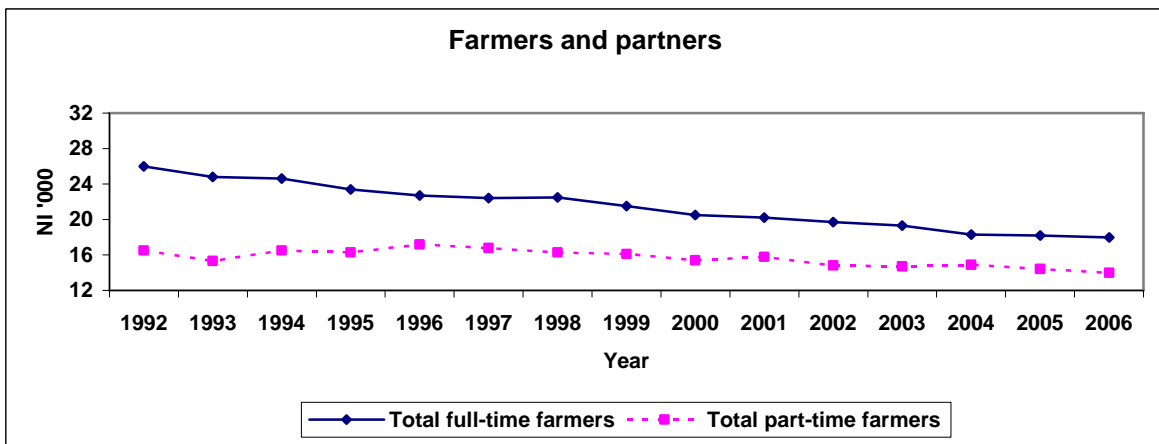
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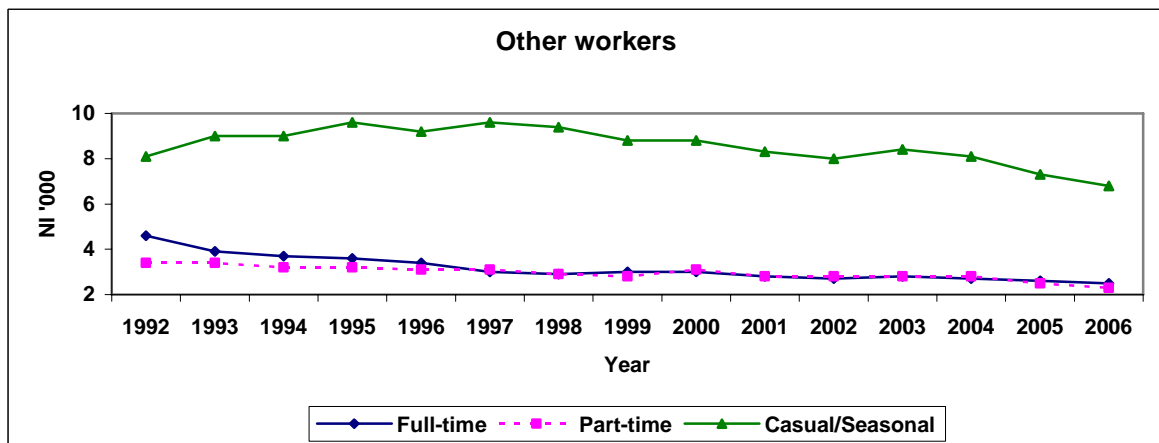
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Non-zero intercept

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Non-zero intercept

SECTION 4

FARM STRUCTURE, 2006

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Table 4.1 Number and area of farms by crop & grass area farmed by county in Northern Ireland, June 2006

<i>Crops and grass area farmed (hectares)</i>	Crops & grass													
	Antrim		Armagh		Down		Fermanagh		Londonderry		Tyrone		N.Ireland	
	Farms	Area	Farms	Area	Farms	Area	Farms	Area	Farms	Area	Farms	Area	Farms	Area
< 2	202	115	190	114	186	124	78	34	104	66	204	110	964	563
2 - 4.9	269	922	342	1,213	439	1,550	167	596	225	802	355	1,248	1,797	6,330
5 - 9.9	588	4,400	693	5,158	736	5,432	366	2,761	447	3,266	875	6,517	3,705	27,535
10 - 14.9	463	5,697	606	7,445	660	8,105	388	4,734	445	5,465	909	11,172	3,471	42,617
15 - 19.9	435	7,542	449	7,731	500	8,625	354	6,143	367	6,311	703	12,099	2,808	48,451
20 - 29.9	679	16,683	585	14,200	724	17,606	582	14,282	518	12,716	1,143	27,990	4,231	103,476
30 - 39.9	502	17,420	339	11,633	515	17,697	351	12,037	363	12,486	687	23,602	2,757	94,874
40 - 49.9	357	15,905	226	10,043	348	15,565	264	11,775	275	12,242	503	22,405	1,973	87,935
50 - 74.9	578	35,232	250	14,952	470	28,526	340	20,529	407	24,834	624	37,715	2,669	161,787
75 - 99.9	271	23,392	98	8,398	241	20,566	136	11,665	171	14,550	236	20,052	1,153	98,624
100 & over	304	46,066	76	11,519	253	38,633	151	21,960	195	29,588	232	33,570	1,211	181,336
Total	4,648	173,373	3,854	92,406	5,072	162,429	3,177	106,515	3,517	122,325	6,471	196,480	26,739	853,528

Table 4.2 Number and area of farms by total area by county in Northern Ireland, June 2006

<i>Total area (hectares)</i>	Total area													
	Antrim		Armagh		Down		Fermanagh		Londonderry		Tyrone		N.Ireland	
	Farms	Area	Farms	Area	Farms	Area	Farms	Area	Farms	Area	Farms	Area	Farms	Area
< 2	134	96	150	116	130	113	36	29	67	55	140	103	657	513
2 - 4.9	227	783	314	1,112	400	1,422	111	406	203	727	298	1,055	1,553	5,506
5 - 9.9	477	3,556	672	5,019	710	5,244	298	2,271	395	2,870	703	5,279	3,255	24,238
10 - 14.9	403	4,987	590	7,278	646	7,944	363	4,523	376	4,621	783	9,660	3,161	39,014
15 - 19.9	387	6,699	455	7,860	508	8,773	355	6,165	308	5,279	637	11,012	2,650	45,788
20 - 29.9	642	15,816	621	15,078	723	17,574	601	14,816	481	11,829	1,108	27,307	4,176	102,419
30 - 39.9	530	18,534	360	12,386	546	18,856	361	12,401	364	12,527	734	25,384	2,895	100,088
40 - 49.9	379	16,868	241	10,675	363	16,267	298	13,296	290	12,948	580	25,885	2,151	95,940
50 - 74.9	655	40,024	261	15,692	505	30,727	377	22,943	458	27,920	767	46,775	3,023	184,081
75 - 99.9	330	28,448	102	8,713	262	22,350	174	15,004	223	19,142	324	27,579	1,415	121,237
100 & over	484	84,812	88	13,289	279	53,068	203	32,768	352	60,285	397	65,450	1,803	309,673
Total	4,648	220,625	3,854	97,217	5,072	182,338	3,177	124,621	3,517	158,205	6,471	245,490	26,739	1,028,495

Table 4.3 Number of farms by (a) type of farm and (b) farm business size by county in Northern Ireland, June 2006

	County						
	Antrim	Armagh	Down	Fermanagh	Londonderry	Tyrone	N.Ireland
FARM TYPE:							
Cereals	59	38	207	1	98	40	443
General cropping	53	12	93	1	48	23	230
Horticulture	37	165	61	3	14	21	301
Pigs & poultry	146	94	89	28	52	166	575
Dairy	817	455	693	408	426	962	3,761
Cattle & sheep: LFA	2,437	2,180	1,782	2,659	1,914	4,258	15,230
Cattle & sheep: lowland	800	685	1,677	17	719	731	4,629
Mixed	183	98	289	11	184	153	918
Other type	116	127	181	49	62	117	652
All types	4,648	3,854	5,072	3,177	3,517	6,471	26,739
FARM BUSINESS SIZE:							
Very small	3,174	3,103	3,733	2,669	2,579	5,061	20,319
Small	783	422	714	358	538	835	3,650
Medium	355	148	280	99	213	320	1,415
Large	336	181	345	51	187	255	1,355
Total	4,648	3,854	5,072	3,177	3,517	6,471	26,739

NOTE: Farm business size is determined using Standard Labour Requirements.

Table 4.4 Number of farms by (a) type of farm; (b) crops and grass area and (c) total area by farm business size in Northern Ireland, June 2006

	Farm business size				
	Very small	Small	Medium	Large	Total
FARM TYPE:					
Cereals	357	52	18	16	443
General cropping	130	43	21	36	230
Horticulture	132	58	31	80	301
Pigs & poultry	295	140	67	73	575
Dairy	750	1,347	802	862	3,761
Cattle & sheep: LFA	13,621	1,239	258	112	15,230
Cattle & sheep: lowland	3,976	505	105	43	4,629
Mixed	525	225	76	92	918
Other type	533	41	37	41	652
All types	20,319	3,650	1,415	1,355	26,739
AREA OF CROPS & GRASS FARMED (hectares)					
Under 10	6,195	136	63	72	6,466
10 - 19.9	6,059	157	27	36	6,279
20.0 - 29.9	3,789	372	47	23	4,231
30.0 - 49.9	3,165	1,239	247	79	4,730
50.0 - 99.9	1,056	1,461	769	536	3,822
100 & over	55	285	262	609	1,211
Total	20,319	3,650	1,415	1,355	26,739
TOTAL AREA FARMED (hectares)					
Under 10	5,236	104	56	69	5,465
10 - 19.9	5,633	120	26	32	5,811
20.0 - 29.9	3,822	291	40	23	4,176
30.0 - 49.9	3,656	1,111	206	73	5,046
50.0 - 99.9	1,751	1,455	739	493	4,438
100 & over	221	569	348	665	1,803
Total	20,319	3,650	1,415	1,355	26,739

Table 4.5 Number of farms by farm business size and by percentage of area farmed which is owner-occupied, June 2006

Owner-occupied land as percentage of area farmed	Farm business size				
	Very small	Small	Medium	Large	Total
All	11,436	979	276	229	12,920
50-<100%	4,595	1,710	730	709	7,744
>0-<50%	2,622	850	382	396	4,250
None	1,666	111	27	21	1,825
All farms	20,319	3,650	1,415	1,355	26,739
Average percentage owner-occupied	74	66	61	61	69

Table 4.6 Number of farmers and workers by farm business size in Northern Ireland, June 2006

	Farm business size				
	Very small	Small	Medium	Large	Total
<i>Farmers, partners & directors:</i>					
Full-time	10,205	3,939	1,796	2,041	17,981
Part-time	12,657	817	270	269	14,013
Total	22,862	4,756	2,066	2,310	31,994
<i>Spouses</i>	3,949	1,161	572	603	6,285
<i>Other workers</i>					
Full-time	464	420	291	1,356	2,531
Part-time	1,198	471	294	384	2,347
Casual/seasonal	3,447	1,409	729	1,210	6,795
Total other workers	5,109	2,300	1,314	2,950	11,673
Total agricultural labour force	31,920	8,217	3,952	5,863	49,952

SECTION 5

FARM ENTERPRISES, 2006

Tables showing the numbers of farms in each county having each crop or type of livestock and the distribution by enterprise size.

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	Laying hens
	Total ordinary fowl
	Total poultry

Table 5.1 Distribution of farms and cereals by area of cereals by county, June 2006

Area of cereals on farms (hectares)	All Cereals											
	Antrim		Armagh		Down		Londonderry		Fermanagh & Tyrone ¹		N.Ireland	
	Farms	Area	Farms	Area	Farms	Area	Farms	Area	Farms	Area	Farms	Area
under 1	14	9	14	19	20	11	10	7	5	4	51	32
1 - 1.9	61	88			82	116	51	75	25	37	231	332
2 - 4.9	207	667	50	162	295	981	228	747	96	324	876	2,881
5 - 9.9	144	1,020	61	428	257	1,852	159	1,097	81	566	702	4,963
10 - 19.9	102	1,396	51	710	217	3,042	107	1,495	44	598	521	7,241
20 - 29.9	29	697	7	218	63	1,499	39	924	16	379	150	3,576
30 - 39.9	14	474			34	1,168	15	510	5	181	72	2,475
40 - 49.9	6	272	11	95	23	986	12	528	7	456	46	2,010
50 and over	13	1,065			50	5235	27	2567.4			103	10,050
Total	590	5,687	194	2,487	1,041	14,891	648	7,950	279	2,545	2,752	33,560

¹ Figures for Fermanagh and Tyrone have been amalgamated due to data confidentiality constraints.

Table 5.2 Distribution of farms and crops by area of barley by county, June 2006

Area of barley on farms (hectares)	Barley (spring and winter)											
	Antrim		Armagh		Down		Londonderry		Fermanagh & Tyrone ¹		N.Ireland	
	Farms	Area	Farms	Area	Farms	Area	Farms	Area	Farms	Area	Farms	Area
under 1	12	8	11	15	21	12	6	5	20	29	44	29
1 - 1.9	55	79			72	102	46	67			199	288
2 - 4.9	184	593	46	146	270	884	207	683	81	280	788	2,585
5 - 9.9	115	801	50	339	231	1,668	153	1,060	67	462	616	4,329
10 - 19.9	78	1,054	26	359	185	2,506	91	1,225	24	326	404	5,469
20 - 29.9	17	421	7	222	56	1,300	41	957	18	435	135	3,187
30 - 39.9	6	162			22	775	11	382	7	379	44	1,523
40 & over	11	572			41	2,901	24	1,621			81	5,414
Total	478	3,691	140	1,080	898	10,147	579	5,998	217	1,910	2,311	22,825

¹ Figures for Fermanagh and Tyrone have been amalgamated due to data confidentiality constraints.

Table 5.3 Distribution of farms and crops by area of crop, Northern Ireland, June 2006

<i>Area of crop on farms (hectares)</i>	<u>Winter Barley</u>		<u>Spring Barley</u>		<u>Oats</u>		<u>Wheat</u>	
	Farms	Area	Farms	Area	Farms	Area	Farms	Area
under 1	6	4	41	27	24	14	8	6
1 - 1.9	20	27	208	302	78	113	41	61
2 - 4.9	141	452	743	2,453	141	435	192	640
5 - 9.9	119	857	574	3,991	67	454	203	1,447
10 - 19.9	70	956	374	5,015	31	406	127	1,738
20 - 29.9	37	831	104	2,463	7	181	44	1,030
30 - 39.9	11	380	39	1,354	6	263	23	770
40 - 49.9	13	1092.2	17	738			7	307
50 and over			28	1,883			25	2,722
Total	417	4,599	2,128	18,226	354	1,865	670	8,720

Table 5.4 Distribution of farms and potatoes by area of potatoes by county, June 2006

<i>Area of potatoes on farms (hectares)</i>	<u>Potatoes</u>											
	<u>Antrim</u>		<u>Armagh</u>		<u>Down</u>		<u>Londonderry</u>		<u>Fermanagh & Tyrone¹</u>		<u>N.Ireland</u>	
	Farms	Area	Farms	Area	Farms	Area	Farms	Area	Farms	Area	Farms	Area
under 0.5	24	6	16	4	41	10	9	2	29	8	119	30
0.5 - 0.9	25	18	8	6	35	24	16	11	10	7	94	66
1 - 1.9	27	38	7	9	43	54	22	30	13	17	112	148
2 - 2.9	13	30	6	18	23	53	19	42	9	21	66	150
3 - 4.9	30	113			37	140	16	61	9	36	96	364
5 - 9.9	19	132	7	124	27	183	19	127	7	51	76	521
10 - 14.9	10	116			16	187	13	165	9	152	44	529
15 & over	20	750			41	1,276	18	726			86	2,940
Total	168	1,203	44	161	263	1,928	132	1,164	86	292	693	4,748

¹ Figures for Fermanagh and Tyrone have been amalgamated due to data confidentiality constraints.

Table 5.5 Distribution of farms and dairy cows by number of dairy cows and county, June 2006

<i>Number of dairy cows on farms</i>	Dairy cows													
	Antrim		Armagh		Down		Fermanagh		Londonderry		Tyrone		N.Ireland	
	Farms	Cows	Farms	Cows	Farms	Cows	Farms	Cows	Farms	Cows	Farms	Cows	Farms	Cows
1 - 4	15	29	16	34	15	31	17	41	6	9	20	49	89	193
5 - 9	26	190	15	111	21	151	15	103	17	125	30	209	124	889
10 - 14	24	289	47	564	21	252	21	270	20	242	43	511	176	2,128
15 - 19	21	354	22	381	19	311	40	673	17	287	45	765	164	2,771
20 - 29	63	1,544	43	1,068	42	1,045	75	1,831	33	788	99	2,414	355	8,690
30 - 39	81	2,823	57	1,935	55	1,883	62	2,135	40	1,391	115	3,960	410	14,127
40 - 49	102	4,476	54	2,403	53	2,353	53	2,304	45	1,990	117	5,182	424	18,708
50 - 59	78	4,292	36	1,926	62	3,369	49	2,628	49	2,623	92	4,950	366	19,788
60 - 69	71	4,563	36	2,286	65	4,184	20	1,255	28	1,782	89	5,726	309	19,796
70 - 99	198	16,508	92	7,545	134	10,970	52	4,268	114	9,298	193	15,979	783	64,568
100 & over	227	32,893	89	14,626	274	44,042	38	5,168	117	17,578	202	29,986	947	144,293
Total	906	67,961	507	32,879	761	68,591	442	20,676	486	36,113	1,045	69,731	4,147	295,951

Table 5.6 Distribution of farms and beef cows by number of beef cows and county, June 2006

<i>Number of beef cows on farms</i>	Beef cows													
	Antrim		Armagh		Down		Fermanagh		Londonderry		Tyrone		N.Ireland	
	Farms	Cows	Farms	Cows	Farms	Cows	Farms	Cows	Farms	Cows	Farms	Cows	Farms	Cows
1 - 2	268	389	297	451	345	516	209	323	223	340	505	741	1,847	2,760
3 - 4	218	758	234	821	256	887	244	853	160	558	423	1,474	1,535	5,351
5 - 9	420	2,970	492	3,422	543	3,773	550	3,901	391	2,717	879	6,092	3,275	22,875
10 - 14	318	3,734	361	4,179	413	4,845	441	5,156	298	3,473	650	7,607	2,481	28,994
15 - 19	278	4,625	280	4,571	266	4,368	290	4,808	273	4,482	548	8,975	1,935	31,829
20 - 29	356	8,486	272	6,369	324	7,530	365	8,611	270	6,484	552	13,053	2,139	50,533
30 - 39	194	6,571	130	4,324	173	5,851	191	6,350	154	5,161	249	8,374	1,091	36,631
40 - 49	130	5,668	56	2,443	87	3,789	92	4,004	88	3,830	160	7,027	613	26,761
50 - 59	65	3,478	34	1,860	66	3,519	53	2,826	49	2,658	48	2,583	315	16,924
60 - 69	57	3,603	14	878	39	2,483	40	2,538	24	1,542	56	3,569	230	14,613
70 - 99	75	6,093	25	2,002	34	2,750	41	3,267	46	3,696	56	4,538	277	22,346
100 & over	45	7,178	10	1,460	19	2,697	37	4,622	27	3,391	30	4,067	168	23,415
Total	2,424	53,553	2,205	32,780	2,565	43,008	2,553	47,259	2,003	38,332	4,156	68,100	15,906	283,032

Table 5.7 Distribution of farms and cattle over one year old, intended for slaughter, by number of cattle and county, June 2006

Number of cattle on farms	Male and female cattle one year old & over, intended for slaughter													
	Antrim		Armagh		Down		Fermanagh		Londonderry		Tyrone		N.Ireland	
	Farms	Cattle	Farms	Cattle	Farms	Cattle	Farms	Cattle	Farms	Cattle	Farms	Cattle	Farms	Cattle
1 - 2	395	561	389	564	414	596	623	886	333	463	792	1,146	2,946	4,216
3 - 4	271	938	279	962	282	961	283	963	262	914	468	1,620	1,845	6,358
5 - 9	496	3,405	534	3,643	625	4,290	362	2,495	385	2,648	856	5,895	3,258	22,376
10 - 14	340	4,064	398	4,705	392	4,595	225	2,650	298	3,545	582	6,837	2,235	26,396
15 - 19	269	4,536	241	4,067	287	4,818	121	2,017	201	3,382	399	6,747	1,518	25,567
20 - 29	355	8,510	363	8,754	466	11,100	177	4,239	284	6,821	491	11,705	2,136	51,129
30 - 39	226	7,762	200	6,714	262	8,922	82	2,796	168	5,732	325	11,013	1,263	42,939
40 - 49	165	7,273	126	5,515	181	7,942	60	2,612	102	4,508	224	9,844	858	37,694
50 - 59	96	5,210	99	5,324	112	6,142	45	2,447	80	4,321	142	7,634	574	31,078
60 - 69	71	4,535	71	4,563	86	5,493	24	1,537	60	3,835	84	5,377	396	25,340
70 - 99	132	10,946	93	7,716	126	10,345	31	2,488	90	7,526	162	13,341	634	52,362
100 & over	142	21,371	106	16,597	131	20,262	34	5,532	76	13,233	139	24,745	628	101,740
Total	2,958	79,111	2,899	69,124	3,364	85,466	2,067	30,662	2,339	56,928	4,664	105,904	18,291	427,195

Table 5.8 Distribution of farms and total cattle by number of cattle and county, June 2006

Number of cattle on farms	Total cattle													
	Antrim		Armagh		Down		Fermanagh		Londonderry		Tyrone		N.Ireland	
	Farms	Cattle	Farms	Cattle	Farms	Cattle	Farms	Cattle	Farms	Cattle	Farms	Cattle	Farms	Cattle
1 - 4	175	458	193	517	188	487	159	419	139	353	292	776	1,146	3,010
5 - 9	238	1,683	286	2,059	287	1,991	255	1,774	230	1,645	419	2,959	1,715	12,111
10 - 19	439	6,352	566	8,114	595	8,491	547	7,904	405	5,666	910	13,046	3,462	49,573
20 - 29	381	9,219	476	11,573	511	12,406	445	10,766	317	7,579	755	18,379	2,885	69,922
30 - 39	310	10,626	331	11,272	356	12,178	304	10,365	284	9,697	519	17,853	2,104	71,991
40 - 49	281	12,491	246	10,903	262	11,550	237	10,515	219	9,687	478	21,149	1,723	76,295
50 - 69	410	24,279	386	22,712	426	25,162	342	20,021	324	19,027	635	36,893	2,523	148,094
70 - 99	465	39,039	317	26,351	421	35,323	312	25,630	294	24,442	607	50,759	2,416	201,544
100 - 149	459	55,846	287	34,757	399	48,514	231	27,934	305	37,649	564	68,381	2,245	273,081
150 - 199	260	44,581	139	23,580	210	36,168	95	16,198	168	28,891	275	47,233	1,147	196,651
200 - 249	185	41,000	70	15,601	144	32,168	51	11,014	90	20,198	148	32,656	688	152,637
250 - 299	99	27,032	38	10,356	97	26,263	24	6,439	41	11,215	76	20,593	375	101,898
300 & over	142	58,165	78	34,504	159	68,981	41	15,774	99	40,360	144	61,136	663	278,920
Total	3,844	330,771	3,413	212,299	4,055	319,682	3,043	164,753	2,915	216,409	5,822	391,813	23,092	1,635,727

Table 5.9 Distribution of farms and breeding ewes by number of ewes and county, June 2006

Number of ewes on farms	Breeding ewes													
	Antrim		Armagh		Down		Fermanagh		Londonderry		Tyrone		N.Ireland	
	Farms	Ewes	Farms	Ewes	Farms	Ewes	Farms	Ewes	Farms	Ewes	Farms	Ewes	Farms	Ewes
1 - 24	242	3,386	181	2,619	290	4,264	114	1,573	191	2,667	370	5,142	1,388	19,652
25 - 49	319	11,852	190	6,731	402	14,168	121	4,192	244	9,125	361	12,954	1,637	59,022
50 - 99	504	36,283	180	12,479	551	38,643	129	8,842	425	29,920	480	34,213	2,269	160,380
100 - 199	482	65,692	112	14,705	463	64,085	82	10,582	420	56,910	434	59,250	1,993	271,224
200 - 299	203	48,810	34	8,334	134	31,825	20	4,976	157	37,888	122	29,007	670	160,840
300 - 399	86	28,769	10	3,244	41	13,595	9	3,051	73	24,695	61	20,651	280	94,005
400 - 499	44	19,330	5	2,309	26	11,744	6	2,537	35	15,449	30	13,349	144	63,718
500 - 999	60	39,451			29	21,277	10	7,342	46	30,020	30	19,334	171	110,477
1,000 & over	16	25,202							6	6,886	9	11,698	37	51,733
Total	1,956	278,775	712	50,421	1,936	199,602	491	43,095	1,597	213,559	1,897	205,598	8,589	991,051

Table 5.10 Distribution of farms and total sheep by number of sheep and county, June 2006

Number of sheep on farms	Total sheep													
	Antrim		Armagh		Down		Fermanagh		Londonderry		Tyrone		N.Ireland	
	Farms	Sheep	Farms	Sheep	Farms	Sheep	Farms	Sheep	Farms	Sheep	Farms	Sheep	Farms	Sheep
1 - 24	125	1,570	85	1,238	144	1,883	60	778	98	1,187	166	2,106	678	8,762
25 - 49	167	6,196	137	5,028	221	8,176	76	2,861	131	4,823	246	9,107	978	36,191
50 - 99	311	23,025	177	12,888	413	29,700	115	8,312	242	17,975	337	24,468	1,595	116,368
100 - 199	473	68,741	166	22,787	509	73,489	125	17,507	413	59,193	476	68,656	2,162	310,374
200 - 299	326	79,830	76	17,828	274	66,610	59	14,387	263	64,132	289	70,506	1,287	313,292
300 - 399	158	54,985	33	11,061	165	56,907	21	7,384	143	49,136	135	46,696	655	226,168
400 - 499	122	54,691	18	8,231	79	35,054	14	6,104	86	38,016	79	35,216	398	177,313
500 - 699	151	88,039	23	13,363	88	50,507	15	8,753	117	68,611	96	56,394	490	285,667
700 - 999	75	60,722	11	9,916	39	32,101	9	7,507	75	60,523	55	44,768	261	212,278
1,000 & over	91	151,420			36	53,092	10	16,009	59	87,175	47	73,086	246	384,040
Total	1,999	589,219	726	102,340	1,968	407,520	504	89,601	1,627	450,771	1,926	431,003	8,750	2,070,454

Table 5.11 Distribution of farms and sows by number of sows and county, June 2006

<i>Number of sows on farms</i>	Sows											
	Antrim		Armagh		Down		Londonderry		Fermanagh & Tyrone¹		N.Ireland	
	Farms	Sows	Farms	Sows	Farms	Sows	Farms	Sows	Farms	Sows	Farms	Sows
1 - 9	19	55	21	81	36	125	10	36	20	51	106	348
10 - 19	5	72	6	80	6	81	8	195	11	147	31	423
20 - 49	8	248	12	334	14	441			19	673	58	1,848
50 - 99	6	509	10	745	16	1,172	11	738	15	1,089	58	4,253
100 - 149	8	2,158	14	6,748	11	1,430	9	1,059	17	2,065	42	5,169
150 & over					8	3,612	17	4,841	20	8,658	62	25,402
Total	46	3,042	63	7,988	91	6,861	55	6,869	102	12,683	357	37,443

¹ Figures for Fermanagh and Tyrone have been amalgamated due to data confidentiality constraints.

Table 5.12 Distribution of farms and fattening pigs (20 Kg +) by number of pigs and county, June 2006

<i>Number of pigs on farms</i>	Fattening pigs (20Kg +)											
	Antrim		Armagh		Down		Londonderry		Fermanagh & Tyrone¹		N.Ireland	
	Farms	Pigs	Farms	Pigs	Farms	Pigs	Farms	Pigs	Farms	Pigs	Farms	Pigs
1 - 9	9	35	7	25	18	64	5	19	9	45	48	188
10 - 49	10	193	11	264	20	483	8	342	6	223	51	1,228
50 - 99	10	1,128	7	487	14	1,772			8	579	27	2,004
100 - 199			8	1,093			13	3,428	7	1,021	35	4,910
200 - 399	5	1,563	14	3,769	8	2,640			16	4,779	52	15,622
400 - 999	8	5,242	11	6,660	23	13,442	12	7,233	27	16,229	81	48,806
1,000 & over	5	13,177	7	23,152	9	23,786	18	28,252	21	58,150	60	146,517
Total	47	21,338	65	35,450	92	42,187	56	39,274	94	81,026	354	219,275

¹ Figures for Fermanagh and Tyrone have been amalgamated due to data confidentiality constraints.

Table 5.13 Distribution of farms and total pigs by number of pigs and county, June 2006

<i>Number of pigs on farms</i>	Total pigs											
	Antrim		Armagh		Down		Londonderry		Fermanagh & Tyrone¹		N.Ireland	
	Farms	Pigs	Farms	Pigs	Farms	Pigs	Farms	Pigs	Farms	Pigs	Farms	Pigs
1 - 9	19	47	15	44	27	91	9	20	17	54	87	256
10 - 49	14	313	14	355	29	710	8	149	8	183	73	1,710
50 - 99	11	1,275	6	490	5	327	7	882	11	787	29	2,091
100 - 199			9	1,458	8	1,024			7	1,196	35	5,348
200 - 399	5	1,303	11	3,110	9	2,456	5	1,391	14	4,465	44	12,725
400 - 999	6	3,973	12	7,898	19	13,579	12	7,933	29	20,109	78	53,492
1,000 & over	11	27,063	15	58,300	21	53,413	25	58,478	34	113,723	106	310,977
Total	66	33,974	82	71,655	118	71,600	66	68,853	120	140,517	452	386,599

¹ Figures for Fermanagh and Tyrone have been amalgamated due to data confidentiality constraints.

Table 5.14 Distribution of farms and fowl by size of flock in Northern Ireland, June 2006

<i>Size of flock on farms</i>	Poultry											
	Broilers		Growing pullets		Breeding fowl		Laying hens		Ordinary fowl		Total poultry	
	Farms	Broilers ('000)	Farms	Pullets ('000)	Farms	Fowl ('000)	Farms	Hens ('000)	Farms	Birds ('000)	Farms	Birds ('000)
under 1,000	43	1	101	2	252	4	938	17	1,107	23	1,283	38
1,000 - 4,999	21	162	22	282	11	45	20	61	32	112	74	220
5,000 - 9,999					45	288	32	224	97	677	121	862
10,000 - 19,999	58	885			43	601	27	369	145	2,097	152	2,209
20,000 - 29,999	58	1,269	6	147	13	306	6	132	81	1,808	82	1,837
30,000 - 49,999	89	3,410	6	313	7	351	9	344	102	3,915	104	3,980
50,000 and over	76	7,640					8	1,042	92	9,261	92	9,266
Total	345	13,367	135	743	371	1,595	1,040	2,188	1,656	17,893	1,908	18,411

SECTION 6

DISTRICT COUNCIL AREA STATISTICS, 2006

Tables showing the numbers of farms, crop areas, livestock numbers and persons working on farms in each District Council Area in 2006.

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**Table 6.1 Number of farms by crops & grass area by District Council
in Northern Ireland, June 2006**

<i>District Council</i>	Average crops & grass ha/farm	Crops & grass area									
		Number of farms					Percentage distribution				
		0-9.9	10-19.9	20-29.9	30+	Total	0-9.9	10-19.9	20-29.9	30+	Total
Antrim	42.6	159	137	98	342	736	22	19	13	46	100
Ards	45.3	135	118	87	290	630	21	19	14	46	100
Armagh	28.6	580	501	308	574	1,963	30	26	16	29	100
Ballymena	34.6	318	249	191	463	1,221	26	20	16	38	100
Ballymoney	38.0	161	138	101	332	732	22	19	14	45	100
Banbridge	33.3	270	285	154	428	1,137	24	25	14	38	100
Belfast	45.8	5	7	2	15	29	17	24	7	52	100
Carrickfergus	32.8	24	18	14	48	104	23	17	13	46	100
Castlereagh	45.4	27	22	17	51	117	23	19	15	44	100
Coleraine	46.3	125	135	80	350	690	18	20	12	51	100
Cookstown	28.8	345	377	238	391	1,351	26	28	18	29	100
Craigavon	31.2	203	149	100	194	646	31	23	15	30	100
Derry	45.4	103	95	74	218	490	21	19	15	44	100
Down	37.2	311	248	189	456	1,204	26	21	16	38	100
Dungannon	28.2	539	466	319	640	1,964	27	24	16	33	100
Fermanagh	33.9	626	764	601	1,304	3,295	19	23	18	40	100
Larne	40.8	118	114	92	232	556	21	21	17	42	100
Limavady	47.3	110	142	102	293	647	17	22	16	45	100
Lisburn	37.0	226	175	117	344	862	26	20	14	40	100
Magherafelt	28.9	365	361	221	427	1,374	27	26	16	31	100
Moyle	42.4	107	105	92	294	598	18	18	15	49	100
Newry & Mourne	21.1	916	770	395	641	2,722	34	28	15	24	100
Newtownabbey	40.2	51	47	31	106	235	22	20	13	45	100
North Down	44.5	15	12	11	35	73	21	16	15	48	100
Omagh	32.5	397	564	413	857	2,231	18	25	19	38	100
Strabane	43.6	230	280	184	438	1,132	20	25	16	39	100
Total	33.7	6,466	6,279	4,231	9,763	26,739	24	23	16	37	100

Table 6.2 Number of farms by business size by District Council in Northern Ireland, June 2006

<i>District Council</i>	Average SGM/farm (€'000)	Business size									
		Number of farms					Percentage distribution				
		V. Small	Small	Medium	Large	Total	V.Small	Small	Medium	Large	Total
Antrim	34.4	504	116	66	50	736	68	16	9	7	100
Ards	58.9	410	99	48	73	630	65	16	8	12	100
Armagh	28.9	1,523	240	90	110	1,963	78	12	5	6	100
Ballymena	35.1	852	195	92	82	1,221	70	16	8	7	100
Ballymoney	41.0	473	129	58	72	732	65	18	8	10	100
Banbridge	29.7	813	173	74	77	1,137	72	15	7	7	100
Belfast	36.1	19	5	2	3	29	66	17	7	10	100
Carrickfergus	19.6	76	19	5	4	104	73	18	5	4	100
Castlereagh	45.5	82	19	9	7	117	70	16	8	6	100
Coleraine	46.0	465	129	41	55	690	67	19	6	8	100
Cookstown	29.2	1,078	150	73	50	1,351	80	11	5	4	100
Craigavon	35.5	498	81	26	41	646	77	13	4	6	100
Derry	28.6	348	84	35	23	490	71	17	7	5	100
Down	28.3	902	175	65	62	1,204	75	15	5	5	100
Dungannon	25.7	1,538	242	95	89	1,964	78	12	5	5	100
Fermanagh	19.3	2,726	380	115	74	3,295	83	12	3	2	100
Larne	30.8	383	102	32	39	556	69	18	6	7	100
Limavady	32.1	471	105	33	38	647	73	16	5	6	100
Lisburn	34.9	626	131	52	53	862	73	15	6	6	100
Magherafelt	23.0	1,066	184	77	47	1,374	78	13	6	3	100
Moyle	33.9	384	121	55	38	598	64	20	9	6	100
Newry & Mourne	17.9	2,262	264	91	105	2,722	83	10	3	4	100
Newtownabbey	38.1	158	42	12	23	235	67	18	5	10	100
North Down	54.5	48	10	3	12	73	66	14	4	16	100
Omagh	23.8	1,771	282	99	79	2,231	79	13	4	4	100
Strabane	37.5	843	173	67	49	1,132	74	15	6	4	100
Total	28.7	20,319	3,650	1,415	1,355	26,739	76	14	5	5	100

Table 6.3 Number of farms by farm type by District Council in Northern Ireland, June 2006

<i>District Council</i>	Farm type									Total
	Cereals	General cropping	Horti-culture	Pigs & poultry	Dairy	Cattle & Sheep		Mixed	Others	
						LFA	lowland			
Antrim	10	7	7	18	141	304	196	33	20	736
Ards	44	23	21	8	121	97	240	45	31	630
Armagh	27	9	90	58	249	885	506	70	69	1,963
Ballymena	9	9	5	58	253	574	227	48	38	1,221
Ballymoney	11	18	1	29	168	274	175	46	10	732
Banbridge	60	22	7	24	182	332	417	60	33	1,137
Belfast	1	1	2	1	3	14	5	1	1	29
Carrickfergus	1	1	1	1	18	71	5	1	5	104
Castlereagh	5	2	2	0	16	20	59	7	6	117
Coleraine	18	12	8	14	103	306	180	39	10	690
Cookstown	15	9	2	59	185	747	261	48	25	1,351
Craigavon	15	5	50	16	90	245	178	25	22	646
Derry	15	3	2	6	62	276	89	22	15	490
Down	40	18	15	17	109	525	356	69	55	1,204
Dungannon	11	7	33	69	320	1,069	362	47	46	1,964
Fermanagh	4	5	3	32	435	2,681	61	22	52	3,295
Larne	3	2	3	11	82	416	18	7	14	556
Limavady	26	7	2	4	46	430	94	24	14	647
Lisburn	32	9	17	22	116	300	280	48	38	862
Magherafelt	30	13	2	22	169	797	246	79	16	1,374
Moyle	4	10	5	9	59	462	27	16	6	598
Newry & Mourne	32	16	14	47	314	1,791	374	72	62	2,722
Newtownabbey	6	2	2	5	39	111	50	10	10	235
North Down	5	2	1	1	18	7	30	6	3	73
Omagh	8	5	3	28	314	1,698	104	40	31	2,231
Strabane	11	13	3	16	149	798	89	33	20	1,132
Total	443	230	301	575	3,761	15,230	4,629	918	652	26,739

Table 6.4 Number of farms by LFA designation by District Council in Northern Ireland, June 2006

<i>District Council</i>	LFA designation									
	Number of farms					Percentage distribution				
	Mainly SDA	Mainly DA	Mainly LFA	Mainly non-LFA	Total	Mainly SDA	Mainly DA	Mainly LFA	Mainly non-LFA	Total
Antrim	114	312	426	310	736	15	42	58	42	100
Ards	81	55	136	494	630	13	9	22	78	100
Armagh	363	798	1,161	802	1,963	18	41	59	41	100
Ballymena	396	412	808	413	1,221	32	34	66	34	100
Ballymoney	112	261	373	359	732	15	36	51	49	100
Banbridge	184	250	434	703	1,137	16	22	38	62	100
Belfast	12	5	17	12	29	41	17	59	41	100
Carrickfergus	61	35	96	8	104	59	34	92	8	100
Castlereagh	12	16	28	89	117	10	14	24	76	100
Coleraine	190	179	369	321	690	28	26	53	47	100
Cookstown	519	396	915	436	1,351	38	29	68	32	100
Craigavon	69	288	357	289	646	11	45	55	45	100
Derry	240	83	323	167	490	49	17	66	34	100
Down	191	463	654	550	1,204	16	38	54	46	100
Dungannon	402	1,006	1,408	556	1,964	20	51	72	28	100
Fermanagh	2,951	212	3,163	132	3,295	90	6	96	4	100
Larne	255	266	521	35	556	46	48	94	6	100
Limavady	395	87	482	165	647	61	13	74	26	100
Lisburn	124	265	389	473	862	14	31	45	55	100
Magherafelt	437	528	965	409	1,374	32	38	70	30	100
Moyle	373	166	539	59	598	62	28	90	10	100
Newry & Mourne	833	1,246	2,079	643	2,722	31	46	76	24	100
Newtownabbey	61	78	139	96	235	26	33	59	41	100
North Down	7	5	12	61	73	10	7	16	84	100
Omagh	1,382	673	2,055	176	2,231	62	30	92	8	100
Strabane	640	326	966	166	1,132	57	29	85	15	100
Total	10,404	8,411	18,815	7,924	26,739	39	31	70	30	100

Table 6.5 Crop areas by District Council in Northern Ireland, June 2006

<i>District Council</i>	Crop areas (hectares)								Total area farmed
	Cereals	Potatoes	Other farm crops	Horti-culture crops	Total crops	Grass	Rough grazing	Other land	
Antrim	848	86	270	17	1,221	27,501	1,823	693	31,239
Ards	2,983	468	382	602	4,435	21,038	318	620	26,410
Armagh	1,444	87	618	982	3,131	48,255	1,241	507	53,134
Ballymena	722	260	285	31	1,297	38,135	10,883	785	51,100
Ballymoney	1,462	251	442	9	2,164	25,678	5,456	581	33,879
Banbridge	3,284	335	641	47	4,308	33,505	3,214	570	41,596
Belfast	92	11	23	19	145	858	425	16	1,443
Carrickfergus	90	16	25	10	141	3,726	1,867	43	5,777
Castlereagh	302	36	106	2	447	3,638	82	89	4,256
Coleraine	1,941	206	501	12	2,660	25,267	6,185	720	34,831
Cookstown	816	118	294	7	1,234	34,982	7,042	695	43,952
Craigavon	1,059	99	179	460	1,796	15,397	541	431	18,166
Derry	1,103	126	331	14	1,574	16,554	4,413	522	23,062
Down	3,027	371	588	74	4,061	36,536	4,030	6,495	51,122
Dungannon	560	44	349	337	1,290	53,446	3,183	1,056	58,975
Fermanagh	762	58	252	17	1,090	110,881	17,420	1,943	131,334
Larne	413	16	46	11	487	22,382	8,289	396	31,553
Limavady	2,032	276	359	13	2,680	24,166	9,480	573	36,899
Lisburn	3,014	112	363	67	3,556	26,421	2,211	462	32,650
Magherafelt	1,673	291	647	4	2,614	35,248	10,952	1,064	49,879
Moyle	776	506	135	10	1,428	23,212	11,546	507	36,693
Newry & Mourne	2,772	559	681	113	4,124	58,149	4,524	1,134	67,931
Newtownabbey	365	44	75	3	488	8,779	1,890	190	11,346
North Down	387	26	96	47	555	2,270	40	84	2,950
Omagh	759	62	513	12	1,346	71,356	17,844	2,838	93,384
Strabane	874	283	325	68	1,549	36,331	16,397	660	54,938
Total	33,560	4,748	8,526	2,987	49,820	803,708	151,296	23,671	1,028,495

Note: Individual figures may not add to the totals shown.

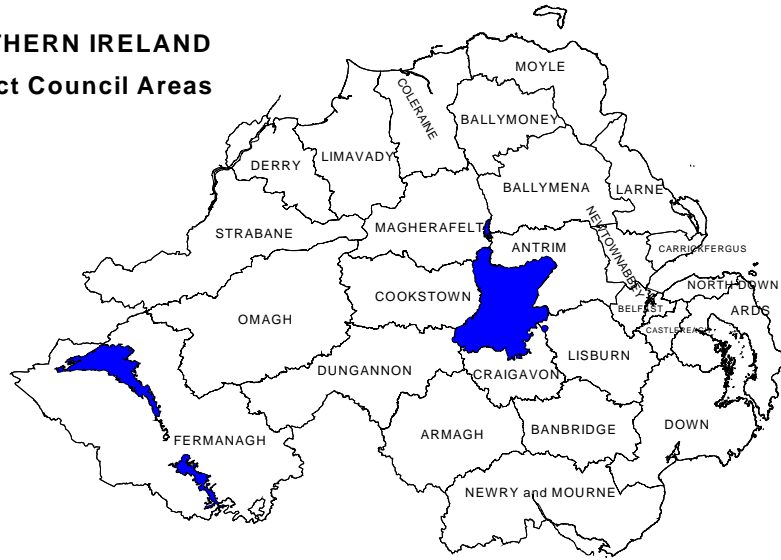
Table 6.6 Livestock numbers by District Council in Northern Ireland, June 2006

<i>District Council</i>	Livestock numbers							Total poultry (^{'000})
	Dairy cows	Beef cows	Total cattle	Breeding ewes	Total sheep	Sows & gilts	Total pigs	
Antrim	11,787	9,479	59,968	25,026	52,393	314	2,684	707
Ards	14,081	6,078	50,235	15,731	32,012	100	869	71
Armagh	18,483	15,940	117,167	31,790	65,666	6,713	57,343	1,295
Ballymena	18,364	11,281	81,960	59,581	125,972	1,641	18,360	2,571
Ballymoney	15,613	6,101	58,992	30,612	64,496	232	3,766	1,048
Banbridge	17,088	7,353	74,921	44,713	92,880	1,615	16,549	644
Belfast	211	705	2,343	596	1,397	0	0	10
Carrickfergus	1,408	973	5,808	7,717	15,757	34	478	0
Castlereagh	1,845	1,159	8,946	4,068	8,408	0	0	0
Coleraine	9,735	8,352	51,353	36,511	77,156	467	4,416	356
Cookstown	13,050	12,800	80,160	32,295	67,826	4,616	47,858	1,534
Craigavon	6,602	4,807	36,404	7,595	15,301	567	8,718	217
Derry	4,996	4,693	28,013	36,823	78,969	181	1,948	50
Down	10,265	13,995	73,987	53,639	110,136	2,788	27,077	505
Dungannon	21,422	16,951	122,476	21,362	45,453	4,377	51,577	4,207
Fermanagh	24,334	48,418	177,636	52,577	110,683	195	1,792	1,123
Larne	6,231	7,843	35,706	56,902	119,728	288	2,907	181
Limavady	5,352	7,470	37,191	66,890	141,534	92	760	137
Lisburn	11,400	8,693	56,592	21,404	44,951	950	10,457	659
Magherafelt	12,477	13,537	76,798	59,896	124,088	5,835	59,589	299
Moyle	5,673	7,990	37,183	80,338	170,075	252	2,071	153
Newry & Mourne	24,628	23,874	138,438	76,754	152,779	2,362	24,886	1,295
Newtownabbey	3,668	3,458	19,077	9,539	21,171	366	3,891	330
North Down	1,793	493	5,756	1,890	3,921	0	1,025	0
Omagh	22,759	27,599	132,746	79,664	168,168	1,988	23,743	778
Strabane	12,686	12,990	65,871	77,138	159,534	1,470	13,835	242
Total	295,951	283,032	1,635,727	991,051	2,070,454	37,443	386,599	18,411

Table 6.7 Labour force by District Council in Northern Ireland, June 2006

<i>District Council</i>	Farm labour force						Agricultural labour force
	Farmers & partners			Other workers			
	Full-time	Part-time	Spouses	Full-time	Part-time	Casual/seasonal	
Antrim	511	367	227	68	80	185	1,438
Ards	495	300	204	134	71	248	1,452
Armagh	1,207	1,110	416	276	223	581	3,813
Ballymena	924	603	349	101	83	248	2,308
Ballymoney	581	345	191	80	58	208	1,463
Banbridge	826	574	310	129	93	314	2,246
Belfast	22	14	8	1	0	15	60
Carrickfergus	70	48	28	13	16	20	195
Castlereagh	89	61	33	9	18	27	237
Coleraine	551	304	180	64	59	209	1,367
Cookstown	841	736	258	85	111	262	2,293
Craigavon	399	378	153	83	52	322	1,387
Derry	339	246	108	41	39	146	919
Down	827	651	333	244	122	318	2,495
Dungannon	1,217	1,091	411	153	156	509	3,537
Fermanagh	2,122	1,722	758	191	209	682	5,684
Larne	423	247	163	55	61	125	1,074
Limavady	480	310	155	45	65	209	1,264
Lisburn	611	462	239	78	87	207	1,684
Magherafelt	878	746	293	89	128	367	2,501
Moyle	478	253	148	97	65	200	1,241
Newry & Mourne	1,578	1,641	547	161	252	559	4,738
Newtownabbey	171	114	79	43	23	78	508
North Down	59	34	17	22	6	24	162
Omagh	1,510	1,107	456	166	177	460	3,876
Strabane	772	549	221	103	93	272	2,010
Total	17,981	14,013	6,285	2,531	2,347	6,795	49,952

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SECTION 7

RURAL DISTRICT AND COUNTY STATISTICS, 2006

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Map of Rural Districts and counties

Table 7.1 Number of farms by crop & grass area by Rural District in Northern Ireland, June 2006

Rural District	Average crops & grass ha/farm	Crops & grass area									
		Number of farms					Percentage distribution				
		0-9.9	10-19.9	20-29.9	30+	Total	0-9.9	10-19.9	20-29.9	30+	Total
Antrim	40.0	175	137	110	385	807	22	17	14	48	100
Ballycastle	40.7	84	89	78	246	497	17	18	16	49	100
Ballymena	32.5	336	280	193	493	1,302	26	22	15	38	100
Ballymoney	39.1	168	145	112	374	799	21	18	14	47	100
Newtownabbey	35.3	6	5	2	7	20	30	25	10	35	100
Larne	39.5	167	149	115	311	742	23	20	15	42	100
Lisburn	35.5	114	89	66	180	449	25	20	15	40	100
Co. Antrim Urban/Belfast	39.8	9	4	3	16	32	28	13	9	50	100
Total Co. Antrim	37.3	1,059	898	679	2,012	4,648	23	19	15	43	100
Armagh	25.2	535	462	276	509	1,782	30	26	15	29	100
Lurgan	26.3	123	87	56	109	375	33	23	15	29	100
Newry No 2	20.9	528	461	232	311	1,532	34	30	15	20	100
Tandragee	34.9	36	42	18	58	154	23	27	12	38	100
Co. Armagh Urban	20.3	3	3	3	2	11					
Total Co. Armagh	24.0	1,225	1,055	585	989	3,854	32	27	15	26	100
Banbridge	31.2	253	274	155	396	1,078	23	25	14	37	100
Castlereagh	39.7	13	11	6	19	49	27	22	12	39	100
East Down	36.4	220	195	150	409	974	23	20	15	42	100
Hillsborough	36.5	144	114	63	214	535	27	21	12	40	100
South Down	21.1	271	165	105	150	691	39	24	15	22	100
Moira	39.8	60	46	24	107	237	25	19	10	45	100
Newry No 1	22.8	231	224	121	191	767	30	29	16	25	100
North Down	41.3	164	125	95	334	718	23	17	13	47	100
Co. Down Urban/Belfast	33.9	5	6	5	7	23	22	26	22	30	100
Total Co. Down	32.0	1,361	1,160	724	1,827	5,072	27	23	14	36	100
Enniskillen	35.7	196	249	212	463	1,120	18	22	19	41	100
Irvinestown	35.8	156	180	121	317	774	20	23	16	41	100
Lisnaskea	30.3	259	313	249	462	1,283	20	24	19	36	100
Total Co. Fermanagh	33.5	611	742	582	1,242	3,177	19	23	18	39	100
Coleraine	39.0	156	153	95	407	811	19	19	12	50	100
Limavady	43.8	118	143	98	323	682	17	21	14	47	100
Londonderry	41.2	79	95	74	219	467	17	20	16	47	100
Magherafelt	26.7	421	421	251	461	1,554	27	27	16	30	100
Co. Londonderry Urban	54.8	2	0	0	1	3					
Total Co. Londonderry	34.8	776	812	518	1,411	3,517	22	23	15	40	100
Castlederg	30.0	140	145	102	202	589	24	25	17	34	100
Clogher	31.8	133	168	121	295	717	19	23	17	41	100
Cookstown	25.9	277	299	172	292	1,040	27	29	17	28	100
Dungannon	26.1	395	300	222	353	1,270	31	24	17	28	100
Omagh	31.3	373	550	389	786	2,098	18	26	19	37	100
Strabane	39.9	116	149	137	353	755	15	20	18	47	100
Co. Tyrone Urban	43.8	0	1	0	1	2					
Total Co. Tyrone	30.4	1,434	1,612	1,143	2,282	6,471	22	25	18	35	100
Northern Ireland Total	31.9	6,466	6,279	4,231	9,763	26,739	24	23	16	37	100

Note: County totals include figures for Urban areas. Farms are allocated based on the postcode of the farmers main dwelling (i.e. where he/she resides). Where the farmer has deceased the farm may be allocated a temporary location based on a relatives address or a solicitor's office if the estate is subject to probate at the time of the survey.

Table 7.2 Number of farms by business size by Rural District in Northern Ireland, June 2006

<i>Rural District</i>	Average SGM/farm ('000 ECU's)	Business size									
		Number of farms					Percentage distribution				
		V. Small	Small	Medium	Large	Total	V.Small	Small	Medium	Large	Total
Antrim	33.2	540	142	62	63	807	67	18	8	8	100
Ballycastle	30.7	330	96	42	29	497	66	19	8	6	100
Ballymena	32.6	910	198	111	83	1,302	70	15	9	6	100
Ballymoney	44.1	503	142	68	86	799	63	18	9	11	100
Newtownabbey	30.2	15	3	1	1	20	75	15	5	5	100
Larne	27.6	519	139	38	46	742	70	19	5	6	100
Lisburn	31.0	334	59	29	27	449	74	13	6	6	100
Co. Antrim Urban/Belfast	25.4	23	4	4	1	32	72	13	13	3	100
Total Co. Antrim	33.5	3,174	783	355	336	4,648	68	17	8	7	100
Armagh	27.4	1,370	232	77	103	1,782	77	13	4	6	100
Lurgan	35.0	283	49	17	26	375	75	13	5	7	100
Newry No 2	17.7	1,335	116	40	41	1,532	87	8	3	3	100
Tandragee	41.0	109	22	13	10	154	71	14	8	6	100
Co. Armagh Urban	51.4	6	3	1	1	11					
Total Co. Armagh	24.9	3,103	422	148	181	3,854	81	11	4	5	100
Banbridge	28.5	783	174	62	59	1,078	73	16	6	5	100
Castlereagh	48.2	34	4	5	6	49	69	8	10	12	100
East Down	26.5	730	146	48	50	974	75	15	5	5	100
Hillsborough	37.6	380	74	30	51	535	71	14	6	10	100
South Down	18.9	576	67	28	20	691	83	10	4	3	100
Moira	46.2	155	37	18	27	237	65	16	8	11	100
Newry No 1	21.9	624	92	26	25	767	81	12	3	3	100
North Down	54.8	436	117	60	105	718	61	16	8	15	100
Co. Down Urban/Belfast	29.4	15	3	3	2	23	65	13	13	9	100
Total Co. Down	31.5	3,733	714	280	345	5,072	74	14	6	7	100
Enniskillen	17.2	926	144	34	16	1,120	83	13	3	1	100
Irvinestown	13.1	674	68	23	9	774	87	9	3	1	100
Lisnaskea	19.8	1,069	146	42	26	1,283	83	11	3	2	100
Total Co. Fermanagh	17.2	2,669	358	99	51	3,177	84	11	3	2	100
Coleraine	33.6	560	133	54	64	811	69	16	7	8	100
Limavady	31.0	468	128	47	39	682	69	19	7	6	100
Londonderry	26.7	338	84	18	27	467	72	18	4	6	100
Magherafelt / Co. L'derry urba	23.9	1,213	193	94	57	1,557	78	12	6	4	100
Total Co. Londonderry	27.9	2,579	538	213	187	3,517	73	15	6	5	100
Castlederg	24.8	448	76	42	23	589	76	13	7	4	100
Clogher	25.4	564	98	32	23	717	79	14	4	3	100
Cookstown	24.4	834	108	59	39	1,040	80	10	6	4	100
Dungannon	23.2	1,018	146	53	53	1,270	80	11	4	4	100
Omagh	21.3	1,685	273	79	61	2,098	80	13	4	3	100
Strabane / Co. Tyrone urban	33.6	512	134	55	56	757	68	18	7	7	100
Total Co. Tyrone	24.4	5,061	835	320	255	6,471	78	13	5	4	100
Northern Ireland Total	27.0	20,319	3,650	1,415	1,355	26,739	76	14	5	5	100

Note: County totals include figures for Urban areas.

Table 7.3 Number of farms by farm type by Rural District in Northern Ireland, June 2006

<i>Rural District</i>	Farm type									Total
	Cereals	General cropping	Horti-culture	Pigs & poultry	Dairy	Cattle & Sheep		Mixed	Others	
						LFA	lowland			
Antrim	11	4	6	24	148	324	223	39	28	807
Ballycastle	1	7	1	5	36	421	9	13	4	497
Ballymena	12	10	6	60	270	617	238	51	38	1,302
Ballymoney	9	24	0	36	193	273	198	53	13	799
Newtownabbey	0	0	2	0	2	12	4	0	0	20
Larne	1	3	4	8	110	571	19	8	18	742
Lisburn	23	4	18	12	56	201	103	18	14	449
Co. Antrim Urban/Belfast	2	1	0	1	2	18	6	1	1	32
Total Co. Antrim	59	53	37	146	817	2,437	800	183	116	4,648
Armagh	14	9	108	58	218	839	415	56	65	1,782
Lurgan	6	3	51	12	38	140	93	16	16	375
Newry No 2	6	0	2	21	173	1,195	81	12	42	1,532
Tandragee	11	0	3	3	21	4	94	14	4	154
Co. Armagh Urban	1	0	1	0	5	2	2	0	0	11
Total Co. Armagh	38	12	165	94	455	2,180	685	98	127	3,854
Banbridge	56	18	7	20	184	327	385	52	29	1,078
Castlereagh	3	0	3	0	10	1	25	5	2	49
East Down	38	13	10	12	74	395	324	69	39	974
Hillsborough	17	13	9	14	86	113	224	24	35	535
South Down	7	9	2	6	44	466	115	31	11	691
Moira	16	5	3	12	47	7	111	26	10	237
Newry No 1	14	6	1	14	89	418	186	24	15	767
North Down	54	29	25	11	157	52	293	58	39	718
Co. Down Urban/Belfast	2	0	1	0	2	3	14	0	1	23
Total Co. Down	207	93	61	89	693	1,782	1,677	289	181	5,072
Enniskillen	0	0	0	4	163	931	7	5	10	1,120
Irvinestown	0	1	0	3	48	707	2	4	9	774
Lisnaskea	1	0	3	21	197	1,021	8	2	30	1,283
Total Co. Fermanagh	1	1	3	28	408	2,659	17	11	49	3,177
Coleraine	20	11	7	16	142	332	224	49	10	811
Limavady	25	13	5	4	51	431	103	35	15	682
Londonderry	18	4	2	4	27	314	70	14	14	467
Magherafelt	35	20	0	28	206	836	320	86	23	1,554
Co. Londonderry Urban	0	0	0	0	0	1	2	0	0	3
Total Co. Londonderry	98	48	14	52	426	1,914	719	184	62	3,517
Castleterg	2	1	1	10	87	443	27	8	10	589
Clogher	2	1	0	21	112	519	41	10	11	717
Cookstown	12	5	2	54	157	572	191	29	18	1,040
Dungannon	8	5	14	51	181	627	308	40	36	1,270
Omagh	4	6	2	24	306	1,606	85	33	32	2,098
Strabane	12	5	2	6	118	490	79	33	10	755
Co. Tyrone Urban	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	2
Total Co. Tyrone	40	23	21	166	962	4,258	731	153	117	6,471
Northern Ireland Total	443	230	301	575	3,761	15,230	4,629	918	652	26,739

Note: County totals include figures for Urban areas.

Table 7.4 Number of farms by LFA designation by Rural District in Northern Ireland, June 2006

<i>Rural District</i>	LFA designation									
	Number of farms					Percentage distribution				
	Mainly SDA	Mainly DA	Mainly LFA	Mainly non-LFA	Total	Mainly SDA	Mainly DA	Mainly LFA	Mainly non-LFA	Total
Antrim	144	296	440	367	807	18	37	55	45	100
Ballycastle	341	138	479	18	497	69	28	96	4	100
Ballymena	397	477	874	428	1,302	30	37	67	33	100
Ballymoney	102	282	384	415	799	13	35	48	52	100
Newtownabbey	9	7	16	4	20	45	35	80	20	100
Larne	369	346	715	27	742	50	47	96	4	100
Lisburn	95	171	266	183	449	21	38	59	41	100
Co. Antrim Urban/Belfast	17	4	21	11	32	53	13	66	34	100
Total Co. Antrim	1,474	1,721	3,195	1,453	4,648	32	37	69	31	100
Armagh	329	785	1,114	668	1,782	18	44	63	37	100
Lurgan	14	214	228	147	375	4	57	61	39	100
Newry No 2	461	944	1,405	127	1,532	30	62	92	8	100
Tandragee	1	3	4	150	154	1	2	3	97	100
Co. Armagh Urban	1	5	6	5	11	9	45	55	45	100
Total Co. Armagh	806	1,951	2,757	1,097	3,854	21	51	72	28	100
Banbridge	186	235	421	657	1,078	17	22	39	61	100
Castlereagh	2	0	2	47	49	4	0	4	96	100
East Down	101	397	498	476	974	10	41	51	49	100
Hillsborough	10	145	155	380	535	2	27	29	71	100
South Down	332	182	514	177	691	48	26	74	26	100
Moira	2	6	8	229	237	1	3	3	97	100
Newry No 1	231	260	491	276	767	30	34	64	36	100
North Down	8	76	84	634	718	1	11	12	88	100
Co. Down Urban/Belfast	1	2	3	20	23	4	9	13	87	100
Total Co. Down	873	1,303	2,176	2,896	5,072	17	26	43	57	100
Enniskillen	1,077	35	1,112	8	1,120	96	3	99	1	100
Irvinestown	755	15	770	4	774	98	2	99	1	100
Lisnaskea	1,147	122	1,269	14	1,283	89	10	99	1	100
Total Co. Fermanagh	2,979	172	3,151	26	3,177	94	5	99	1	100
Coleraine	206	204	410	401	811	25	25	51	49	100
Limavady	390	97	487	195	682	57	14	71	29	100
Londonderry	284	68	352	115	467	61	15	75	25	100
Magherafelt	460	534	994	560	1,554	30	34	64	36	100
Co. Londonderry Urban	0	1	1	2	3	0	33	33	67	100
Total Co. Londonderry	1,340	904	2,244	1,273	3,517	38	26	64	36	100
Castlederg	370	166	536	53	589	63	28	91	9	100
Clogher	304	360	664	53	717	42	50	93	7	100
Cookstown	403	310	713	327	1,040	39	30	69	31	100
Dungannon	160	658	818	452	1,270	13	52	64	36	100
Omagh	1,298	663	1,961	137	2,098	62	32	93	7	100
Strabane	397	201	598	157	755	53	27	79	21	100
Co. Tyrone Urban	0	2	2	0	2	0	100	100	0	100
Total Co. Tyrone	2,932	2,360	5,292	1,179	6,471	45	36	82	18	100
Northern Ireland Total	10,404	8,411	18,815	7,924	26,739	39	31	70	30	100

Note: County totals include figures for Urban areas.

Table 7.5 Crop And Grass Areas by Rural District in Northern Ireland, June 2006

<i>Rural District</i>	Crop areas (hectares)								Total area farmed
	Cereals	Potatoes	Other farm crops	Horti-culture crops	Total crops	Grass	Rough grazing	Other land	
Antrim	1,111	48	300	13	1,471	30,813	2,869	780	35,933
Ballycastle	593	476	87	0	1,156	19,087	10,582	278	31,103
Ballymena	780	284	301	31	1,395	40,937	12,159	855	55,346
Ballymoney	1,708	319	534	10	2,571	28,656	4,430	807	36,464
Newtownabbey	3	0	0	4	7	700	109	4	820
Larne	72	43	33	6	153	29,192	11,349	429	41,124
Lisburn	1,399	32	85	73	1,588	14,374	1,682	182	17,826
Co. Antrim Urban/Belfast	23	2	0	0	25	1,249	727	8	2,009
Total Co. Antrim	5,687	1,203	1,339	137	8,366	165,008	43,908	3,343	220,625
Armagh	867	69	446	1,257	2,639	42,325	920	885	46,769
Lurgan	432	87	64	459	1,042	8,829	180	131	10,181
Newry No 2	388	1	201	3	594	31,388	2,392	174	34,547
Tandragee	782	3	85	45	915	4,452	18	108	5,493
Co. Armagh Urban	18	1	0	1	20	203	5	0	228
Total Co. Armagh	2,487	161	796	1,766	5,210	87,196	3,514	1,297	97,217
Banbridge	2,687	263	522	15	3,487	30,094	2,092	319	35,993
Castlereagh	117	8	32	3	160	1,785	1,262	165	3,372
East Down	3,106	233	563	60	3,962	31,455	3,255	6,368	45,039
Hillsborough	2,225	165	420	31	2,841	16,671	513	513	20,538
South Down	417	386	122	4	929	13,643	1,942	143	16,656
Moira	1,561	204	317	18	2,100	7,331	79	182	9,692
Newry No 1	735	165	205	2	1,107	16,416	1,379	86	18,988
North Down	3,980	504	582	721	5,787	23,883	226	1,327	31,222
Co. Down Urban/Belfast	64	0	6	2	71	708	10	50	839
Total Co. Down	14,891	1,928	2,769	856	20,443	141,986	10,756	9,153	182,338
Enniskillen	5	3	31	2	41	39,911	8,326	636	48,914
Irvinestown	0	1	39	0	40	27,665	4,727	557	32,989
Lisnaskea	50	1	51	15	116	38,741	3,220	640	42,717
Total Co. Fermanagh	55	4	121	17	197	106,318	16,273	1,833	124,621
Coleraine	2,056	226	472	12	2,766	28,836	5,908	776	38,286
Limavady	2,618	425	527	78	3,647	26,226	10,585	747	41,205
Londonderry	1,350	227	361	14	1,951	17,295	4,786	639	24,671
Magherafelt	1,926	286	667	1	2,880	38,559	11,254	1,185	53,879
Co. Londonderry Urban	0	0	30	0	30	135	0	0	165
Total Co. Londonderry	7,950	1,164	2,057	104	11,275	111,050	32,533	3,347	158,205
Castlederg	104	14	167	0	285	17,392	7,884	217	25,777
Clogher	30	1	65	0	96	22,733	2,431	396	25,657
Cookstown	403	48	159	4	614	26,368	4,392	337	31,710
Dungannon	446	40	348	86	921	32,226	1,294	308	34,749
Omagh	348	38	335	5	726	64,909	14,747	1,640	82,022
Strabane	1,159	147	369	13	1,688	28,435	13,564	1,801	45,488
Co. Tyrone Urban	0	0	0	0	0	88	0	0	88
Total Co. Tyrone	2,490	288	1,444	108	4,330	192,150	44,312	4,698	245,490
Northern Ireland Total	33,560	4,748	8,526	2,987	49,820	803,708	151,296	23,671	1,028,495

Note: County totals include figures for Urban areas.

Table 7.6 Livestock numbers by Rural District in Northern Ireland, June 2006

<i>Rural District</i>	Livestock numbers							
	Dairy cows	Beef cows	Total cattle	Breeding ewes	Total sheep	Sows & gilts	Total pigs	Total poultry ('000)
Antrim	13,060	10,545	65,470	30,391	64,651	833	7,760	1,099
Ballycastle	3,517	6,954	28,356	75,399	160,259	252	2,071	66
Ballymena	19,346	12,505	89,230	63,014	132,707	1,487	17,258	2,638
Ballymoney	18,881	6,108	66,908	30,791	64,112	145	2,763	1,254
Newtownabbey	59	369	1,185	68	153	0	2	0
Larne	8,107	10,748	47,780	71,210	149,773	104	994	157
Lisburn	4,852	5,722	29,613	5,038	11,293	221	3,126	446
Co. Antrim Urban/Belfast	139	602	2,229	2,864	6,271	0	0	18
Total Co. Antrim	67,961	53,553	330,771	278,775	589,219	3,042	33,974	5,678
Armagh	15,985	14,207	104,859	24,980	51,636	6,360	53,001	1,352
Lurgan	2,693	3,033	19,539	2,154	4,373	463	5,539	182
Newry No 2	11,987	14,339	76,116	17,910	35,590	834	9,231	340
Tandragee	1,976	1,188	11,238	5,131	10,244	331	3,884	20
Co. Armagh Urban	238	13	547	247	498	0	0	0
Total Co. Armagh	32,879	32,780	212,299	50,421	102,340	7,988	71,655	1,894
Banbridge	15,141	6,433	66,920	41,056	85,867	1,489	15,374	505
Castlereagh	1,592	152	4,411	774	1,615	13	102	0
East Down	6,678	12,340	61,628	40,601	85,033	2,378	24,474	143
Hillsborough	10,419	4,105	39,708	11,428	24,615	1,272	12,738	192
South Down	3,758	6,043	27,302	44,284	86,308	758	6,397	14
Moirá	5,134	1,575	19,582	1,847	4,004	220	6,328	747
Newry No 1	6,391	6,183	37,862	37,495	73,640	584	4,682	533
North Down	19,283	5,866	60,731	21,462	45,322	147	1,505	122
Co. Down Urban/Belfast	195	311	1,538	656	1,117	0	0	0
Total Co. Down	68,591	43,008	319,682	199,602	407,520	6,861	71,600	2,257
Enniskillen	7,889	17,966	61,587	18,251	36,209	101	1,035	17
Irvinestown	2,453	12,622	35,251	14,504	30,778	12	54	43
Lisnaskea	10,334	16,671	67,915	10,340	22,614	82	703	794
Total Co. Fermanagh	20,676	47,259	164,753	43,095	89,601	195	1,792	854
Coleraine	12,731	9,951	62,245	35,366	76,161	684	6,641	376
Limavady	5,141	8,516	41,110	72,752	153,885	37	115	140
Londonderry	3,449	5,385	26,347	43,398	93,188	57	649	11
Magherafelt	14,792	14,479	86,220	62,043	127,536	6,091	61,448	521
Co. Londonderry Urban	0	1	487	0	0	0	0	0
Total Co. Londonderry	36,113	38,332	216,409	213,559	450,771	6,869	68,853	1,048
Castledearg	7,282	5,615	29,673	39,047	82,013	2,051	21,314	20
Clogher	6,914	9,735	48,419	8,974	18,111	2,549	32,169	1,104
Cookstown	11,027	9,231	64,279	17,743	36,561	2,834	29,048	1,341
Dungannon	12,272	9,239	75,973	10,953	23,498	1,496	17,061	3,435
Omagh	20,478	25,578	119,794	63,415	135,663	2,691	30,531	529
Strabane	11,665	8,691	53,404	65,462	135,145	867	8,602	250
Co. Tyrone Urban	93	11	271	3	11	0	0	0
Total Co. Tyrone	69,731	68,100	391,813	205,598	431,003	12,488	138,725	6,680
Northern Ireland Total	295,951	283,032	1,635,727	991,051	2,070,454	37,443	386,599	18,411

Note: County totals include figures for Urban areas.

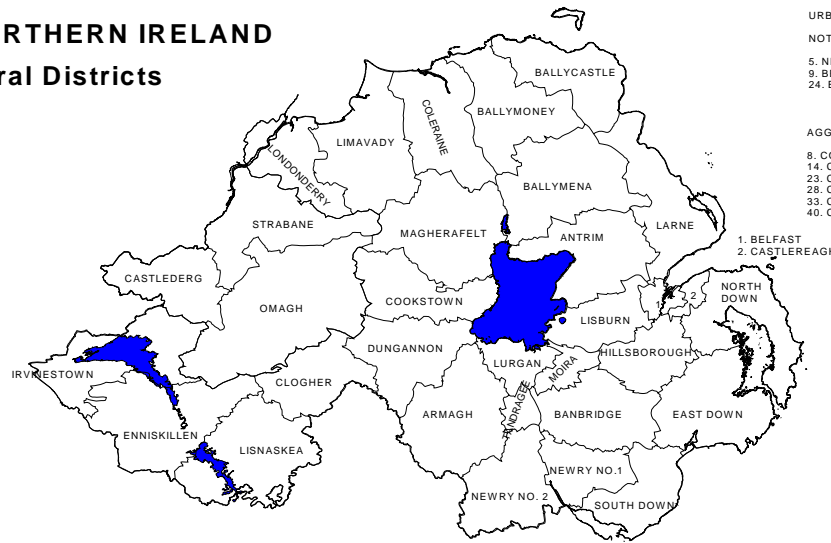
Table 7.7 Labour force by Rural District in Northern Ireland, June 2006

<i>Rural District</i>	Farm labour force						Agricultural labour force
	Farmers & partners			Other workers			
	Full-time	Part-time	Spouses	Full-time	Part-time	Casual/seasonal	
Antrim	559	407	247	90	80	226	1609
Ballycastle	395	205	119	72	55	172	1018
Ballymena	965	656	384	114	105	266	2490
Ballymoney	647	364	222	79	59	229	1600
Newtownabbey	15	8	7	27	3	7	67
Larne	548	337	211	71	81	185	1433
Lisburn	325	234	110	35	60	111	875
Co. Antrim Urban/Belfast	21	16	5	4	2	9	57
Total Co. Antrim	3,475	2,227	1,305	492	445	1,205	9,149
Armagh	1,088	1,020	357	258	194	639	3,556
Lurgan	237	205	91	62	41	236	872
Newry No 2	785	995	245	75	152	260	2,512
Tandragee	96	78	45	13	13	29	274
Co. Armagh Urban	9	8	2	4	2	4	29
Total Co. Armagh	2,215	2,306	740	412	402	1,168	7,243
Banbridge	777	548	286	91	88	305	2,095
Castlereagh	36	25	20	20	7	16	124
East Down	684	503	255	212	86	275	2,015
Hillsborough	378	293	179	89	51	125	1,115
South Down	436	404	162	28	57	165	1,252
Moira	171	134	82	20	20	62	489
Newry No 1	490	431	170	47	68	181	1,387
North Down	581	341	239	175	85	270	1,691
Co. Down Urban/Belfast	15	9	7	8	2	9	50
Total Co. Down	3,568	2,688	1,400	690	464	1,408	10,218
Enniskillen	756	525	274	63	76	264	1,958
Irvinestown	454	445	186	27	46	152	1,310
Lisnaskea	792	695	273	78	75	233	2,146
Total Co. Fermanagh	2,002	1,665	733	168	197	649	5,414
Coleraine	636	369	201	80	71	221	1,578
Limavady	520	322	164	71	59	234	1,370
Londonderry	346	230	114	44	48	130	912
Magherafelt	995	855	322	105	134	415	2,826
Co. Londonderry Urban	1	2	0	0	1	0	4
Total Co. Londonderry	2,498	1,778	801	300	313	1,000	6,690
Castlelurg	387	285	92	42	43	125	974
Clogher	486	353	154	53	58	125	1,229
Cookstown	644	565	206	60	77	214	1,766
Dungannon	736	745	261	92	103	256	2,193
Omagh	1,408	1,060	427	122	161	447	3,625
Strabane	561	340	165	100	84	197	1,447
Co. Tyrone Urban	1	1	1	0	0	1	4
Total Co. Tyrone	4,223	3,349	1,306	469	526	1,365	11,238
Northern Ireland Total	17,981	14,013	6,285	2,531	2,347	6,795	49,952

Note: County totals include figures for Urban areas.

NORTHERN IRELAND

Rural Districts



URBAN DISTRICTS (UD)
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5. NEWTOWNABBEY UD
9. BELFAST (CO. ANTRIM)
24. BELFAST (CO. DOWN) UD

AGGREGATES OF UDS IN:
8. CO. ANTRIM
14. CO. ARMAGH
23. CO. DOWN
28. CO. FERMANAGH
33. CO. LONDONDERRY
40. CO. TYRONE

1. BELFAST
2. CASTLEREAGH

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SECTION 8

LESS FAVOURED AREA STATISTICS, 2006

Tables showing the numbers of farms, crop areas, livestock numbers and persons working on farms which are wholly or mainly in areas classed as Severely Disadvantaged (SDA), Disadvantaged (DA) or Lowland.

Table 8.1 Number of farms by
 (a) farm type;
 (b) farm business size.

Table 8.2 Crop areas

Table 8.3 Numbers of cattle

Table 8.4 Numbers of sheep, horses, goats

Table 8.5 Numbers of pigs, poultry

Table 8.6 Farm labour force

Map of Less Favoured areas

Table 8.1 Numbers of farms by (a) type of farm and (b) farm business size by LFA category, June 2006

	LFA category				N.Ireland total	LFA % of N.Ireland
	Mainly SDA	Mainly DA	Mainly LFA	Mainly non-LFA		
Farm type:						
Cereals	15	69	84	359	443	19.0
General cropping	11	56	67	163	230	29.1
Horticulture	11	90	101	200	301	33.6
Pigs & poultry	161	198	359	216	575	62.4
Dairy	840	1,363	2,203	1,558	3,761	58.6
Cattle & sheep: LFA	9,100	6,130	15,230	0	15,230	100.0
Cattle & Sheep: lowland	0	0	0	4,629	4,629	0.0
Mixed	104	292	396	522	918	43.1
Other type	162	213	375	277	652	57.5
All types	10,404	8,411	18,815	7,924	26,739	70.4
Farm business size:						
Very small	8,645	6,464	15,109	5,210	20,319	74.4
Small	1,225	1,146	2,371	1,279	3,650	65.0
Medium	340	433	773	642	1,415	54.6
Large	194	368	562	793	1,355	41.5
Total	10,404	8,411	18,815	7,924	26,739	70.4

Note: Figures for Mainly LFA are the addition of figures for Mainly SDA and Mainly DA.

Table 8.2 Areas of crops, grass, rough grazing & other land by LFA category, June 2006

	LFA category				N.Ireland total	LFA % of N.Ireland
	Mainly SDA	Mainly DA	Mainly LFA	Mainly non-LFA		
Crops & grass						
Cereal crops:						
Oats	97	345	442	1,423	1,865	23.7
Wheat	263	1,125	1,388	7,332	8,720	15.9
Winter barley	137	581	718	3,881	4,599	15.6
Spring barley	1,055	3,056	4,111	14,115	18,226	22.6
Mixed corn	23	46	69	80	149	46.2
Total cereals	1,575	5,154	6,728	26,831	33,560	20.0
Other crops:						
Potatoes	468	944	1,412	3,336	4,748	29.7
Other field crops	768	1,794	2,562	5,964	8,526	30.1
Fruit, vegetables & flowers:						
Fruit	15	370	385	1,086	1,471	26.2
Vegetables	1	250	251	1,134	1,385	18.1
Ornamentals	19	21	39	92	131	29.9
Total fruit, vegetables & flowers	35	640	675	2,311	2,987	22.6
Total crops	2,846	8,532	11,378	38,442	49,820	22.8
Grass						
Grass under 5 years old	40,723	34,996	75,719	50,811	126,530	59.8
Grass 5 years old & over	271,623	202,816	474,439	202,739	677,178	70.1
Total grass	312,346	237,812	550,158	253,550	803,708	68.5
Total crops and grass	315,192	246,344	561,536	291,992	853,528	65.8
Rough grazing	135,026	11,174	146,200	5,096	151,296	96.6
Woods & plantations	3,445	2,088	5,533	4,075	9,609	57.6
Other land	7,509	2,304	9,813	4,250	14,063	69.8
Total agricultural area	461,172	261,910	723,082	305,414	1,028,495	70

Note: Figures for Mainly LFA are the addition of figures for Mainly SDA and Mainly DA.

Table 8.3 Numbers of cattle by LFA category, June 2006

Cattle	LFA category				N.Ireland total	LFA % of N.Ireland
	Mainly SDA	Mainly DA	Mainly LFA	Mainly non-LFA		
Dairy cows						
In milk	41,923	90,257	132,180	139,293	271,473	48.7
In calf but not in milk	4,180	8,157	12,337	12,141	24,478	50.4
Total dairy cows	46,103	98,414	144,517	151,434	295,951	48.8
Beef cows						
In milk	112,149	65,000	177,149	48,665	225,814	78.4
In calf but not in milk	28,761	16,022	44,783	12,435	57,218	78.3
Total beef cows	140,910	81,022	221,932	61,100	283,032	78.4
Total cows	187,013	179,436	366,449	212,534	578,983	63.3
Dairy heifers in calf						
2 years old & over	4,439	10,186	14,625	15,731	30,356	48.2
Under 2 years	4,280	9,936	14,216	18,903	33,119	42.9
Beef heifers in calf						
2 years old & over	7,468	5,991	13,459	5,792	19,251	69.9
Under 2 years	4,603	3,359	7,962	3,709	11,671	68.2
Bulls being used for service:						
2 years old & over	5,555	4,437	9,992	4,155	14,147	70.6
1 year old & under 2 years	1,418	1,300	2,718	1,501	4,219	64.4
All other cattle & calves :						
2 years old & over:						
Male	11,856	23,756	35,612	37,511	73,123	48.7
Females intended for slaughter	9,139	11,555	20,694	17,846	38,540	53.7
Other females	5,016	4,791	9,807	5,630	15,437	63.5
1 year old & under 2 years:						
Male	43,795	64,447	108,242	80,516	188,758	57.3
Females intended for slaughter	36,812	41,720	78,532	48,242	126,774	61.9
Other females	16,061	18,740	34,801	24,452	59,253	58.7
6 months old and under 1 year:						
Male	26,075	28,574	54,649	33,559	88,208	62.0
Female	27,251	29,555	56,806	37,798	94,604	60.0
Under 6 months old:						
Male	46,529	39,154	85,683	40,094	125,777	68.1
Female	47,705	40,862	88,567	44,940	133,507	66.3
Total cattle & calves	485,015	517,799	1,002,814	632,913	1,635,727	61.3

Note: Figures for Mainly LFA are the addition of figures for Mainly SDA and Mainly DA.

Table 8.4 Numbers of sheep, horses & goats by LFA category, June 2006

	LFA category				N.Ireland total	LFA % of N.Ireland
	Mainly SDA	Mainly DA	Mainly LFA	Mainly non-LFA		
Sheep for breeding:						
Put to the ram in 2005	489,181	204,040	693,221	171,363	864,583	80.2
Others 1 year old & over	78,615	25,155	103,771	22,697	126,467	82.1
Total breeding ewes	567,796	229,195	796,991	194,059	991,051	80.4
Rams for service	15,113	6,616	21,729	5,724	27,453	79.1
Other sheep & lambs:						
1 year old & over	5,576	2,430	8,006	3,050	11,056	72.4
Under 1 year	581,019	252,462	833,481	207,414	1,040,895	80.1
Total sheep	1,169,504	490,703	1,660,207	410,247	2,070,455	80.2
Horses and ponies						
Horses/ponies owned by occupier	2,056	2,211	4,267	4,237	8,504	50.2
Horses/ponies NOT owned by occupie	287	370	657	1,089	1,746	37.6
Total horses & ponies	2,343	2,581	4,924	5,326	10,250	48.0
Total goats	1,319	424	1,743	763	2,506	69.6

Note: Figures for Mainly LFA are the addition of figures for Mainly SDA and Mainly DA.

Table 8.5 Numbers of pigs and poultry by LFA category, June 2006

	LFA category				N.Ireland total	LFA % of N.Ireland
	Mainly SDA	Mainly DA	Mainly LFA	Mainly non-LFA		
Pigs						
Breeding herd:						
Sows in pig	4,405	6,962	11,367	14,580	25,947	43.8
Gilts in pig	1,108	1,104	2,212	2,586	4,798	46.1
Other breeding sows	1,134	1,796	2,930	3,768	6,698	43.7
Total female breeding herd	6,647	9,862	16,509	20,934	37,443	44.1
Maiden gilts	687	782	1,469	1,916	3,385	43.4
Boars being used for service	194	266	460	440	900	51.1
Other pigs:						
110 Kg & over	838	877	1,715	2,162	3,877	44.2
80 Kg and under 110 Kg	7,672	14,416	22,088	29,794	51,882	42.6
50 Kg and under 80 Kg	12,419	21,741	34,160	45,758	79,918	42.7
20 Kg and under 50 Kg	15,260	19,291	34,551	49,047	83,598	41.3
Under 20 Kg	24,182	31,761	55,943	69,653	125,596	44.5
Total pigs	67,899	98,996	166,895	219,704	386,599	43.2
Poultry ('000)						
Commercial laying flock:						
Hens (1st cycle)	862	776	1,638	447	2,085	78.6
Hens (moulted)	75	21	96	7	103	92.7
Total laying birds	937	797	1,734	454	2,188	79.2
Growing pullets	111	324	435	308	743	58.5
Breeding flock	426	569	996	599	1,595	62.4
Broilers & other table birds	2,166	5,300	7,466	5,901	13,367	55.9
Total ordinary fowl	3,640	6,990	10,630	7,263	17,893	59.4
Other poultry	219	173	392	127	518	75.6
Total poultry	3,859	7,162	11,022	7,389	18,411	59.9

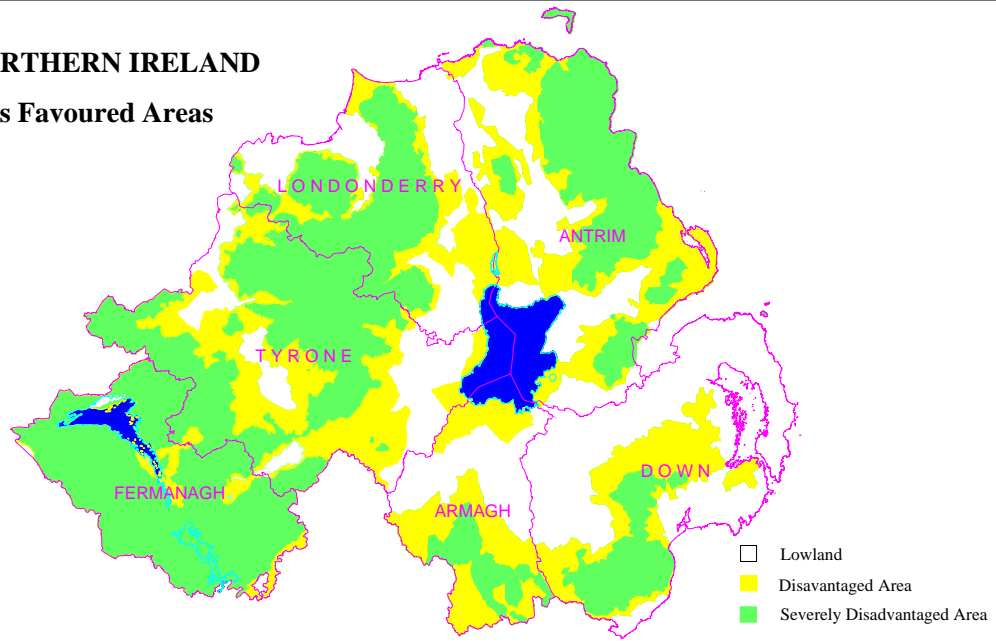
Note: Figures for Mainly LFA are the addition of figures for Mainly SDA and Mainly DA.

Table 8.6 Farm labour force on farms by LFA category, June 2006

	LFA category				N.Ireland total	LFA % of N.Ireland
	Mainly SDA	Mainly DA	Mainly LFA	Mainly non-LFA		
<i>Farmers, partners & directors:</i>						
Full-time	6,514	5,572	12,086	5,895	17,981	67.2
Part-time	5,551	4,509	10,060	3,953	14,013	71.8
Total	12,065	10,081	22,146	9,848	31,994	69.2
Spouses	2,195	1,916	4,111	2,174	6,285	65.4
<i>Other / paid workers</i>						
Full-time	740	601	1,341	1,190	2,531	53.0
Part-time	749	784	1,533	814	2,347	65.3
Casual/seasonal	2,241	1,997	4,238	2,557	6,795	62.4
Total other / paid workers	3,730	3,382	7,112	4,561	11,673	60.9
Total agricultural labour force	17,990	15,379	33,369	16,583	49,952	66.8

Note: Figures for Mainly LFA are the addition of figures for Mainly SDA and Mainly DA.

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Less Favoured Areas



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ANNEX 1

TABLE 1: – Trend in farm numbers by type (2000 SGM) and farm size (SLR) 1999- 2006.

The table in Annex 1 shows the number of farms by type (based on the 2000 Standard Gross Margins (SGM)) and size (based on the Standard Labour Requirements (SLR)) for the years 1999 – 2006.

Details of the SGM and SLR methodology can be found in section 2 – terms and definitions (pages 8 and 9).

Table 1 : Trend in farm numbers by type (2000 SGM) and farm size (SLR) 1999-2006.

FARM TYPE	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006
<u>Cereals</u>								
Very Small	474	449	483	421	401	404	408	357
Small	43	43	38	42	38	42	41	52
Medium	9	12	11	9	9	12	13	18
Large	5	6	5	7	9	9	7	16
Total	531	510	537	479	457	467	469	443
<u>General Cropping</u>								
Very Small	222	186	181	178	177	183	138	130
Small	69	72	61	57	49	59	38	43
Medium	34	27	27	26	31	34	17	21
Large	47	37	42	44	38	38	31	36
Total	372	322	311	305	295	314	224	230
<u>Horticulture</u>								
Very Small	197	168	172	166	160	138	131	132
Small	79	78	69	75	65	64	70	58
Medium	30	33	31	34	32	40	27	31
Large	64	67	59	63	65	70	78	80
Total	370	346	331	338	322	312	306	301
<u>Pigs and poultry</u>								
Very Small	364	311	300	292	266	288	271	295
Small	113	118	111	111	112	134	136	140
Medium	51	49	49	40	52	57	56	67
Large	63	62	63	64	80	78	78	73
Total	591	540	523	507	510	557	541	575
<u>Dairy</u>								
Very Small	1,526	1,393	1,248	1,145	1,100	1,003	902	750
Small	1,943	1,893	1,811	1,772	1,646	1,553	1,489	1,347
Medium	928	906	912	919	904	873	845	802
Large	642	663	770	760	775	772	822	862
Total	5,039	4,855	4,741	4,596	4,425	4,201	4,058	3,761
<u>Cattle & sheep: LFA</u>								
Very Small	14,877	14,259	14,269	13,830	13,876	13,648	13,752	13,621
Small	1,560	1,487	1,372	1,373	1,407	1,376	1,297	1,239
Medium	302	290	288	309	286	302	264	258
Large	152	147	132	116	131	138	117	112
Total	16,891	16,183	16,061	15,628	15,700	15,464	15,430	15,230
<u>Cattle & sheep: Lowland</u>								
Very Small	4,319	4,066	4,233	4,071	3,982	3,956	3,982	3,976
Small	511	495	491	480	472	474	496	505
Medium	110	103	91	90	92	100	105	105
Large	44	45	35	39	43	35	36	43
Total	4,984	4,709	4,850	4,680	4,589	4,565	4,619	4,629
<u>Mixed</u>								
Very Small	823	714	686	616	630	613	554	525
Small	276	244	221	210	241	224	212	225
Medium	118	95	84	87	94	95	93	76
Large	88	95	76	91	93	102	85	92
Total	1,305	1,148	1,067	1,004	1,058	1,034	944	918
<u>Other type</u>								
Very Small	893	998	1,148	719	679	525	330	533
Small	71	120	118	109	98	58	44	41
Medium	54	97	76	86	88	71	58	37
Large	30	63	55	62	60	46	41	41
Total	1,048	1,278	1,397	976	925	700	473	652
TOTAL FARMS	31,131	29,891	29,818	28,513	28,281	27,614	27,064	26,739

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