

1. Introduction

Focus Area (FA) 4C is designed to preventing soil erosion and improving soil management.

The target is to manage 14.3% of agricultural land and 3.5 % of forestry land to improve soil management and/or prevent soil erosion.

Rural Development Programmes addressing Focus Area 4C

108 out of 112 RDPs¹

Examples of expected achievement (EU-28)



25.2 million ha of agricultural land under management contracts to improve soil management and/or prevent soil erosion



14.3 % of agricultural land under management contracts to improve soil management and/or prevent soil erosion



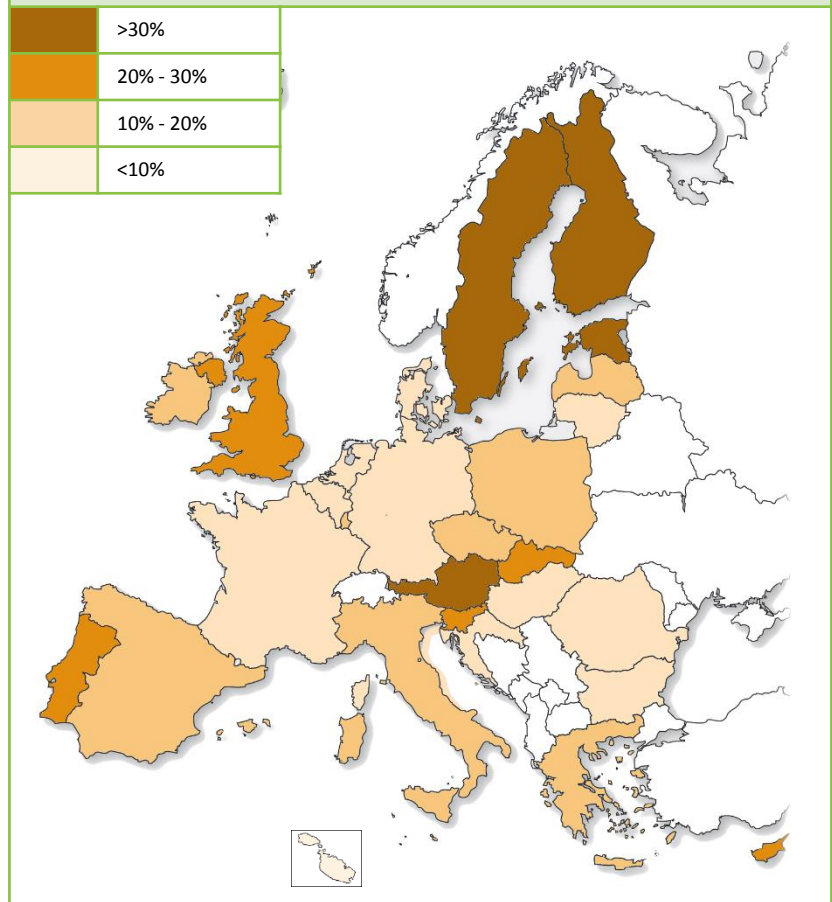
2.4 million ha of forestry land under management contracts to improve soil management and/or prevent soil erosion



3.5 % of forestry land under management contracts to improve soil management and/or prevent soil erosion

Focus Area 4C TARGET – Percentage (%) of agricultural land under management contracts to improve soil management and/or prevent soil erosion, aggregated values at national level¹

>30%
20% - 30%
10% - 20%
<10%



¹ RDPs that do not address FA 4C: ES-National Programme, ES-Cantabria, FR-National Programme and IT-National Programme.

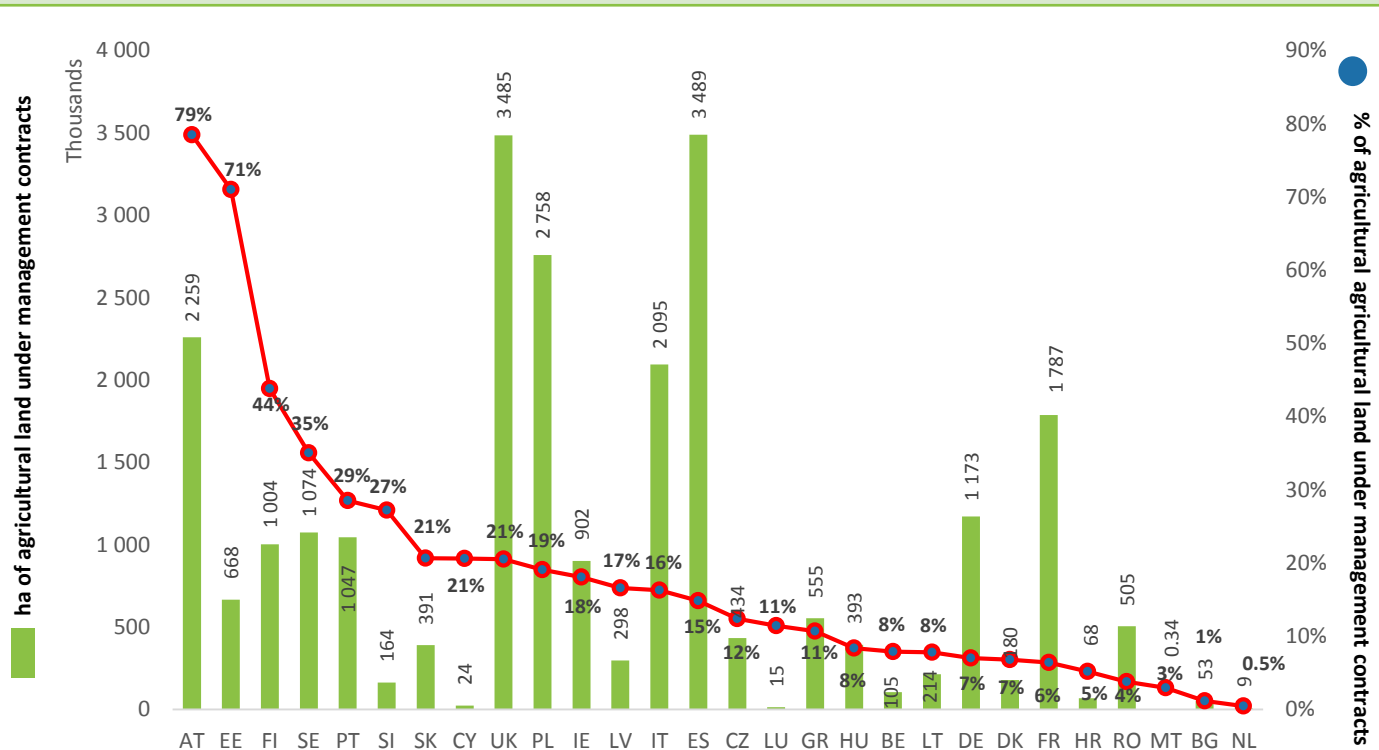
² Target values in percentage are calculated on the basis of the total forestry and agricultural land covered by the RDPs that activated the specific Focus Area.

2.1 Expected achievements

This section provides information on the common target indicator defined for the Focus Area. Target values in percentage are calculated on the basis of the total forestry and agricultural land covered by the RDPs that activated the specific Focus Area.



TARGET - Percentage (%) and hectares (ha) of agricultural land under management contracts to improve soil management and/or prevent soil erosion



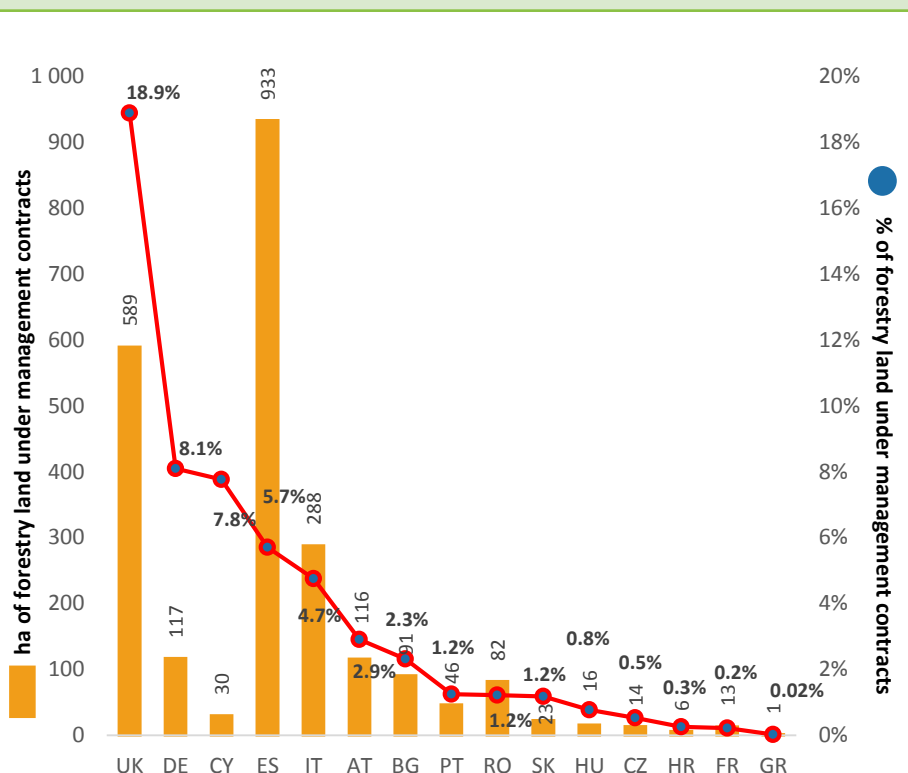
Example of programme-specific target indicators

In addition to the common targets set at EU level, Member States may set programme-specific targets which reflect their particular circumstances. An example of these indicators is provided below.

- **ES-National Programme** – Ha restored or under restoration after forest fires or other natural disasters: **1 000 ha**
- **DK** – Percentage of farms with aid for investments that improve the management of land and / or prevent soil erosion (agriculture): **3%**




TARGET - Percentage (%) and hectares (ha) of forestry land under management contracts to improve soil management and/or prevent soil erosion



3. Additional information

Rural Development Regulation 2014-2020

Regulation (EU) N° 1305/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council on support for rural development by the European Agricultural Fund for Rural Development (EAFRD) [PDF ]

RDP Summaries

Developed by the ENRD, these summarise the relevant information of all the RDPs approved [\[here\]](#)

Priority Summary

Developed by the ENRD, these summarise the relevant information of all Priorities [Upcoming]

Source of information: All data presented in this summary comes from the European Commission-approved 2014-2020 Rural Development Programmes (118 RDPs in total). In this fiche, public expenditure means total public expenditure (= EAFRD + Member States matching funds + any national top-ups). Due to rounding, there may be small discrepancies between some figures presented. Data includes programme modifications until March 2016. Out of the 118 Rural Development Programmes only the 112 national and regional Programmes have been considered because National Frameworks and National Rural Network Programmes do not allocate budget on Measures. Please note that data and calculations provided do not include M20 (Technical Assistance), or M18 (Complementary payments to Croatia). Icons source: www.flaticon.com

Disclaimer: This document aims to provide an accessible summary of the Rural Development Priority information covering all EU-28 RDPs. The information provided should not be considered a comprehensive account of the original RDP content.

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