PERCEIVED IMPORTANCE OF AGRICULTURE AND RURAL AREAS

QB1. Do you think that, in the EU, agriculture and rural areas is a ... subject for our future?

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THE COMMON AGRICULTURAL POLICY

QB3. Have you ever heard about the support that the EU gives farmers through its Common Agricultural Policy (CAP)?

- Yes, and you know the details
- Yes, but you don't really know the details
- No, you have never heard of it
- Don't know

EU28 | NL
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34% | 26%
34% | 26%
66% | 56%
8% | 8%
8% | 8%

QB7. There is great diversity in farming and food products in the 28 EU Member States. In your opinion, how important or not is this diversity?

- Total 'Important'
- Total 'Not important'
- Don't know

EU28 | NL
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87% | 87%
THE COMMON AGRICULTURAL POLICY

QB4. For each of these aspects of the Common Agricultural Policy (CAP), please tell me if you think it is a very good thing, a fairly good thing, a fairly bad thing or a very bad thing?

Supporting young farmers
- EU28: 52% very good, 36% fairly good, 7% fairly bad, 3% very bad, 3% don't know
- NL: 57% very good, 37% fairly good, 6% fairly bad, 3% very bad, 2% don't know

Guaranteeing the food supply for Europeans
- EU28: 56% very good, 33% fairly good, 3% fairly bad, 2% very bad, 2% don't know
- NL: 56% very good, 37% fairly good, 3% fairly bad, 2% very bad, 2% don't know

Giving support to farmers in a fairer and more targeted way
- EU28: 48% very good, 30% fairly good, 6% fairly bad, 3% very bad, 4% don't know
- NL: 54% very good, 40% fairly good, 6% fairly bad, 2% very bad, 2% don't know

Linking financial aid to farmers whose follow practices that benefit the environment
- EU28: 48% very good, 40% fairly good, 4% fairly bad, 1% very bad, 5% don't know
- NL: 52% very good, 46% fairly good, 4% fairly bad, 1% very bad, 2% don't know

Developing rural areas in the EU in a balanced way
- EU28: 46% very good, 41% fairly good, 6% fairly bad, 1% very bad, 4% don't know
- NL: 46% very good, 49% fairly good, 3% fairly bad, 1% very bad, 2% don't know

SUPPORT TO FARMERS

QB8. The EU gives financial support to farmers to help them to stabilise their incomes. This aid represents around 1% of the combined public expenditure of the 28 Member States of the EU and almost 40% of the total EU budget. Do you think that this support is too low, about right or too high?

- EU28: 26% too low, 44% about right, 13% too high, 9% don't know
- NL: 16% too low, 45% about right, 35% too high, 9% don't know

QB10. To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statement: the Common Agricultural Policy (CAP) benefits all European citizens and not only farmers.

- EU28: 78% total 'Agree', 7% total 'Disagree', 7% don't know
- NL: 77% total 'Agree', 19% total 'Disagree', 7% don't know
The Common Agricultural Policy

EUROBAROMETER

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BUDGET OF THE CAP

QB9. What do you think are the main reasons why the EU spends a significant proportion of its budget (almost 40% of the total EU budget) on the Common Agricultural Policy?

- Financial aid to farmers makes it possible to guarantee the food supply of Europeans: 44%
- Financial aid to farmers makes it possible to ensure the production of food products while protecting the environment: 38%
- Agriculture requires heavy human and financial investments: 24%
- The production of food products in the EU is more expensive than in other countries, because of stricter standards: 13%
- Agriculture is a sector financed almost entirely by the EU budget: 10%
- Other (SPONTANEOUS): 5%
- None, this proportion is not justifiable (SPONTANEOUS): 3%
- Don't know: 4%

ROLE OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS IN THE SOCIETY

QB5. What do you think should be the two main responsibilities of farmers in our society?

- Supplying the population with a diversity of quality products: 38%
- Maintaining economic activity and employment in rural areas: 36%
- Protecting the environment: 32%
- Ensuring the EU’s food self-sufficiency: 27%
- Ensuring the welfare of farmed animals: 27%
- Favouring and improving life in the countryside: 21%
- Other (SPONTANEOUS): 0%
- Don’t know: 0%

QB6. Which of the following do you think are the most important reasons for maintaining agriculture in all parts of the EU?

- It benefits society, through the production of safe food and standards ensuring respect for the environment and animal welfare: 59%
- It contributes to the economy in rural areas: 53%
- It protects and enhances the environment: 30%
- It is part of our history and culture: 18%
- It contributes to the beauty of the countryside: 12%
- Other (SPONTANEOUS): 2%
- None! It is not important to maintain agriculture in all parts of the EU (SPONTANEOUS): 1%
- Don’t know: 1%
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**LABELLING ON PLACE OF ORIGIN**

**QB13.** Do you think it is necessary or not to be able to identify the place of origin of milk, either sold as it is or as an ingredient in dairy products?

- Total 'Necessary': 84%
- Total 'Unnecessary': 15%
- Don't know: 1%

**EU28**

**QB15.** What precise level of detail seems to you necessary regarding the place of origin of the milk?

- The country of origin: 73%
- The region of origin: 54%
- Whether it comes from the EU or from outside: 36%
- Other (SPONTANEOUS): 1%
- Don't know: 1%

**EU28 and NL**

**QB16.** In your opinion, is it necessary or not to be able to identify the place of origin of these other types of meat?

- Total 'Necessary': 88%
- Total 'Unnecessary': 11%
- Don't know: 2%

**EU28**

**QB18.** What precise level of detail seems to you necessary regarding the place of origin for these other types of meat?

- The country of origin: 75%
- The region of origin: 52%
- Whether it comes from the EU or from outside: 36%
- Other (SPONTANEOUS): 1%
- Don't know: 1%

**EU28 and NL**