**The Common Agricultural Policy**

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**EUROBAROMETER EB80.2 RESULTS FOR POLAND**

**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?**

- **EU28**
  - Total 'Important': 92%
  - Total 'Not important': 6%
  - Don't know: 2%

- **PL**
  - Total 'Important': 90%
  - Total 'Not important': 7%
  - Don't know: 3%


**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?**

- **EU28**
  - Total 'Important': 86%
  - Total 'Not important': 9%
  - Don't know: 7%

- **PL**
  - Total 'Important': 87%
  - Total 'Not important': 4%
  - Don't know: 7%

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

- **EU28**
  - Yes, you know the details: 34%
  - Yes, but you don't really know the details: 18%
  - No, you have never heard of it: 15%
  - Don't know: 65%

- **PL**
  - Yes, you know the details: 65%
  - Yes, but you don't really know the details: 18%
  - No, you have never heard of it: 15%
  - Don't know: 56%

**Socio-demographic breakdown**

- **Age**
  - 15-24: 46% (EU28), 72% (PL)
  - 25-39: 61% (EU28), 81% (PL)
  - 40-54: 69% (EU28), 84% (PL)
  - 55+: 70% (EU28), 80% (PL)

- **Education (End of)**
  - 15+: 56% (EU28), 84% (PL)
  - 16-19: 63% (EU28), 78% (PL)
  - 20+: 77% (EU28), 86% (PL)
  - Still studying: 50% (EU28), 70% (PL)

- **Subjective urbanisation**
  - Rural village: 68% (EU28), 81% (PL)
  - Small/mid size town: 60% (EU28), 75% (PL)
  - Large town: 65% (EU28), 81% (PL)
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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: 62% very good, 32% fairly good, 3% fairly bad, 1% very bad
- Guaranteeing the food supply for Europeans: 67% very good, 30% fairly good, 3% fairly bad, 2% very bad
- Giving support to farmers in a fairer and more targeted way: 54% very good, 36% fairly good, 3% fairly bad, 3% very bad
- Linking financial aid to farmers whose follow practices that benefit the environment: 52% very good, 38% fairly good, 4% fairly bad, 3% very bad
- Developing rural areas in the EU in a balanced way: 46% very good, 35% fairly good, 6% fairly bad, 4% very bad

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?

- Too low: 25% EU28, 26% PL
- About right: 45% EU28, 54% PL
- Too high: 16% EU28, 16% PL
- Don’t know: 13% EU28, 16% PL

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?

- Total ‘Agree’: 86% EU28, 77% PL
- Total ‘Disagree’: 8% EU28, 8% PL
- Don’t know: 7% EU28, 5% PL

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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% (EU28) vs. 50% (PL)
- Financial aid to farmers makes it possible to ensure the production of food products while protecting the environment: 38% (EU28) vs. 27% (PL)
- Agriculture requires heavy human and financial investments: 26% (EU28) vs. 35% (PL)
- The production of food products in the EU is more expensive than in other countries, because of stricter standards: 24% (EU28) vs. 14% (PL)
- Agriculture is a sector financed almost entirely by the EU budget: 13% (EU28) vs. 11% (PL)
- Other (SPONTANEOUS): 1% (EU28) vs. 0% (PL)
- None, this proportion is not justifiable (SPONTANEOUS): 3% (EU28) vs. 3% (PL)
- Don't know: 8% (EU28) vs. 8% (PL)

ROLE OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS IN THE SOCIETY

QB85. 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% (EU28) vs. 41% (PL)
- Maintaining economic activity and employment in rural areas: 29% (EU28) vs. 26% (PL)
- Protecting the environment: 32% (EU28) vs. 24% (PL)
- Ensuring the EU’s food self-sufficiency: 29% (EU28) vs. 23% (PL)
- Ensuring the welfare of farmed animals: 27% (EU28) vs. 17% (PL)
- Favouring and improving life in the countryside: 21% (EU28) vs. 26% (PL)
- Other (SPONTANEOUS): 0% (EU28) vs. 0% (PL)
- Don't know: 3% (EU28) vs. 0% (PL)

QB86. 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% (EU28) vs. 49% (PL)
- It contributes to the economy in rural areas: 53% (EU28) vs. 44% (PL)
- It protects and enhances the environment: 29% (EU28) vs. 27% (PL)
- It is part of our history and culture: 18% (EU28) vs. 16% (PL)
- It contributes to the beauty of the countryside: 12% (EU28) vs. 16% (PL)
- Other (SPONTANEOUS): 0% (EU28) vs. 0% (PL)
- None! It is not important to maintain agriculture in all parts of the EU (SPONTANEOUS): 1% (EU28) vs. 1% (PL)
- Don't know: 2% (EU28) vs. 0% (PL)
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’: 15%
- Total ‘Unnecessary’: 16%
- Don’t know: 79%
- 84%

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

- The country of origin: 75%
- The region of origin: 54%
- Whether it comes from the EU or from outside: 36%
- Other (SPONTANEOUS): 1%
- Don’t know: 1%

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’: 11%
- Total ‘Unnecessary’: 12%
- Don’t know: 84%
- 88%

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: 77%
- The region of origin: 52%
- Whether it comes from the EU or from outside: 37%
- Other (SPONTANEOUS): 1%
- Don’t know: 1%