

1. General information

Geographical Area	Country	France
	Region	Basse Normandie
Rural population (1)	Inhabitants (5)	1.5 million
	% of total population (5)	100.0 %
	Density - Inhab/km2 (5)	84.1
Rural area (1)	Km2 (5)	17 589
	% of total area (5)	100.0 %
Agricultural area <i>Total Utilised Agricultural Area (UAA)</i>	Ha (3)	1.2 million
	% of total territory (6)	68.8 %
Forest and other wooded land	Ha (3)	190 600
	% of total area (3)	10.7 %
Total employment	People (4)	0.6 million
Rural employment (1)	% of total workforce (4)	100 %

Data source: France – Basse Normandie 2014-2020 Rural Development Programme (RDP).
Note: (1) OECD definition applies, including intermediate and predominantly rural regions; (2) 2009 data; (3) 2010 data; (4) 2011 data; (5) 2013 data; (6) 2010 based on 2013 total region territory.

EAFRD* support:
EUR 308 692 138
*0.3 % of Total EAFRD
support for EU-28*



National contribution:
EUR 165 338 829

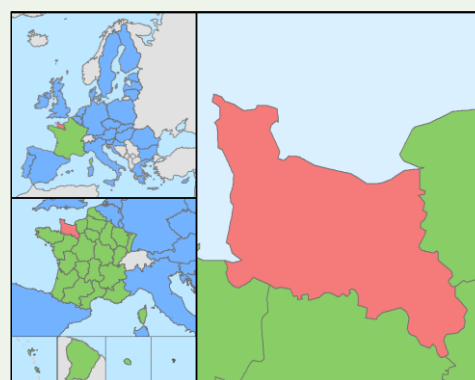


Planned total public expenditure:
EUR 474 030 967

* European Agricultural Fund for Rural Development (EAFRD)

Primary sector contribution to Gross Value Added (GVA)	% of total (4)	3.4 %
No of agricultural holdings	No (3)	24 600
Average farm size	ha UAA/holding (3)	62.5
High Nature Value farming	% of total UAA (3)	14.7 %
Farmland Birds Index (FBI)	Index 2000 = 100	94.8
	<i>From 2000 to 2009 the FBI measuring the relative abundance of farmland bird species decreased by 5.2 %.</i>	

Map: France - Basse Normandie



Examples of expected achievements

- Around 5 % of the region's agricultural area will be under agri-environment-climate contracts as to ensure the preservation of the natural resources. Changes in agricultural practices will also be accompanied by around 270 non-productive investments projects linked to the achievement of agro-environmental objectives.
- The programme will support around 70 projects on studies and investments associated with maintenance, restoration and rehabilitation of High Nature Value areas, including Natura 2000 network sites (about 8 % of Lower Normandy territory).
- The programme will support 2 600 farms (11 % of the total) on projects for modernization and development.
- The RDP for Lower Normandy plans to support generational renewal by financing 1 800 projects on young farmers.
- About 700 investment projects are planned for supporting the acquisition of innovative equipment for improved energy efficiency on farms and agro-food industries.
- About 13 % of programme's resources will be used for improving the living conditions in rural areas aiming to provide 17 % of the rural population with improved services and infrastructure.
- 23 Local Development Strategies (LDS) will be implemented by Local Action Groups (LAGs), benefiting 68 % of the rural population.

Examples of key challenges

- Lower Normandy is the second region in France by weight of employment in rural areas (52 % of total employment).
- The strong rurality of the region makes it necessary to consolidate villages and small towns by providing services that will allow improving and sustaining living conditions in rural areas.

Source: DG AGRI, *Factsheet on 2014-2020 Rural Development Programme for Basse Normandie*, August 2015
http://ec.europa.eu/agriculture/rural-development-2014-2020/country-files/fr/factsheet-basse-normandie_fr.pdf

2. RDP focus areas: planned expenditure, measures and 2023 targets

This section illustrates each rural development priority (P) with a focus on: the indicative budget per Focus Area (FA) and its breakdown by selected measure; and the relation between the indicative planned total public expenditure and the expected 2023 targets set by the Managing Authority for each focus area. The target indicator identified with the country code (FR_BAS NOR) is specific to the Basse Normandie Programme.

P1 - Knowledge transfer & innovation: Fostering knowledge transfer and innovation in agriculture, forestry, and rural areas

Priority 1 is considered a cross-cutting priority: the budget under Priorities 2-6 contributes to the achievements of Priority 1 specific targets.

Focus Area 1A. Innovation & cooperation

Target indicator	Value
T1 - % of expenditure under Articles 14, 15 and 35 of Regulation (EU) No 1305/2013 in relation to the total expenditure for the RDP	3.8 %

Focus Area 1C. Lifelong learning & vocational training

Target indicator	Value
T3 - Total number of participants trained under Article 14 of Regulation (EU) No 1305/2013	9 000

Focus Area 1B. Links with research & innovation

Target indicator	Value
T2 - Total number of cooperation operations supported under the cooperation measure (Article 35 of Regulation (EU) No 1305/2013) (groups, networks/clusters, pilot projects...), of which: Nr of EIP operational groups to be supported (establishment and operation)	220 5

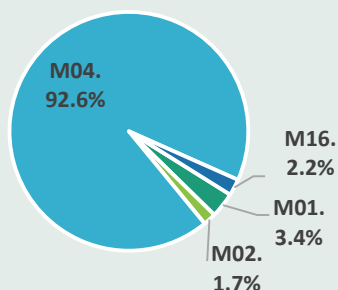
P2 – Competitiveness: Enhancing farm viability and competitiveness of all types of agriculture in all regions and promoting innovative farm technologies and sustainable management of forest

Focus Area 2A. Farm's performance, restructuring & modernization

Total public budget (million EUR)



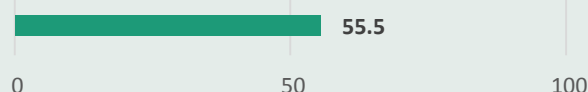
Breakdown of FA budget by measure (%)



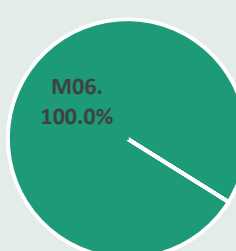
Target indicator	Value
T4 - % of agricultural holdings with RDP support for investments in restructuring or modernisation	10.8 %

Focus Area 2B. Entry of skilled/younger farmers

Total public budget (million EUR)



Breakdown of FA budget by measure (%)

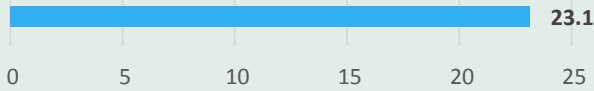


Target indicator	Value
T5 - % of agricultural holdings with RDP supported business development plan/investments for young farmers	7.1 %

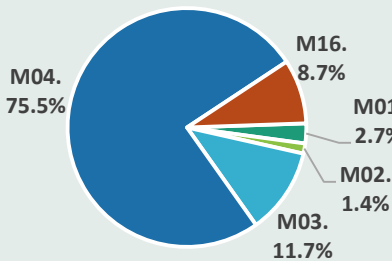
P3 – Food chain & risk management: Promoting food chain organisation, including processing and marketing of agricultural products, animal welfare and risk management in agriculture

Focus Area 3A. Agri-food chain integration & quality

Total public budget (million EUR)



Breakdown of FA budget by measure (%)



Measure	m EUR
M01	0.6
M02	0.3
M03	2.7
M04	17.5
M16	2.0

Target indicator

Value

T6 - % of agricultural holdings receiving support for participating in quality schemes, local markets and short supply circuits, and producer groups/organisations

1.2 %

FR_BAS NOR01 - Total expenditure (public + private) (EUR)

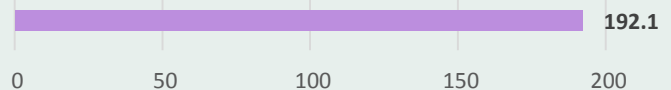
52.4 m

P4 – Ecosystems management: Restoring, preserving and enhancing ecosystems related to agriculture and forestry

Focus Areas

- 4A. Biodiversity's restoration, preservation & enhancement
- 4B. Water management
- 4C. Soil erosion & soil management

Total public budget (million EUR)



Target indicator

Value

T9 - % of agricultural land under management contracts supporting biodiversity and/or landscapes

5.6 %

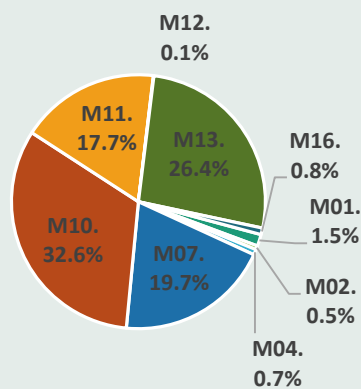
T10 - % of agricultural land under management contracts to improve water management

5.7 %

T12 - % of agricultural land under management contracts to improve soil management and/or prevent soil erosion

5.7 %

Breakdown of FA budget by measure (%)

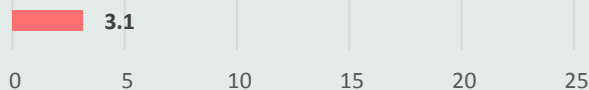


Measure	m EUR
M01	2.9
M02	1.0
M04	1.3
M07	37.8
M10	62.7
M11	34.1
M12	0.1
M13	50.7
M16	1.6

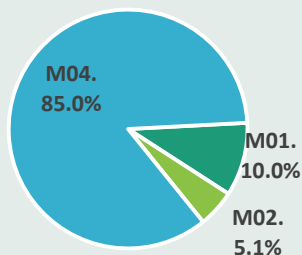
P5 - Resource efficiency & climate: Promoting resource efficiency and supporting the shift towards a low carbon and climate resilient economy in agriculture, food and forestry sectors

Focus Area 5B. Energy use efficiency

Total public budget (million EUR)



Breakdown of FA budget by measure (%)

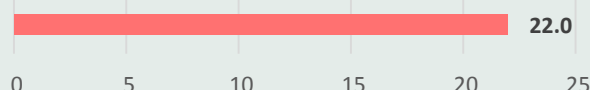


Target indicator

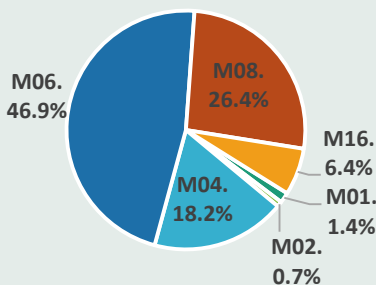
T15 - Total investment for energy efficiency (EUR) 6.7 m

Focus Area 5C. Renewable sources & waste management

Total public budget (million EUR)



Breakdown of FA budget by measure (%)



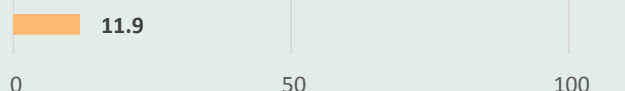
Target indicator

T16 - Total investment in renewable energy production (EUR) 75.1 m

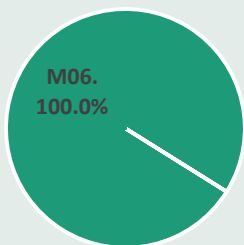
P6 - Social inclusion & local development: Promoting social inclusion poverty reduction and economic development in rural areas

Focus Area 6A. Diversification & job creation

Total public budget (million EUR)



Breakdown of FA budget by measure (%)

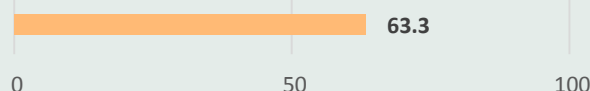


Target indicator

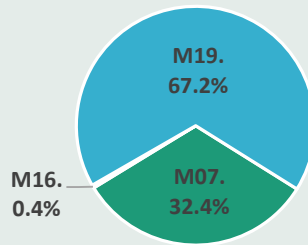
T20 - Jobs created in supported projects 80

Focus Area 6B. Local development

Total public budget (million EUR)



Breakdown of FA budget by measure (%)



Target indicator

T21 - % of rural population covered by local development strategies 67.6 %

T22 - % of rural population benefiting from improved services/infrastructures 16.9 %

T23 - Jobs created in supported projects (LEADER) 50

3. Planned expenditure per priority

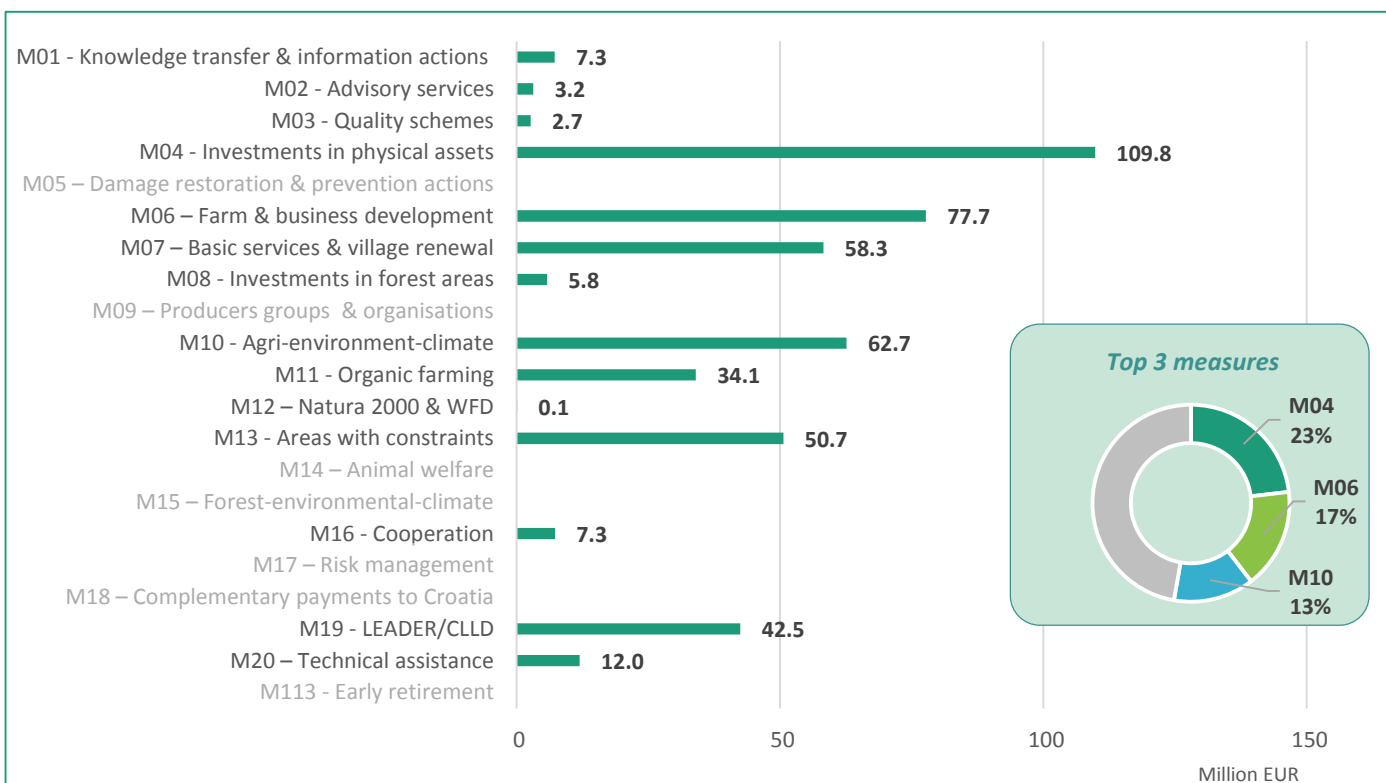
The following table shows how the planned total public expenditure (comprising the EAFRD support and the national contribution) is allocated between rural development priorities. Priority 1 is considered to be cross-cutting and no separate financial allocation is shown as the expenditure is distributed across other focus areas.

Priority	Total public expenditure per priority (million EUR)	% of total public expenditure*	
P1 - Knowledge transfer & innovation	P2 - Competitiveness	146.6	30.9 %
	P3 - Food chain & risk management	23.1	4.9 %
	P4 - Ecosystems management	192.1	40.5 %
	P5 - Resource efficiency & climate	25.1	5.3 %
	P6 - Social inclusion & local development	75.2	15.9 %

* Figures do not add up to 100 % because the budget for technical assistance is not included. The budget for technical assistance is available in section 4.

4. Planned expenditure per measure (million EUR)

The following chart shows the indicative planned total public expenditure per measure (comprising the EAFRD support and the national contribution). The measures illustrated in the chart are the complete list of measures selected within the RDP. Measures in color light gray were not selected by the region.



5. Choice of measures by priority and focus areas

The following chart shows which priorities and focus areas are selected in the RDP and the combination of measures used to address them. For each measure the budget breakdown per focus area is given. Priority 1 is considered to be cross-cutting and no separate financial allocation is shown as the expenditure is distributed across other focus areas. Expenditure under Priority 4 is programmed for the priority as a whole, not for individual focus areas.

Priority	P1 Knowledge transfer & innovation			P2 Competitiveness		P3 Food chain & risk management		P4 Ecosystems management			P5 Resource efficiency & climate				P6 Social inclusion & local development			Total	Planned expenditure (million EUR)	
	1A - Innovation & cooperation	1B - Links with research & innovation	1C - Lifelong learning & vocational training	2A - Farm's performance, restructuring & modernisation	2B - Entry of skilled/younger farmers	3A - Agri-food chain integration & quality	3B - Risk prevention & management	4A - Biodiversity's restoration, preservation & enhancement	4B - Water management	4C - Soil erosion & soil management	5A - Water use efficiency	5B - Energy use efficiency	5C - Renewable sources & waste management	5D - Greenhouse gas & ammonia emissions	5E - Carbon conservation & sequestration	6A - Diversification & job creation	6B - Local development			6C - ICT - Information & communication technologies
M01 - Knowledge transfer & information actions				43%		9%		40%				4%	4%						100%	7.3
M02 - Advisory services				50%		10%		30%				5%	5%						100%	3.2
M03 - Quality schemes						100%													100%	2.7
M04 - Investments in physical assets				77%		16%		1%				2%	4%						100%	109.8
M05 - Damage/restoration /prevention actions																				
M06 - Farm & business development					71%								13%			15%			100%	77.7
M07 - Basic services & village renewal								65%									35%		100%	58.3
M08 - Investments in forest areas													100%						100%	5.8
M09 - Producers groups & organisations																				
M10 - Agri-environment-climate								100%											100%	62.7
M11 - Organic farming								100%											100%	34.1
M12 - Natura 2000 & WFD								100%											100%	0.1
M13 - Areas with constraints								100%											100%	50.7
M14 - Animal welfare																				
M15 - Forest-environmental-climate																				
M16 - Cooperation				28%		28%		22%					19%				4%		100%	7.3
M17 - Risk management																				
M18 - Complementary payments to Croatia																				
M19 - LEADER/CLLD																100%			100%	42.5

6. Additional info

Date of RDP approval	25/08/2015
French National Rural Network	Le Réseau Rural Français http://www.reseaurural.fr/
Managing authority	Région Basse-Normandie
Paying agency	ASP
Coordination body	ASP Mission de coordination des organismes payeurs des fonds agricoles
RDP country documents	http://ec.europa.eu/agriculture/rural-development-2014-2020/country-files/fr_en.htm
National Partnership Agreement summary	http://ec.europa.eu/contracts_grants/pa/partnership-agreement-france-summary_en.pdf
Partnership Agreement	http://www.europe-en-france.gouv.fr/L-Europe-s-engage/Accord-de-partenariat
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 en]

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