

Glossary: Economic accounts for agriculture (EAA)

Statistics Explained

The **economic accounts for agriculture**, abbreviated as EAA, are a [satellite account](#) of the [European system of national and regional accounts](#), adapted to the specific nature of the agricultural sector, providing complementary information and concepts. Although the structure of EAA matches very closely that of [national accounts](#), their compilation requires the formulation of appropriate rules and methods.

The EAA analyse the production processes of the agricultural sector and the primary income generated by these activities. The accounts are therefore based on the industry concept. The agricultural sector, as described in the EAA, corresponds to Division 01 in [NACE Rev. 1](#) "Agriculture, hunting and related service activities".

The EAA measure the total output of the agricultural activity which includes:

- output sold (including trade in agricultural goods and services between agricultural units);
- changes in stocks;
- output for own final consumption and own-account gross-fixed capital formation;
- output produced for further processing by other agricultural producers;
- intra-unit consumption of livestock feed products.

The agricultural industry's output equals the sum of the output of agricultural products plus goods and services produced in non-agricultural secondary activities.

National statistical institutes or ministries of agriculture are responsible for data collection and calculation of national EAA, in accordance with EU Regulations. [Eurostat](#) is responsible for the production of aggregated data for the [European Union \(EU\)](#).

Further information

- [Economic accounts for agriculture](#) (ESMS metadata file — aact_eaa_esms)
- [Regulation \(EC\) No 138/2004](#) of 5 December 2003 on the economic accounts for agriculture in the Community (legal text)
- [Regulation \(EC\) No 212/2008](#) of 7 March 2008 amending Annex I to Regulation (EC) No 138/2004 on the economic accounts for agriculture in the Community (legal text)

Related concepts

- [Common agricultural policy](#)

Statistical data

- [Performance of the agricultural sector](#)

Source

- [Eurostat 's Concepts and Definitions Database \(CODED\)](#)