

Glossary: Agri-environmental indicator (AEI)

Statistics Explained

A set of **28 agri-environmental indicators** , sometimes abbreviated **AEI** , have been set up in order to monitor the integration of environmental concerns into the [Common agricultural policy \(CAP\)](#) . These indicators serve to:

- provide information on the farmed environment;
- track the impact of agriculture on the environment;
- assess the impact of agricultural and environmental policies on environmental management of farms;
- inform agricultural and environmental policy decisions;
- illustrate agri-environmental relationships to the broader public.

The indicators are presented [here](#) . Some of the indicators are also used as [CAP context indicators](#) or [Sustainable development indicators](#) . The AEIs were set up through a Commission Communication [COM\(2006\) 508 final](#) .