The Common Agricultural Policy (CAP) 2023-27 started on 1 January 2023 after the approval of the 28 CAP Strategic Plans by the Commission. CAP Strategic Plans are the key tool for supporting EU agriculture in the transition to a sustainable farming model, safeguarding farmers’ income and keeping rural areas vibrant.

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While addressing Member States’ specific conditions and needs, the 28 CAP Strategic Plans provide the tools to:

- Achieve CAP’s **economic, environmental and social objectives**
- Contribute to the EU’s **environmental** and **climate ambitions** set in Green Deal

2,500 interventions planned in 28 CAP Strategic Plans by EU countries and approved by the European Commission
ACHIEVING A FAIR AND COMPETITIVE AGRICULTURE FOR LONG-TERM FOOD SECURITY

- CAP support accounts for more than 20% of EU farm income on average
- €4 billion every year to the redistributive payment which targets the small and medium-sized farms.
- 400,000 farms to benefit from investments to modernise their infrastructure and practices
- 760,000 farms to participate in short supply chain circuits, producers organisations and quality schemes

Top-up support for **vulnerable areas and sectors**
CONTRIBUTING TO REACH EU TARGETS ON ENVIRONMENT AND CLIMATE CHANGE MITIGATION

90% of the EU’s agricultural area subject to these sustainable practices

- Permanent grassland
- Protection of wetland and peatland
- No burning arable stubble
- Buffer strips along water courses
- Tillage management
- Minimum soil cover
- Crop rotation
- Maintaining non-productive areas, like hedges, ditches, trees and fallow land
- No conversion nor ploughing of permanent grasslands in Natura 2000 sites

Environmental and climate commitments under Rural Development

€33.2 billion

Eco-schemes

€44.7 billion

35% EU’s farmland act for carbon sequestration & reduction of nitrous oxide emissions

47% EU’s farmland benefitting from actions to improve soil quality

10% of EU’s farmland receiving CAP support for organic farming in 2027

More than €6 billion dedicated to improving animal welfare
EU rural areas are home of 30% of the EU population. CAP Strategic Plans help rural areas address their main challenges, including generational renewal, depopulation, access to and improvement of basic services and connectivity, opportunities for employment, growth, gender equality, social inclusion and local development.

- €25 billion from 2023-2027 for the development of rural areas and communities
- 65% of the rural population to benefit from targeted actions with partnerships of local actors (LEADER)
- Close to 377,000 young farmers able to start agricultural activities thanks to CAP funding
- Obligation to comply with legislation on working conditions to receive CAP payments
- Promoting gender equality and the participation of women in farming
- More than €2 billion for interventions supporting knowledge, exchange and information.