

### 1. General information

<b>Geographical Area</b>	<b>Country</b>	<b>Spain</b>
	<b>Region</b>	<b>Murcia</b>
<b>Rural population (1)</b>	<b>Inhabitants (4)</b>	0.8 million
	<b>% of total population (4)</b>	55.4 %
	<b>Density - Inhab/km2 (4)</b>	82.9
<b>Rural area (1)</b>	<b>Km2 (4)</b>	9 865
	<b>% of total area (4)</b>	87.2 %
<b>Agricultural area Total Utilised Agricultural Area (UAA)</b>	<b>Ha (2)</b>	394 540
	<b>% of total territory (6)</b>	34.9 %
<b>Forest and other wooded land</b>	<b>Ha (4)</b>	511 400
	<b>% of total area (4)</b>	45.2 %
<b>Total employment</b>	<b>People (5)</b>	0.5 million
<b>Rural employment (1)</b>	<b>% of total workforce</b>	n/a

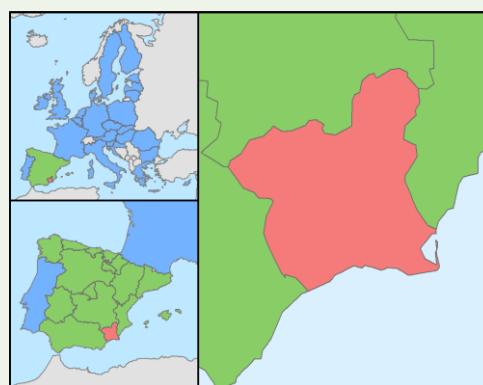
Data source: Spain - Murcia 2014-2020 Rural Development Programme (RDP).  
Note: (1) OECD definition applies, including intermediate and predominantly rural regions; (2) 2009 data; (3) 2011 data; (4) 2012 data; (5) 2013 data; (6) 2009, calculation based on 2012 total region territory data.

<b>EAFRD* support:</b> <b>EUR 219 304 740</b> <small>0.2 % of Total EAFRD support for EU-28</small>	+	<b>National contribution:</b> <b>EUR 128 838 022</b>	=	<b>Planned total public expenditure:</b> <b>EUR 348 142 762</b>
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\* European Agricultural Fund for Rural Development (EAFRD)

<b>Primary sector contribution to Gross Value Added (GVA)</b>	<b>% of total (5)</b>	4.9 %
<b>No of agricultural holdings</b>	<b>No (2)</b>	32 700
<b>Average farm size</b>	<b>ha UAA/holding (2)</b>	12.1
<b>High Nature Value farming</b>	<b>% of total UAA (3)</b>	72.1 %
<b>Farmland Birds Index (FBI)</b>	<b>Index 2000 = 100</b>	70.3
	<i>From 2000 to 2013 the FBI measuring the relative abundance of farmland bird species decreased by 29.7 %.</i>	

Map: Spain - Murcia



#### Examples of expected achievements

- Knowledge transfer and innovation in agriculture, forestry and rural areas will be boosted through supporting the development of innovative solutions through 27 operational groups under the European Innovation Partnership (EIP) and by creating 8 323 places in training courses targeted to the farm sector.
- Investments in around 1.5 % of all farms in the region will be supported with the aim at modernising and restructuring them.
- Almost 2 % of farms will receive support for young farmers to launch their businesses.
- In addition 186 projects will be supported in investing in agricultural holdings as well as processing and marketing of agricultural products.
- Nearly 36 % of the agricultural land will be under contract for biodiversity, 26 % for water management and 26 % for soil management.
- Around 9 % of the region's irrigated area will switch to more efficient irrigation systems.
- About 2 % of agricultural and forest land will come under management contracts related to carbon sequestration or conservation.
- LEADER Local Development Strategies (LDSs) will concentrate on improving the living conditions of half of the population of the region, on creating 225 new jobs and developing new business opportunities.

#### Examples of key challenges

- Unemployment is a key challenge for rural areas in Murcia (above 30 % unemployment rate), and of special importance among the youth (more than 50 %).
- The region suffers environmental challenges related to the insufficient availability of water resources in the present and high uncertainty for the future, as well as soil erosion.
- Another identified weaknesses are the low level of generational renewal in the primary sector and the small size of holdings.

Source: DG AGRI, *Factsheet on 2014-2020 Rural Development Programme for Murcia*, July 2015  
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## 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 indicators identified with the country code (ES\_MU) are specific to the Spain – Murcia 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 achievement of Priority 1 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	3.9 %

#### 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	8 323

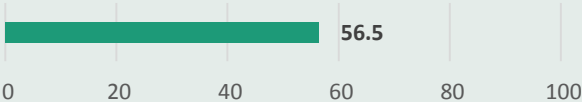
#### Focus Area 1B. Links with research & innovation

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)	27  20

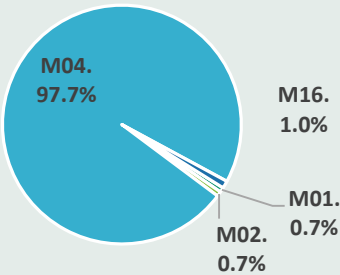
### P2 – Competitiveness: Enhancing farm viability and competitiveness of all types of agriculture in all regions and promoting innovative farm technologies and sustainable management of forest

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

##### Total public budget (million EUR)



##### Breakdown of FA budget by measure (%)

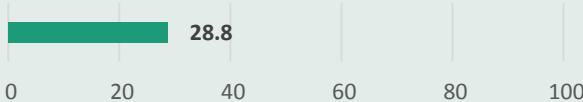


Measure	m EUR
M01	0.4
M02	0.4
M04	55.2
M16	0.6

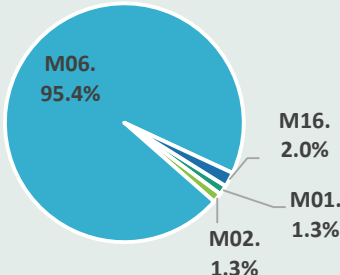
Target indicator	Value
T4 - % of agricultural holdings with RDP support for investments in restructuring or modernisation	1.5 %
ES_MU01 - Area affected by irrigation improvements	200
ES_MU02 - Number of holdings on which improvements in irrigation has been undertaken	50

#### Focus Area 2B. Entry of skilled/younger farmers

##### Total public budget (million EUR)



##### Breakdown of FA budget by measure (%)



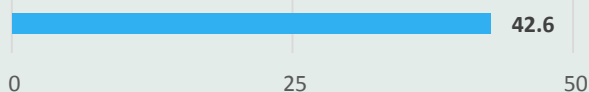
Measure	m EUR
M01	0.4
M02	0.4
M06	27.5
M16	0.6

Target indicator	Value
T5 - % of agricultural holdings with RDP supported business development plan/investments for young farmers	1.7 %

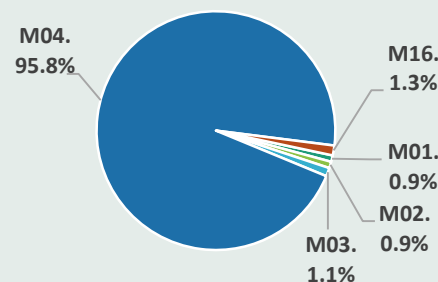
## P3 – Food chain & risk management: Promoting food chain organisation, including processing and marketing of agricultural products, animal welfare and risk management in agriculture

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

Total public budget (million EUR)



Breakdown of FA budget by measure (%)



Target indicator

Value

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

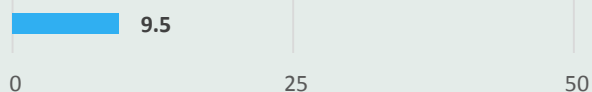
0.4 %

ES\_MU03 - Number of operations supported under measurement 4.2 (support for investments in processing / marketing and / or development of agricultural products)

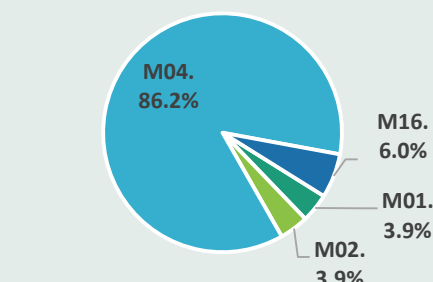
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### Focus Area 3B. Risk prevention & management

Total public budget (million EUR)



Breakdown of FA budget by measure (%)



Target indicator

Value

ES\_MU04 - Percentage of the total agricultural area which is supported after being damaged by natural disasters and catastrophes

3.8 %

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

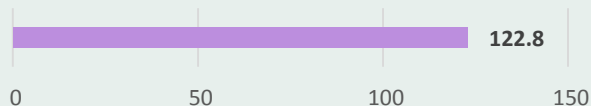
Focus Areas

4A. Biodiversity's restoration, preservation & enhancement

4B. Water management

4C. Soil erosion & soil management

Total public budget (million EUR)



Target indicator

Value

T8 - % of forest/other wooded area under management contracts supporting biodiversity

33.0 %

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

36.0 %

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

26.4 %

T11 - % of forestry land under management contracts to improve water management

32.2 %

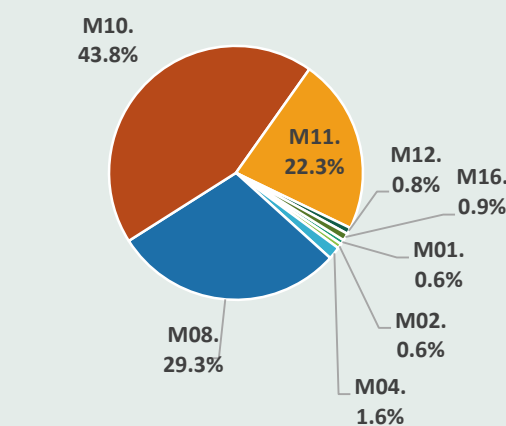
T12 - % of agricultural land under management contracts to improve soil management and/or prevent soil erosion

26.0 %

T13 - % of forestry land under management contracts to improve soil management and/or prevent soil erosion

32.2 %

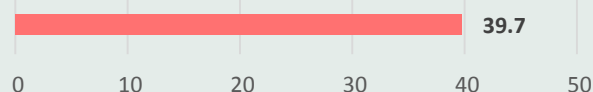
Breakdown of FA budget by measure (%)



## 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

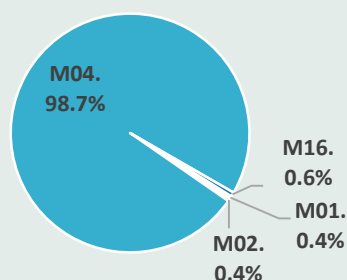
### Focus Area 5A. Water use efficiency

Total public budget (million EUR)



Breakdown of FA budget by measure (%)

Measure m EUR



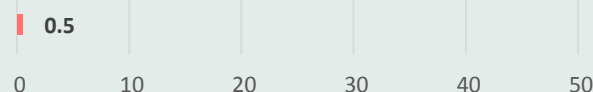
Target indicator

Value

T14 - % of irrigated land switching to more efficient irrigation system	9.0 %
ES_MU05 - Pressure extraction of groundwater affected by the modernized irrigation. Overall change in demand of the water affected.	120 000
ES_MU06 - Change in number of farms affected by the modernization of infrastructure	3 500
ES_MU07 - Irrigated area which uses of water meters in the plot	4 300
ES_MU08 - Change of renewable energy generated in the irrigated area by facilities built for the purpose of self-supply	500
ES_MU09 - Potential water savings derived from the infrastructure supported	450 000
ES_MU10 - Change in irrigated area with modernized infrastructure. (Irrigated area located in the area that is affect by the infrastructure)	6 500
ES_MU11 - Change in energy consumption of the infrastructure	500
ES_MU12 - Water saving derived from the infrastructure supported	120 000
ES_MU13 - Irrigation area controlled by intelligent remote systems	4 300
ES_MU14 - Share of the water savings from the supported infrastructure which will be dedicated to increase the volume of water for irrigation	51.0 %
ES_MU15 - Change of the irrigated area classified by the irrigation system (gravity, sprinkler, local)	4 300

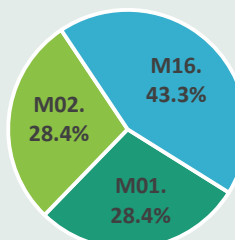
### Focus Area 5B. Energy use efficiency

Total public budget (million EUR)



Breakdown of FA budget by measure (%)

Measure m EUR



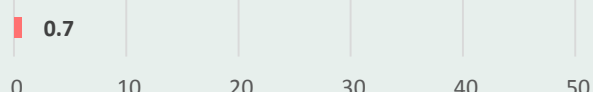
Target indicator

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ES_MU16 - % of investment projects (4.1) that incorporate equipment or machinery with high energy efficiency and / or renewable energy sources for consumption on the farm	28.6 %
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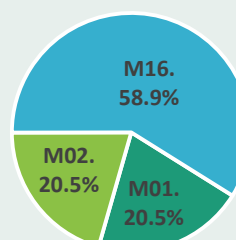
### Focus Area 5C. Renewable sources & waste management

Total public budget (million EUR)



Breakdown of FA budget by measure (%)

Measure m EUR



Target indicator

Value

ES_MU17 - Share of the public expenditure dedicated to cooperation (M16) for the promotion of the use of renewable energy	7.3 %
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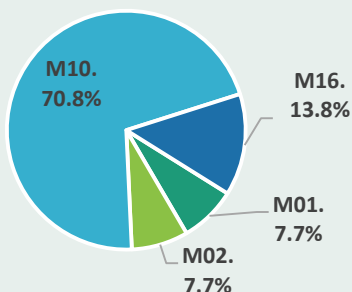
## P5 - Resource efficiency & climate: Promoting resource efficiency and supporting the shift towards a low carbon and climate resilient economy in agriculture, food and forestry sectors

### Focus Area 5D. Greenhouse Gas (GHG) & ammonia emissions

Total public budget (million EUR)



Breakdown of FA budget by measure (%)



Measure m EUR

M01	0.2
M02	0.2
M10	1.4
M16	0.3

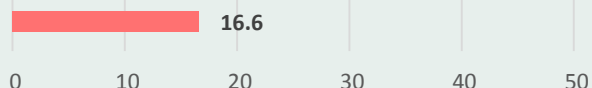
Target indicator

Value

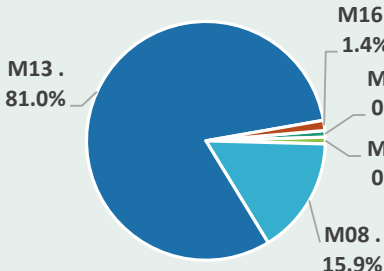
ES_MU18 - % of LU affected by measure 10.7.1 on the rationalization of pastures	3.1 %
ES_MU19 - % UAA under management contracts to reducing GHG emissions considering indirect effects	4.6 %
T18 - % UAA under contract	0.4 %

### Focus Area 5E. Carbon conservation & sequestration

Total public budget (million EUR)



Breakdown of FA budget by measure (%)



Measure m EUR

M01	0.2
M02	0.2
M08	2.6
M13	13.4
M16	0.2

Target indicator

Value

T19 - % of agricultural and forest land under management contracts contributing to carbon sequestration and conservation	0.8 %
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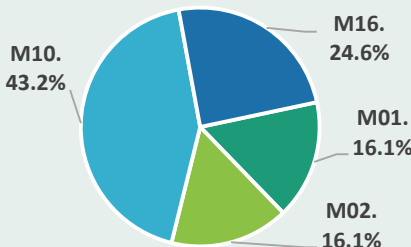
## P6 - Social inclusion & local development: Promoting social inclusion poverty reduction and economic development in rural areas

### Focus Area 6A. Diversification & job creation

Total public budget (million EUR)



Breakdown of FA budget by measure (%)



Measure m EUR

M01	0.4
M02	0.4
M08	1.0
M16	0.6

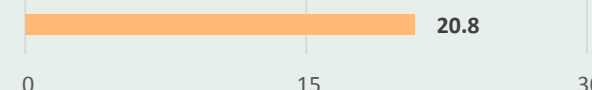
Target indicator

Value

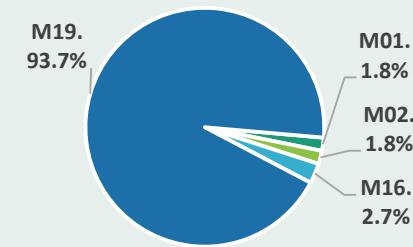
T20 - Jobs created in supported projects	15
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### Focus Area 6B. Local development

Total public budget (million EUR)



Breakdown of FA budget by measure (%)



Measure m EUR

M01	0.4
M02	0.4
M08	0.6
M16	19.5

Target indicator

Value

T21 - % of rural population covered by local development strategies	50.2%
ES_MU20 - % of rural population benefits from services / improved infrastructure through LEADER	50.2%
T23 - Jobs created in supported projects (LEADER)	225

### 3. Planned expenditure per priority

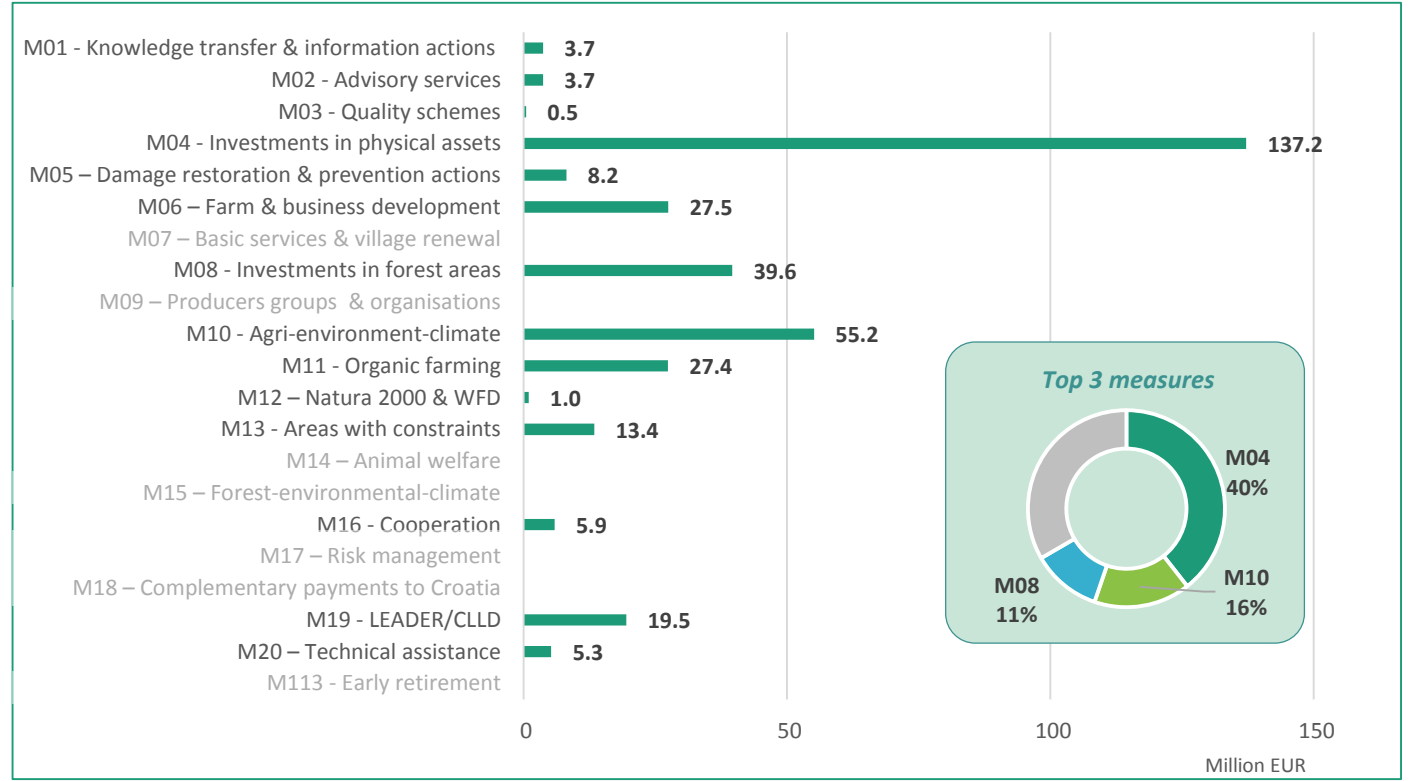
The following table shows how the planned total public expenditure (comprising the EAFRD support and the national contribution) is allocated between rural development priorities. Priority 1 is considered to be cross-cutting and no separate financial allocation is shown as the expenditure is distributed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

Priority		Total public expenditure per priority (million EUR)	% of total public expenditure*
P1 - Knowledge transfer & innovation	P2 - Competitiveness	85.3	24.5 %
	P3 - Food chain & risk management	52.1	15.0 %
	P4 - Ecosystems management	122.8	35.3 %
	P5 - Resource efficiency & climate	59.5	17.1 %
	P6 - Social inclusion & local development	23.1	6.6 %

\* 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)
Focus Area	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	Total	Planned expenditure (million EUR)
M01 - Knowledge transfer & information actions				10%	10%	10%	10%	20%			4%	4%	4%	4%	4%	10%	10%		100%	3.7
M02 - Advisory services				10%	10%	10%	10%	20%			4%	4%	4%	4%	4%	10%	10%		100%	3.7
M03 - Quality schemes						100%													100%	0.5
M04 - Investments in physical assets				40%		30%		1%			29%								100%	137.2
M05 - Damage/restoration /prevention actions							100%												100%	8.2
M06 - Farm & business development					100%														100%	27.5
M07 - Basic services & village renewal																				
M08 - Investments in forest areas								91%							7%	2%			100%	39.6
M09 - Producers groups & organisations																				
M10 - Agri-environment-climate								97%						3%					100%	55.2
M11 - Organic farming								100%											100%	27.4
M12 - Natura 2000 & WFD								100%											100%	1.0
M13 - Areas with constraints															100%				100%	13.4
M14 - Animal welfare																				
M15 - Forest-environmental-climate																				
M16 - Cooperation				10%	10%	10%	10%	19%			4%	4%	7%	5%	4%	10%	10%		100%	6.0
M17 - Risk management																				
M18 - Complementary payments to Croatia																				
M19 - LEADER/CLLD																	100%		100%	19.5

## 6. Additional info

<b>Date of RDP approval</b>	03/07/2015
<b>Spanish National Rural Network</b>	Red Rural Nacional <a href="http://www.magrama.gob.es/es/desarrollo-rural/temas/red-rural-nacional/">http://www.magrama.gob.es/es/desarrollo-rural/temas/red-rural-nacional/</a>
<b>Managing authority</b>	Autoridad de Gestión/Dirección General de Regadíos y Desarrollo Rural de la Consejería de Agricultura y Agua
<b>Paying agency</b>	Organo Pagador/Consejería de Agricultura y Agua
<b>Coordination body</b>	Fondo Español de Garantía Agraria (OOPP) y DG de Desarrollo Rural y Política Forestal (AAGG)
<b>RDP country documents</b>	<a href="http://ec.europa.eu/agriculture/rural-development-2014-2020/country-files/es_en.htm">http://ec.europa.eu/agriculture/rural-development-2014-2020/country-files/es_en.htm</a>
<b>National Partnership Agreement summary</b>	<a href="http://ec.europa.eu/contracts_grants/pa/partnership-agreement-spain-summary_en.pdf">http://ec.europa.eu/contracts_grants/pa/partnership-agreement-spain-summary_en.pdf</a>
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<b>Rural Development Regulation 2014-2020</b>	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 <a href="#">en</a> ]

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