



Agriculture, Forestry and Rural Development in Kosovo

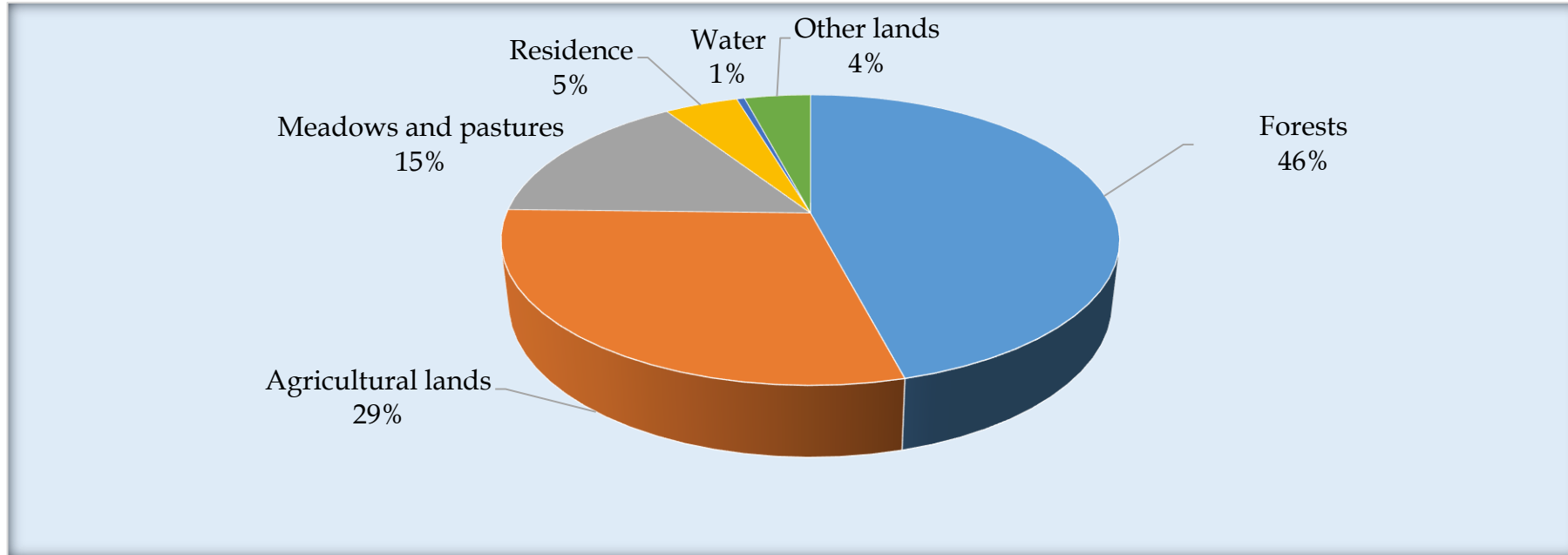
Agro-processing industry and development perspectives

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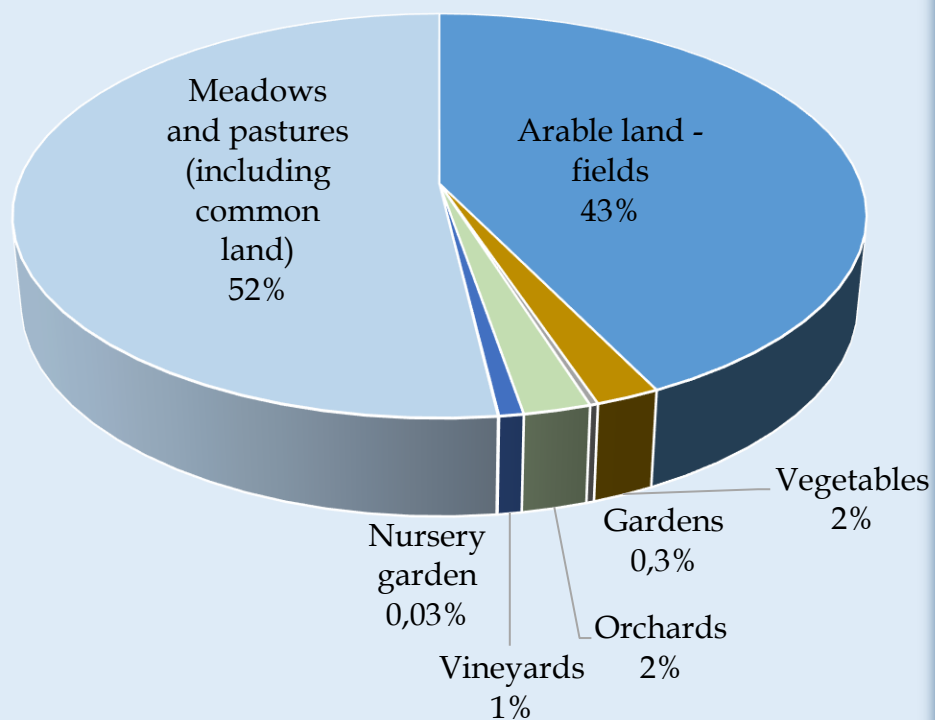
CONTEXT OF AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT



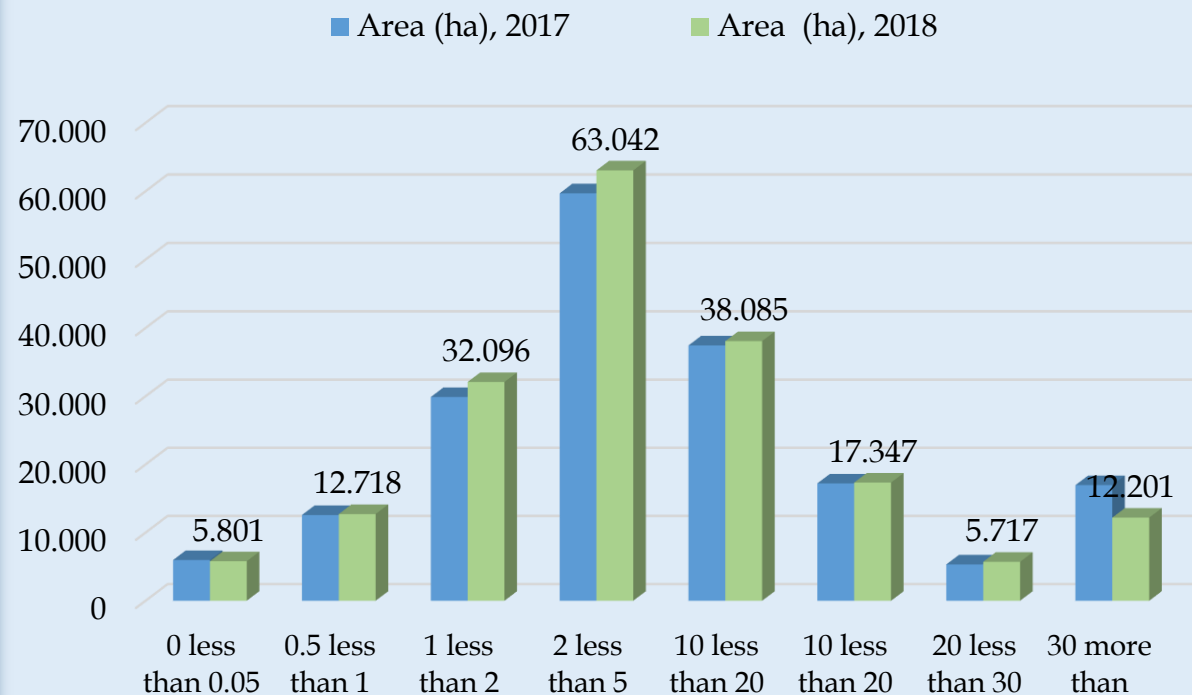
- Agriculture contributes with 7.2% in GDP (2018)
- Agricultural export consists of 17% of general value of the export (2019)
- Agriculture has a 22.8% share in total employment (2019)



Utilized area of agricultural land 2019 (%)



Farm size according to arable land area, 2017-2018





MAFRD Strategic Plan



- **The development of the sector of agriculture, forestry and rural development is one of the priorities and it is planned to have a special treatment in the next medium term in order to increase:**
 - **Production,**
 - **Reducing the import of agricultural products;**
 - **Maintaining existing jobs and**
 - **Creating new jobs.**

- **MAFRD Strategic Plan aims to:**
 - **Supporting investment projects in restructuring the physical potential of the farm;**
 - **Direct support for agricultural production;**
 - **Creating facilities for this sector.**



Vision and Mission

- **Structured and competitive agriculture with the region, oriented by market demands**
- **Contribute to the balanced development of the economy, environment, society, cultural welfare and improve the standard of living in rural areas**



Objectives



Increasing the competitiveness and efficiency of primary agricultural products, in order to achieve import substitution and exploit export markets;

- **Improved processing and marketing of agricultural products;**
- **Improving the quality and hygienic standards on the farm / factory;**
- **Sustainable rural development and improved quality of life (including infrastructure) through the promotion of agriculture and other economic activities which are in harmony with the environment;**
- **Creating employment opportunities in rural areas, especially through rural diversification;**
- **Alignment of Kosovo agriculture with that of the EU**



Budget of the Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Rural Development for the years 2007 - 2020



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Year	Budget for MAFRD (euro)
2007	6,366,283.00
2008	9,474,591.00
2009	15,055,338.00
2010	11,087,255.00
2011	13,725,746.00
2012	21,409,230.00
2013	23,359,230.00
2014	27,170,487.00
2015	60,152,651.00
2016	57,236,274.00
2017	56,901,862.02
2018	60,001,082.00
2019	58,977,961.11
2020	62,770,521.00



Current implementation of the ARDP

The implementation of the ARDP is based on two main pillars that correspond to the two pillars of EC PBB:

- **First pillar - Agriculture (direct payment)**
- **The second pillar - Rural Development (investment grants)**



MAFRD budget for over the years

Investment support trends for direct payments and grants according to the years 2008-2020

Years	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
Direct Payments	111,000	1,753,000	5,907,660	5,437,366	8,260,144	12,099,869	15,197,031	21,438,737	21,127,237	23,000,000	21,719,292	23,350,000	23,998,000
Grants	2,115,268	3,190,592	8,362,638	3,228,777	10,984,313	10,369,090	13,039,985	19,548,504	23,161,150	23,953,922	25,136,073	23,527,022	23,029,022
Total	2,226,268	4,943,592	14,270,298	8,666,143	19,244,457	22,468,959	28,237,016	40,987,241	44,288,387	46,953,922	46,855,365	46,877,022	47,027,022



Agro - processing Industry



There is a good tradition from Kosovar agribusinesses, for:

- **Dairy products;**
- **Fruit and vegetables;**
- **Meat products;**
- **Wine production;**
- **Other drinks**



Support of Agro – processing Industry



- ✓ Based on the current implementation of the ARDP, the Agro-processing industry is supported by the MAFRD through investment grants;
- ✓ **MEASURE 103: INVESTMENT IN PHYSICAL ASSETS IN PROCESSING AND TRADING OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS**
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- ✓ **SUB MEASURES FOR THE MILK PROCESSING SECTOR**
- ✓ **SUB MEASURES FOR THE MEAT PROCESSING SECTOR**
- ✓ **SUB MEASURES FOR THE FRUIT AND VEGETABLE SECTOR**
- ✓ **SUB MEASURES FOR THE WINE PRODUCTION SECTOR**



Registration and licensing of Agro-processing enterprises

- It is realized in the FVA (Food and Veterinary Agency) and there is a database for all enterprises of the Agro-processing Industry;
- Missing Special Strategy for Agro-processing enterprises;
- MAFRD for 2020, in the annual work plan, has foreseen the drafting, "Strategy for the advancement of agro-processing enterprises"



Thank You