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FBS Data builder on FBS Internet Reports at [FarmBusinessSurvey.co.uk](http://FarmBusinessSurvey.co.uk)

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Farms in the Farm Business Survey are grouped by type of farm based on the EC system of classification, defined by Commission Regulation 1242/2008 (with minor modifications to adapt it to United Kingdom conditions). This classification system uses Standard Outputs per hectare of crop area and per head of livestock estimated over a 5 year period. For 2010/11 (in line with the EU regulation) Standard Outputs were first introduced and were calculated for the period 2005-2009 (referred to as 2007 Standard Outputs). Prior to 2010, farm classification was based on using Standard Gross Margins. From 2013/14, Standard Outputs were recalculated for the period 2008-2012 (referred to as 2010 Standard Outputs). From 2017/18, the classification of farms is based on 2013 standard output coefficients. For more information please see:

[https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment\\_data/file/365564/fbs-uk-farmclassification-2014-21oct14.pdf](https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/365564/fbs-uk-farmclassification-2014-21oct14.pdf)

Data extracted from the fbs databuilder only presents one set of data for each year; caution must be given when extracting and analysing the time series of data as figures are not comparable either side of each break.

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Footnotes, for the break years to make it clear which classification to be used, are as follows:

- i) Results prior to 2009/10 are based on the old classification system using Standard Gross Margin.
- ii) For 2010/11 to 2012/13 farm typology is based on 2007 standard output coefficients.
- iii) For 2013/14 to 2016/17 farm typology is based on 2010 standard output coefficients.
- iv) For 2017/18 onwards farm typology is based on 2013 standard output coefficients.

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