

BreedExpo description about Finland ja southwest Finland

- Whole area of Finland is 333 424 square kilometers, agricultural land of that is 2,27 million hectares used producing crops, grass, potatoes and oilseed plants. In southwest Finland the agricultural area considers almost one fourth of hole county's area (26 % which is 273 000 hectares). On a most of that is produced crops as well as in hole country (the crop area is over 1 million ha, grassland (pastures and meadows included) varies between 780 and 800 thousand ha. In southwest Finland the crops are also main to produce (nearly 200 000 ha) while the land under grass producing is only 30 000 ha (plus meadows).
- The number of livestock farms has decreased during last years in Finland. Hole amount of cows is 857 700 animals (May 2019), and the producing is done on 9 900 farms. Dairy cow number is 262 300 (decreasing has been 3 percentage from last year), but the amount of beef animals has been rising a bit being now 60 300.
In southwest Finland was at May 2019 altogether 36 596 bovines on 368 farms. These numbers includes:
7966 dairy cows on 170 farms
4550 beef animals on 136 farms
5326 heifers on 300 farms
5934 bulls (including bullocks) on 211 farms
12820 calves under one year on 331 farms
Notice, that most of the mentioned animal groups are kept on a same farms.
- The average milk yield per cow is 9675 kg in a year (2018, ProAgria). The main breeds are Hostein and Ayshire, the heratage breeds (three variants) called "Suomenkarja" are even together only 2 % of hole amount from all population of animals. Beef breeds are Hereford, Charolais, Limousin, Aberdeen Agnus, Highland cattle, Simmental and small amount other breeds (irrelevant numbers).
- Veterinary accordance
Finland is officially free from brucellosis, tuberculosis, bluetongue (BT8) and IBR (respiratory infection disease).