

# EU long-term livestock strategy

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EU strategy for livestock: [Call for evidence](#)

## What is changing and why?

The European Commission has been seeking feedback to help shape its long-term livestock strategy. The Commission aims to address the weaknesses of the livestock sector, and contribute to a transition to more environmentally, economically, and socially sustainable production, including improvements to animal welfare. It will also assess better alignment of production requirements for imported products with existing European Union (EU) requirements.

The EU livestock sector faces many challenges, including low profits for farmers, leading to reductions in herds and a lack of young farmers. Current issues also include the implementation of animal welfare rules, the spread of animal diseases, and greenhouse gas emissions.

The feedback collected from this call for evidence will be taken into account in the Commission's strategy. A plan is also under development for [Reducing the plant protein deficit of the European Union](#).

## Actions

The opportunity to give feedback via the European Commission's [Have Your Say](#) webpage closed on 10 April 2026.

## Timeline

The strategy is expected to be published in June 2026.

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