

Glossary – Rural Development Programme

General

Term	Definition
Measure	A set of operations contributing to one or more of the Union priorities for rural development
Priority	There are six Rural Development policy priorities (specific objectives) which provide the basis for rolling out support from the European Agricultural Fund for Rural Development (EAFRD) to rural areas. These Union priorities are further divided into detailed 'Focus Areas'.
Focus Area	Union priorities for Rural Development are broken down into specific areas of intervention, known as Focus Areas (FAs). The RDP sets out quantified targets against selected FAs outlining the Measures and their allocated funding that will be used to reach these targets.
Operations	A count of the Operations approved at Programme, Priority and Focus Area levels. An operation is defined as a project, contract, action or group of projects selected by the managing authorities of the programmes concerned, or under their responsibility, that contributes to the objectives of a priority or priorities.

Financial

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Allocation	The amount of funding available under the Programme, Priority or Focus Area that may be awarded to Operations.
Committed	The amount of funding contracted to Operations approved under the Programme, Priority or Focus Area for the duration of that Operation.
Spend	The amount of funding paid to date to Operations approved by Welsh Government.

Indicator

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Outputs	Output indicators relate to operations supported. An output is considered what is directly produced / supplied through the implementation of an operation, measured in physical or monetary units. Outputs are measured at the level of supported people, supported entities, provided goods or services delivered.
Target	The agreed level of delivery for output indicators as set out in the Operational Programme
Project Forecast	The target set against output indicators for approved Operations to achieve by the completion of those Operations.
Achieved to date	The value reported against output indicators by approved Operations by a certain point in time in the Operations' lifecycle. This point in time varies for each Operation and relates to the time period of the most recent authorised claim.