

Agriculture and forestry face the ongoing challenge of meeting the requirements and needs of our society.

Citizens

- demand high-quality and healthy food,
- expect clear, clean drinking water,
- approve of to renewable energy and renewable resources.

In order to comply with these tasks, respective fundamentals are required. Representation of interests the Austrian Chamber of Agriculture works on the best implementation and establishment of these important framework conditions to sustain our basic natural resources soil, water and air.

### The Austrian Chamber of Agriculture is

- agriculture's and forestry's voice to the outside world
- an expert panel, generator of ideas and think tank
- the platform and representation of interests of agriculture and forestry as well as land owners
- a proactive coordinator and service provider for the Chambers of Agriculture, Cooperatives, Unions and Associations

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Working group for less favoured and mountainous areas  
Working group of Austrian of female farmers  
Working group for issues of the rural youth organization

### Committees of the Austrian Chamber of Agriculture:

Committee for education and consulting services  
Committee for energy and climate  
Committee for forestry and timber industry  
Committee for dairy farming  
Committee for plant production  
Committee for legal, tax and social policy  
Committee for specialized crop  
Committee for animal production  
Committee for viticulture



The quality label for farmers who sell directly to the consumers guarantees farm products straight from the farm.



The initiative „Gut zu Wissen“ (good to know) provides transparency in community catering concerning the origin of meat and eggs.



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## Austrian Chamber of Agriculture



# Tasks & Goals

The Austrian Chamber of Agriculture

According to the federal constitution, professional representation of the agricultural and forestry sector falls under the jurisdiction of the regional governments. Therefore in all the regions the chambers of agriculture are public bodies by regional law.

Main tasks of the chambers of agriculture:

- representation of interests
- advisory services
- involvement in implementing funding programs
- education and advanced training of the members

## The Austrian Chamber of Agriculture

(Landwirtschaftskammer Österreich - LKÖ) is the umbrella organization of the nine chambers of agriculture as well as of the Austrian Raiffeisen Association and is set up as an association.

The LKÖ fulfils its tasks on behalf of the members on the federal level especially vis-a-vis ministries, the Parliament and public authorities, furthermore on the EU and international level.

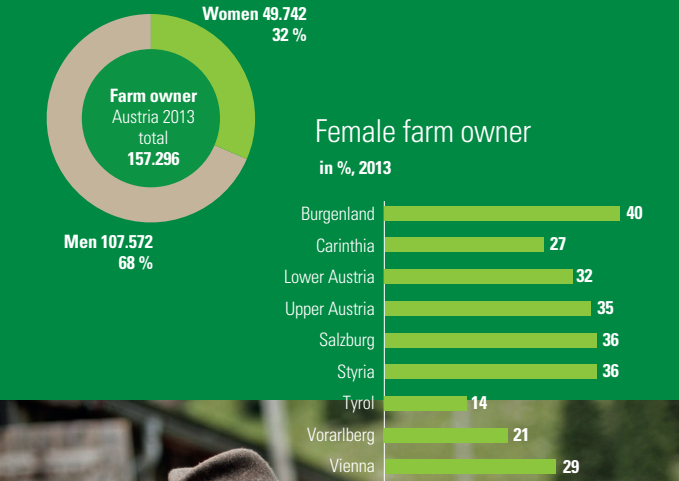
As part of the Social Partnership the LKÖ aims at strengthening the national economy and labour market while at the same time taking ecological requirements into consideration.

# Members

of the Chamber of Agriculture in Austria

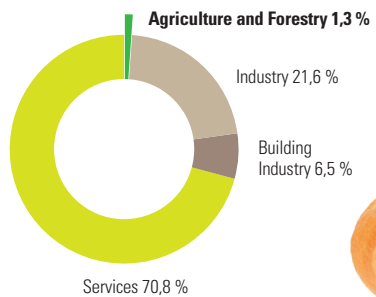
- owners of property used for agriculture and/or forestry,
- tenants of a farm or forest holding,
- family members involved in agriculture or forestry on a full-time basis,
- agricultural or forestry businesses or cooperatives and executive staff of the aforementioned enterprises

# Ratio of female farm owners



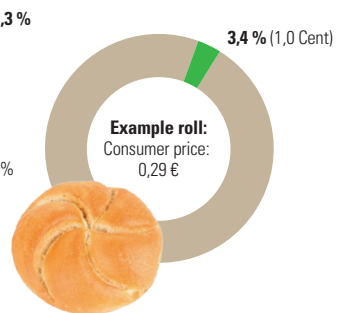
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Added acc. to sectors 2016  
Contribution to GDP in %

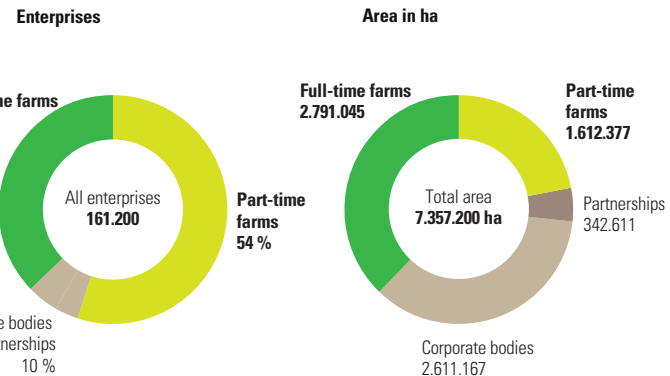


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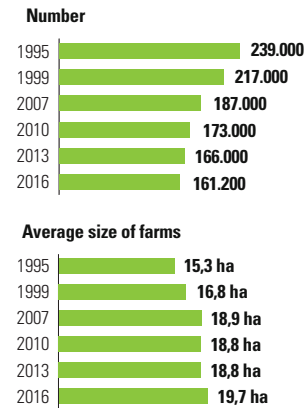
of agricultural raw material costs to consumer price



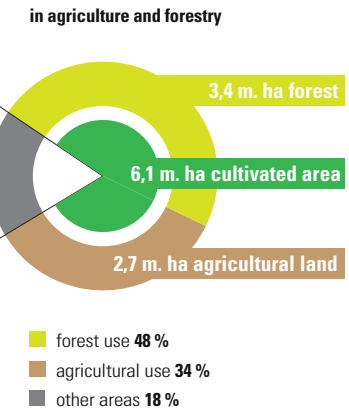
## Farms acc. to type of occupation 2016



## Trend 1995 – 2016



## Land use in Austria



## Development of organic farms

