

Product title	National / Official Statistic	Frequency	Data source	Annual cost estimate H/M/L	Proposed action	Rationale					Cost impact H/M/L		Comment
						Legal requirement	High policy need	Alt. source	Cost impact	Other	Staff	Survey / data	
Farming statistics products													
Fruit and vegetable Wholesale Prices England	NS	Monthly statistics notice. Weekly and monthly datasets	Horticultural Market Inspectors collect data from five wholesale markets weekly.	L	Reduce frequency of publishing prices data. Change from publishing a monthly statistics notice to a dataset which will contain same level of information.				✓	✓	L	L	ONS use Agricultural prices Index (API) data in the production of the Producer Price Index, which is one of the key measures of inflation. Optimises staff resource.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cereals usage by Millers, Brewers, Distillers & Maltsters UK Animal Feed 	NS	Monthly	Survey	L	Stop collecting statistics on cereal usage to inform the cereals balance sheets. Already in the process of transferring responsibility to the	✓		✓	✓		L	L	European (Cereal balance sheet) Regulation 1234/2007. We are only required to produce a final cereal balance sheet.

GB					industry so that the market would continue to have this information.								
Cereal Stocks UK / England and Wales	NS	Twice a year	Survey	L	Only collect data and publish statistics for on-farm stock of cereals data once per year (stop February collection / May publication).	✓			✓		L	L	European (Cereal balance sheet) Regulation 1234/2007. While the data are useful to industry in producing mid-year cereal balance sheets, they are of little value to Defra. End year collection of data is used to meet the legislative requirement
Farming statistics – results from the June Survey of Agriculture and Horticulture (see range of publications below impacted by the proposal to reduce sample size)			June Survey of Agriculture and Horticulture (England); administrative systems used in agriculture (Cattle Tracing System and the Sheep and Goat Inventory); other farming surveys run by Defra and the Devolved Administrations.		Optimise the sample size for the June Agricultural Survey in England, changing from 30,000 to 25,000 in non-Structure Survey years						<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Crop data will be boosted by using Basic Payments Scheme admin data. • The proposed sample size was trialled in 2015 and did not have a significant negative impact on the precision of the results. • Overall optimisation of data 		

													processing costs, validation and results processing effort.
Final Crop Areas and Cattle, Sheep and Pig Population England	NS	Annual	See above	H		✓		✓	✓		M	L	EU Regulation 1165/2008
Provisional arable crop areas England	NS	Annual	See above	H		✓		✓	✓		M	L	EU Regulation 1165/2008
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Final land use, livestock population and agricultural workforce England Provisional crop areas and livestock population UK Final crops 	NS	Annual	See above	H	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Stop collecting poultry numbers on the June Agricultural Survey and rely on poultry production statistics. Change frequency of agricultural labour statistics to only collect Structure Survey years (three 	✓		✓	✓		M	L	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> EU Regulation 1165/2008 There is no regulatory need to collect poultry numbers. Poultry head counts are of limited value. We will continue to collect poultry production statistics. No statutory requirement for labour figures. We will still

areas, yields, livestock population and agricultural workforce UK					times per decade), and rely on ONS Labour Force Survey in other years								produce labour estimates three times per decade from the EU Farm Structure Survey. ONS produce some annual agricultural labour statistics from their Labour Force Survey, of lower precision than the Defra statistics.
Wheat and barley production UK	NS	Annual	See above	H				✓		M	L		
Agriculture in the United Kingdom	NS	Annual	Compendium	M	Review the need for and content of the Agriculture in the UK publication. Invite views on and review the annual evidence stakeholder seminar. Explore the extent	✓				M	N/A	Fulfil requirement under Agriculture Act 1993.	

					to which we can rationalise the content of AUK.								
Farm Business Survey (FBS) (see individual publications below impacted by the proposal to reduce sample size)					Optimise the sample size for the FBS -reduce from 1,900 to 1,800 in 2015/16 and 1,750 from 2016/17.							Although precision rates will fall marginally, the proposed sample size will still be sufficient to meet EU regulatory requirements (EC 1217/2009). Sample size optimisation has some limited impact on all FBS related publications listed below.	
Farm accounts in England	NS	Annual	See above	H			✓		✓		L	L	
Farm Rents England	NS	Annual	See above	H			✓		✓		L	L	Indirectly to meet needs of Units of Production Order
Forecasts of Farm Business Income by type of farm (England)	NS	Annual	See above	H	Move publication from end January to end February.		✓		✓		L	L	Eases peak pressure on staff resource
Farm Business Income by Farm Type in England	NS	Annual	See above	H			✓		✓		L	L	

Farm Household Income and Household Composition (England)	NS	Annual	See above	H	Data collection planned to cease from 15/16 onwards				✓		M	L	Stop collecting data on non-agricultural household income as this is relatively stable over time and other data sources (e.g. HMRC Survey of Personal Incomes) can be used to track trends.
Farmer Intentions Survey (England)	OS	Ad hoc	See above	M	Last publication will be around March 2016				✓		M	L	Farmer intentions can fluctuate significantly, and there can be a difference between intentions and action.
Fertiliser usage on farm (England)	NS	Annual	See above	M							L	L	Whilst there is a slight change in the overall FBS sample, data collection for this module will increase to cover the full FBS sample.
Farm Succession	NS	Ad hoc	See above	M					✓		L	L	Data now published within

(England)													Farm Accounts in England
Water usage on farms in England	NS	Annual	See above	M					✓		L	L	
Farm Practices Survey	NS	Survey conducted twice per year	Bespoke Farm Practices survey	M	Change the frequency of the Farm Practices Survey. Run every fourth year in Spring, instead of annually. Stop the Autumn survey.				✓		M	L	The Farm Practices Survey looks at how English farming practices are affected by current agricultural and environmental issues. The content of the survey is agreed each year in consultation with users to ensure the information collected remains relevant. Products therefore vary from year to year. Responsibility for collecting Greenhouse gas (GHG) mitigation measures could transfer to the industry.

British Survey of Fertiliser Practice GB	NS	Annual	Survey	H	Review the data collected in the British Survey of Fertiliser Practices and scale back to essential items. Review sample size.			✓		M	M	
Agricultural Statistics and Climate Change England	OS	Annual	Various including surveys, industry estimates.	L	Review the content and frequency of publication of the Agricultural Statistics and Climate Change publication.		✓	✓		L	L	
Campaign for the Farmed Environment (CFE) - Survey of land managed voluntarily England	OS	Ad hoc (see comment)	Survey	M	Stop the Campaign for the Farmed Environment survey, used to monitor the uptake of CFE measures. Direct funding by Defra ends in 2016. The CFE is industry-led and any future monitoring evidence would be		✓	✓		M	M	Statistics on farming's impact on the environment would continue to be produced and published. Monitoring of CFE measures is complex because of the range of measures, and difficult for the current survey to

