

FARM SURVEY SUMMARY

Average results from the Water Net Gain Farm survey 2025

Total responses: 109



Ownership:

57%



Landowners

9%



Tenants

32%



Mix

Average daily usage:

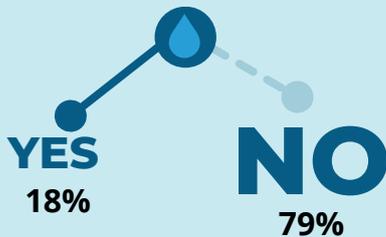
64M³

47% of farms don't know their average water consumption

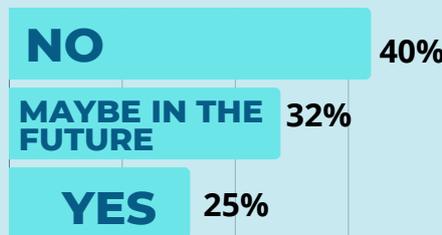
29% of farms have an abstraction licence

Average annual abstraction volume
71,000M³

Do you ever share water with neighbouring business?



Is your business constrained by water availability?



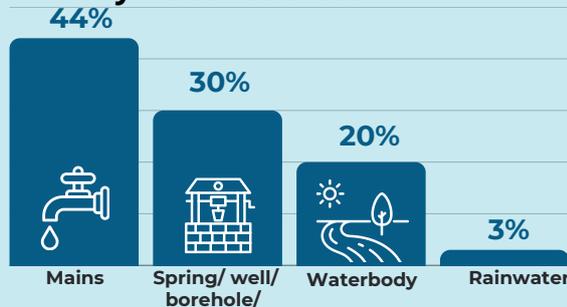
Are you part of a Water Abstractor Group (WAG)?



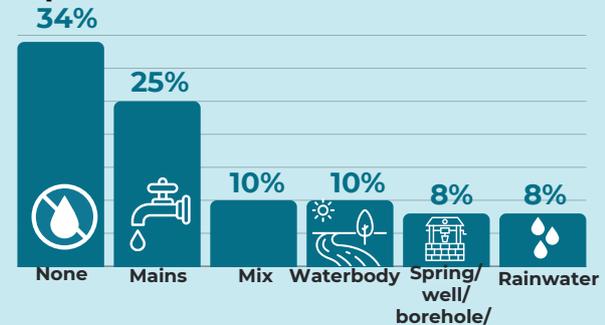
Has your farm experienced water shortages in the last 10 years?



Primary water source:



Backup water source:



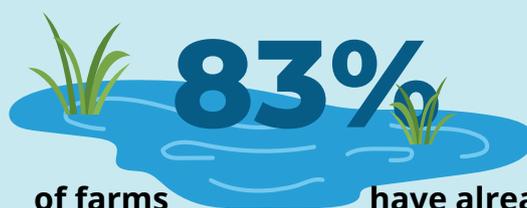
70%

farmers agreed to at least 1 of our example schemes

Most popular suggested area required for ponds:



Mixed feedback on contract length



43% of farms store water to balance availability

farmers store between: 2 -1,000,000M³

Most popular farm investment:

≤£,5000



Most popular annual maintenance payment:

£500-600



This summary shows average results from the survey. The full results, when broken down by location, reveals that issues and solutions across the country will need to look very different. See the full survey report for more information.