

## UK National Inventory of Farm Animal Genetic Resources

### Ovines

This table is part of the UK's national inventory of farm animal breeds present in the UK, and updates the 2012 inventory published in the Country Report:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/uk-country-report-on-farm-animal-genetic-resources-2012>

The inventory helps Defra monitor breed populations and identify breeds that may be at risk, and the updated inventory shows the current breed data for Bovines (cows), Ovines (sheep), Equines (horses), Porcines (pigs), Caprines (goats) and Camelids (llamas/alpacas) as at 10 August 2016.

Breed General					Breed Status	
Breed Name	Average females registered for 3 years (2012, 2013 & 2014)	Estimated pedigree registered breeding females in 2015	Estimated pedigree registered breeding females in 2012	Estimated pedigree registered breeding females in 2002	Breed origin	Breed status in the UK
Badger Face Welsh Mountain (Torddu and Torwen)	1,840	4,434	4,875	3,500	N	NBAR, GC?
Balwen	484	1,166	964	2,000	N	NBAR, BAR
Beltex	4,075	9,820	8,556	2,000	E	ZR
Beulah Speckled Face	10,556	25,439	19,528		N	
Blue Texel	642	1,546	696		E	BID
Bluefaced Leicester	6,977	16,815	15,853	13,189	N	
Border Leicester	441	1,064	1,181	3,500	N	NBAR, BAR, ZR
Boreray	152	366	212	93	N	NBAR, BAR, ZR
British Berrichon	638	1,538	1,130		E	EGBAR, ZR
British Bleu Du Maine	328	790	651	600	E	EGBAR, ZR
British Charollais	5,757	13,874	11,264	2,250	E	ZR
British Milksheep	58	140	74	1,232	E	ZR, BID
Cambridge	101	243	304	800	N	NBAR, BAR
Castlemilk Moorit	298	719	545	688	N	NBAR, BAR, ZR
Charmoise	133	321	241		E	EGBAR
Clun Forest		4,221*	2,971	4,886	N	NBAR, BAR
Cotswold	380	917	901	712	N	NBAR, BAR, ZR, GC?

Dalesbred	3,426	8,257	3,851	37,500	N	BAR (GC)
Derbyshire Gritstone	266	640	2,000	2,250	N	NBAR, BAR
Devon and Cornwall Longwool	322	776	752	2,750	N	NBAR, BAR, GC
Devon Closewool	763	1,838	1,979	4,340	N	NBAR, BAR, ZR, GC
Dorper	144	346	280		E	EGBAR
Dorset Down	626	1,509	815	2,034	N	NBAR, BAR, ZR, GC?
Dorset Horn	417	1,004	938	2,386	N	NBAR, BAR, ZR
Epynt Hardy Speckled	1,606	3,871	3,984		N	BID, GC?
Exlana	1,613	3,888	5,040		E	BID, GC?
Exmoor Horn	2,995	7,217	7,260	20,000	N	NBAR, ZR, BAR(GC)
Galway	69	165	108	150	E	EGBAR
Gotland	121	292	263	450	E	EGBAR
Greyface Dartmoor	585	1,410	1,244	1,685	N	NBAR, BAR
Hampshire Down	1,576	3,797	3,152	4,050	N	NBAR, ZR
Hebridean	2,105	5,072	4,415	2,298	N	NBAR
Hill Radnor	1,572	3,789	1,200	1,539	N	NBAR, BAR
Icelandic / British Icelandic	59	142	113	300	E	EGBAR , BID
Ile De France	92	221	241	500	E	EGBAR, GC?
Jacob	2,543	6,129	5,808		N	NBAR, ZR
Kerry Hill	1,755	4,229	3,350	2,550	N	NBAR
Leicester Longwool	285	687	610	420	N	NBAR, BAR, GC?, ZR
Lincoln Longwool	271	653	793	1,345	N	NBAR, BAR, ZR, GC?
Llandovery Whiteface Hill	11,227 **	27,057	8,000		N	NBAR, GC?
Llanwenog	686	1,652	1,333	1,944	N	NBAR, BAR, ZR, GC?

Lleyn	34,996	84,340	83,508	129,643	N	
Lonk	997	2,402	2,458	3,500	N	NBAR, BAR, GC
Manx Loaghtan	391	943	899	1,253	N	NBAR, BAR, ZR
Norfolk Horn	475	1,145	1,041	1,061	N	NBAR, BAR, ZR
North Ronaldsay	201	484	402	666	N	NBAR, BAR, ZR
Ouessant	96	231	142		E	EGBAR
Oxford Down	484	1,166	995	1,529	N	NBAR, BAR, ZR
Poll Dorset	5,399	13,011	11,057	21,470	N*	
Portland	361	869	834	1,339	N	NBAR, BAR, ZR
Rouge de l'Est / British Rouge	333	803	848		E	ZR, BID
Ryeland (including Coloured Ryeland)	2,189	5,275	3,451	3,000	N	NBAR, BAR, ZR
Shetland Island	1,971	4,750	9,532		N	BAR (GC), NBAR
Shetland Mainland	1,399	3,372	3,574	2,500	N	NBAR, BAR
Shropshire	1,198	2,886	2,138	1,453	N	NBAR, BAR, ZR
Soay	449	1,083	966	1,107	N	NBAR, BAR, ZR
Southdown	1,583	3,816	3,752	1,600	N	NBAR, BAR, ZR
Suffolk	8,743	21,070	22,348	56,600	N	ZR
Swaledale	69,333	167,093	163,579	750,000	N	ZR
Teeswater	289	696	658	429	N	NBAR, BAR
Texel / British Texel	29,321	70,664	51,846	115,000	E	BID
Valais Blacknose	53 **	128			E	ZR
Vendeen / British Vandeem	132	318	419	620	E	EGBAR, BID
Wensleydale	419	1,010	991	1,624	N	NBAR, BAR, ZR
White Face Dartmoor	854	2,058	1,482	2,094	N	NBAR, BAR, GC

Whitefaced Woodland	217	523	489	656	N	NBAR, BAR, ZR
Wiltshire Horn	2,747	6,621	6,528	3,000	N	NBAR, ZR
Zwartbles	3,619	8,721	7,040	1,406	E	EGBAR

\* average census figures 2012 - 2014

\*\* 2014 figure only

Extensively managed breeds for which alternative methods of calculating populations are being investigated					Breed Status	
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Black Welsh Mountain		2,290 *	1,159	7,200	N	NBAR, BAR, ZR, GC?
Brecknock Hill Cheviot		35,000 *	20,000		N	BAR (GC)
Herdwick		8,000 *	8,000	45,000	N	NBAR, BAR(GC), ZR
North Country Cheviot		71,864 *	86,000		N	ZR
Romeny		124,143 *	2,900		N	NBAR, BAR, GC
Rough Fell		20,000 *	14,807	12,000	N	ZR, BAR (GC)
South Country Cheviot		52,000 *		43,000	N	BAR (GC)
South Wales Mountain (Nelson type)		12,000 *	11,520		N	BAR (GC)

\* The breed societies provided these estimates

Breeds present in the UK that did not contribute to the 2015 inventory				
	Estimated pedigree registered breeding females in 2012	Estimated pedigree registered breeding females in 2002	Breed origin	Breed status in the UK
Easy Care	150000		E	BID
Meatlinc		1000	E	BID

Scottish Blackface			N	ZR, GC?
Roussin	720	400	E	EGBAR, GC?
Welsh Hill Speckled Face	2700		N	NBAR, BAR, GC
Welsh Mountain		250000	N	

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