Agricultural investment in Poland in the years 2007-2013

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Changes in the number of farms with agricultural production and the surface above 1 ha of UAA in the years 1996-2010 in Poland (in '000)

Types of farms	Year		
	1996	2002	2010
Farms with the competitive ability and the ones that may soon achieve it	106 ^a	174 ^b	209°
Remaining farms selling all or most of their final production	866	739	767
Farms producing mainly or exclusively for the needs of the farm holder's family	941	705	503

a. The number estimated on the basis of information in 1999.b. Total estimated on the basis of information from 2005-2007.c. Total estimated based on information from 2010-2012.*Source: W. Jozwiak [2014].*

Reasons for not investing (multiple responses allowed)



Source: M. Lefebvre et al. (2014), European farmers' intentions to invest in 2014-2020: survey results, European Commission Joint Research Centre Institute for Prospective Technological Studies, Fig. 14.

Structure of sources of funds in the Polish agriculture in the years 2005-2013



FADN regions in Poland



Average share of investing farms



Average share of different types of investment



Non-investing vs investing farms



Investment to total production



Investment with vs without the CAP investment support



Sources of external capital

Commertial long-term bank credits	
Commertial long-term credits from other institutions	
Private long-term loans	0.3
Preferential long-term bank credits	
Commercial short-term bank credits	
Commercial short-term credits from other institutions	
Private short-term loans	
Preferential short-term bank credits	
Preferential short-term credits from other institutions	

Conclusions

- Public support is currently the main source of funds coming to the Polish agriculture.
- Commercial credit is rarely used as a source of finance for investment or current operations.
- Main source of external finance are preferential credits.
- The larger the farm, the more its owner makes use of external funds.
- The CAP investment support plays insignificant role in the total investment undertaken by the Polish farms. It is the most visible in the case of investment in machines, equipment and means of transport.