## Statistics on the finances of agricultural and forestry enterprises 2013

## Average age of farmers is growing

The average age of farmers has risen by four years from the beginning of the 2000s. The average age of all farmers was 47 in 2000, while it was 51 years in 2013. The share of farmers aged under 35 in the entire farmer population has fallen from 12 per cent in 2000 to eight per cent in 2013. In 2013, nearly one-half or 47 per cent of farmers were aged between 50 and 64. These data derive from the 2013 statistics on the finances of agricultural and forestry enterprises published by Statistics Finland.

Development of the number of farmers by age group in 2000 to 2013


In the review, agriculture and forestry are examined separately. The results of agricultural enterprises are examined in Section 1 of the review. In 2013, the number of active agricultural enterprises taxed on the basis of the act on the income tax of agriculture was in all 52,210 and the average result gained by them from agriculture was around EUR 18,400 . The result from agriculture corresponded to good 30 per cent of total taxable income of farmer couples. The income share of agriculture has constantly decreased in
farmer households' all income. Information based on personal tax data is given in Section 2 of the review and statistics on private forestry in Section 3.

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