

**Table 3.** Farmers and farm profiles of the respondents

Variable		Belgium	France	Germany	Netherlands	Spain	Total
	<b>Number of respondents</b>	701	68	128	27	64	<b>988</b>
<b>Gender</b>	<b>Female</b>	16,1%	20,6%	16,4%	11,1%	6,3%	15,7%
	<b>Male</b>	83,9%	77,9%	81,3%	88,9%	93,8%	83,9%
	<b>No answer</b>	0,0%	1,5%	2,3%	0,0%	0,0%	0,4%
<b>Higher education<sup>a</sup></b>	<b>Yes</b>	31,8%	38,2%	51,6%	44,4%	39,1%	35,6%
	<b>No</b>	68,2%	61,8%	48,4%	55,6%	60,9%	64,4%
<b>Herd type</b>	<b>Beef</b>	55,3%	60,3%	14,8%	0,0%	54,7%	48,9%
	<b>Dairy</b>	27,7%	32,4%	55,5%	81,5%	26,6%	33,0%
	<b>Mixed</b>	16,4%	5,9%	11,7%	18,5%	3,1%	14,3%
	<b>Other<sup>b</sup></b>	0,6%	1,5%	18,0%	0,0%	15,6%	3,8%
<b>Business stage</b>	<b>Starting or expanding</b>	22,5%	19,1%	26,6%	18,5%	42,2%	24,0%
	<b>Reducing or retired</b>	26,7%	27,9%	18,0%	48,1%	12,5%	25,3%
	<b>Settled and stable</b>	50,8%	52,9%	55,5%	33,3%	45,3%	50,7%
<b>Organic farm</b>	<b>Yes or In conversion</b>	10,0%	13,2%	18,0%	3,7%	25,0%	12,0%
	<b>No</b>	90,0%	86,8%	79,7%	96,3%	73,4%	87,6%
	<b>No answer</b>	0,0%	0,0%	2,3%	0,0%	1,6%	0,4%
<b>Experience (years)</b>	<b>Average</b>	27,3	28,41	29,01	33	28,7	27,9
	<b>Standard deviation</b>	11,88	11,71	12,32	13,25	17,16	12,39
	<b>Range (min - max)</b>	1 - 70	1 - 50	4 - 55	0 - 55	3 - 65	0 - 70
<b>Herd size (number of animals)</b>	<b>Average</b>	174,5	205,5	216	182,5	246,2	186,9
	<b>Standard deviation</b>	146,3	173,28	285,48	175,06	263,6	182,81
	<b>Range (min - max)</b>	0 - 1075	2 - 1110	3 - 1900	45 - 1003	21 - 1300	0 - 1900
<b>Mortality rate</b>	<b>Average</b>	5,3	5	3,8	5,3	4,6	5,1
	<b>Standard deviation</b>	6,44	4,08	3,41	3,97	4,5	5,83
	<b>Range (min - max)</b>	0 - 104,5	0 - 30	0 - 25,9	0 - 12,5	0 - 17,9	0 - 104,6
<b>Risk aversion</b>	<b>Average</b>	220,05	209,54	203,3	1965,26	338,89	216,76
	<b>Standard deviation</b>	41,98	38,07	45,73	40,31	59,92	43,12
	<b>Range (min - max)</b>	88-300	105-290	44-298	114-275	94-300	44-300
<b>Biosecurity knowledge</b>	<b>Average</b>	1,97	2,01	1,87	1,81	2,48	1,99
	<b>Standard deviation</b>	1,15	1,06	1,1	1,36	0,83	1,13
	<b>Range (min - max)</b>	0 - 3	0 - 3	0 - 3	0 - 3	0 - 3	0 - 3

Legend: <sup>a</sup> Higher education refers to short or long term tertiary study; <sup>b</sup> Examples of "other" categories: veal calves and fighting bulls.