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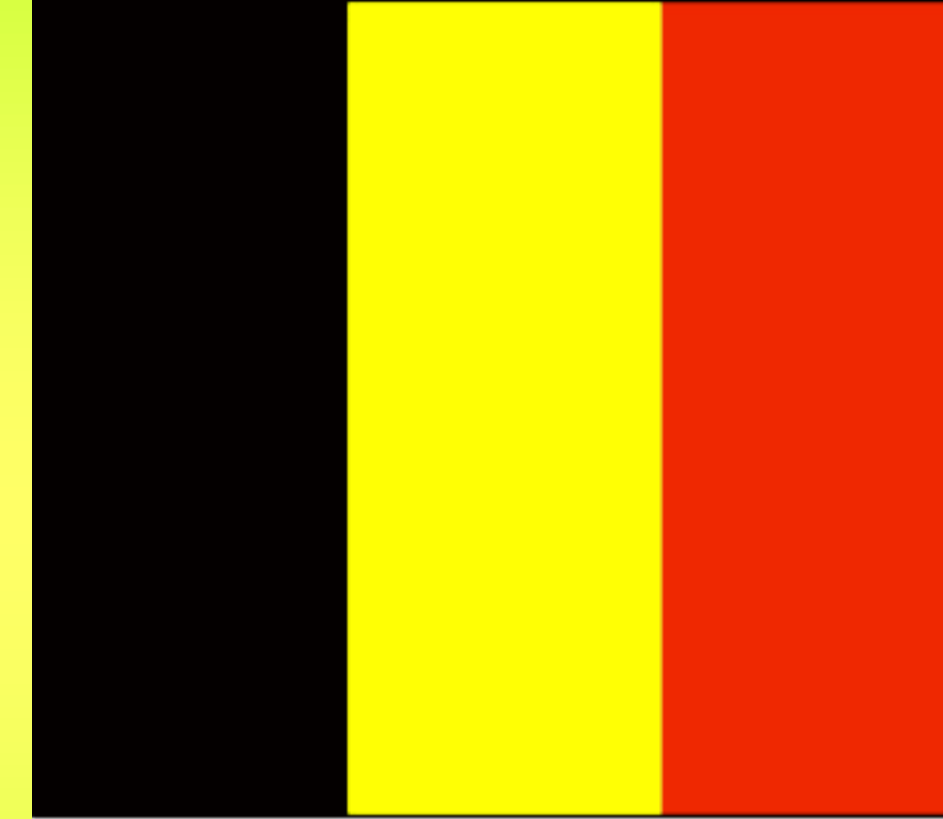


AGRICULTURE IN BELGIUM

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Country – 30 528 km²
Population – 10,709,972
 In urban areas – 10,427,229
 In rural areas – 282,743
Agricultural land area – 133.391.300 ha
Arable land – 82.667.633 ha
Permanent grassland – 50.723.667 ha
Employed in agriculture – 58,337 (+/-1.2% of total employment)



NATURAL CONDITIONS

Climate zone: Warm temperate
Soil types: Clay, sand, sand-loam, loam
Temperature:
 Average maxima : 28 (Ardennes) -32°C (lower Belgium)
 Average minima: -10°C (lower Belgium) - -19°C(Ardennes)
Rainfall:
 Average: 800 mm (lower Belgium) - 1,200 mm (Ardennes)
 200 rainy days

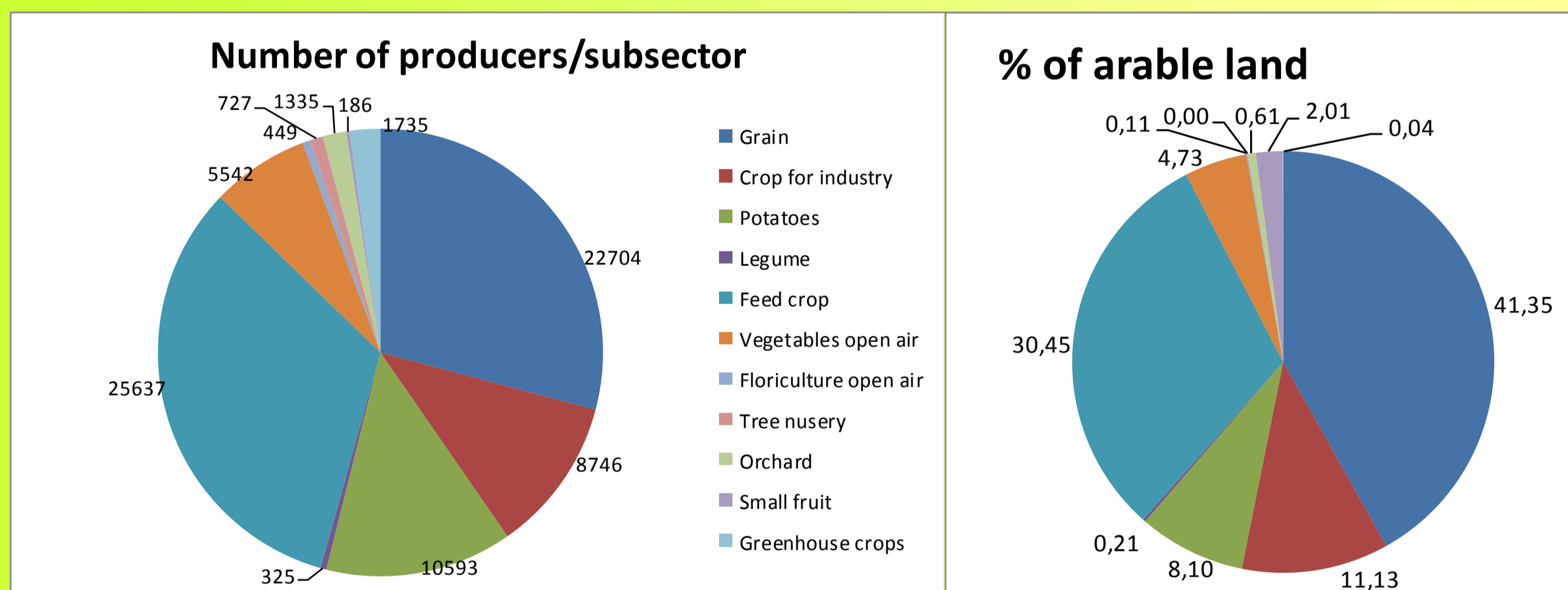
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FARM STRUCTURE

Number of farms: 38,559
Average surface used per farm: 23.6 ha
Legal status:
 Natural person: 33,765
 Legal person: 4,794
Employed: 75,589 - 58,337 FTE
 Family: 60,060 - 41.738 FTE
 Non-family: 15,529 - 16,599 FTE

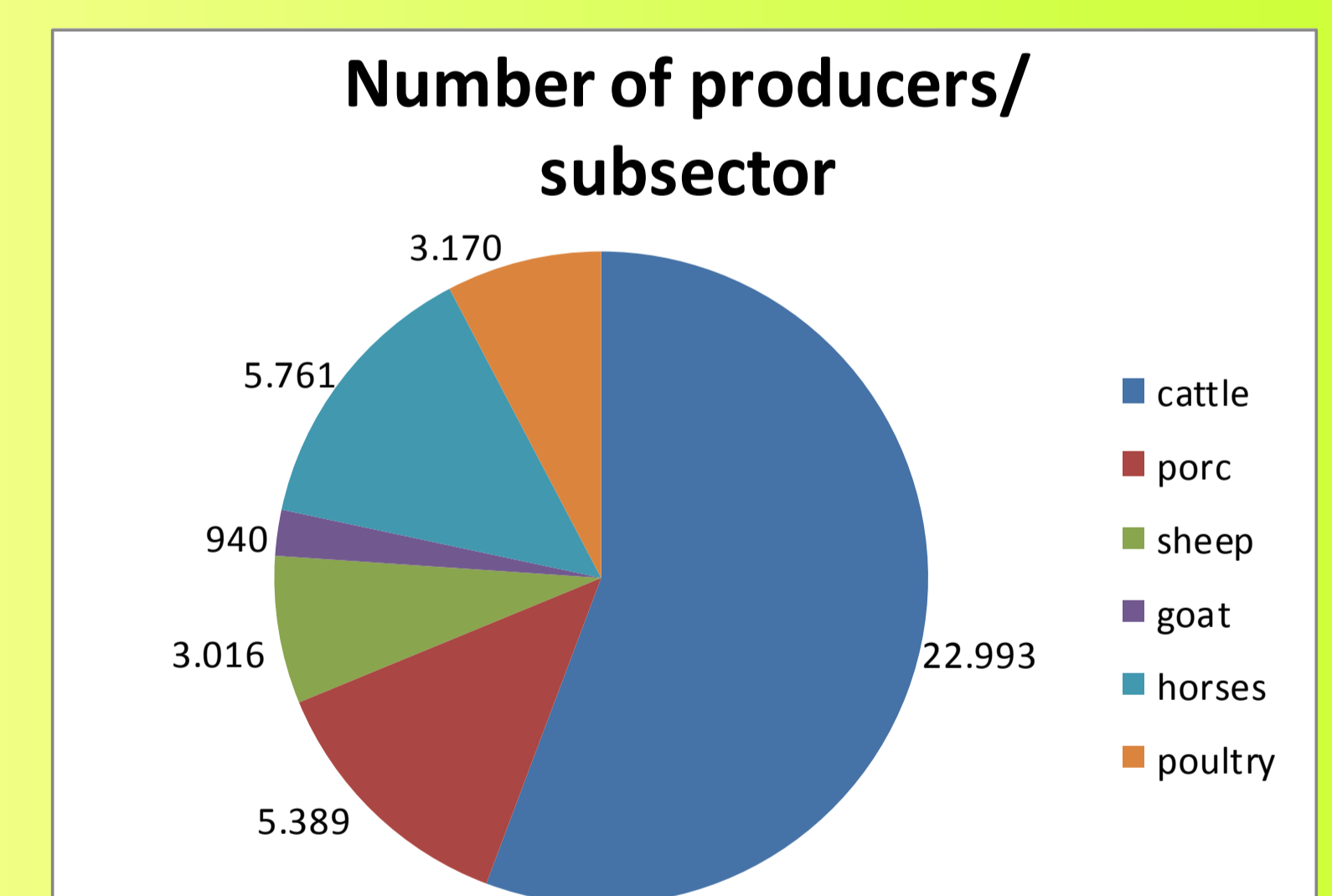
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CROP PRODUCTION



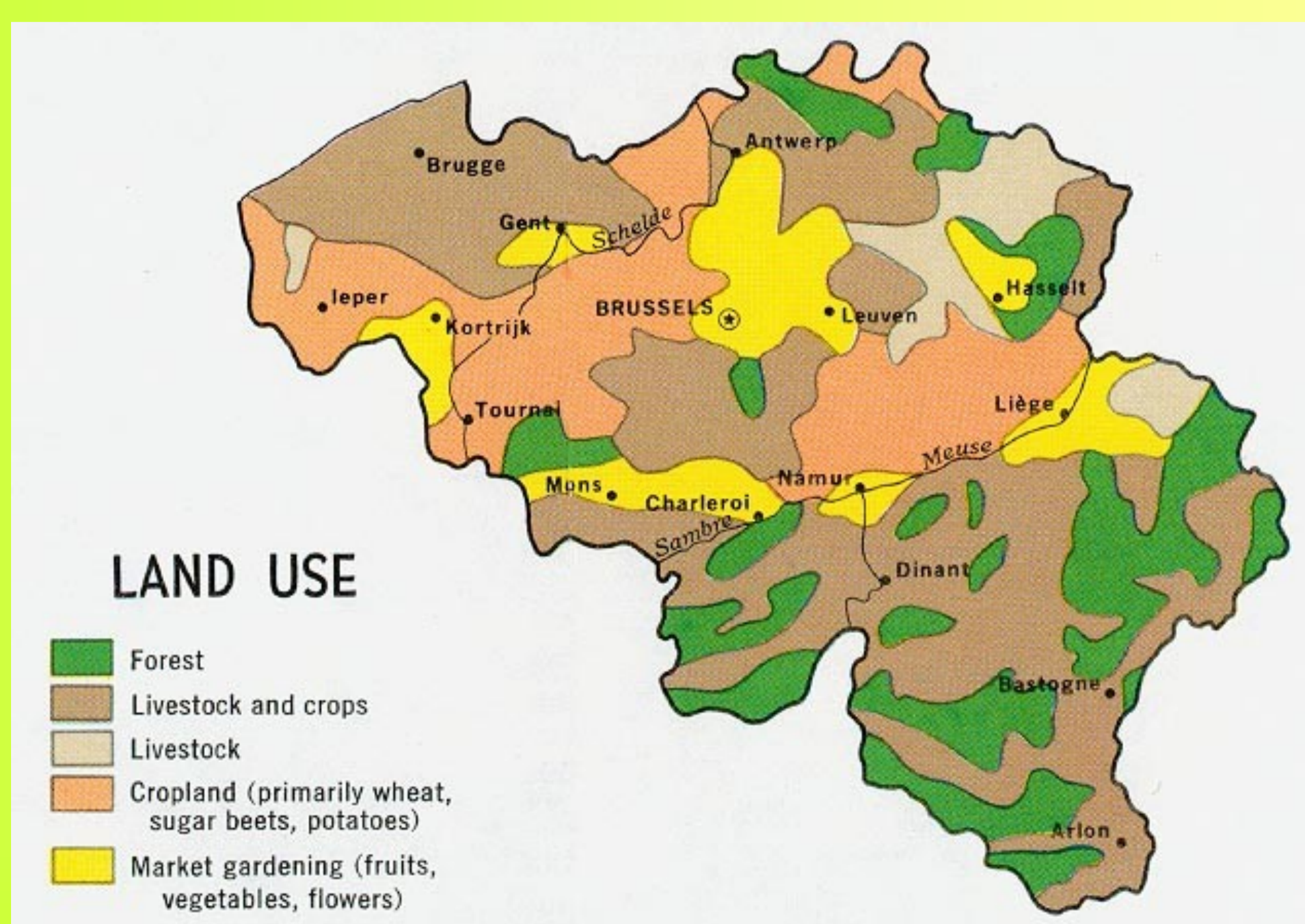
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ANIMAL PRODUCTION



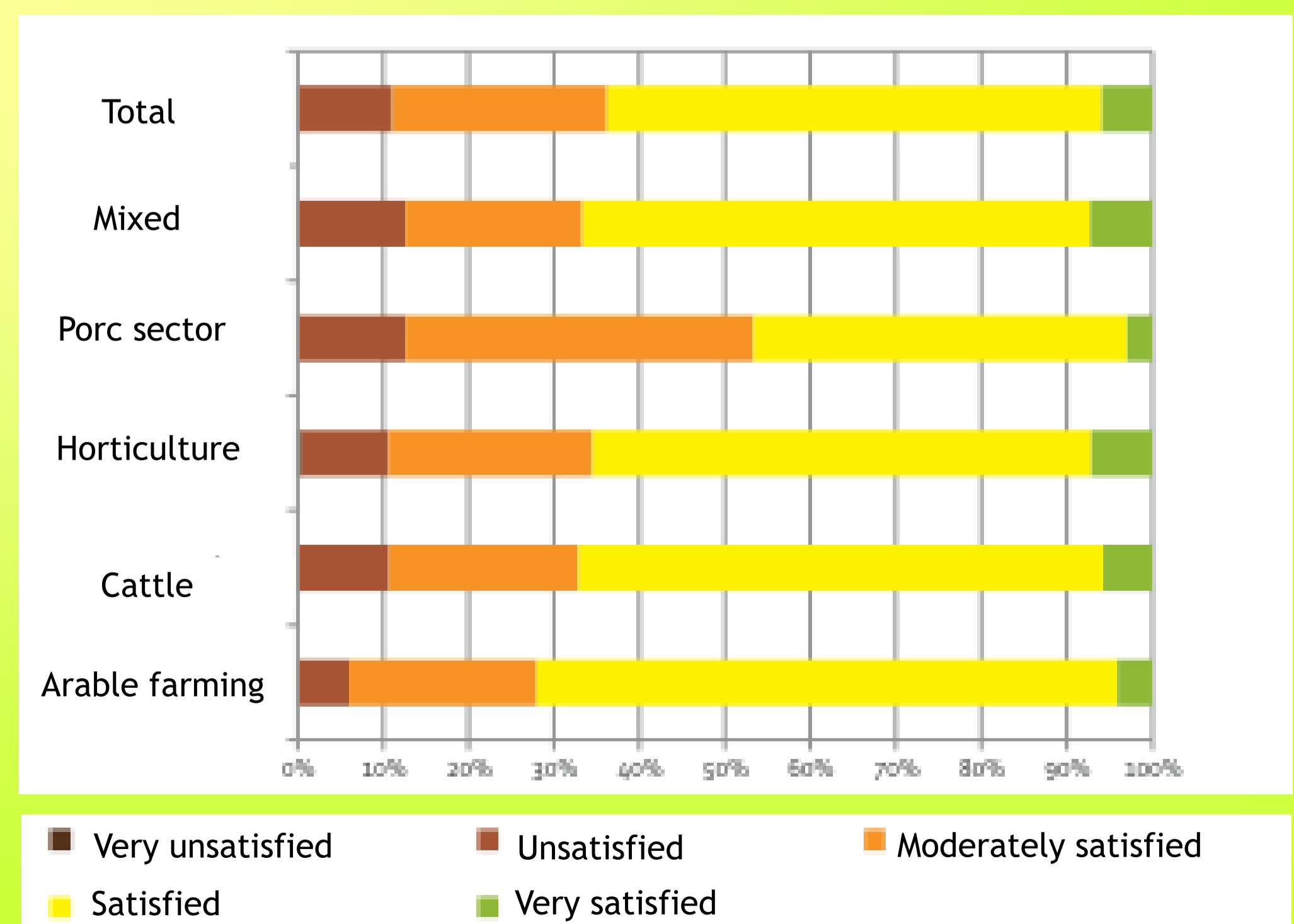
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LAND USE



Source: http://maps.owje.com/maps/8356_belgium-

TOTAL SATISFACTION PER SUBSECTOR



Source: Department Agriculture and fisheries (Belgium)



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