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- The number of dairy producers in the EU- 27 fell by 5.1% between 2010/11 and 2011/12.
- Romania saw the largest fall in dairy producer numbers - falling by 16,988 (4.4%) between 2010/11 and 2011/12.
- The largest fall in percentage terms was in Bulgaria where the producer numbers fell by 24.3% (4,408 producers).
- The only country to see a rise in producer numbers was Ireland who saw producer numbers rise by 1.1% (212 producers) to 19,167.

The number of dairy producers in the EU- 27 fell by 5% between 2010/11 and 2011/12. Poland and Romania, one of the newest Member States accounted for 53.8% of the total number of producers in the 27 current Member States, with Romania alone accounting for 37.3%. Looking at the EU- 25, the number of producers has fallen by 5.0% (31,885) over the same period to 603,861 producers.

Ireland was the only country to show a rise in producer numbers between 2010/11 and 2011/12. They saw an increase of 1.1% (212 producers) to 19,167.

Romania, home to the majority of European dairy producers experienced the largest fall in dairy producer numbers between 2010/11 and 2011/12 falling by 16,988 (4.4%) to 367,971. In percentage terms however the largest fall was seen in Bulgaria where the producer numbers fell by 24.3% (4,408 producers).

	2010/11	2011/12	Yr on Yr change (%)
Austria	49,853	48,796	-2.1%
Belgium	10,672	10,262	-3.8%
Bulgaria	18,114	13,706	-24.3%
Cyprus	225	219	-2.7%
Czech Republic	2,455	2,360	-3.9%
Denmark	4,152	3,968	-4.4%
Estonia	1,054	989	-6.2%
Finland	11,675	10,910	-6.6%
France	83,805	80,257	-4.2%
Germany	88,655	83,386	-5.9%
Greece	4,284	3,943	-8.0%
Hungary	5,768	4,725	-18.1%
Ireland	18,955	19,167	1.1%
Italy	40,423	38,831	-3.9%
Latvia	12,225	11,558	-5.5%

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Lithuania	46,586	44,378	-4.7%
Luxembourg	813	790	-2.8%
Malta	126	123	-2.4%
Netherlands	19,424	18,893	-2.7%
Poland	173,276	162,082	-6.5%
Portugal	8,057	7,482	-7.1%
Romania	384,959	367,971	-4.4%
Slovakia	874	851	-2.6%
Slovenia	8,883	8,479	-4.5%
Spain	21,874	20,665	-5.5%
Sweden	6,121	5,761	-5.9%
United Kingdom	15,511	14,986	-3.4%
EU-25 Total	635,746	603,861	-5.0%
EU-27 Total	1,038,819	985,538	-5.1%

Source: Europa

