

COMMUNITY SUPPORTED AGRICULTURE IN THE UK

2019

AT A GLANCE



100+ CSA FARMS IN THE UK
5000+ SHARES EACH WEEK

THAT'S OVER 15,000 PEOPLE EATING FROM CSA

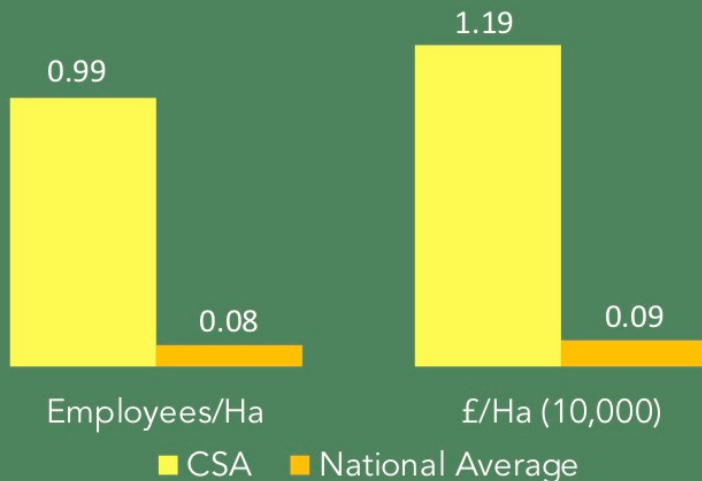
CSAs produce a diverse range of crops including vegetables, fruit, eggs, meat, honey, herbs, flowers, wheat and willow

IN THE WORDS OF OUR MEMBERS...

"Local growers do veg better... fresher, more sustainably, more environmentally, more transparency, less packaging."

"CSA restores the deeper connection between food, countryside and the seasons when we are really disconnected from food, environment and land."

COMPARISON OF OUTPUT PER Ha FOR CSA FARMS COMPARED TO THE NATIONAL AVERAGE



PEOPLE

260 EMPLOYEES ACROSS UK CSA FARMS
0.06% OF UK AGRICULTURAL WORKFORCE

Over 750 regular volunteers

FINANCE

TOTAL CSA ANNUAL TURNOVER: £3,150,000
0.055% OF UK TOTAL FARM INCOME

LAND

TOTAL LAND FARMED BY CSA FARMS: 265HA
.004% OF UK CROPPABLE AGRICULTURAL LAND

TYPE

PRODUCER-LED: 42%
COMMUNITY-LED: 29%
PRODUCER-COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP: 17%
COMMUNITY OWNED: 12%

"Supporting local community and economy rather than relying on foreign inputs."

"Food security in the context of climate change."

The figures presented here are crude extrapolations from results a series of in-depth conversations with 35 of our member farms (Jan '19). Agricultural stats used for comparison are taken from DEFRA's "Agriculture in the UK 2017" and "Structure of the agricultural industry in England and the UK at June 18"

