# Inventory of Ammonia Emissions from UK Agriculture

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#### **Summary**

The National Ammonia Reduction Strategy Evaluation System (NARSES) model (spreadsheet version) was used to estimate ammonia (NH<sub>3</sub>) emissions from UK agriculture for the year 2008. Year-specific livestock numbers and fertiliser N use were added for 2008 and revised for previous years. The estimate for 2008 was 229.5 kt NH<sub>3</sub>, representing a 12.6 kt decrease from the previously submitted estimate for 2007. Excluding the effect of historical revisions to livestock numbers, this represented a real year on year decrease of 13.3 kt NH<sub>3</sub>. Backward and forward projections using the 2008 model structure gave estimates of 318, 243 and 242 kt NH<sub>3</sub> for the years 1990, 2010 and 2020, respectively. This inventory reports emission from livestock agriculture and from nitrogen fertilisers applied to agricultural land. There are a number of other minor sources reported as 'agriculture' in the total UK emission inventory, including horses not kept on agricultural holdings, emissions from composting and domestic fertiliser use.

Table 1. Estimate of ammonia emission from UK agriculture for 2008

Source	kt NH <sub>3</sub>	% of total
Livestock category		
Cattle	132.0	57
Dairy	70.2	31
Beef	61.7	27
Sheep <sup>†</sup>	10.7	5
Pigs	19.8	9
Poultry	30.7	13
Horses	4.7	2
Management category		
Grazing/outdoors	29.5	13
Housing	63.0	27
Hard standings	22.2	10
Manure storage	30.5	13
Manure application	52.5	23
Fertiliser application	31.8	14
TOTAL	229.5	

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>†</sup>Including goats and deer

# Estimate of ammonia emission from UK agriculture for 2008

The estimate of ammonia emission from UK agriculture for 2008 was made using the spreadsheet version of the National Ammonia Reduction Strategy Evaluation System (NARSES) model (file: NH3inv2008\_NARSES\_final1\_151109.xls). NARSES models the flow of total ammoniacal N (TAN) through the livestock production and manure management system, with NH3 losses given at each stage as a proportion of the TAN present within that stage (Webb and Misselbrook, 2004). NARSES was first used to provide the 2004 inventory estimate for UK agriculture, replacing the previously used UK Agricultural Emissions Inventory model (UKAEI). NARSES brings improvements over the UKAEI model in that emission sources are linked, such that changes in an upstream source will be reflected downstream, it has an internal accounting check that not more than 100% of TAN excreted can be emitted, it can incorporate rising trends in N excretion by certain livestock classes (e.g. dairy cattle) and it is much better suited to scenario testing. The NARSES model was therefore used to provide the NH3 emissions estimate for UK agriculture for 2008 and projections to 2020.

To compile the 2008 inventory of ammonia emissions from UK agriculture, survey and census data were reviewed to derive livestock numbers, fertiliser use and other management practice data relevant to 2008. Currently used emission factors were reviewed in the light of new experimental data and amended if considered appropriate.

Key areas of revision in the 2008 inventory were:

- Revision of historical livestock numbers 1990 2007
- Inclusion of 2008 fertiliser use data
- Inclusion of 2008 livestock numbers

Derivations of emission factors and other data used in NARSES are detailed in Appendix 1.

The estimate of emission from UK agriculture for 2008 was 229.5 kt NH<sub>3</sub>. Cattle represent the largest livestock source and housing and land spreading the major sources in terms of manure management (Table 1). The effect of sequential changes made to the inventory during the revision for 2008 are detailed below, with the impact on the total shown in Table 2. A breakdown of the estimate is given in Table 3, together with a comparison with the previously submitted 2007 inventory estimate.

Table 2. Sequential influence of revisions to individual components on the inventory

total (NARSES model) during the 2008 revision

	Change	Total
	(kt NH <sub>3</sub> )	(kt NH <sub>3</sub> )
<b>2007 total</b>		242.1
Fertiliser use activity data 2008	-7.9	
Revision of livestock numbers 2007	+0.7	
Livestock numbers 2008	-5.4	
2008 total		229.5

Table 3. Estimate of ammonia emissions (kt NH<sub>3</sub>) from UK agriculture, 2008

Source	2007	2008	Reasons for change
Cattle			Reduction in cattle numbers
Grazing	15.9	15.6	
Landspreading	33.6	33.2	
Housing	40.2	39.5	
Hard standings	21.8	21.3	
Storage	22.6	22.3	
<b>Total Cattle</b>	134.0	132.0	
Sheep (incl. Goats &	k Deer)		Reduction in sheep numbers
Grazing	7.8	<b>7.6</b>	
Landspreading	0.2	0.2	
Housing	1.2	1.2	
Hard standings	0.9	0.9	
Storage	0.9	0.8	
<b>Total Sheep</b>	11.0	10.7	
Horses	4.9	4.7	Reduction in horse numbers
Pigs			Reduction in pig numbers and N excretion
Outdoor	0.9	0.8	
Landspreading	4.6	4.4	
Housing	10.4	9.9	
Hard standings	0.0	0.0	
Storage	5.0	<b>4.</b> 7	
Total Pigs	20.9	19.8	
Poultry			Reduction in poultry numbers and N excretion
Outdoor	0.8	0.8	
Landspreading	15.2	14.8	
Housing	13.0	12.5	
Storage	2.7	2.6	
Total Poultry	31.7	30.7	
Fertiliser	39.7	31.8	Reduction in total N use, reduction in proportion as urea
TOTAL	242.1	229.5	

# Major changes between 2007 and 2008

#### 1. Historical revisions to livestock numbers

Livestock numbers from 1990 – 2007 were revised according to the statistics provided by each of the Devolved Administrations (i.e. England, Wales, Scotland and Northern Ireland). Some discrepancies remain between UK statistics and totals of those provided by the DAs; the reasons for these will be explored further during the coming year.

#### 2. 2007 fertiliser use data

Date derived from BSFP for crop year 2008 for England, Wales and Scotland and from DARDNI statistics for Northern Ireland. NB – there has been a reduction in the number of fertiliser types listed in Table EW3.2 and an equivalent table for Scotland is no longer published (but can be derived by subtracting EW3.2 from GB3.2).

Total fertiliser N use was down by 10% on 2007, and urea use decreased by 48%, giving an overall reduction in emissions of 7.9 kt NH<sub>3</sub>.

#### 3. 2007 livestock numbers

Headline changes from 2007 are:

Cattle – a 2% decline in total cattle numbers (across both the dairy and beef herd)

Pigs – a 3% decline in pig numbers

Sheep – a 3% decline in sheep numbers

Poultry – a 1% decline in total poultry numbers, with a 5% decline in the laying flock but a 1% increase in broiler numbers

# Past and Projected Trends: 1990 - 2020

Retrospective calculations based on the 2008 inventory methodology were made for the years 1990 to 2008 and projections for the years 2010, 2015 and 2020 (Table 4). Projected changes in livestock numbers, N fertiliser use and management practices are detailed below. There has been a steady decline in emissions (28%) from UK agriculture over the period 1990 – 2008, largely due to declining livestock numbers (Fig. 1) and fertiliser N use (Fig. 2). The decline is projected to level off, with an estimated 24% reduction from 1990-2020. These projections are subject to much uncertainty and further work is required to both generate more robust projections in agricultural activity data and an estimate of uncertainties relating to the assumptions made in deriving the projections.

Table 4. Estimates of ammonia emission from UK agriculture 1990-2020 using the NARSES model

Source		1990	1995	2000	2005	2008	2010	2015	2020
						-	P	rojection	S
Total		317.5	291.6	265.7	248.9	229.5	242.7	243.1	241.7
Cattle		154.7	150.8	144.2	137.9	132.0	133.3	131.3	130.6
	Dairy cattle	81.7	77.6	73.7	70.0	70.2	74.6	73.9	74.5
	Other cattle	72.9	73.2	70.5	67.9	61.7	58.6	57.4	56.1
Sheep		14.2	14.1	13.7	11.6	10.7	11.5	11.4	11.3
Pigs		42.6	39.8	31.3	22.0	19.8	19.9	19.2	18.4
Laying	hens	13.7	11.9	10.0	9.5	7.9	9.1	9.0	8.6
Other p	oultry	26.1	24.5	29.1	25.3	22.7	25.7	25.7	25.8
Horses		2.6	3.4	3.7	4.4	4.7	5.1	5.8	6.5
Fertilise	er	63.7	47.1	33.7	38.1	31.8	38.2	40.8	40.5

Figure 1. Trends in livestock numbers 1990 – 2020. Changes are relative to a reference value of 100 in 1990. Dashed lines show projections from Defra project SSF0601.

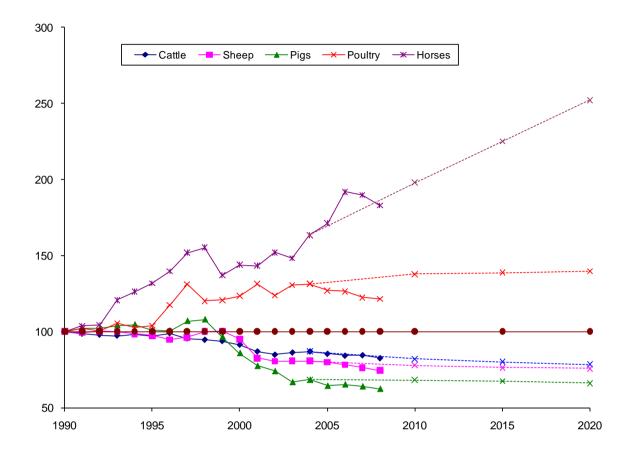
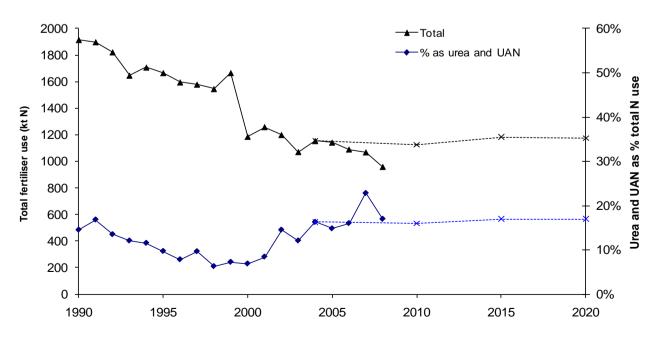


Figure 2. Changes in fertiliser N use 1990-2020. Dashed lines show projections from Defra project SSF0601.



# Projections – methodology and assumptions

#### Livestock numbers

Livestock number projections were based on projections made in Defra project SFF0601 (Baseline projections for Agriculture), using June 2004 census data as the base year. These projections tended not to give such large reductions in livestock numbers (cattle and sheep, in particular) as were projected under the Business as Usual II project (UoC/SAC). In addition, trends in N excretion were included: N excretion by dairy cattle was forecast to increase as cattle numbers became fewer but milk quota was maintained. N excretion by certain pig and poultry categories were forecast to decrease as dietary improvements were taken up by the industry. Past and projected trends in livestock numbers use are shown in Figure 1. Generally, livestock numbers from 2005 to 2008 are below the projected values, particularly for poultry.

#### Fertiliser use

Fertiliser use projections were also taken from Defra project SFF0601, using 2004 data as the base year. Again, less substantial reductions in fertiliser use are projected than in the BAUII project (indeed, an increase in total N use to tillage is projected), partly as increasing areas of biofuel cropping were factored in and also as reductions in N applications to grassland were thought not to be sustainable if past trends were simply continued. Proportions of each fertiliser type applied were assumed to remain the same. Past and projected trends in fertiliser N use are shown in Figure 2. Total fertiliser N use has declined by more than projected from 2004 to 2008.

#### Farm management practices

Trends in changes in farm management practices (*e.g.* type and duration of livestock housing, manure storage and application methods) are difficult to quantify as there are relatively few surveys from which to obtain relevant data and those surveys which have been conducted are not always directly comparable. It is hoped that regular and consistent running of the Farm Practices Survey will be able to provide estimates of such trends in the future. For the default scenario, therefore, it has been assumed that no changes will take place in management practice in the absence of legislation or incentive schemes. IPPC legislation will impact on the practices of large pig and poultry farms from 2007 onwards; the assumptions regarding changes in livestock housing and manure management due to IPPC legislation are detailed earlier in this report.

#### Emission factors

Emission factors as used in the current model were kept constant for all model runs from 1990 - 2020.

#### **Uncertainties**

An analysis of the uncertainties in the emission inventory estimate was conducted by Webb and Misselbrook (2004) using @RISK software (Palisade Europe, London), in which a distribution was attached to each of the model inputs (activity or emission factor data), based on the distribution of raw data or, where no or only single estimates exist, on expert

assumptions. A large number of model runs (2000) were then conducted in which input values were selected at random from within the given distribution (Latin hypercube sampling) and an uncertainty limit produced for each of the model outputs. The 95% confidence interval for the total inventory estimate was estimated to be  $\pm 20\%$  (i.e.  $\pm 468$  kt NH $_3$  for the 2008 estimate).

#### **APPENDIX 1**

# DERIVATION OF EMISSION FACTORS FOR THE INVENTORY OF AMMONIA EMISSIONS FOR UK AGRICULTURE

**NB:** Derivation of emission factors as used in the previous inventory model (UKAEI) and in the currently-used NARSES model are given.

All emission factors (EF) are given in terms of NH<sub>3</sub>-N or, where expressed as a percentage, these are as a % TAN (total ammoniacal nitrogen) within the current 'emission pool' (e.g. losses at spreading are expressed as %TAN in the manure at spreading).

Cited sources are either scientific publications or Defra project Final Reports (given by Project Code), which are available from the Defra web-site.

# **CATTLE**

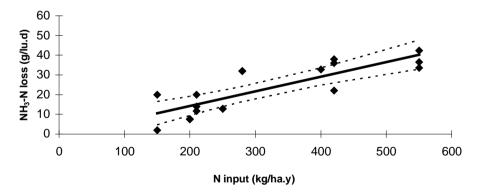
# **Grazing**

**UKAEI** 

• A updated version of the relationship between N input (kg N/ha) and ammonia emission (g N lu<sup>-1</sup> d<sup>-1</sup>) from cattle grazed swards (Jarvis & Bussink 1990) was used, including data from Jarvis *et al.* 1989, Bussink 1992 and 1994, Ledgard 1996 and IGER (OC9117).

N input	Jarvis et al.	Bussink	Bussink	Ledgard	IGER	WA0652
	<b>'</b> 89	<b>'</b> 92	<b>'</b> 94	<b>'</b> 96	OC9117	
150	2					
150	20					
200						7.5
200						7.7
210	20					
210	14			11.64		
250		12.73	12.73			
280					32	
280					32	
400			32.73			
420	38					
420	36					
420	22					
550		42.27	33.64			
550		36.54				

# Ammonia emission from cattle grazing - fitted relationship with upper and lower 95% confidence intervals



Fitted relationship: y = -0.51 + 0.0742 x (r<sup>2</sup> 0.68)

# NARSES

EF for NARSES was derived from source data, where sufficient data were available. Emissions due to the fertiliser applied to the grazed pasture were discounted using a mean EF for ammonium nitrate applications to grassland (1.4% of N applied). The remaining emission was expressed as a percentage of the estimated TAN return to the pasture via cattle urine.

Bussink	Fert Res 33	257-265				
			NH3	Due to	Due to	
	N input	Urine N	emission	fert	urine	%TAN
1987	550	425	42.2	7.7	34.5	8%
1988	550	428	39.2	7.7	31.5	7%
1988	250	203	8.1	3.5	4.6	2%
Bussink	Fert Res 38	111-121				
			NH3	Due to	Due to	
	N input	Urine N	emission	fert	urine	%TAN
1989	250	64.2	3.8	3.5	0.3	0%
1989	400	76.2	12	5.6	6.4	8%
1989	550	94.3	14.7	7.7	7	7%
1990	250	217.4	9.1	3.5	5.6	3%
1990	400	339	27	5.6	21.4	6%
1990	550	407.1	32.8	7.7	25.1	6%
Lockyer	J Sci Food A	Agric 35, 837-8	348			
	applied	Emission				%TAN
1	26	0.6455				2%
2	26	0.7025				3%
Jarvis et al	J Ag Sci 112	2, 205-216				
			NH3	Due to	Due to	
	N input	Urine N	emission	fert	urine	%TAN
1986/87	0	69	6.7	0	6.7	10%
1986/87	210	81	9.6	2.94	6.66	8%
1986/87	420	207	25.1	5.88	19.22	9%

An overall mean EF of 6 %TAN was derived.

# Land spreading

#### **NARSES**

#### Slurry

• EF derived from the MANNER PSM model (KT0106)

The 'standard' EF for cattle slurry is given as 32.4 %TAN applied, which is then modified according to soil moisture, land use and slurry dry matter (DM) content at the time of application:

a) soil moisture ('season'):

Dry (summer)  $EF_1 = \text{`standard' } EF \times 1.3$ Moist (rest of year)  $EF_1 = \text{`standard' } EF \times 0.7$ 

b) land use:

Grassland  $EF_2 = EF_1 \times 1.15$ Arable  $EF_2 = EF_1 \times 0.85$ 

c) slurry DM content

$$EF_3 = EF_2 \times ((12.3 \times DM) + 50.8)/100$$

#### Abatement techniques

Injection - abatement efficiency of 70% (assumed to be shallow injection)

Trailing shoe – abatement efficiency of 60%

Band spreading – abatement efficiency of 30%

(Misselbrook et al., 2002; Smith et al., 2000b)

# Incorporation

Incorporation within 4h gives 60% reduction

Incorporation within 24h gives 30% reduction

Values derived from using MANNER PSM (Project KT0106), assuming incorporation by plough.

#### FYM

• EF derived from the MANNER\_PSM model (KT0106) as 68.3 %TAN applied. No modifiers for soil, manure or weather.

Abatement – incorporation

Incorporation within 4h gives 70% reduction

Incorporation within 24h gives 35% reduction

Values derived from using MANNER\_PSM (Project KT0106), assuming most incorporation by plough.

#### Housing

Mean EF	Values g N lu <sup>-1</sup> d <sup>-1</sup>	Derived from n	Emission as % TAN	Source
1	C	values		
Slurry (cu	bicle house)			
36.8	38.5		29.4	Demmers <i>et al.</i> (1997)
	29.0	9	19.9	WA0653
	43		42.4	Dore <i>et al.</i> , (2004)
	51	3	*57.0	WA0632/AM0110 (Polytunnels)
	29.4	1	51.0	Hill (2000)
	30		29.6	AM0102 (commercial farm)
Straw-bed	ded			
22.2	13.7			Demmers (1997)
	20.6		NA	WA0618 (IGER polytunnels)
	35	3	*56.0	WA0632/AM0110 (Polytunnels)
	33.2		47.0	WA0722
	13.9		18.4	AM0103 (IGER polytunnels)
	16.7		14.0	AM0103 (commercial farm)
Calves				
10.6	10.6		7.0	Koerkamp et al., 1998
	13.7		11.0	Demmers (1997)

NARSES EF were calculated from standard values for N excretion in buildings, except for those results marked with an asterisk for which data were available on diets and liveweight gain during the measurement period to allow calculation of actual N excretion. The NARSES EF, using a mean weighted according to the number of measurements reported are 31.5, 22.9 and 7.6 % TAN for cattle on slurry, cattle on straw and calves on straw respectively.

No distinction is made between dairy and beef cattle housing emission factor. Values from IGER (WA0632) and IGER (WA0618) refer to beef cattle; all others are for dairy cattle. CAMAR data was not used (with exception of calves), as there were doubts about the methodology of measurements from naturally ventilated buildings.

The value for cattle on cubicles from SRI (Dore *et al.*, 2004) excludes measurements made by the external tracer method. The data for the 3<sup>rd</sup> year of WA0653 was not used; measured emissions were very much lower than for the first 2 years, with several negative values for individual sampling points and dates, although there were no obvious explanatory factors.

Work by Phillips *et al.* (1998) suggests that summer emissions from dairy cattle housing, where the cattle come in for part of the day for milking, may be of a similar magnitude to

winter emissions. An EF for summer housing emissions is not explicitly included in the inventory, but housing period is increased to account for the hours each day during the summer when the cattle are in. The EF for housing is likely to be greater in summer, because of higher temperatures. However, it is also likely that the floor area from which emission take place will be much reduced, as access to housing may be restricted.

# Hard standings

UKAEI Data from AM0111, incorporating data from Misselbrook *et al.*, (1998, 2001)

Source	Means EF (g N animal <sup>-1</sup> d <sup>-1</sup> )
dairy cow collecting yard	10.7
dairy cow feeding/loafing yard	10.7
beef feeding/loafing yard	23.3

Emission factors were expressed per animal rather than per m<sup>2</sup> surface area because annual changes in livestock numbers are known with much greater certainty than changes in areas of hard standing.

For NARSES, the following data/assumptions were used: Survey data, collected as part of project WA0504, indicate that 65% of dairy cattle have access to collecting yards and 30% have access to feeding yards while 45% of beef cattle have access to feeding yards. Survey data from FPS2006 indicates that dairy cows with access to collecting yards spend an average of 33% of the day on the yards, so the amount of excreta deposited is assumed to be pro-rata to the time spent. Data from project NT2601 indicate that 21% of daily N excretion is deposited on feeding yards by dairy cattle which have access to them. Expert opinion was that approximately 40% of daily excreta from beef cattle on feeding yards is deposited to the yard (FPS2006 indicates that the animals have access for the majority of the day, but they would also have access to housing during this period). Project AM0111 indicated that collecting yards, which are scraped at least once a day, are scraped with an efficiency of c. 60%. Based on Misselbrook et al (2006) it is assumed that 75% of the TAN left after scraping is emitted as NH<sub>3</sub>. For feeding yards, which are scraped only once or twice a week on average, the scraping efficiency is assumed to be 30%.

#### Storage

Mean EF	Values	Derived	Emission as	Source
$g N m^{-2} d^{-1}$	$g N m^{-2} d^{-1}$	from n	% TAN	
		values		
Slurry sto	ores and lagoons with	hout crusts	S	
3.42				Assumed to be double that for
				crusted stores (WA0641,
				WA0714)
<b>Slurry sto</b>	res and lagoons with	n crusts, w	eeping wall store	es
1.71	0.6		**2.3	(Phillips et al., in press)
	1.27, 3.65, 5.7		NA	WA0625
	0.44	2	*6.0	WA0632*
	1.8		NA	WA0641
	1.7		NA	Hill (2000)
	0.48	2	NA	WA0714
	0.5,0.72,0.42,0.73		51.5 (lagoons)	WA0717
			5.3 (w.wall)	
	4.2		NA	AM0102
<b>FYM</b>	g N t <sup>-1</sup> initial			
heaps	heap mass			
265	421, 101, 106		NA	WA0618
	65, 618, 889		95.0	WA0519
	305, 140		22.0	WA0632
	250, 36, 26		12.0	WA0707

<sup>\*\*</sup> Emissions expressed per day. This value assumes 90 d storage.

Slurry stores are assumed to develop a crust unless they are stirred frequently.

Values derived from measurements made using Ferm tubes have been corrected to account for incomplete recovery of ammonia by Ferm tubes (Phillips *et al.*, 1998). (\*IGER values have been divided by **0.7**).

Emissions from FYM stores were previously based on surface area. However, it was considered that the estimates of store surface areas (Nicholson and Brewer survey, 1994) seriously underestimated solid manure storage areas (possibly because of multiple use of the same area or not accounting for short-term storage heaps). Therefore emissions are now calculated on a per tonne basis (using data from the same experimental studies).

NARSES EF were derived as a weighted mean of those studies which supplied information on the amounts of N and TAN put into store. Mean EF were derived as 5.0 and 51.5 % TAN for tanks (assumed to be crusted and equivalent to weeping wall store) and lagoons, respectively. For FYM a weighted mean EF of 35% was derived.

#### **SHEEP**

# Grazing

#### UKAEI

- Upland sheep based on values from Jarvis *et al.* (1991) 0N, and grass/clover plots. Mean values for the 2 years were 0.92 and 0.19 g N animal<sup>-1</sup> d<sup>-1</sup>, giving a mean EF of 0.56 g N animal<sup>-1</sup> d<sup>-1</sup>.
- Lowland sheep based on values from Jarvis *et al.* (1991) 420N, clover and grass clover plots giving mean values over 2 yrs of 1.05 and 1.16 g N animal<sup>-1</sup> d<sup>-1</sup>- and on new IGER unpublished data from North Wyke with values of 1.36, 3.95, 2.47, 0.89, 3.11 and 1.78 g N animal<sup>-1</sup> d<sup>-1</sup>. Overall mean gives an EF of 2.0 g N animal<sup>-1</sup> d<sup>-1</sup>.
- EF for grazing lambs taken to be half the value for sheep, as lamb excretal output is approximately half that of sheep.

#### **NARSES**

Insufficient data regarding N returns to the pasture by grazing sheep were available from the source publications listed above, so the EF used for cattle grazing (6 %TAN) was assumed for sheep.

#### **Land spreading**

• FYM - value for cattle used.

# Housing

NARSES EF was derived directly by back-calculation of the UKAEI, giving an EF of 21.6% TAN, since there are no reported measurements of NH<sub>3</sub> emission from buildings housing sheep.

# Hard standings

# UKAEI

A mean emission factor of 5.0 g N animal<sup>-1</sup> d<sup>-1</sup> derived from data from 2 sites (7.20 and 2.82 g NH<sub>3</sub>-N animal<sup>-1</sup> d<sup>-1</sup>) from Misselbrook *et al.*, 2001.

#### **NARSES**

Sheep collecting yards are scraped infrequently, if at all, so a scraping efficiency of 0% was applied and an EF of 75% TAN deposited.

# Storage

• FYM - value for cattle used.

# **PIGS**

#### **Outdoors**

	Mean EF g N lu <sup>-1</sup> d <sup>-1</sup>	Values g N lu <sup>-1</sup> d <sup>-1</sup>	Emission as %TAN	Source
Outdoor sows/piglets	46	25	26.1	Williams et al. (2000)
		66*	NA	Welch (2003)

<sup>\*</sup>This value is probably an overestimate as emission rates were below the detection limit on a number of occasions (and those data were not included).

Emission factor for boars assumed to be the same. For fatteners, EF is based on the ratio of excretal outputs multiplied by the emission factor for outdoor sows.

NARSES EF was derived from the Williams et al (2000) study, assuming the standard N excretion value for sows and a body weight of 200kg, giving a mean EF of 25 %TAN (assumed to be the same across all animal sub-categories).

#### **Land spreading**

Slurry

• EF derived from the MANNER\_PSM model (KT0106)

The 'standard' EF for pig slurry is given as 25.5 %TAN applied, which is then modified according to slurry dry matter (DM) content at the time of application:

a) slurry DM modifier:

$$EF_1 = \text{`standard'} EF \times ((12.3 \times DM) + 50.8)/100$$

#### FYM

The same EF as for cattle FYM is used, 68.3 %TAN applied

# Abatement techniques

Slurry injection – abatement efficiency of 90% (assumed to be deep injection to arable land) Band spreading (trailing hose) – abatement efficiency of 30%

#### Incorporation

Incorporation within 6h gives 60% reduction

Incorporation within 24h gives 30% reduction

Values derived from using MANNER PSM (Project KT0106), assuming most incorporation by plough

# Housing

Mean	EF Values	Derived from	Emission as	Source
(gN.lu <sup>-1</sup>		n values	%TAN	
17.0	vs on slats 17.0	2	13.0	Dairson (1005)
		2	13.0	Peirson (1995)
25.8	vs on straw 9.4	2	10.0	Peirson (1995)
23.0	9.4 14.6	2	14.7	Koerkamp <i>et al.</i> , 1998
	26.2	4	26.2	OC9523
	53	+	59.6	AM0102
Forrow	ring sows on slats		39.0	AIVIOTOZ
29.3	32.4	3	19.0	Peirson (1995)
49.3	20.6	3	14.3	Koerkamp <i>et al.</i> , 1998
	35		24.0	AM0102
Гоммон			24.0	AWI0102
44.5	ing sows on straw	1		Estimated from ratio of EF for
44.5				
Роста	an atmoss			dry sows
25.8	on straw			As for dry sorve
	ma > 20lza on alota			As for dry sows
71.9	ers >20kg on slats 70.1		20.0	Peirson (1995)
/1.9	51.4		18.5	Koerkamp <i>et al.</i> , 1998
	105.8		38.2	Demmers (1997)
	72.5	2	20.0	` '
	72.3 79.2	2 4		Peirson (1995)
	$19.2$ $103.5^{\dagger}, 48^{*}$	4	40.0	WA0632
	$80.0^{\dagger}, 70.0^{\dagger}$		39.2	WA0720 (full-slat fv)
	$71.0^{\dagger}, 39^{*}$		38.7	WA0720 (fs acnv)
	/1.0, 39		28.5	WA0720 (part slat)
Fattene	ers >20kg on strav	y		
51.6	54.2	2	14.0	Peirson (1995)
	28.3	_	10.2	Koerkamp <i>et al.</i> , 1998
	122.2	4	61.0	WA0632
	24		10.4	AM0102
	47.0		27.2	AM0103 Terrington
	34.1		10.8	AM0103 Commercial
Fattene	ers <20kg on slats			
27.7	34.8		14.0	Peirson (1995)
	20.6		15.6	Koerkamp <i>et al.</i> , 1998
Fattene	ers <20kg on strav	y		1
19.9	9 :			Based on ratio for fatteners
				>20kg

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>†</sup>From measurements on commercial farms

Derivation of NARSES EF: weighted means of 25, 13, 19, 33.2 and 14.8 %TAN for dry sows on straw, dry sows, farrowing, finishing pigs and weaners on slurry, respectively. However, because of the large variation and subsequent uncertainty in measurements of emissions from

<sup>\*</sup>From experimental studies at ADAS Terrington

finishing pigs on straw, the reverse engineered estimate of 22.4% TAN is used for finishing pigs on straw.

### Hard standings

#### **UKAEI**

An emission factor of 0.32 g NH<sub>3</sub>-N animal<sup>-1</sup> d<sup>-1</sup> for pig loading areas (Misselbrook *et al.*, 2001).

NARSES EF derived as 75% of TAN estimated to be deposited by finished pigs as they await loading for dispatch to market (with scraping efficiency assumed to be 30%). 5% of daily excretal output is assumed to be deposited to the loading areas.

# Storage

Mean EF	Values	Derived from	Emission	Source
$g N m^{-2} d^{-1}$	$g N m^{-2} d^{-1}$	n values	as %TAN	
Slurry stores	and lagoons			
3.16	1.34	4	13.0	*WA0632
	2.47, 6.2		NA	WA0625
	2.4		NA	Phillips et al. (1997)
	1.56		NA	WA0708
	5.0		NA	Phillips et al., in press
FYM heaps	g N t <sup>-1</sup> initial			-
	heap mass			
1224	539	4	20.0	*WA0632
	1015	1	68.0	WA0716

#### **UKAEI**

Values derived from measurements made using Ferm tubes have been corrected to account for incomplete recovery of ammonia by Ferm tubes (Phillips *et al.*, 1998).

As for cattle slurry, a common EF is used for circular tanks and lagoons.

Emissions from FYM stores were previously based on surface area. However, it was considered that the estimates of store surface areas (Nicholson and Brewer survey, 1994) seriously underestimated solid manure storage areas (possibly because of multiple use of the same area or not accounting for short-term storage heaps). Therefore emissions are now calculated on a per tonne basis (using data from the same experimental studies).

#### **NARSES**

NARSES EF for slurry tanks was derived as 13 %TAN and for lagoons the same values as for cattle slurry lagoons (52 %TAN) was used. The weighted mean of measurements made during storage of FYM is 30% of TAN, similar to that for emissions during storage of cattle FYM.

#### **POULTRY**

#### **Outdoors**

NARSES – a lower EF of 35 %UAN has been applied, as it is likely that emissions from freshly dropped excreta will be substantially lower than from applications of stored manure in which hydrolysis of the uric acid will have occurred to a greater extent. 20% of poultry droppings are estimated to be voided outside the house (Pers. comm. Elson, ADAS); this is an increase on the previous estimate of 12%, and represents a real change in that newer systems are designed such that birds do spend longer outside.

# Land spreading

For poultry manure a standard EF of 52.3 %UAN applied is used, with no further modifiers for soil, manure or weather (KT0106, MANNER\_PSM)

For Duck manure, which is very similar to cattle/pig FYM, an EF of 68.3 %UAN applied is used.

# <u>Abatement</u> – incorporation

Incorporation within 4h gives 85% reduction

Incorporation within 24h gives 55% reduction

Values derived from using MANNER\_PSM (Project KT0106), assuming incorporation by plough.

#### **Housing**

Housing				
Mean EF	Values	Derived	Emission as	Source
gN lu <sup>-1</sup> d <sup>-1</sup>	gN lu <sup>-1</sup> d <sup>-1</sup>	from n	%TAN	
		values		
Layers – d	eep-pit (cag	es, percher	y, free-range)	
149	146		35.9	Groot Koerkamp et al., 1998 (perchery)
	184		45.2	Groot Koerkamp et al., 1997 (deep-pit)
	79	3	18.0	Peirson (1995) (deep-pit)
	139		33.1	WA0368 (deep-pit)
	197	6	46.8	WA0651 (belt-scraped, Bitteswell)
Layers – b	elt-cleaned	(cages)		- · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
60	36	3	4.0	Peirson (1995)
	79	6	23.9	WA0651 (weekly scraping)
	65	7	15.4	WA0651 (belt scraped, Bitteswell)
Broilers/al	l other poul	try		_
64	79	·	14.7	Demmers et al (1999)
	92	3	46.0	Peirson (1995, turkeys)
	44	4	4.8	Robertson et al. (2002)
	36	4	10.7	WA0651 (winter)
	67	2	10.3	WA0651 (summer)
	53	2	10.8	WA0651 (drinker study)

NARSES EF was derived as 37.4 %UAN for buildings housing laying hens in deep-pit or perchery systems and 16.5% belt cleaning (a reduction of 56%). For broilers the weighted mean is 8.1 %UAN.

Layers in cages – systems where manure is scraped from a collection shelf through a floor slot to a deep-pit are included in the cages deep-pit category. Measurements under WA0651 indicated that a much lower emission factor was obtained for a daily belt-cleaning system as compared with weekly cleaning. However, such frequent cleaning would not be practised on commercial farms and the value is therefore not included here.

A measurement from Groot Koerkamp *et al.* (1998) for broiler housing (164 g N lu<sup>-1</sup> d<sup>-1</sup>) has been excluded from the inventory. This measurement was from an old housing system, no longer representative of current broiler housing, and was also based on a single measurement in time rather than an integrated measurement over the duration of the crop.

#### Storage

Storage losses can be divided into storage and 'break-out' (i.e. when loading to trailer/spreader takes place).

# Storage losses

Mean EF	Values	Derived	Emission	Source
		from n	as	
		values	%TAN	
g N t <sup>-1</sup> initial	heap mass			
Layer manur	e			
1956	318	2	2.2	WA0712
	3172	4	15.1	WA0651 (belt scraped)
	3141	4	29.4	WA0651 (deep pit)
	1193	1	13.4	WA0651 (belt scraped)
Litter				
1435	478	1	2.2	WA0712
	1949	4	19.9	WA0651 (winter)
	158	4	2.0	WA0651 (summer)
	639	2	7.2	WA0651 (drinkers)
	3949		NA	WA0716

#### UKAEI

Emissions from FYM stores were previously based on surface area. However, it was considered that the estimates of store surface areas (Nicholson and Brewer survey, 1994) seriously underestimated solid manure storage areas (possibly because of multiple use of the same area or not accounting for short-term storage heaps). Therefore emissions are now calculated on a per tonne basis (using data from the same experimental studies).

#### **NARSES**

NARSES EF were derived from weighted means as 17.8 %UAN for layer manure and 8.7% for poultry litter. Duck manure was assumed to have the same EF during storage as cattle FYM (35%).

#### **DEER**

# Grazing

• Sheep grazing (lowland sheep) emission factor used as liveweights similar.

#### Land spreading

• Emission factor for cattle FYM used.

#### **Housing**

• Emission factor for sheep housing used.

#### **Storage**

• Emission factor for cattle FYM used.

### **HORSES**

Mean EF of 10.6 kg NH<sub>3</sub>-N per animal per year used, as for 'other horses' in non-agricultural emissions inventory (Sutton *et al.*, 2000).

NARSES EF derived using reverse-engineering as 35 %TAN, based on the UKAEI EF.

## **CONSERVED GRASSLAND & TILLAGE**

#### **NARSES**

A model based on Misselbrook et al. (2004) but modified according to data from the NT26 project is used to estimate EF for different fertiliser types:

- Ammonium nitrate (and 'other N' category) a fixed emission factor of 1.8% N applied is now used as there was no consistent evidence of temperature, rainfall, land-use or crop height effects on emission. The only modifier applied is for direct placement of fertiliser into soil on tillage, where a reduction efficiency of 80% is assumed.
- Ammonium sulphate, diammonium phosphate for this minor category of fertilisers, soil pH has an influence on emissions. The rules for ammonium nitrate are applied for applications to non-calcareous soils and the rules for urea are applied for applications to calcareous soils.
- Urea ammonium nitrate a maximum EF of 23% is applied (from NT26 data-set) and the rules for urea applications are applied.
- Urea EF is derived according to EF<sub>max</sub>, application rate, rainfall and temperature. EF<sub>max</sub>, is 45% (from NT26 data-set). The modifiers for application rate, rainfall and temperature were revised to be consistent with the NT26 model.
- 10% of fertiliser applied to tillage is assumed to be by soil placement
- Mean application rate of urea for a given application timing is assumed to be 60 kg ha<sup>-1</sup> N (previously 120)

# **Sources of Activity Data**

# **Animal numbers and weights**

Livestock numbers are obtained from census statistics provided by each devolved administration (England, Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland). The UK total is derived as the sum of the DA values.

Livestock weights (required in UKAEI but not NARSES) are from ADAS unpublished data:

Animal	Weight (kg)
Dairy cow (inc. heifers)	550
Dairy heifer in calf	400
Beef cow (inc. heifers)	Ī
Beef heifer in calf	
Bull	340
Others $> 2$ yr	
Others 1-2 yr	
Others < 1yr	140

Animal	Weight (kg)
Sow	200
Farrower	225
Boar	250
Fattener >110 kg	120
Fattener 20 – 110 kg	65
Fattener < 20 kg	12
Layer	2.2
Broiler	0.9
Pullet	1.0
Breeding hen	2.0
All other poultry	4.0

Proportion of sheep in uplands from ADAS (Diane Spence).

#### **Excretal outputs and TAN contents**

Manure output values per animal are from Smith and Frost (2000) and Smith *et al.*, (2000). Account is taken of time spent indoors and litter/bedding is included for FYM outputs. For milking dairy cattle, time indoors is increased to account for time in summer spent in buildings or yards for milking operation (equivalent to 3h per day throughout the grazing period). N excretion values are derived from Cottrill, B.R. and Smith,K.A. (2007) 'Nitrogen output of livestock excreta', Final report, Defra Project WT0715NVZ, June 2007. Manure TAN contents from expert opinion.

Proportion of waste produced as slurry or FYM from ADAS Surveys of Animal Manure Practices in the Dairy, Beef, Pig and Poultry Industries (Smith *et al.*, 2000c, 2001a, 2001b).

Slurry TAN contents from Smith and Frost (2000) and Smith *et al.*, (2000a) with 50 % of total N assumed to be ammoniacal-N. TAN contents of FYM assumed to be 10 % of total N for stored FYM and 25 % for FYM spread to land directly from the house, obtained from MAFF (2000), Tables 1 & 2. Poultry AUN contents from MAFF (2000).

Tonnage of poultry litter incinerated obtained directly from EPRL and Fibropower websites (K Smith, ADAS).

Manure output and N excretion by livestock category (2008 values)

kg Slurry 52.7	d <sup>-1</sup> FYM	produce Slurry		kg yr <sup>-1</sup>	exerction
	FYM	Chierry		<i>o</i> ,	excretion
52.7		Stuffy	FYM		
52.7					
	68.5	66	34	118.4	60
31.9	41.5	66	34	67	60
31.9	41.5	18	82	56	60
25.8	33.5	18	82	56	60
31.9	41.5	18	82	53	60
25.8	33.5	18	82	56	60
14.5	18.9	0	100	38	60
31.9	41.5	18	82	79	60
25.8			82		60
31.9			82		60
			82		60
					60
					60
					60
	5.3	0	100	10.5	60
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	2.0	U	100		60
					60
				13	00
10.0	13.6	35	65	15.5	70
10.9	13.0				70
10.0	13.6				70
10.9	13.0				70
					70
					70
					70
1.2	1 /				70 70
1.5	1.4	33	47	3.0	70
	0.11	0	100	0.70	70
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	31.9 25.8 31.9 25.8 14.5 31.9	31.9       41.5         25.8       33.5         31.9       41.5         25.8       33.5         14.5       18.9         31.9       41.5         25.8       33.5         31.9       41.5         25.8       33.5         14.5       18.9         5.3       5.3         2.6       2.6         10.9       13.6         10.9       13.6	31.9       41.5       18         25.8       33.5       18         31.9       41.5       18         25.8       33.5       18         14.5       18.9       0         31.9       41.5       18         25.8       33.5       18         31.9       41.5       18         25.8       33.5       18         14.5       18.9       0         5.3       0       0         2.6       0       0         2.6       0       0         2.6       0       0         33       33         33       33         33       33         1.3       1.4       53         0.11       0         0.05       0         0.02       0         0.11       0         0.09       0         0.09       0         0.09       0	31.9       41.5       18       82         25.8       33.5       18       82         31.9       41.5       18       82         25.8       33.5       18       82         14.5       18.9       0       100         31.9       41.5       18       82         25.8       33.5       18       82         25.8       33.5       18       82         25.8       33.5       18       82         25.8       33.5       18       82         25.8       33.5       18       82         14.5       18.9       0       100         5.3       0       100         2.6       0       100         2.6       0       100         2.6       0       100         33       67         33       67         33       67         33       67         33       67         33       67         33       67         33       67         33       67         33       67         34       47	31.9         41.5         18         82         56           25.8         33.5         18         82         56           31.9         41.5         18         82         53           25.8         33.5         18         82         56           14.5         18.9         0         100         38           31.9         41.5         18         82         79           25.8         33.5         18         82         56           31.9         41.5         18         82         56           31.9         41.5         18         82         56           31.9         41.5         18         82         56           31.9         41.5         18         82         56           25.8         33.5         18         82         56           25.8         33.5         18         82         56           14.5         18.9         0         100         38              5.3         0         100         10.5         10.5         10.5           5.3         0         100         0.6         10.5         10.6         10.6

Manure volume output data derived from Smith et al. (2000c, 2001a, 2001b) with interpretation for animal place and annual outputs by K Smith (ADAS). Nitrogen excretion data from project WT0715NVZ with interpretation by B Cotteril and K Smith (ADAS).

# Land spreading

Proportion of pig or cattle manure applied to grassland and arable, proportion applied in summer (May-July), proportion applied by injection or irrigated and proportion incorporated within 1d or 1wk of application obtained from ADAS Surveys of Animal Manure Practices in

the Dairy, Beef, Pig and Poultry Industries (Smith *et al.*, 2000c, 2001a, 2001b). Proportion of cattle and pig FYM spread to land without storage also obtained from the same source. Proportion of poultry manure applied to grassland and arable obtained from Farm Practices Survey (Defra 2001).

Proportion of slurry in each dry matter category from ADAS unpublished (K Smith, B Chambers).

#### Housing

Proportion of animals in each housing type - cattle from ADAS Surveys of Animal Manure Practices in the Dairy and Beef Industries (1998), pigs from Sheppard (1998, 2002). Proportion of pigs outdoors from Sheppard (1998, 2002). Poultry housing and % manure dropped outdoors provided by A Elson (ADAS).

Cattle housing periods obtained from ADAS Surveys of Animal Manure Practices in the Dairy and Beef Industries (1998), with housing period of milking dairy cattle extended to account for time in for milking during the summer months. For sheep, ewes indoors for 30 d, lambs not indoors at all. Poultry and pigs assume 100 % occupancy as June census takes a snapshot of animal numbers which will reflect the actual % occupancy.

#### Storage

Proportions of manure stored in different store categories derived from Farm Practices Surveys.

The proportion of cattle stores crusted estimated from ADAS Surveys of Animal Manure Practices in the Dairy and Beef Industries (1998), with stores stirred never or only occasionally assumed to be crusted.

**Hard standings** 

UKAEI input data

Usage derived from survey conducted under WA0528 (Webb  $\it{et~al.}$ , 2001) and from NT2402 $^{\dagger}$ .

Hard standing	Area per animal	% animals using hard	Usage
	$(m^2)$	standing	(Days per year)
Dairy cow collecting	$2.15 (1.74, 2.55^{\dagger})$	65	$358 (365, 358^{\dagger})$
yard			
Dairy cow	$3.03 (1.70, 3.03^{\dagger})$	30	$303 (365, 240^{\dagger})$
feeding/loafing yard			
Dairy cow self-feed	4.75	14	180
silage yard			
Beef cattle	4.32	45	180
feeding/loafing yard			
Beef cattle self-feed	4.71	9	180
silage			
Sheep handling area	0.92	67	24
<ul> <li>lowland sheep</li> </ul>			
<ul> <li>upland sheep</li> </ul>	0.92	67	6
Pig loading area	1.00	19	4

NB Area per animal not actually used in calculation, but included here for reference.

# **Fertiliser**

Fertiliser usage in England, Wales and Scotland derived from British Survey of Fertiliser Practice 2008 (http://www.defra.gov.uk/environ/pollute/bsfp/index.htm) and for Northern Ireland from DARDNI stats (http://www.dardni.gov.uk/econs/.htm).

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AM0111	Measurement and abatement of ammonia emissions from hard standings used by livestock
AM0115	Investigation of how ammonia emissions from buildings housing cattle vary with the time cattle spend inside them
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LK0643	UK Poultry Industry IPPC Compliance (UPIC)
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NT2402	Impact of nutrition and management on N and P excretions by dairy cows

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WA0618	Emissions from farm yard manure based systems for cattle				
WA0625	The effects of covering slurry stores on emissions of ammonia, methane and				
	nitrous oxide				
WA0632	Ammonia fluxes within solid and liquid manure management systems				
WA0633	Predicting ammonia loss following the application of organic manures to land				
WA0638	Low cost, aerobic stabilisation of poultry layer manure				
WA0641	Low-cost covers to abate gaseous emissions from slurry stores				
WA0651	Ammonia fluxes within broiler litter and layer manure management systems				
WA0652	Field ammonia losses in sustainable livestock LINK Project LK0613				
WA0653	Quantifying the contribution of ammonia loss from housed dairy cows to total				
	N losses from dairy systems (MIDaS2)				
WA0707	Effect of storage conditions on FYM composition, gaseous emissions and				
	nutrient leaching during storage				
WA0708	Covering a farm scale lagoon of pig slurry				
WA0712	Management techniques to minimise ammonia emissions during storage and				
	land spreading of poultry manures				
WA0714	Natural crusting of slurry storage as an abatement measure for ammonia				
	emission on dairy farms				
WA0716	Management techniques to reduce ammonia emissions from solid manures				
WA0717	Ammonia emissions and nutrient balance in weeping-wall stores and earth				
	banked lagoons for cattle slurry storage				
WA0720	Demonstrating opportunities of reducing ammonia emissions from pig housing				
WA0722	Ammonia emission from housed dairy cows in relation to housing system and				
	level of production				

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