

Recommended stocking rates:

Livestock	House Types	Animal Areas
Dairy Cows	Cubicle House Slatted House (no cubicles) Loose House	1 place per cow. 4 m ² per cow. 5 m ² per cow.
Suckler Cows	Cubicle House Slatted House (no cubicles) Slatted House (with calves) Loose House or Combination of Loose House and Slatted Feeding Area	1 per cow. 2.5 to 3.0 m ² per cow. Allow 1 m ² extra for spring born and 1.75 m ² extra for Autumn born calves. 4.0 m ² to 5.0 m ² per cow. Where calves run with cows allow 1 m ² extra.
Other Cattle Over 275Kgs	Cubicle House Slatted House Loose House / Sloped Floor House	1 cubicle per animal. Animal Area 2.0 to 2.5m ² per animal. Internal Area 4.0m ² per animal.
Smaller Cattle Under 275 Kgs	Slatted House Loose House	Internal Area 1.2 to 1.5m ² per animal. Internal Area 2.0 to 2.5m ² per animal.
Ewes Store Lambs	Fully slatted houses Fully slatted houses	1.0 – 1.2 m ² per Ewe 0.75 m ² per lamb In the case of straw bedded houses for sheep, add 10% extra

Organic producer animal area requirements. Of the floor area accessible to the animals, half must be a solid bedded area.

Animal category	Liveweight (kg)	m²/head
Calves, Beef cattle, Bull beef; suckler cows	Up to 100	1.5
	Up to 200	2.5
	Up to 350	4.0
	Up to 500	5.0
	Up to 500	Min 1m ² /100kg
Dairy cows	Up to 600	6.0
	Over 600	Min 1m ² /100kg
Breeding Bull	In addition to indoor space required at 10m ² , require 30m ² separate outdoor exercise area.	
Sheep - Ewes		1.5
Sheep – Lambs		0.35