

Kepak UK Soy Manifesto Commitment

Progress Report 2024

During 2024, Kepak has undertaken a range of activities to support our commitment to the UK Soy Manifesto. Our Senior Management Team and the wider business are aware of our commitments and progress via our Sustainability Meetings and internal staff newsletters.

Soy Reporting

- Completed annual retail reporting for meat products sold to 5 retailer customers via 3Keel.
- Provided soy information on our supply chain to a further 18 customers.

Beef and Lamb Suppliers

- Provided input to 25 industry meetings in the UK and 5 in Ireland which were
 focussed on Soy and EU-DR to ensure that the needs of beef and sheep farmers
 will be met in terms of access to vDCF soy by the end of 2025. We have been
 pleased to support EFECA and AIC in their work towards developing a framework
 for the future sourcing and certification of vDCF soy for ruminant diets by the end
 of 2025 and continue to work closely with them in this area.
- Liaised with wider industry stakeholders including Welsh Government, Hybu Cig Cymru, BMPA, Department of Agriculture, Food and the Marine in Ireland (DAFM), Bord Bia and others to share knowledge and encourage commitment towards the sourcing of DCF soy by the end of 2025
- Continued to survey our Kepak beef and lamb supply base to determine the extent of soy use and to help inform/direct activity.
 - o During 2024, an additional 232 farms were audited in the UK.
 - Of the 615 beef farms surveyed to date, only 23% of beef suppliers use soy/feed containing soy.
 - Of the 432 sheep farms surveyed to date, only 50% of suppliers use soy/feed containing soy.
- Continued to communicate the importance of sustainable soy to our beef and lamb suppliers via our dedicated Kepak Business Updates and Producer Newsletters, highlighting Kepak's endeavours in this area on their behalf.

Purchased Meats (UK & ROI)

 Established a communication process with our purchased meat suppliers to communicate our soy commitments, to flag the up-and-coming legislative changes and encourage them to take steps to comply.



- Established a system for collecting and assessing the data on soy within our supply base.
- Through our supplier SAQ, 37% of purchased meat suppliers used soy within their supply chain, of which 42% are signatories to the UKSM.

During 2025 we will:

- Continue to our work with our supply base and as part of the industry stakeholder groups to support the industry move to DCF soy by the end of 2025.
- Continue to provide information to EFECA to help facilitate support the move to vDCF soy for the UK ruminant sector by January 2026.
- Work collaboratively across the industry to ensure that the mechanisms are in place that will enable we and other businesses to comply with UK and EU-DR requirements by January 2026.
- Continue to progress our work with purchased meat suppliers and extend this to include other relevant purchased ingredients.