

Fairburn's Eggs:

Animal Welfare & Cage-Free Commitments



Our Commitments:

L J Fairburn & Son Ltd. are fully committed to animal welfare, using this as our main focus when developing facilities and future production types. We are actively striving to have 100% Cage-free egg production by 2025, in line with retail requirements.

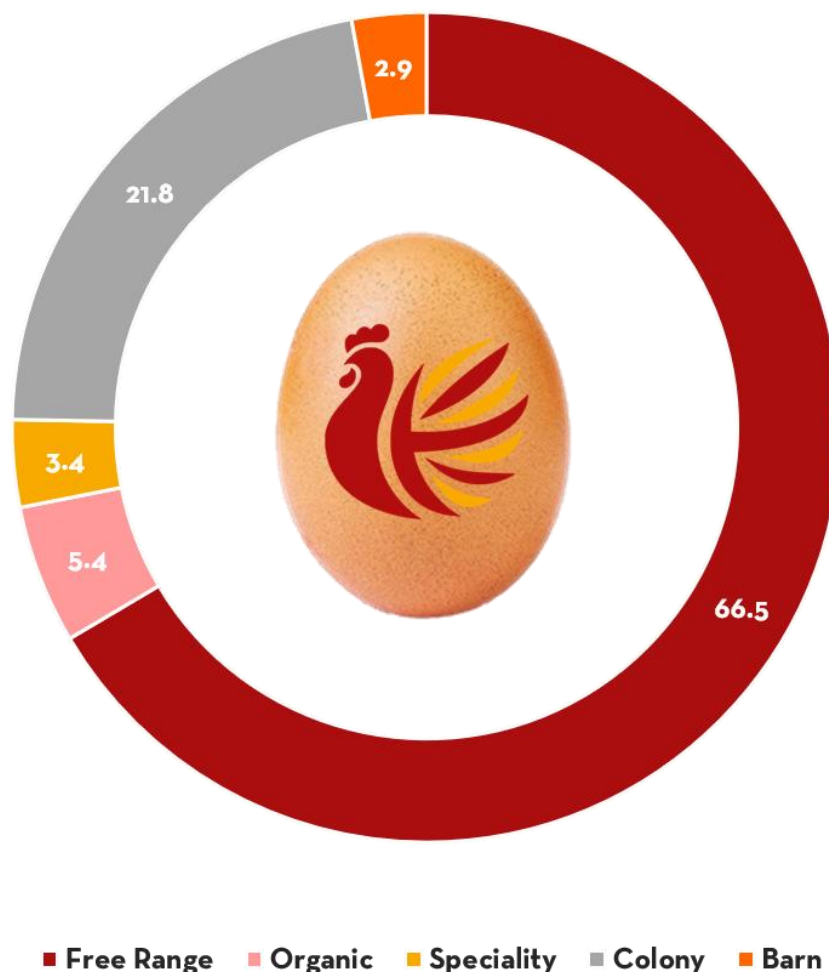
As the largest producer of Free Range eggs in the UK, we are committed to continue this growth.

2019 Animal Welfare Update:

Fairburn's Eggs only produce and source eggs from British hens.

Every Fairburn Organic hen is non-infrared beak tipped. The business will be trialling non-infrared beak tipped birds on conventional flocks by mid-2020.

The chart below shows our current (as of August 2019) percentage egg type summary. Currently, 75% of our hens are Free Range, meaning that they are free to roam with no confinement. Please note that all Speciality and Organic hens are also Free Range.



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78% of hens at Fairburn's Eggs are Cage-free. Both our Cage-free and Colony birds are housed and cared for adhering to the most stringent animal welfare standards and are treated with the up-most respect.

Animal Welfare Targets:

Fairburn's Eggs will be completely Cage-free by 2025. The Company aims to invest £9 million amount over the next 5 years to achieve this.

Along with ensuring all our birds are Cage-free, we are also committed to animal welfare and we will continue to use this as the main driver for future business planning.

- We will be reducing our reliance on infrared beak trimming through close work with leading geneticists. We are aiming to reduce non-treated beaks to 15% by early 2021. Trials on all conventional flocks will begin by mid-2020.
- We will have full Organic rearing facilities, that includes access to the range by mid-2020.
- Keel bone damage will be monitored at both points of transfer, from rearing to slaughter, to help identify causes and inform improvements.
- 100% of our hens will travel less than 10 hours to slaughter by 2020.
- We will continue to develop methods of enrichment that are both meaningful and cost effective to ensure non-beak tipping can be managed.
- The Company will continue to develop management methods that increase the use of the range, including tree planting and new initiatives, still under development.
- We will continue to transfer best practice to our contract supplier base.
- We will continue to develop a use for all the eggs we produce, including seconds, to ensure we can produce whole egg and products cost effectively, maintaining the growth of Cage-free egg production and consumption.
- Our birds will have feather cover scores of 1.00 on a 3-point scale, on average, by 2020.

