

## Methodological notes

### 1. *Data source*

The statistical survey on the pig livestock on May 1, 2024 was performed according to the provisions of Regulation (EC) No 1165/2008 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 19 November 2008 concerning livestock and meat statistics and repealing Council Directives 93/23/EEC, 93/24/EEC and 93/25/EEC concerning livestock and meat statistics. The sample survey was carried out based on a sample representative at national level and development region level, consisting in 10500 agricultural holdings, of which 9824 agricultural holdings without legal personality.

### 2. *Concepts and definitions*

“pigs” – all the animals belonging to the species *Sus scrofa domesticus*, including pigs in maternities, breeding and fattening farms, regardless of sex, weight category and economic destination

“breeding livestock” (sows for breeding) – females that have farrowed at least once, including gilts after 48 hours of giving birth, if they have farrowed healthy piglets and can ensure an appropriate suckling