

## Methodological notes

### 1. Data source

The data source is the Annual Statistical Survey regarding livestock and animal production in 2024 (EPA), which was carried out according to the stipulations of the European Parliament and Council Regulation no. 1165/2008/EC on livestock and meat statistics.

The statistical survey includes variables regarding livestock by species, age groups and weight categories existent on December 1 and the animal production obtained in 2024. The sampling statistical survey addressed a sample, representative at NUTS 3 level, of approximately 44200 agricultural holdings, of which 40533 agricultural holdings without legal status.

### 2. Concepts and definitions

- *Live weight of animals to be slaughtered for consumption* represents live weight of animals slaughtered in agricultural holdings and of those sold for slaughtering.
- *The milk production* represents the quantity of cow milk, buffalo cow milk (including calves' consumption), sheep and goat milk.