

PRESS RELEASE

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Slaughtering of animals and poultry and meat production in June 2025

- The number of slaughters increased for cattle, pigs and poultry and decreased for sheep and goats in June 2025 compared with May 2025; the weight in the carcass increased for all species of animals and poultry.
- The number of slaughters increased for pigs and poultry while for cattle and sheep and goats decreased; the weight in the carcass increased for pigs, sheep and goats and poultry while for cattle decreased, in June 2025, compared to June 2024.

Table 1: Slaughtering of animals and poultry

| | Slaughtered animals and poultry - thou heads - | | | Carcass weight - tonnes - | | |
|-----------------------------------|---|-------------|----------------|---------------------------|-------------|----------------|
| | June 2024 | May 2025 | June 2025*) | June 2024 | May 2025 | June 2025*) |
| Cattle - total | 41 | 39 | 40 | 6867 | 6576 | 6657 |
| - in specialized industrial units | | | | | | |
| (slaughterhouses) | 10 | 13 | 14 | 2471 | 3174 | 3590 |
| Pigs - total | 297 | 284 | 301 | 26390 | 26153 | 26701 |
| - in specialized industrial units | | | | | | |
| (slaughterhouses) | 257 | 273 | 271 | 22525 | 25096 | 23924 |
| Sheep and goats - total | 311 | 315 | 305 | 4061 | 3653 | 4126 |
| - in specialized industrial units | | | | | | |
| (slaughterhouses) | 31 | 78 | 72 | 573 | 1107 | 1140 |
| Poultry - total | 27261 | 25060 | 31052 | 45585 | 43357 | 51837 |
| - in specialized industrial units | | | | | | |
| (slaughterhouses) | 25515 | 24308 | 30117 | 43119 | 42290 | 50514 |

^{*)} Provisional data

Table data in (xls) format

Note: The data for the specialized industrial units (slaughter houses) have been obtained through exhaustive statistical surveys carried out by the National Institute of Statistics and the data for individual agricultural holdings from the Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development. The data refer to slaughtering for consumption only.

Table 2: Average carcass weight in slaughtered animals and poultry

- kilograms -

| | Average carcass weight -kilograms- | | | | |
|---|------------------------------------|----------|----------------------------|--|--|
| | June 2024 | May 2025 | June 2025 ^{*)} | | |
| Cattle - total | 167.5 | 168.6 | 166.4 | | |
| - in specialized industrial units (subscribers) | 247.1 | 244.2 | 256.4 | | |
| Pigs - total | 88.9 | 92.1 | 88.7 | | |
| - in specialized industrial units (subscribers) | 87.6 | 91.9 | 88.3 | | |
| Sheep and goats - total | 13.1 | 11.6 | 13.5 | | |
| - in specialized industrial units (subscribers) | 18.5 | 14.2 | 15.8 | | |
| Poultry - total | 1.7 | 1.7 | 1.7 | | |
| - in specialized industrial units (subscribers) | 1.7 | 1.7 | 1.7 | | |

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Graph: Evolution of the carcass weight of slaughtered animals and poultry, between June 2024 – June 2025

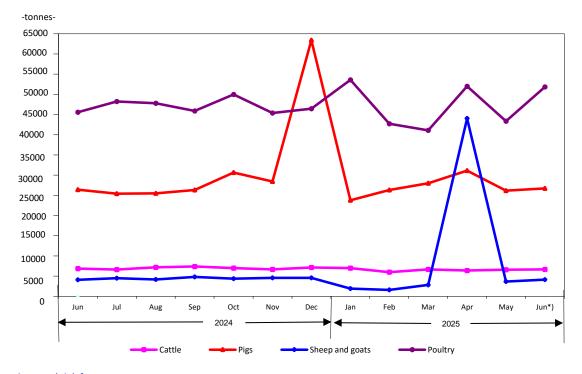


Chart data in (xls) format

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Additional information:

> The term "carcass"

- a) For cattle, the carcass weight means the weight of the whole body of a slaughtered animal after removing the skin, blood and internal organs, without head, udder, tail, kidney fat and legs (separated at the level of the metacarpal and metatarsal joints).
- b) For pigs, the carcass weight means the weight of the body of the slaughtered animal, whole or split in half along the spine backbone, after bleeding, without internal organs, hair, hoofs, tongue, lard and diaphragm.
- c) For sheep and goats, the carcass weight means the weight of the body of the slaughtered animal, after bleeding and peeling of the skin, without internal organs, head and legs (separated at the level of the metacarpal and metatarsal joints). The kidneys and the kidney fat are included in the carcass.
- d) For poultry, the carcass weight means the weight of the slaughtered bird, after bleeding, without feathers, fluff, internal organs (intestines, liver, heart and gizzard), head, neck and claws.
- ➤ The average carcass weight: represents the ratio between the carcass weight and the number of slaughtered animals or poultry.

For the correct interpretation of the indicators, kindly see the <u>Methodological Notes</u> attached to the press release on the homepage.

For more information, see the Monthly Statistical Bulletin no. 6/2025, date of issue August 29, 2025.

The next issue of the press release on the slaughtering of animals and poultry and meat production will be on Wednesday, September 10, 2025.

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