



Domain: Agriculture

Subdomain: Livestock and animal production

The total number of poultry increased by 4.2% in 2015 compared to the previous year.

- In 2015, compared to the previous year, the poultry, cattle and sheep and goats livestock increased and the pigs livestock decreased.*
- Regarding the sheep and goats livestock, Romania occupied the fourth place in 2015 among the European Union Member States.*

Table 1: Animal and poultry livestock existent at December 1, 2015 compared to December 1, 2014
-thou heads-

	December 1, 2014	December 1, 2015*)	Differences (±) 2015*) compared to 2014
Cattle - total	2068.9	2092.4	+23.5
of which:			
- cows, buffalo cows and heifers	1307.3	1311.7	+4.4
Pigs - total	5041.8	4926.9	-114.9
of which:			
- sows for breeding	378.3	374.6	-3.7
Sheep and goats - total	10935.4	11249.7	+314.3
of which:			
- sheep, ewes and goats	8521.3	8704.1	+182.8
Poultry - total	75446.8	78648.1	+3201.3
of which:			
- adult laying poultry	42738.5	43662.6	+924.1

*) Provisional data

[Table data in \(xls\)](#)

The total number of cattle increased by 1.1% at December 1, 2015 and the origin livestock (milk cows, buffalo cows for reproduction and heifers for reproduction) increased by 0.3%.

The total number of pigs and the origin livestock (sows for breeding) decreased by 2.3% and by 1.0%, respectively.

The total number of sheep and goats and the origin livestock (sheep, ewes and goats) increased by 2.9% and by 2.1%, respectively.

The total number of poultry increased by 4.2% and the number of adult laying poultry increased by 2.2%.

The livestock evolution in the period 2006 – 2015

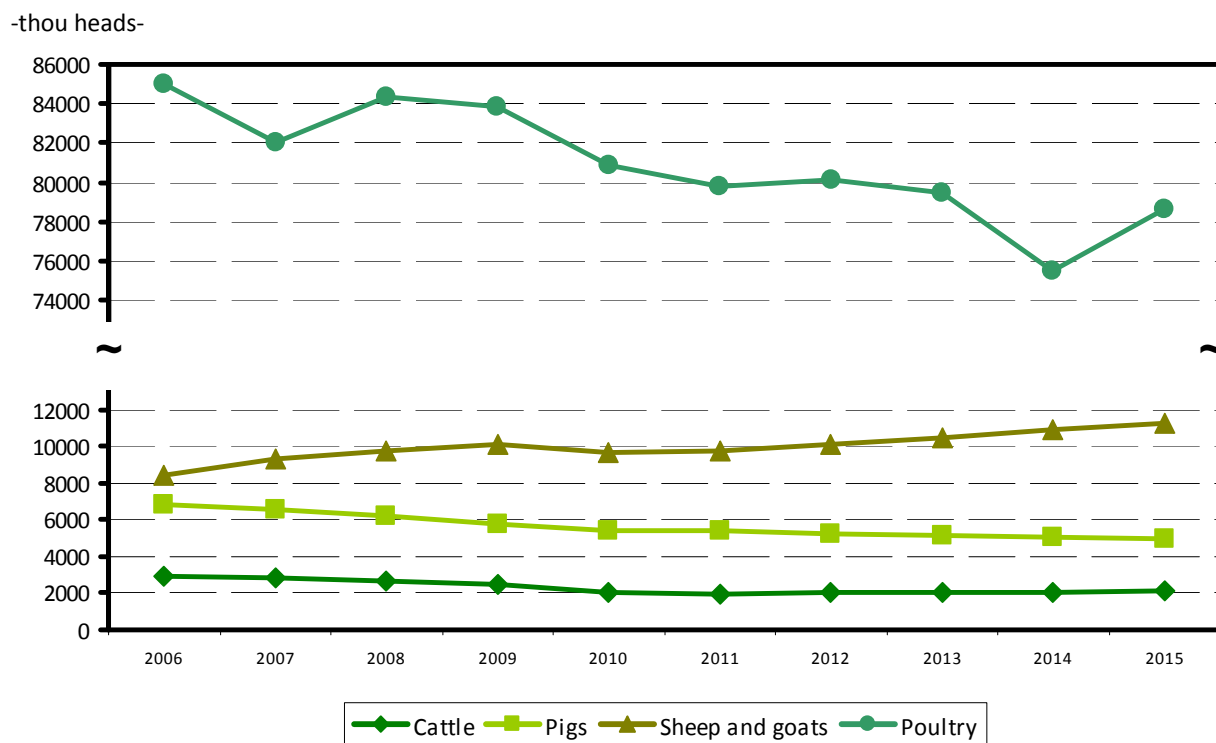
The cattle livestock decreased from 2006 until 2011 by 32.2%. Since 2011, the cattle livestock has been kept at an approximately constant level.

The pigs livestock constantly decreased, in 2015 being by 27.7% less than in 2006.

The sheep and goats livestock have registered major increases, reaching 11249.7 thousand heads in 2015, that is 33.8% more than in 2006.

The poultry livestock registered 78648.1 thousand heads in 2015, that is 7.5% less than in 2006.

Chart :The evolution of the livestock existent at December 1, in the period 2006 – 2015



[Chart data in \(xls\)](#)

Livestock and animal density per 100 hectares of land in Romania and in some European Union Member States, at the end of 2015

Table 2: Cattle livestock

Country	Cattle livestock (thou heads)	Density per 100 ha of land* (heads)	Country	Cattle livestock (thou heads)	Density per 100 ha of land* (heads)
Romania	2092.4	15.6	Lithuania	722.6	24.8
Belgium	2503.0	190.9	Hungary	821.0	16.1
Bulgaria	560.6	11.6	Netherlands	4315.0	240.6
Czech Republic	1366.3	39.3	Austria	1957.6	73.9
Denmark	1566.0	59.7	Poland	5762.5	41.1
Germany	12635.5	76.5	Portugal	1590.8	54.1
Ireland	6422.2	143.9	Slovenia	484.1	106.4
Greece	643.0	16.5	Slovakia	457.5	24.4
Spain	6182.9	33.0	Finland	903.4	39.9
France	19406.0	69.9	Sweden	1428.4	47.4
Italy	6155.8	59.8	United Kingdom	9789.0	56.4

*) Concerning the land (arable land, pastures and hayfields) with reported cattle livestock, the latest available data have been used: 2015 for Romania, 2014 for European Union states.

[Table data in \(xls\)](#)

Regarding the cattle livestock, Romania is placed among the first ten countries of the European Union after France, Germany, United Kingdom, Ireland, Spain, Italy, Poland, Netherlands and Belgium. Regarding the density per 100 hectares of land, our country is followed only by Bulgaria.

Table 3: Pigs livestock

Country	Pigs livestock (thou heads)	Density per 100 ha of land* (heads)	Country	Pigs livestock (thou heads)	Density per 100 ha of land* (heads)
Romania	4926.9	56.4	Lithuania	687.8	29.3
Belgium	6364.2	777.1	Hungary	3124.0	72.1
Bulgaria	599.9	17.3	Netherlands	12453.0	1202.6
Czech Republic	1555.4	62.4	Austria	2845.5	210.5
Denmark	12702.0	523.0	Poland	10590.2	97.2
Germany	27652.4	233.0	Portugal	2225.1	198.4
Ireland	1474.5	317.4	Slovenia	271.4	155.0
Greece	1013.0	34.3	Slovakia	633.1	46.5
Spain	28367.3	227.2	Finland	1239.0	55.5
France	13307.0	72.3	Sweden	1435.3	55.6
Italy	8683.2	129.1	United Kingdom	4439.0	71.1

*) Concerning the land (arable land) with reported cattle livestock, the latest available data have been used: 2015 for Romania, 2014 for European Union states.

[Table data in \(xls\)](#)

Regarding the pigs livestock at the end of 2015, Romania holds the ninth place in the European Union after Spain, Germany, France, Denmark, Netherlands, Poland, Italy and Belgium. Regarding the density per 100 hectares of land, our country is followed by countries such as Sweden, Finland, Slovakia, Greece, Lithuania and Bulgaria.

Table 4: Sheep and goats livestock

Country	Sheep and goats livestock (thou heads)	Density per 100 ha of land* (heads)	Country	Sheep and goats livestock (thou heads)	Density per 100 ha of land* (heads)
Romania	11250.0	84.0	Lithuania	160.6	5.5
Bulgaria	1604.3	33.2	Hungary	1262.0	24.8
Germany	1689.8	10.2	Netherlands	1500.0	83.6
Greece	13042.0	335.5	Austria	430.3	16.2
Spain	19532.5	104.3	Portugal	2387.1	81.2
France	8287.0	29.8	Slovakia	417.7	22.3
Italy	8110.2	78.8	United Kingdom	23979.0	139.5

*) Concerning the land (arable land, pastures and hayfields) with reported cattle livestock, the latest available data have been used: 2015 for Romania, 2014 for European Union states.

[Table data in \(xls\)](#)

For sheep and goats, at the end of 2015, Romania holds the fourth place among the Member States, after the United Kingdom, Spain and Greece. Regarding the density per 100 hectares of land, our country holds the fourth place in the European Union after Greece, United Kingdom and Spain.

Additional information:

For the correct interpretation of the indicators, kindly see [the Methodological Notes attached to the press release on the homepage](#).

Additional information can be obtained from the publication "Livestock and animal production in 2015", date of issue July 15, 2016.

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