



Domain: Agriculture

Subdomain: Livestock and animal production

The total number of pigs decreased by 4.4% in 2016 compared to the previous year.

- *In 2016, compared to the previous year, the sheep and goats livestock increased, while the cattle, pigs and poultry livestock decreased.*
- *Regarding the sheep and goats livestock, Romania occupied the fourth place in 2016 among the European Union Member States.*

Table 1: Animal and poultry livestock existent at December 1, 2016 compared to December 1, 2015
-thou heads-

	December 1, 2015	December 1, 2016*)	Differences (+) 2016*) compared to 2015
Cattle - total	2092.4	2049.7	-42.7
of which:			
- cows, buffalo cows and heifers	1311.5	1314.9	+3.4
Pigs - total	4926.9	4707.7	-219.2
of which:			
- sows for breeding	374.6	361.2	-13.4
Sheep and goats - total	11249.7	11358.6	+108.9
of which:			
- sheep, ewes and goats	8704.0	8730.5	+26.5
Poultry - total	78648.1	75689.9	-2958.2
of which:			
- adult laying poultry	43662.6	40833.1	-2829.5

*) Provisional data

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The total number of cattle decreased by 2.0% at December 1, 2016 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 4.4% and by 3.6%, respectively.

The total number of sheep and goats and the origin livestock (sheep, ewes and goats) increased by 1.0% and by 0.3%, respectively.

The total number of poultry and the number of adult laying poultry decreased by 3.8% and by 6.5%, respectively.

The livestock evolution in the period 2006 – 2016

The cattle livestock decreased from 2006 until 2011. Since 2011, the cattle livestock has been kept at an approximately constant level, reaching to 69.9% in 2016 compared to 2006.

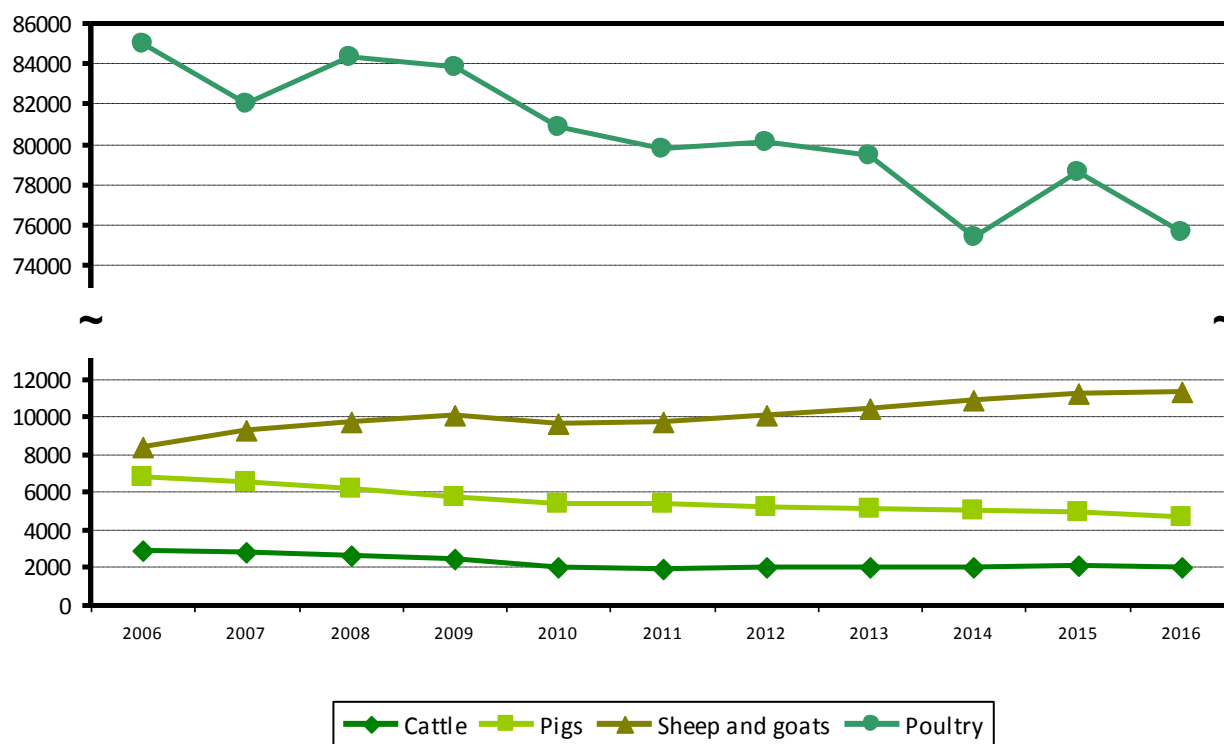
The pigs livestock constantly decreased, reaching to 69.1% in 2016 compared to 2006.

The sheep and goats livestock have registered annual increases (except 2010), reaching 11358.6 thousand heads in 2016, 35.1% more than in 2006.

The poultry livestock registered 75689.9 thousand heads in 2016, 10.9% less than in 2006.

Chart :The evolution of the livestock existent at December 1, in the period 2006 – 2016

-thou heads-



[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 2016

Table 2: Cattle livestock

Country	Cattle livestock (thou heads)	Density per 100 ha of land* (heads)
Romania	2049.7	15.4
Belgium	2498.6	190.4
Bulgaria	571.4	11.8
Czech Republic	1339.6	38.8
Denmark	1554.0	59.7
Germany	12466.6	75.4
Ireland	6613.4	149.4
Greece	580.0	15.2
Spain	6254.5	32.8
France	19004.0	67.4
Italy	6314.9	62.0

Country	Cattle livestock (thou heads)	Density per 100 ha of land* (heads)
Lithuania	694.7	23.4
Hungary	838.0	16.5
Netherlands	4294.0	238.7
Austria	1954.4	73.7
Poland	5985.1	42.8
Portugal	1635.0	55.7
Slovenia	488.6	108.6
Slovakia	449.5	24.0
Finland	887.3	39.1
Sweden	1436.1	47.5
United Kingdom	9942.0	59.0

*) Concerning the land (arable land, pastures and hayfields) with reported cattle livestock, the latest available data have been used: 2016 for Romania, 2015 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, Italy, Spain, Poland, Netherlands and Belgium. Regarding the density per 100 hectares of land, our country is followed by Greece and Bulgaria.

Table 3: Pigs livestock

Country	Pigs livestock (thou heads)	Density per 100 ha of land* (heads)
Romania	4707.7	53.7
Belgium	6181.4	739.1
Bulgaria	616.1	17.6
Czech Republic	1479.3	59.3
Denmark	12281.0	522.9
Germany	27376.1	231.1
Ireland	1527.8	337.9
Greece	870.0	30.1
Spain	29231.6	231.0
France	12793.0	68.6
Italy	8477.9	128.4

Country	Pigs livestock (thou heads)	Density per 100 ha of land* (heads)
Lithuania	663.6	30.6
Hungary	2887.0	66.6
Netherlands	11881.0	1150.1
Austria	2792.8	207.5
Poland	11107.5	102.0
Portugal	2151.2	192.6
Slovenia	265.7	155.2
Slovakia	587.1	43.5
Finland	1196.7	53.4
Sweden	1471.2	57.1
United Kingdom	4540.0	78.8

*) Concerning the land (arable land) with reported cattle livestock, the latest available data have been used: 2016 for Romania, 2015 for European Union states.

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Regarding the pigs livestock, 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 Finland, Slovakia, Lithuania, Greece 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	11358.6	85.5	Lithuania	177.0	6.0
Bulgaria	1596.4	32.8	Hungary	1236.0	24.3
Germany	1713.1	10.4	Netherlands	1544.0	85.8
Greece	12725.0	332.9	Austria	461.1	17.4
Spain	19050.9	100.0	Portugal	2414.8	82.3
France	8361.0	29.7	Slovakia	409.6	21.9
Italy	8311.1	81.6	United Kingdom	23644.0	140.4

*) Concerning the land (arable land, pastures and hayfields) with reported cattle livestock, the latest available data have been used: 2016 for Romania, 2015 for European Union states.

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

Regarding the sheep and goats livestock, 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 fifth place in the European Union after Greece, United Kingdom, Spain and Netherlands.

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 2016", date of issue July 17, 2017.

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