

Domain: Agriculture

Livestock existent on December 1, 2021

- In 2021, the cattle, pig and sheep and goats livestock decreased compared to 2020.
- Romania ranked third in the hierarchy of the European Union member states for the sheep and goats livestock.

Table 1: Animal and poultry livestock existent on December 1, 2021 compared to December 1, 2020

- thou heads -

	December 1, 2020	December 1, 2021*)	Differences (+) 2021*) compared to 2020
Cattle - total	1875.2	1819.2	-56.0
of which:			
- cows, buffalo cows and heifers	1230.7	1196.0	-34.7
Pigs - total	3784.5	3619.6	-164.9
of which:			
- sows for breeding	315.7	298.8	-16.9
Sheep and goats - total	11893.3	11536.0	-357.3
of which:			
- sheep, ewes and goats	9052.2	8912.8	-139.4
Poultry - total	71183.4	76948.4	+5765.0
of which:			
- adult laying poultry	36648.5	42122.9	+5474.4

*) Provisional data

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

The total number of cattle and the origin livestock (milk cows, buffalo cows for reproduction and heifers for reproduction) decreased on December 1 2021 compared to December 1 2020, by 3.0% and by 2.8%, respectively.

The total number of pigs and the origin livestock (sows for breeding) decreased by 4.4% and by 5.4%, respectively

Both the total number of sheep and goats and the origin livestock (sheep, ewes and goats) decreased by 3.0% and by 1.5%, respectively.

The total number of poultry and the number of adult laying poultry increased by 8.1% and by 14.9%, respectively.

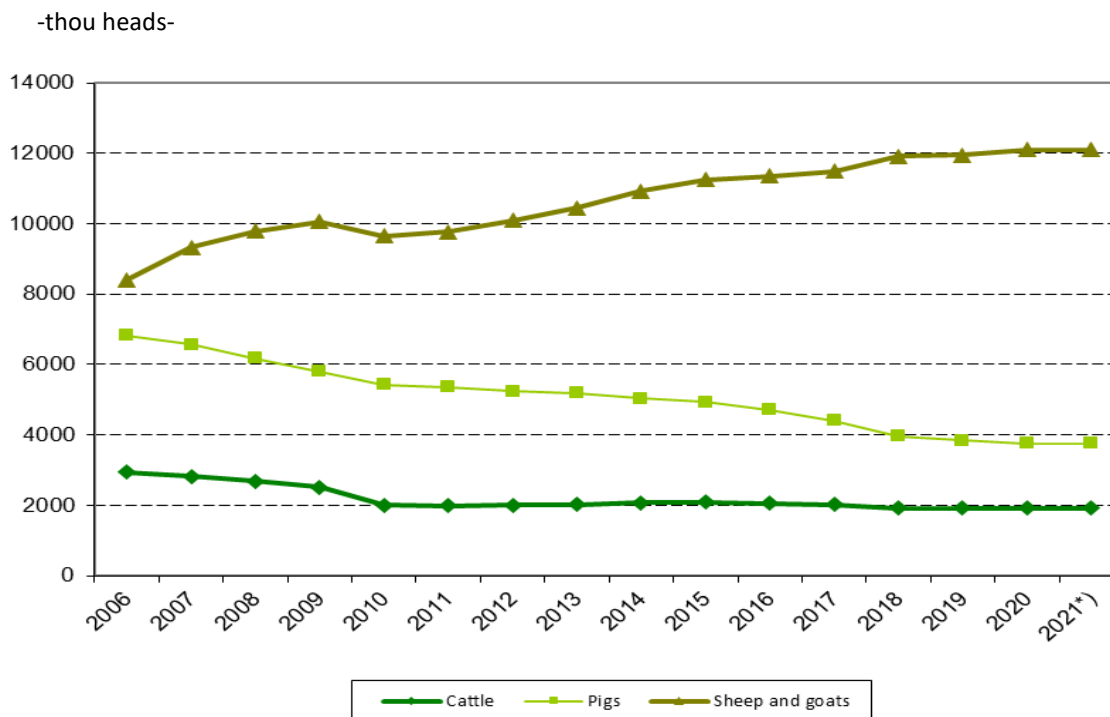
The animal livestock evolution in the period 2006 – 2021

In the analysed period the cattle livestock continuously decreased from 2006 until 2011, reaching 1988.9 thousand heads. From 2011 to 2021, the cattle livestock maintained an approximately constant level, representing 62.0% in 2021 compared to 2006.

The pig livestock decreased, reaching to 53.1% in 2021 compared to 2006.

The sheep and goats livestock have been increasing, reaching 11536.0 thousand heads in 2021, respectively 37.2% more than in 2006.

Chart :The evolution of the animal livestock existent on December 1, in the period 2006 – 2021



*) Provisional data

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Animal livestock and density per 100 ha of land, in Romania and in some European Union member states

Table 2: Cattle livestock

Country	Cattle livestock* (thou heads)	Density per 100 ha of land** (heads)
Romania	1819.2	14.4
Belgium	2310.4	171.7
Bulgaria	610.2	12.5
Czech Republic	1359.4	39.1
Denmark	1480.0	57.1
Germany	11039.7	67.3
Ireland	6649.3	147.4
Greece	566.0	14.1
Spain	6576.3	34.1
France	17330.1	62.6
Croatia	428.0	30.0

Country	Cattle livestock* (thou heads)	Density per 100 ha of land** (heads)
Italy	6280.3	59.0
Lithuania	628.7	21.6
Hungary	902.1	18.7
Netherlands	3705.0	208.5
Austria	1870.1	72.5
Poland	6371.5	45.2
Portugal	1640.7	53.2
Slovenia	482.6	106.0
Slovakia	434.8	23.3
Finland	830.0	36.7
Sweden	1389.9	46.3

*) Provisional data.

**) The land consists of arable land, pastures and hayfields.

Provisional 2021 data were used for Romania and final 2020 data for the other Member States.

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

Regarding the cattle livestock, Romania ranked tenth in the European Union after France, Germany, Ireland, Spain, Poland, Italy, Netherlands, Belgium and Austria. Regarding the density per 100 hectares of land, our country ranked twentieth, followed by Greece and Bulgaria.

Table 3: Pig livestock

Country	Pig livestock* (thou heads)	Density per 100 ha of land** (heads)	Country	Pig livestock* (thou heads)	Density per 100 ha of land** (heads)
Romania	3619.6	42.7	Italy	8408.0	121.7
Belgium	6042.2	695.0	Lithuania	573.8	25.5
Bulgaria	694.7	20.0	Hungary	2725.9	66.5
Czech Republic	1493.4	60.0	Netherlands	10872.0	1082.0
Denmark	13152.0	555.1	Austria	2785.6	210.8
Germany	23762.3	203.7	Poland	10242.4	93.8
Ireland	1713.6	386.9	Portugal	2221.0	228.3
Greece	650.0	36.8	Slovenia	215.7	122.9
Spain	34454.1	290.3	Slovakia	447.9	33.3
France	12941.0	71.7	Finland	1090.6	48.6
Croatia	963.0	108.3	Sweden	1372.5	54.1

*) Provisional data.

**) The land consists of arable land.

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

Regarding the pig livestock, Romania ranked ninth in the European Union after Spain, Germany, Denmark, France, Netherlands, Poland, Italy and Belgium. Regarding the density per 100 hectares of land, our country ranked eighteenth, followed by Greece, Slovakia, 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	11536.0	91.5	Italy	8099.9	75.7
Bulgaria	1561.2	32.1	Lithuania	155.3	5.3
Germany	1644.7	10.0	Hungary	991.0	19.4
Greece	11828.0	299.6	Netherlands	1267.0	71.2
Spain	18090.3	93.8	Austria	486.5	18.8
France	8412.7	31.3	Portugal	2672.1	88.8
Croatia	748.0	54.3	Slovakia***	356.2	19.1

*) Provisional data.

**) The land consists of arable land, pastures and hayfields.

Provisional 2021 data were used for Romania and final 2020 data for the other Member States.

***) Concerning the sheep and goats livestock, 2019 data were used for Slovakia.

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

Regarding the sheep and goats livestock, Romania ranked third among the Member States, after Spain and Greece. Regarding the density per 100 hectares of land, our country ranked third after Greece 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 2021”, date of issue July 15, 2022.

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