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Preliminary data

Number of livestock and poultry, production of milk, wool, and eggs in Montenegro

2022

In Montenegro, the numerical state of livestock on 1 December 2022, compared to 1 December 2021, records a decrease in the total number of cattle and sheep. The total number of cattle is 70 765, which is 0.6% less than last year. The trend of decrease in the total number of dairy cows is still continuing, by 2.1%. Compared to the last year, there is a decrease in the total number of sheep in sheep farming by 2.7%, while the number of milking sheep is lower by 0.7%. The number of goats is at the same level as in 2021.

The total number of pigs records an increase of less than 1%, compared to the last year, and is 24 514. The trend of growth (48.3%) is recorded in the number of gilts. The total number of poultry in 2022 is higher by 43.5%. The largest share is held by laying hens, with the total number 821 679, and compared to the last year, it records a growth of 56.4%.

Table 1. Number of livestock and poultry in Montenegro, 2022

	2019	2020	2021	2022	Indices 2022 2021
Cattle - total	81 432	77 889	71 166	70 765	99.4
Young cattle under 1 year	15 275	14 635	13 866	14 683	105.8
Calves for slaughter	5 944	5 565	5 346	5 127	94.3
Other, female	7 274	7 052	6 882	7 777	112.8
Other, male	2 057	2 018	1 638	1 780	108.6
Cattle between 1 and 2 years old	3 989	3 627	3 356	3 511	104.6
Male	1 330	1 097	518	738	142.4
Heifers	2 555	2 430	2 609	2 569	98.4
Heifers, for slaughter	104	100	228	205	89.7
Cattle of 2 years and over	62 168	59 627	53 944	52 570	97.4
Heifers	2 214	1 939	1 932	2 022	104.6
Heifers for slaughter	87	90	89	65	73.4
Cows - total	57 646	55 499	50 097	48 974	97.4
Dairy cows	57 244	54 173	49 168	48 124	97.8
Other	402	1 326	929	849	91.4
Male (Oxen and Bullocks)	2 221	2 099	1 825	1 509	82.7

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	2019	2020	2021	2022	Indices 2022 2021
Sheep - total	182 127	176 580	165 918	161 376	97.2
Lambs and young sheep under 1 year	23 228	23 440	23 564	23 811	101.0
Breeding ewe	150 955	145 595	134 632	131 880	97.9
of which dairy	95 029	91 647	91 970	91 354	99.3
Rams and sterile sheep	7 944	7 545	7 722	5 685	73.6
Goats - total	28 754	27 823	29 032	29 136	100.3
Young goats under 1 years old	5 531	5 025	5 506	5 227	94.9
Goats- already kidded	19 426	19 336	20 263	20 047	98.9
Goats - first time mated	1 512	1 536	1 585	1 834	115.7
Other goats	2 285	1 926	1 678	2 028	120.8
Pigs - total	23 089	25 806	24 329	24 514	100.7
Piglets up 19 kg	4 747	6 423	6 708	5 557	82.8
Pigs from 20-49 kg	4 583	4 846	4 051	4 471	110.3
Fattening pigs - total	11 512	10 715	10 213	11 353	111.1
- 50 - 79 kg	1 106	1 408	975	1 395	143.0
- od 80-109 kg	2 214	1 711	1 535	2 164	141.0
- over 110 kg	8 192	7 596	7 703	7 794	101.1
Gilts - mated	425	1 102	744	1 104	148.3
Gilts - other	34	93	178	127	71.3
Sows - mated	1 594	2 190	1 988	1 548	77.8
Sows - other	102	232	319	224	70.0
Boars	92	205	126	131	103.8
Poultry - total	635 882	601 628	596 752	854 554	143.5
Chickens (broilers)	79 977	50 265	61 855	22 788	36.8
Hens	540 906	536 765	525 087	821 679	156.4
Turkey	3 644	3 026	2 368	2 658	112.2
Other poultry	11 355	11 572	7 441	7 429	99.8
Horses - total	4 008	3 889	3 618	3 942	108.9

Production of milk, wool and eggs

The total production of milk in Montenegro (cow's, sheep's, and goat's milk) in 2022 was 172 049 thousand liters, out of which the largest part is cow's milk (89.1%). The average amount of milk per cow is 3 187 liters. The total amount of wool produced is 127 tonnes. In Montenegro in 2022, there was produced a total of 159 706 thousand pieces of eggs.

Table 2. Production of milk, wool, and eggs

	Milk					Wool		Eggs	
	Total (000 l)	Cow (000 l)	Per cow (lit)	Sheep and goat (000 l)	Per sheep (lit)	Total (t)	Per sheep (kg)	Total (000 pieces)	Per hen (pieces)
2018	181 509	168 235	2 792	13 274	94	204	1,8	122 828	216
2019	177 967	165 750	2 880	12 217	90	191	1,7	106 752	197
2020	180 459	165 576	3 035	14 883	110	189	1,8	113 505	211
2021	173 412	154 859	3 149	18 553	145	252	1,9	113 634	216
2022	172 049	153 376	3 187	18 146	134	127	1,9	159 706	224

METHODOLOGICAL NOTES

Legal basis

The survey is conducted on the basis of the Law on Official Statistics and Official Statistical System of Montenegro (Official Gazette of Montenegro No 18/12, and 47/19).

Purpose of survey

The statistical survey – Annual Report on Livestock of Agricultural Holdings (PO-51-2) collects data on the number of livestock and poultry, slaughter of livestock and poultry, weighed of livestock, livestock and livestock turnover, as well as data on the number of beehives bees, wool, eggs, honey, milk, and dairy products.

Method and time of collection

The survey was conducted in the period from 22 November to 10 December 2022. Data collection was carried out on survey forms with the status as of 1 December 2022. On certain questions, in the survey form, the data were entered for a period of one year prior to the survey, i.e. from 01. 12. 2021. to 01. 12. 2022.

Survey coverage and reporting units

There are covered:

- Family agricultural holdings that breed animals,
- Business entities engaged in breeding animals.

The data on livestock for family agricultural holdings are obtained through the annual survey on a sample basis. The sample is simply randomly stratified and the number of surveyed family agricultural holdings covered by the survey is about 10% of the total number of family agricultural holdings in Census of Agriculture 2010 or over 15% of the total number of farm households that grow livestock. The data on livestock for business entities, cooperatives and other entities engaged in breeding livestock are obtained through regular annual reports.

The final data for livestock will be published with the publication of data from the Survey on Structure of Agricultural Holdings in Montenegro.

When using the data, state:

"Data source: Statistical Office - MONSTAT"

More data, as well as detailed methodological notes can be found in the section: [Number of livestock and poultry, production of animal products](#)