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LIVESTOCK PRODUCTION, 2025 – Provisional Data

According to provisional data, in 2025, as compared to the 2024 final data, the increase of cattle rose by **3.3%** and of poultry by 8.8%. Compared to the previous year, the increase of pigs was 12.9% lower, the increase of sheep 5.3% lower and the increase of goats **3.6%** lower.

As compared to the same period of the previous year, the production of cows' milk decreased by 2.9%, the production of sheep's milk by 0.1% and the production of goats' milk by 4.8%.

The production of chicken eggs decreased by 4.7% and the production of wool decreased by 5.7%.

1 LIVESTOCK PRODUCTION, 2025

	Unit of measure	Total		Indices 2025 2024
		Production in 2024	Production in 2025	
Increase of cattle	t	82 858	85 593	103,3
Increase of pigs	t	169 125	147 359	87,1
Increase of sheep	t	10 307	9 762	94,7
Increase of goats	t	722	696	96,4
Increase of poultry	t	133 305	144 997	108,8
Cows' milk	'000 l	454 311	441 180	97,1
Sheep's milk	'000 l	4 369	4 366	99,9
Goats' milk	'000 l	5 218	4 968	95,2
Wool	t	940	886	94,3
Eggs	'000 p/st	665 951	634 931	95,3

NOTES ON METHODOLOGY

Sources and methods of data collection

Data on livestock production were collected as part of the Annual Survey on Crop and Animal Production (PO-71 form), which, in addition to data on the number, also collects data on the weight of pigs and poultry, breeding and losses of pigs and poultry, the production and balance of eggs, the production of milk (cows', sheep's and goats'), the balance of milk, and the production of dairy products and wool. The data are collected separately for legal entities and parts thereof and for private family farms.

Data for business entities are collected in two ways: on reports that are submitted to the Croatian Bureau of Statistics by postal service and via a web application filled in by reporting units themselves.

Data on private family farms were collected using the CATI method (Computer-Assisted Telephone Interviewing) applied to a selected stratified sample. The sample for the Annual Survey on Crop and Animal Production (PO-71 form) was selected from the Statistical Register of Agricultural Holdings as a base and numbers approximately 25 000 units.

All expanded data were compared to the data from previous years, available administrative sources and other available data. On the basis of all available data, corrections were implemented as needed.

The methodology for carrying out the livestock survey is based on Regulation (EU) 2022/2379 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 23 November 2022 on statistics on agricultural input and output, amending Commission Regulation (EC) No 617/2008 and repealing Regulations (EC) No 1165/2008, (EC) No 543/2009 and (EC) No 1185/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council and Council Directive 96/16/EC, as well as on Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2023/2745 of 8 December 2023 laying down rules for the application of Regulation (EU) 2022/2379 of the European Parliament and of the Council as regards animal production statistics, and the Methodological Basis for Collecting Data on Milk and Dairy Product Statistics (NN, No. 42/13).

Coverage and comparability

Reporting units are business entities and parts thereof defined by section A Agriculture, forestry and fishing according to the National Classification of Activities, 2025 version (NN, No. 47/24) as well as other business entities and parts thereof engaged in agricultural production but classified elsewhere.

Reporting units are also private family farms engaged in the production of livestock and poultry.

Confidentiality

Aggregate data for which there are reasons for confidentiality (due to a small number of units, the dominance rule or the secondary confidentiality rule), in accordance with the Official Statistics Act (NN, Nos 25/20, 155/23 and 124/25 – corr.) and the Instruction on the Method of the Protection of Confidential Statistical Data in the Croatian Bureau of Statistics, are treated as confidential and are, therefore, not published.

Definitions

Increase of cattle, sheep, goats, pigs and poultry indicates the gross meat production in the reference year and is calculated by adding the difference in the weight of export and import to the weight of the slaughtered livestock and the difference of the weight of the herd at the end and at the beginning of a reference period.

Milk. The production of cows', sheep's and goats' milk in legal entities as well as on private family farms is presented. The total milked quantity in a reference period is presented, irrespective of the way of milking.

Wool. The quantities of unwashed trimmed (clipped) wool from the grown up and young sheep are reported.

Production of eggs. Data for the total number of laid eggs by all categories of hens (eggs for setting and eggs for human consumption) are reported.

Abbreviations

EC	European Community
l	litre
NN	Narodne novine, official gazette of the Republic of Croatia
p/st	pieces/sticks
t	tonne
'000	thousand

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