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Livestock slaughtering in slaughterhouses in August 2016

In August 2016 compared to August 2015, the total number of cattle in slaughterhouses decreased (by 20.1% and the net decreased weight by 9.2%). The total number of slaughtered sheep decreased (by 8.7% and net weight decreased by 16.2%), pigs decreased (by 53.6% and net weight of 86.9%) compared to the same period in 2015.

In comparison with the previous month, the total number of slaughtered cattle decreased by 1.6% (net weight increased by 3%). As far as sheep's, the total number of slaughtered animals is bigger by 3% (net weight of 0.3%), total number of pigs is bigger by 34.5% (a net weight bigger of 27.8%).

Compared to the monthly average in 2015, in August 2016, less cattle slaughtered in total (by 8.6% a net weight bigger by 0.4%), sheep total less (by 8.8% and net weight of 16%) and pigs less (by 71.8% and net weight of 85.1%).

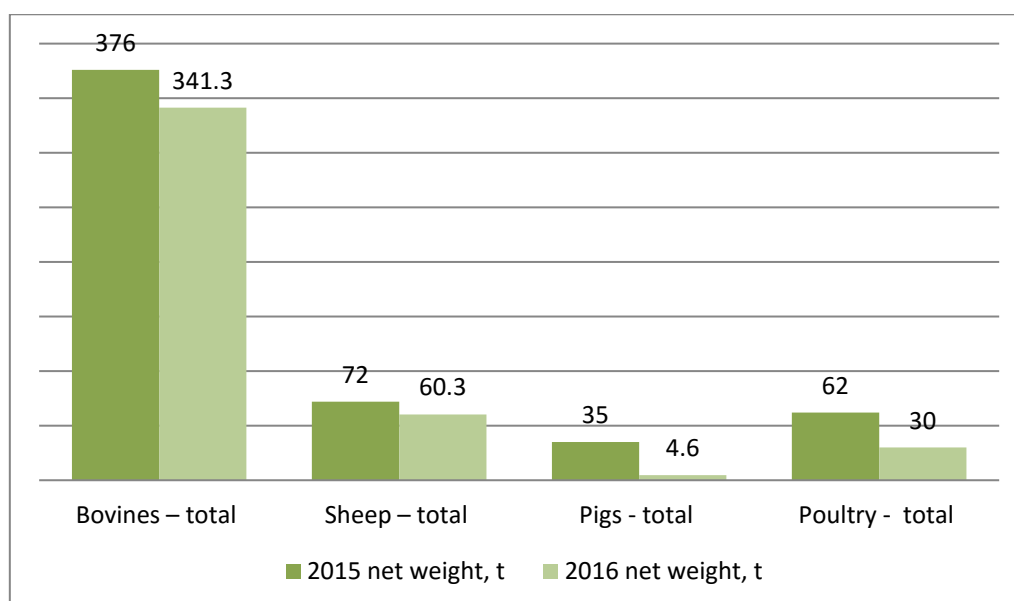
The number of slaughtered poultry decreased by 57.7%, a net weight decreased by 51.6% compared with the same month last year. Compared with the previous month, the total number of slaughtered poultry is decreased by 46%, a net weight decreased by 40%, while compared to the actual monthly average in 2015, the number of slaughtered poultry decreased by (48%, the net weight decreased of 41.9%).

Table 1. Livestock slaughtering in slaughterhouses in August 2016 ¹⁾

	Slaughtering animals and poultry			Indices VIII. 2016 VIII. 2015		Indices VIII. 2016 VII. 2016		Indices VIII. 2016 Ø 2015	
	VIII. 2016.			Number of head	Net weight, t	Number of head	Net weight, t	Number of head	Net weight, t
	Number of head	Net weight, t	Coefficient of utilisation, %						
Bovines – total	1 717	341.3	51.2	79.9	90.8	98.4	103.0	91.4	100.4
Calves and young cattle up to one year old	1 353	236.5	50.1	72.0	76.5	98.2	98.1	86.8	90.5
Heifers	6	1.6	50	50.0	53.3	-	-	43.6	53.3
Cows	190	47.6	48	138.7	148.8	77.6	84.2	106.3	109.8
Bulls and bullocks	168	49.5	49.7	140.0	154.7	137.7	145.6	132.7	143.1
Other cattle	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sheep – total	2 847	60.3	49.6	91.3	83.8	103.0	100.3	91.2	84.0
Lambs	2 772	59.2	49.6	88.9	82.2	102.3	99.8	88.8	82.5
Tags, ewees and rams	75	1.1	50	-	-	136.4	137.5	-	-
Pigs - total	199	4.6	89	46.4	13.1	134.5	127.8	28.2	14.9
Poultry - total	17 410	30	74.3	42.3	48.4	54.0	60.0	52.0	58.1
Fattened chickens (broilers)	17 410	30	74.3	42.3	48.4	54.0	60.0	52.0	58.1
Hens	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other poultry	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

¹⁾ See methodology notes.

Graph 1 Net weight of animals and poultry 2015-2016



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 18/12).

Purpose and content of survey

The survey collects the data about the number of slaughtered animals by type and categories, weights (gross, net weight, and by head).

The collected data is protected in accordance with the Law on Official Statistics and Official Statistical System of Montenegro (Article 34).

Reporting units

Reporting units are slaughterhouses in the territory of Montenegro.

Survey coverage

The coverage is full, and all slaughterhouses are covered by the survey.

Method and time of collection

Data are collected through reporting method. The periodicity is monthly. Reporting units are obliged to send the data to Statistical Office of Montenegro – **MONSTAT**, up to 15th of the current month for the previous month (Monthly survey).

Definition

Definitions are in accordance with the Regulation No 1165/2008 EC, Section II.

Gross weight - weight of livestock and poultry immediately before slaughter.

Net weight - the weight of dressed carcass of cattle and poultry, depending on the species.

-Cattle are the weight of dressed carcass, without skin, blood, viscera, the front legs to the knees and rear leg to the ankle.

-Sheep and goats is the weight of cold, cleaned and drained carcass, gutted, head, legs (separated at the ankle), tail and genitals (including teats). Kidneys and kidney fat are included in carcass weight.

-Poultry is chilled and drained weight of poultry plucked and gutted no head, neck, legs, heart, liver and stomach.

Coefficient of utilization - the ratio of weight of slaughtered livestock and poultry (net weight) and the weight of livestock and poultry (gross weight). It is expressed as a percentage with one decimal (e.g., 52.3%).

The representativeness of the data

Data are representative at the level of Montenegro.

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