

Livestock slaughtering in slaughterhouses April 2019^(p)

In April 2019 compared to the same month last year, the total number of slaughter cattle in slaughterhouses in Montenegro, decreasing 0.4% (net weight increase of 7.4%). Increase was on total number of slaughtered sheep and pigs compared to the same month of the previous year. The total number of slaughtered poultry it is decreased.

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In the period from January to April 2019 was decrease in the slaughter of cattle. Number of slaughtered cattle is 8 821 or 2.8% less than in the same period of 2018. Increase in slaughter for the same period is present in sheep and pigs, while in poultry is decrease.

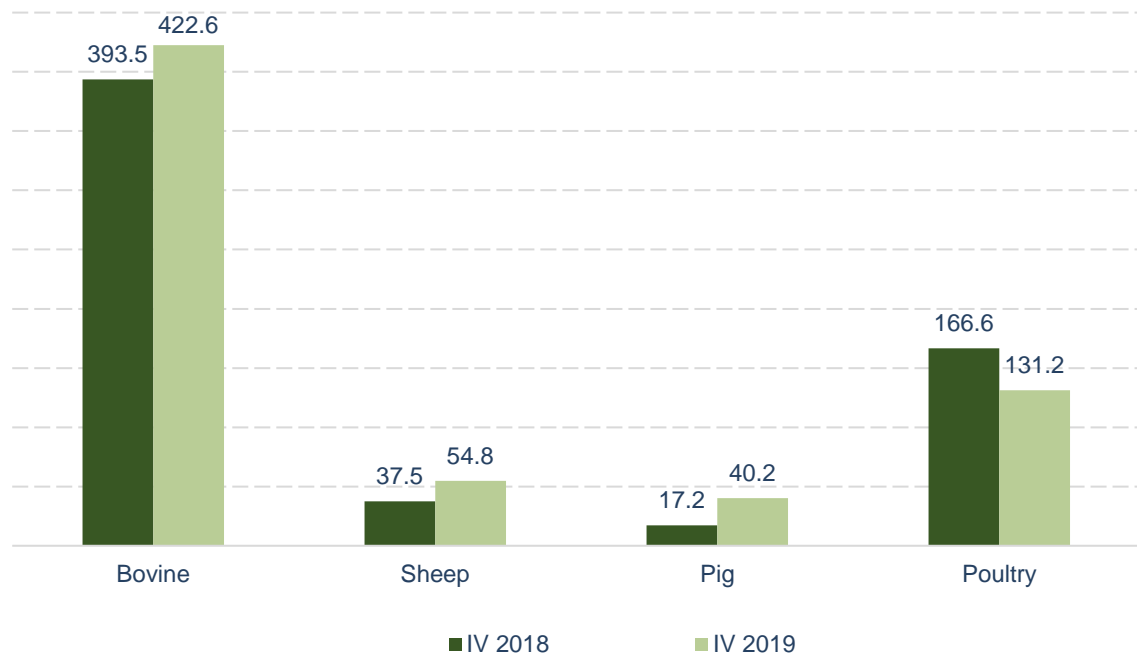
Table 1. Livestock slaughtering in slaughterhouses in April 2019

	Slaughtering animals and poultry April 2019			Indices					
				April 2019 April 2018		April 2019 March 2019		April 2019 Ø 2018	
	Number of head	Net weight, t	Coefficient of utilization, %	Number of head	Net weight, t	Number of head	Net weight, t	Number of head	Net weight, t
Bovines – total	2 341	422.6	50.8	99.6	107.4	95.6	99.0	92.5	99.0
Calves and young cattle up to one year old	1 869	303.1	52.3	94.6	100.4	98.5	101.5	87.2	91.8
Heifers	3	0.6	49.8	42.9	40.0	100.0	100.0	59.0	58.3
Cows	419	104.1	47.1	159.9	155.6	92.3	98.1	155.7	163.0
Bulls and bullocks	50	14.8	49.7	47.2	63.5	53.8	68.5	43.5	46.5
Other cattle	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sheep – total	3 138	54.8	50.7	144.1	146.1	234.5	237.2	81.1	70.8
Lambs	3 054	53.5	50.7	145.4	147.4	241.2	243.2	81.0	70.9
Tags, ewes and rams	84	1.3	50.0	107.7	108.3	116.7	118.2	87.5	66.4
Pigs - total	1 604	40.2	79.5	191.4	233.7	125.0	151.7	112.9	122.7
Poultry - total	85 161	131.2	72.4	77.1	78.8	118.4	116.1	82.8	78.9
Fattened chickens (broilers)	85 161	131.2	72.4	77.1	78.8	118.4	116.1	82.9	79.2
Hens	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other poultry	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

- No data available

^(p) Preliminary data

Graph 1. Net weight of animals and poultry, in tones



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.

- **Horse** weight of the cold, cleaned and drained carcass, without the bowels, head, tail and limbs to the hock, kidneys and kidney fat are included in the weight of the carcass.
- **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.

Data are considered **preliminary**, and becomes final within the defined deadline, as foreseen by the Statistical Release Calendar.

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