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## Livestock slaughtering in slaughterhouses in December 2014

*In December 2014 the total number of slaughtering bovines in slaughterhouses was 1 636, ewes 1 702, pigs 4 099 and poultry 17 410.*

*Of the total number of slaughtering heads of bovines, 78% share calves and young cattle up to one year old, while number of slaughtering ewes sharing lambs with 100% and poultry, broilers sharing with 100%.*

**Table No 1. Livestock slaughtering in slaughterhouses in December 2014 <sup>1)</sup>**

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	Number of head	Net weight, t	Coefficient of utilisation,%
<b>Bovines – total</b>	<b>1 636</b>	<b>257</b>	<b>52.0</b>
Calves and young cattle up to one year old	1 276	169	53.4
Heifers	27	6	51.1
Cows	165	34	48.0
Bulls and bullocks	168	48	49.6
Other cattle	-	-	-
<b>Sheep – total</b>	<b>1 702</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>49.0</b>
Lambs	1 702	36	49.0
Tags, ewes and rams	-	-	-
<b>Pigs - total</b>	<b>4 099</b>	<b>111</b>	<b>80.6</b>
<b>Poultry - total</b>	<b>17 410</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>74.2</b>
Fattened chickens (broilers)	17 410	30	74.2
Hens	-	-	-
<b>Other poultry</b>	-	-	-

<sup>1)</sup> See methodology notes.

## 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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