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Animal production in 2008

Based on the results of the statistical survey on livestock and animal production in 2008, carried out by the National Institute of Statistics, In 2008, as compared to 2007, the weight of animals for slaughtering and consumption decreased for all the species. Wool and egg production increased and milk production decreased.

Animal production in 2008, as against 2007

	M.U.	Achievements		2008 as against 2007 (±)
		2007	2008	
Weight of animals for slaughtering and consumption (live weight – total*)	thou tons	1503	1426	-77
of which:				
- cattle	thou tons	333	306	-27
- pigs	thou tons	642	605	-37
- sheep and goats	thou tons	110	104	-6
- poultry	thou tons	416	410	-6
Milk – total	thou hl	61048	59016	-2032
of which:				
- cow and buffalo cow milk (including calf consumption)	thou hl	54875	53134	-1741
Wool	tons	21025	22075	+1050
Egg	million pieces	6522	6692	+170

*) slaughtering in agricultural holdings and sales for slaughtering

2008 in comparison with 2007

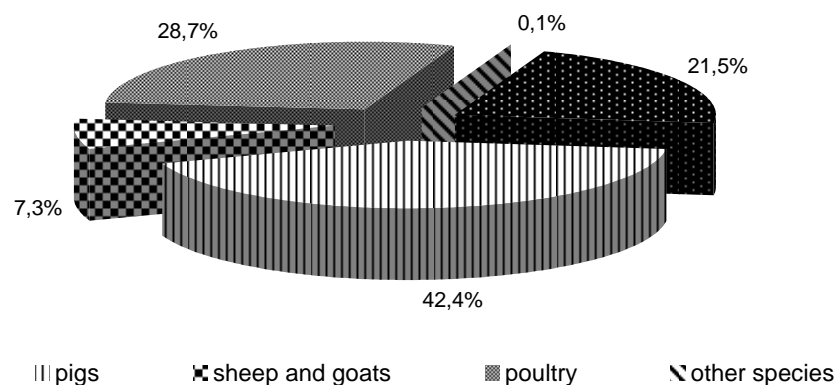
Weight of animals and poultry for slaughtering and consumption decreased by 5.1%, falls coming from **poultry** by 1.4%, from **sheep and goats** by 5.5 %, from **pigs** by 5.8 % and from **cattle** by 8.1%.

Total milk production was by 3.3% lower.

Wool production registered a growth of 5.0%.

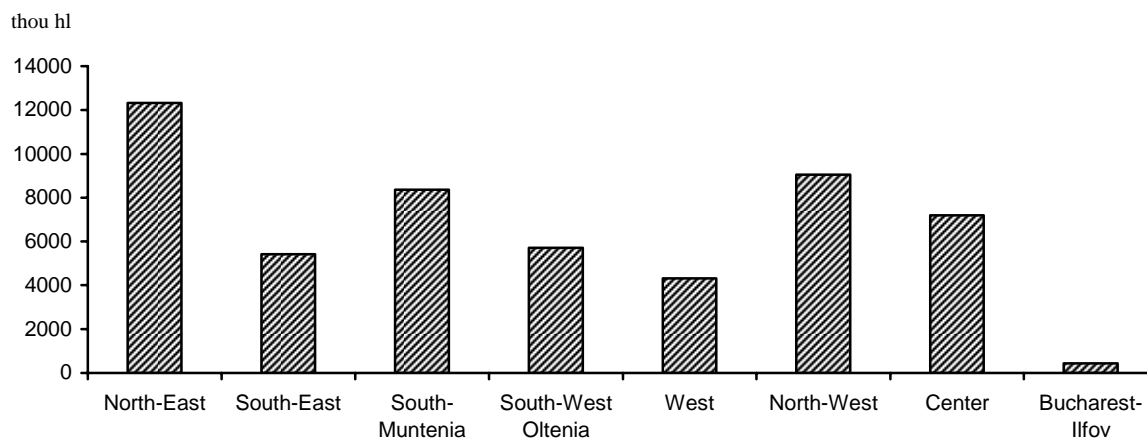
Total egg production increased by 2.6%.

**Structure of total meat production
(live weight), in 2008**



In 2008, as against 2007, structure of milk production by assortments registered the following phenomena: the weight of poultry production increased (+1.0 percentage points) and the weight of pork production decreased (-0.3 percentage points), of beef (-0.7 percentage points) and the weights of sheep and goats production and other species remained constant.

**Cow milk production in 2008,
by region of development**



Total milk production in 2008 was 52808 thou hl (including calf consumption), by 1709 thou hl (-3.1%) under the level of previous year. By region of development, falls were registered in North-East (-0.2%), South-West Oltenia (-1.0%), South Muntenia (-2.4%), West (-4.1%), Center (-4.5%), North-West (-5.6%) and South-East (-6.7%) and growth in the region Bucharest-Ilfov (+6.7%).

Methodological note

Information result from the statistical survey on livestock and animal production in 2008, carried out by the National Institute of Statistics. This survey was done based on a representative sample at national level, region of development and county. The sample includes 59610 agricultural holdings, of which 2562 agricultural holdings with legal status and 57048 individual agricultural holdings. The trust interval is 95% (error margin $\pm 2\%$).

Additional information can be obtained from the statistical publication Livestock and animal production in 2008, deadline July 1, 2009.