

## **Comment**

*Number of pigs as at 1<sup>st</sup> August 2012 went down by 84 thousand heads y-o-y (-5.1%), of which number of sows declined by 3 thousand heads (-2.5%). The reduction of fever was most pronounced in absolute terms in the region Vysočina and by 56 thousand heads (20.0%), relatively in the Karlovarský region of 6.9 thousand units (82.4%). Compared with the situation at 31.12.2011, the number of pigs increased by 5.8%, and sows increased by 4.1%.*

*There were 15.7 piglets per 1 sow born from the beginning of the year to 31<sup>st</sup> July 2012 (rise of +3.1% year-on-year), 14 piglets were weaned (+2.9%) and 10.8% piglets were lost by death (+0.2 percentage point). Sale of pigs for slaughter went down by 10.2 %, y-o-y.*