

Comments

Due to a change of the reference day for the survey on pigs, which was 31 July in 2017 but 30 June in 2018, the data are not fully comparable year-on-year.

The number of pigs as at 30 June 2018 decreased by 6.0 thous. head (i.e. by 0.4%) in comparison with their number as at 31 July 2017. The number of sows went down by 2.7 thous. head (by 2.9%) and the number of gilts increased by 1.7 thous. head (by 4.1%). Compared to 31 December 2017, the number of pigs grew by 1.7% and the number of sows declined by 4.0%.

From the beginning of the year to 30 June 2018, 15.8 piglets per one sow were born and 14.1 piglets were weaned; 10.8% piglets were lost by death. Production of pigs for slaughter reached 152.0 thous. tonnes in live weight.