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Results of the August 1996 survey of the pig population

Halt in cyclical decline in pig production to meet short-term increase in demand

The pig survey carried out in August 1996 by most of the EU countries showed that the pig population has remained stagnant compared to August 1995. Thus, the reduction in population which began in 1994 following a cyclical climax has stopped and the resumption of production should be seen to continue until the first quarter of 1997.

This recovery is in all probability a result of the serious crisis in the beef sector. The shift in consumption to poultry meat and pigmeat have resulted in sharp rises in prices. Over a mere ten weeks or so, the producer price for pigmeat increased from ECU 150/100kg to over ECU 180/100kg (European average). Over the summer, the difference between the price paid to the producer and the cost of the feedstuffs necessary for fattening increased by over 50% compared with the beginning of the year. So the profitability of pig-rearing improved noticeably. It was only after mid-September that the artificially high prices began to level off and at the end of October they are still higher than the prices observed in January.

This situation, which is very favourable for pig farmers, could only encourage them to resume full activities in units that they had gradually started to put out of operation when prices were becoming less attractive. However, judging from the detailed results for the August 1996 survey, there were fewer fattening pigs than in August 1995 (-1.9%). This was no doubt because for the time being the supply of piglets ready for fattening was inadequate. It should be borne in mind that the previous survey conducted in April, very shortly after the outbreak of the "mad cow" crisis showed

a reduction of 1.5% in the number of pigs weighing less than 50kg compared with April 1995. In the meantime, the piglet population has grown again and this could rapidly lead to an increase in the number of fattening pigs and hence an increase in the amount of pigmeat on the market. There was also an upswing in the number of mated sows, the number of sows mated for the first time particularly increasing by 3.5%.

Gross indigenous production in 1996 should be slightly higher than in 1995. The year started with a downward trend but production picked up in the second quarter, for which an increase of 0.7% over 1995 is expected. This upward trend should continue until the beginning of 1997, when the experts expect a slight drop. However, everything will probably depend on consumer attitudes to beef.

Methodology

Spain has not yet finished processing the survey and the data for that country are very provisional.

For **Italy** the quarterly development of pig GIP has been calculated on the basis of slaughtering developments. The level of GIP has been restimated back to 1993. The real GIP figures of 1992 have been taken as a basis.

For **Greece, Luxembourg and Portugal** the pig survey in August is optional.

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SCHWEINEBESTAND IM AUGUST

PIG POPULATION IN AUGUST

EFFECTIFS PORCINS EN AOÛT

	1000 STÜCK		1000 HEAD											1000 TETES				
	EUR 15	EUR 12	B	DK	D	GR	E	F	IRL	I	L	NL	A	P	FIN #	S		UK
1 INSGESAMT	TOTAL																	TOTAL
1994	119617	112226	6798	10892	25346	1117	19238	14898	1535	8142	67	13912	3828	2785	1235 !	2328	7844	1994
1995	118179	110900	7139	10916	24466	930	18680	14907	1547	8040	67	14119	3707	2525	1287	2284	7564	1995
1996	118159 !	110876 !	7414 *	10943 *	24405	- :	18235 !	15192 *	1642 *	8150 *	- :	13945 *	3617	- :	1404 *	2294 *	7396 *	1996
%96/95	0.0 !	0.0 !	3.8 *	0.2 *	-0.3	- :	-2.4 !	1.9 *	6.1 *	1.4 *	- :	-1.2 *	-2.4	- :	9.1 *	0.4 !	-2.2 *	%96/95
1.1 Ferkel < 20 Kg	Piglets < 20 kg											Porcelets < 20 Kg						
1994	33970	31645	1932	3393	6815	363	5560	3507	433	1483	24	5204	1081	794	452 !	792	2137	1994
1995	33374	31114	1954	3333 *	6575	302	5403	3518	413 *	1510	24	5320	1037	730	446	777	2033	1995
1996	33501 !	31232 !	2047 *	3520 *	6540	- :	5288 !	3516 *	440 *	1588 *	- :	5326 *	1002	- :	474 *	711 *	1990 *	1996
%96/95	0.4 !	0.4 !	4.8 *	5.6 *	-0.5	- :	-2.1 !	-0.1 *	6.6 *	5.2 *	- :	0.1 *	-3.4	- :	6.3 *	-8.5 *	-2.1 *	%96/95
1.2 Jungschweine (20-50 Kg)	Young pigs (20-50 Kg)											Jeunes porcs (20-50 Kg)						
1994	29902	28101	1698	3152	6375	286	4678	4195	467	1665	15	2568	1059	767	257 !	485	2235	1994
1995	29248	27486 *	1803	3295	6251	216	4159	4319	488	1666	15	2524	1014	690	272	476	2061	1995
1996	29956 !	28152 !	1872 *	3260 *	6295	- :	4562 !	4523 *	508 *	1741 *	- :	2473 *	1016	- :	289 *	503 *	1970 *	1996
%96/95	2.4 !	2.4 !	3.9 *	-1.1 *	0.7	- :	9.7 !	4.7 *	4.0 *	4.5 *	- :	-2.0 *	0.3	- :	6.1 *	5.6 *	-4.4 *	%96/95
1.3 Mastschweine (>50 Kg)	Pigs for fattening (> 50Kg)											Porcs à l'engrais (>50 Kg)						
1994	42584	40165	2432	2953	9238	298	6724	5746	462	4279	18	4629	1287	832	361 !	771	2554	1994
1995	42727	40315	2653	3110	8989	249	6899	5626	472	4144	18	4811	1256	751	400	756 !	2593	1995
1996	41935 !	39566 !	2724 *	2964 *	8945	- :	6311 !	5692 *	512 *	4098 *	- :	4703 *	1203	- :	452 *	795 *	2542 *	1996
%96/95	-1.9 !	-1.9 !	2.7 *	-4.7 *	-0.5	- :	-8.5 !	1.2 *	8.5 *	-1.1 *	- :	-2.2 *	-4.2	- :	13.0 *	5.1 !	-2.0 *	%96/95
1.3.1 Mastschweine (50-80 Kg)	Pigs for fattening (50-80Kg)											Porcs à l'engrais (50-80 Kg)						
1994	24179	22776	1325	2354	5358	201	3779	3133	340	1318	12	2602	784	578	235 !	383	1776	1994
1995	24465	23076	1524	2480	5076	161	4085	3043	357	1364	12	2707	758	522	255	376	1746	1995
1996	23548 !	22211 !	1535 *	2364 *	5040	- :	3534 !	2968 *	378 *	1382 *	- :	2604 *	717	- :	314 *	409 *	1634 *	1996
%96/95	-3.8 !	-3.8 !	0.7 *	-4.7 *	-0.7	- :	-13.5 !	-2.5 *	5.9 *	1.3 *	- :	-3.8 *	-5.5	- :	23.2 *	8.9 *	-6.4 *	%96/95
1.3.2 Mastschweine (80-110 Kg)	Pigs for fattening (80-110Kg)											Porcs à l'engrais (80-100 Kg)						
1994	15381	14453	1048	589	3614	88	2629	2323	113	1258	5	1847	458	222	113 !	356	717	1994
1995	15624	14686	1087	620 *	3636	82	2594	2318	114	1337	5	1916	455	200	134	349	776	1995
1996	15798 !	14849 !	1119 *	591 *	3612	- :	2565 !	2461 *	131 *	1350 *	- :	1912 *	445	- :	128 *	349 *	844 *	1996
%96/95	1.1 !	1.1 !	2.9 *	-4.7 *	-0.7	- :	-1.1 !	6.2 *	15.2 *	1.0 *	- :	-0.2 *	-2.2	- :	-4.8 *	0.1 *	8.8 *	%96/95
1.3.3 Mastschweine (> 110 Kg)	Pigs for fattening (>110Kg)											Porcs à l'engrais (> 110 Kg)						
1994	3025	2935	59	10	265	9	315	291	9	1703	1	180	44	32	13 !	32	61	1994
1995	2638	2553	41	10	277	6	220	264	2	1443	1	189	43	29	11	31	71	1995
1996	2590 !	2506 *	70 !	9 *	292	- :	212 !	263 *	3 *	1366 *	- :	187 *	41	- :	11 *	36 *	64 *	1996
%96/95	-1.8 !	-1.8 *	68.9 !	-10.0 *	5.6	- :	-3.5 !	-0.5 *	125.3 *	-5.3 *	- :	-0.9 *	-4.4	- :	-7.0 *	16.5 *	-9.9 *	%96/95

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1.4 Zuchtschweine > 50 kg			Breeding pigs 50 kg										Reproducteurs > 50 kg					
1994	13162	12316	737	1188	2775	170	2276	1450	174	715	10	1511	402	392	165 !	280	918	1994
1995	12829	11985	730	1178	2651	163	2220	1445	174	720	10	1464 *	401	353	169	275 !	877	1995
1996	12767 !	11926 !	771 *	1199 *	2626	- :	2074 !	1461 *	183 *	723 *	- :	1443 *	396	- :	189 *	286 *	894 *	1996
%96/95	-0.5 !	-0.5 !	5.7 *	1.8 *	-1.0	- :	-6.6 !	1.1 *	4.8 *	0.4 *	- :	-1.4 *	-0.9	- :	11.8 *	3.8 *	1.9 *	%96/95
1.4.1 Zuchteber			Boars								- Verrats							
1994	486	458	17	35	86	12	94	51	6	38	1	43	14	29	6 !	8	46	1994
1995	438	411	17	36	79	11	92	41	5 *	37	1	25	14	26	6	7	41	1995
1996	412 !	387 !	16 *	35 *	74	- :	84 !	37 *	5 *	37 *	- :	19 *	13	- :	7 *	6 *	43 *	1996
%96/95	-5.8 !	-5.8 !	-7.0 *	-2.8 *	-5.5	- :	-8.8 !	-8.1 *	-3.4 *	0.0 *	- :	-24.6 *	-2.2	- :	8.2 *	-17.6 *	4.9 *	%96/95
1.4.2 Zuchtsauen			Breeding sows										Truies d'élevage					
1994	12676	11858	720	1153	2689	158	2182	1399	168	678	9	1468	387	363	159 !	272	872	1994
1995	12391	11574	713	1142	2573	152	2127	1404	169	683	9	1439	386	327	163	268	836	1995
1996	12354 !	11539 !	755 *	1164 *	2551	- :	1990 !	1424 *	178 *	686 *	- :	1424 *	383	- :	183 *	280 *	851 *	1996
%96/95	-0.3 !	-0.3 !	6.0 *	1.9 *	-0.8	- :	-6.5 !	1.4 *	5.1 *	0.4 *	- :	-1.0 *	-0.9	- :	11.9 *	4.4 *	1.8 *	%96/95
1.4.2.1 Gedeckte Sauen			Mated sows								Truies saillies							
1994	8563	7999	508	762	1793	91	1400	956	123	541	6	985	245	237	113 !	205	597	1994
1995	8365	7802	518	750	1726	93	1368	966	121	543	6	915	249	213	113	202 !	581	1995
1996	8398 !	7832 !	558 *	759 *	1717	- :	1290 !	988 *	124 *	545 *	- :	935 *	250	- :	128 *	201 *	590 *	1996
%96/95	0.4 !	0.4 !	7.6 *	1.2 *	-0.5	- :	-5.7 !	2.3 *	2.4 *	0.4 *	- :	2.2 *	0.6	- :	12.7 *	-0.4 *	1.5 *	%96/95
1.4.2.1.1 Darunter zum ersten mal gedeckt			Of which mated for the first time								Dont truies saillies pour la première fois							
1994	1536	1419	99	143	347	22	196	182	22	70	1	173	42	63	25 !	50	101	1994
1995	1514	1402	105	147	344	23	192	183	24	75	1	157 *	40	57	23	49	96	1995
1996	1567 !	1450 !	114 *	153 *	335	- :	198 !	196 *	23 *	76 *	- :	167 *	40	- :	25 *	45 *	111 *	1996
%96/95	3.4 !	3.4 !	8.3 *	4.1 *	-2.7	- :	3.4 !	7.3 *	-1.4 *	1.3 *	- :	6.5 *	0.1	- :	9.5 *	-8.0 *	15.6 *	%96/95
1.4.2.2 Nicht gedeckte Zuchtsauen			Breeding sows not yet mated								Truies non saillies							
1994	4113	3858	212	391	896	67	782	442	45	137	3	483	143	126	45 !	67	275	1994
1995	4026	3773	194	392	847	59	759	438	48	140	3	524	138	114	50	66	255	1995
1996	3956 !	3707 !	197 *	405 *	834	- :	700 !	436 *	53 *	141 *	- :	489 *	133	- :	55 *	79 *	261 *	1996
%96/95	-1.7 !	-1.7 !	1.5 *	3.3 *	-1.4	- :	-7.8 !	-0.5 *	11.7 *	0.7 *	- :	-6.6 *	-3.6	- :	10.0 *	19.4 *	2.4 *	%96/95
1.4.2.2.1 Darunter nicht gedeckte Jungsaunen			Of which gilts not yet mated								Dont jeunes truies non saillies							
1994	1313	1223	90	153	287	8	174	140	15	46	1	171	34	40	25 !	31	98	1994
1995	1276	1186	74	164	269	7	164	141	17	44	1	176	33	36	26	31	94	1995
1996	1316 !	1223 !	80 *	170 *	283	- :	168 !	141 *	17 *	48 *	- :	160 *	32	- :	28 *	40 *	104 *	1996
%96/95	3.1 !	3.1 !	8.5 *	3.7 *	5.3	- :	2.4 !	0.4 *	-1.1 *	9.1 *	- :	-8.9 *	-4.5	- :	7.6 *	28.7 *	10.6 *	%96/95

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BRUTTOEIGENERZEUGUNG VON SCHWEINEN

GROSS INDIGENOUS PRODUCTION OF PIGS

PRODUCTION INDIGENE BRUTE DE PORCS

	1000 STÜCK				1000 HEAD								1000 TETES					
	EUR 15	EUR 12	B	DK	D	GR	E	F	IRL	I	L	NL	A	P	FIN #	S	UK	
	JAHR				YEAR								ANNEE					
1994	- :	180072	9946	20650	39178	2286	26314	24422	2983	10296	103	24125	- :	4431	- :	- :	15338 0	1994
1995	188700 *	177916 *	11008	20334	37173 *	2301 *	26662	24542	2975	10169 !	106	23686	4959 *	4290 *	2082	3743	14672 *	1995
1996	189346 !	178525 !	11271 *	20413 *	36909 *	2259 *	- :	24731 *	3095 *	10406 !	106 *	23674 *	5145 *	4515 *	2110 *	3774 *	14138 *	1996
% 96/95	0.3 !	0.3 !	2.4 *	0.4 *	-0.7 *	-1.8 *	- :	0.8 *	4.0 *	2.3 !	0.0 *	0.0 *	3.8 *	5.2 *	1.3 *	0.8 *	-3.6 *	% 96/95
	12 MONATE (17 BIS 30.6)				12 MONTHS (1.7 TO 30.6)								12 MOIS (1.7 A 30.6)					
1994-95	190393 *	179370 *	10536	20625	37855	2291 *	26421	24631	3045	10290	103	24170	5089 *	4315 *	2161	3773	15090	1994-95
1995-96	188737 !	177950 !	11210 *	20615	36936 *	2287 *	- :	24422 *	2995 *	10131 !	106 *	23727 *	5062 *	4399 *	2061 *	3805 *	14266 *	1995-96
1996-97	189610 !	178775 !	11511 *	20117 *	37000 *	2258 *	- :	24926 *	3136 *	10471 !	106 *	23935 *	5160 *	4525 *	2142 *	3760 *	14308 *	1996-97
%95-96/94-95	-0.9 !	-0.8 !	6.4 *	0.0	-2.4 *	-0.2 *	- :	-0.8 *	-1.6 *	-1.5 !	2.7 *	-1.8 *	-0.5 *	1.9 *	-4.6 *	0.8 *	-5.5 *	%95-96/94-95
%96-97/95-96	0.5 !	0.5 !	2.7 *	-2.4 *	0.2 *	-1.3 *	- :	2.1 *	4.7 *	3.4 !	0.0 *	0.9 *	1.9 *	2.9 *	3.9 *	-1.2 *	0.3 *	%96-97/95-96
	JANUAR/FEBRUAR/MÄRZ				JANUARY/FEBRUARY/MARCH								JANVIER/FEVRIER/MARS					
1995	47756 *	45094 *	2655	5134	9348	546	6965	6282	748	2589	24	6055	1283 *	1051 *	520	860	3697	1995
1996	47648 !	44991 !	2785	5162	9292 *	546 *	- :	6250	729 *	2628 !	24 *	6069	1336	1040 *	501 *	929	3453	1996
1997	48107 !	45425 !	2848 *	5087 *	9300 *	547 *	- :	6361 *	749 *	2644 !	24 *	6200 *	1340 *	1050 *	514 *	915 *	3548 *	1997
%97/96	1.0 !	1.0 !	2.3 *	-1.5 *	0.1 *	0.2 *	- :	1.8 *	2.7 *	0.6 !	0.0 *	2.2 *	0.3 *	1.0 *	2.7 *	-1.5 *	2.7 *	%97/96
	APRIL/MAI/JUNI				APRIL/MAY/JUNE								AVRIL/MAI/JUIN					
1995	45494 *	42803 *	2783	4895	9148	469 *	6165	5972	745	2130	25	5883	1229 *	1019 *	516	947	3569	1995
1996	45640 !	42940 !	2856 *	5148	8967 *	455 *	- :	5885 *	784 *	2053 !	25 *	5910 *	1279	1139 *	514 *	940 *	3407 *	1996
1997	45445 !	42756 !	3033 *	4927 *	9050 *	453 *	- :	5969 *	805 *	2103 !	25 *	6040 *	1290 *	1139 *	532 *	940 *	3483 *	1997
%97/96	-0.4 !	-0.4 !	6.2 *	-4.3 *	0.9 *	-0.4 *	- :	1.4 *	2.7 *	2.4 !	0.0 *	2.2 *	0.9 *	0.0 *	3.6 *	0.0 *	2.2 *	%97/96
	JULI/AUGUST/SEPTEMBER				JULY/AUGUST/SEPTEMBER								JUILLET/AOUT/SEPTEMBRE					
1994	46208	43452	2450	5264	9314	510	5902	6111	776	2131	23	6013	1281	1129	552	923	3828	1994
1995	45797 *	43150 *	2690	5150	8978 *	536 *	6273	6084	742	2115 !	24	5837	1203 *	1070 *	505	940	3650	1995
1996	46075 !	43411 !	2760 *	4855 *	9000 *	524 *	- :	6248 *	792 *	2326 !	24 *	5820 *	1270 *	1142 *	525 *	920 *	3557 *	1996
% 96/95	0.6 !	0.6 !	2.6 *	-5.7 *	0.2 *	-2.2 *	- :	2.7 *	6.7 *	10.0 !	0.0 *	-0.3 *	5.6 *	6.7 *	4.0 *	-2.1 *	-2.6 *	% 96/95
	OKTOBER/NOVEMBER/DEZEMBER				OCTOBER/NOVEMBER/DECEMBER								OCTOBRE/NOVEMBRE/DECEMBRE					
1994	50934	48022	2647	5332	10045	766	7389	6265	776	3439	31	6219	1297	1116	573	1043	3996	1994
1995	49652 *	46869 *	2879	5155	9699 *	750 *	7259	6203	740	3335	33	5911	1245 *	1150 *	542	996	3755 *	1995
1996	49984 !	47183 !	2870 *	5248 *	9650 *	734 *	- :	6348 *	790 *	3398 !	33 *	5875 *	1260 *	1194 *	570 *	985 *	3721 *	1996
% 96/95	0.7 !	0.7 !	-0.3 *	1.8 *	-0.5 *	-2.1 *	- :	2.3 *	6.8 *	1.9 !	0.0 *	-0.6 *	1.2 *	3.8 *	5.2 *	-1.1 *	-0.9 *	% 96/95

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