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The pig population in August 1991

The following pages show the results of surveys of the pig population conducted in August this year, as well as the forecasts of the gross indigenous production of pigs.

The forecast of gross indigenous production is missing for Greece for the period from February to July 1992; it was therefore decided to carry forward the results from the previous year. This factor should be considered in interpreting the results for the European Community as a whole.

For the Community as a whole, one should note that comparing the survey results of August this year with those in the same month of the previous year is only possible if one disregards the five new federal Länder, the reason being that no directly comparable figures are available for the former GDR for August 1990. The results for Germany are therefore shown separately for the old and new Länder in a special table on the last page. This table also shows that the reduction in the pig population in Germany is mainly due to the situation in the former GDR.

At Community level, disregarding the new Länder, the pig population decreased by 3.7% or 3.855 million animals over the previous year. The countries particularly responsible for this trend were Belgium with -16.1%, Greece with -7.4%, Spain with -5.9%, the Netherlands with -6.2% and Luxembourg with -7.3%. The only increases were in Denmark, Ireland and Portugal.

This reduction in the population has an effect on gross indigenous production as the analysis of the forecasts submitted by the Member States shows. There is a fall in gross indigenous production of 4.7% for the period from August 1991 to July 1992 at Community level. This corresponds to a difference of 8 158 million head.

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Market situation generally satisfactory

The reduced supply of pigs over the past few months has led to a satisfactory price level for producers in the Community. Although the market prices have not attained the peak levels of 1989 and 1990, they have been spared the severe drop, so far at least, which occurred in the second half of the last two years.

The average market prices in the past two to three months were around ECU 140/100 kg and were fairly stable, except for a slight weakening at the end of July/beginning of August. At the present time, they are 13% above the level of the previous year, though it should be borne in mind that certain special market factors had a negative effect in the autumn of 1990.

The pigs/feedingstuffs price index was slightly above 100 at Community level for all months with the exception of January; the economic viability of pig fattening must, therefore, generally be seen in a positive light.

The favourable picture which thus emerges for the Community overall did not prevent the situation being slightly worse in some Member States. In the United Kingdom, for example, prices declined severely from the end of June; this trend lasted until the middle of September, in which period UK prices were at times ECU 40/100 kg below the Community average. The reasons for this can be seen as an extremely low level of demand deriving from the overall economic recession as well as severe competition in the form of cheap lamb.

The operation which was carried out at the beginning of 1991 to assist private stockholders led to the storage of around 75 000 tonnes of pigmeat; the result was a clear improvement in prices. Despite many a critical voice from professional circles, this operation did not lead to any great market disruption and must therefore be considered successful. Around 63 000 tonnes had been taken out of storage by the end of September; the remaining 12 000 tonnes will probably be put on the market in October and November.

The low supply of pigs in the Community is basically caused by the severe decline in herds in the former GDR and the new swine fever which has hit piglet production hard, particularly in the Netherlands and Germany. It is clear that pig producers in the countries neighbouring Germany have been able to profit from the shortfall in the new German Länder, and that this has made a major contribution to easing the stress on the pigmeat market in 1991.



SCHWEINEBESTAND IM AUGUST

PIG POPULATION IN AUGUST

EFFECTIFS PORCINS EN AOUT

1000 STUECK

1000 HEAD

1000 TETES

	EUR 12	EUR 12#	B	DK	D	GR	E	F	IRL	I	L	NL	P	UK
INSGESAMT														
TOTAL														TOTAL
1988	--	103373	6619	9453	--	1161	16178	11661	976	9076	76	14014	2340	7968
1989	--	102043*	6703	9550	--	1127	16319	11560*	989	9013	73	13964	2425	7531
1990	--	104078	7423	9390	--	1118	17108	12312	1047	8748	71	13971	2587	7579
1991	105214*	100223*	6225*	9765	26847	1035	16103	12239	1110	8566	66	13104	2655*	7500
% 91/90	--	-3.7*	-16.1*	4.0	--	-7.4	-5.9	-0.6	5.9	-2.1	-7.3	-6.2	2.6*	-1.0
FERKEL (<20 KG)														
PIGLET (<20 KG)														PORCELETS (<20 KG)
1988	--	29558	1805	2917	--	395	4531	2743	225	1780	30	5086	741	2243
1989	--	29114*	1785	2949	--	356	4573	2846*	230	1800	28	5042	730	2081
1990	--	29849	2162	2934	--	378	4898	3001	242	1578	25	5077	785	2103
1991	29734*	28674*	1704*	3062	7319	339	4955	3038	261	1510	24	4611	812*	2099
% 91/90	--	-3.9*	-21.2*	4.4	--	-10.3	1.2	1.2	8.0	-4.3	-5.0	-9.2	3.4*	-0.2
JUNGSCHWEINE (20-50 KG)														
YOUNG PIGS (20-50 KG)														JEUNES PORCS (20-50 KG)
1988	--	26589	1710	2960	--	326	4301	3466	314	1961	15	2909	617	2203
1989	--	26093*	1670	2953	--	285	4167	3480*	317	1925	14	2873	668	2106
1990	--	25729	1602	2887	--	286	4232	3459	330	1742	15	2871	690	2114
1991	26284*	24786*	1648*	2989	6830	261	3730	3384	350	1711	13	2598	732*	2039
% 91/90	--	-3.7*	2.8*	3.5	--	-8.7	-11.9	-2.2	6.1	-1.8	-13.6	-9.5	6.1*	-3.5
MASTSCHWEINE (>50 KG)														
PIGS FOR FATTENING (>50 KG)														PORCS A L'ENGRAIS (>50 KG)
1988	--	35588	2347	2502	--	260	5302	4316	324	4518	19	4454	636	2612
1989	--	35486*	2498	2587	--	321	5615	4079*	324	4487	20	4496	677	2474
1990	--	36950	2881	2504	--	284	5960	4625	349	4659	21	4475	739	2447
1991	37193*	35344*	2141*	2610	9650	280	5372	4559	365	4624	19	4369	738*	2466
% 91/90	--	-4.3*	-25.7*	4.2	--	-1.4	-9.9	-1.4	4.7	-0.7	-8.9	-2.4	-0.1*	0.8
MASTSCHWEINE (50-80 KG)														
PIGS FOR FATTENING (50-80 KG)														PORCS A L'ENGRAIS (50-80 KG)
1988	--	22010	1448	1991	--	191	3537	2371	247	1907	12	2742	479	1883
1989	--	21637*	1544	2061	--	224	3716	2228*	248	1690	13	2770	479	1746
1990	--	21925	1284	1994	--	200	3919	2574	257	1614	15	2744	514	1748
1991	21799*	20838*	1281*	2078	5687	197	3328	2497	271	1620	13	2616	479*	1732
% 91/90	--	-5.0*	-0.3*	4.2	--	-1.5	-15.1	-3.0	5.6	0.4	-9.7	-4.7	-6.8*	-0.9
MASTSCHWEINE (80-110 KG)														
PIGS FOR FATTENING (80-110 KG)														PORCS A L'ENGRAIS (80-110 KG)
1988	--	11622	875	498	--	65	1651	1713	63	1352	6	1637	127	657
1989	--	11762*	934	515	--	92	1784	1697*	67	1330	7	1650	158	651
1990	--	12441	1317	498	--	78	1910	1809	79	1427	6	1648	185	646
1991	12982*	12223*	836*	520	3702	77	1944	1899	84	1434	6	1590	222*	669
% 91/90	--	-1.7*	-36.5*	4.4	--	-1.3	1.8	5.0	6.3	0.5	-7.8	-3.5	20.0*	3.6
MASTSCHWEINE (>110 KG)														
PIGS FOR FATTENING (>110 KG)														PORCS A L'ENGRAIS (>110 KG)
1988	--	1956	24	13	--	4	113	232	14	1259	1	75	30	72
1989	--	2086*	20	11	--	5	115	154*	9	1467	0	76	40	76
1990	--	2583	280	12	--	6	130	242	13	1619	0	83	40	53
1991	2411*	2282*	24*	12	261	6	101	163	10	1570	0	163	37*	64
% 91/90	--	-11.7*	-91.6*	0.0	--	0.0	-22.8	-32.6	-23.1	-3.0	2.6	96.4	-7.5*	20.8

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ZUCHTEBER (>50 KG)														
BREEDING BOARS (>50 KG)														
1988	-:	527	25	39	-:	14	105	62	5	46	1	63	23	44
1989	-:	495*	23	37	-:	12	100	60*	5	44	1	49	24	44
1990	-:	496	24	36	-:	14	101	59	5	45	1	41	32	44
1991	496*	488*	23*	36	97	15	107	56	6	44	1	40	28*	43
% 91/90	-:	-1.6*	-3.2*	0.0	-:	7.1	6.5	-5.1	3.7	-2.7	2.5	-2.4	-12.5*	-2.3
ZUCHTSAUEN (>50 KG)														
BREEDING SOWS (>50 KG)														
1988	-:	11111	732	1035	-:	166	1939	1074	109	771	11	1502	323	865
1989	-:	10857*	727	1024	-:	153	1863	1095*	112	756	10	1504	326	827
1990	-:	11055	754	1029	-:	156	1918	1168	122	724	10	1507	341	871
1991	11508*	10931*	710*	1068	2951	140	1938	1202	129	676	10	1486	345*	854
% 91/90	-:	-1.1*	-5.9*	3.8	-:	-10.3	1.1	2.9	5.2	-6.6	-0.3	-1.4	1.2*	-2.0
GEDECKTE SAUEN														
MATED SOWS														
1988	-:	7209	495	653	-:	103	1201	689	76	573	7	946	193	607
1989	-:	7092*	492	649	-:	93	1158	714*	79	566	7	935	204	583
1990	-:	7241	536	650	-:	88	1197	740	87	566	7	947	212	603
1991	7687*	7303*	500*	690	1950	78	1238	799	92	552	6	967	226*	589
% 91/90	-:	0.9*	-6.8*	6.2	-:	-11.4	3.4	8.0	5.0	-2.5	-4.5	2.1	6.6*	-2.3
DARUNTER: ZUM ERSTEN MAL GEDECKTE SAUEN														
OF WHICH: SOWS MATED FOR THE FIRST TIME														
1988	-:	1393	99	137	-:	21	200	135	14	142	1	178	51	100
1989	-:	1399*	101	135	-:	23	199	149*	15	142	2	176	52	95
1990	-:	1412	105	135	-:	21	213	148	18	110	1	177	58	108
1991	1492*	1391*	118*	146	406	20	201	155	18	84	1	185	60*	97
% 91/90	-:	-1.5*	12.5*	8.1	-:	-4.8	-5.9	4.7	1.1	-23.5	3.6	4.5	3.4*	-10.2
NICHT GEDECKTE ZUCHTSAUEN														
BREEDING SOWS NOT MATED														
1988	-:	3901	237	382	-:	63	738	385	32	198	4	556	130	258
1989	-:	3765*	235	375	-:	60	705	381*	33	190	3	569	122	244
1990	-:	3815	218	379	-:	68	720	428	35	158	3	560	129	268
1991	3820*	3627*	210*	378	1001	62	700	403	37	124	3	519	119*	264
% 91/90	-:	-4.9*	-3.6*	-0.3	-:	-8.8	-2.8	-5.8	5.4	-21.4	9.3	-7.3	-7.8*	-1.5
DARUNTER: NOCH NICHT GEDECKTE JUNGS AUEN														
OF WHICH: BREEDING GILTS NOT YET MATED														
1988	-:	1174	94	134	-:	8	155	125	9	82	1	214	32	76
1989	-:	1162*	95	135	-:	10	139	111*	9	77	1	236	37	75
1990	-:	1202	86	137	-:	12	154	127	10	64	1	231	40	97
1991	1219*	1110*	88*	141	328	12	128	126	11	51	1	203	35*	95
% 91/90	-:	-7.6*	2.2*	2.9	-:	0.0	-17.1	-0.8	17.5	-20.3	30.4	-12.1	-12.5*	-2.1

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BRUTTOEIGENERZEUGUNG VON SCHWEINEN

GROSS INDIGENOUS PRODUCTION OF PIGS

PRODUCTION INDIGENE BRUTE DE PORCS

1000 HEAD		1000 STUECK												1000 TETES	
EUR 12	EUR 12#	B	DK	D	GR	E	F	IRL	I	L	NL	P	UK		
12 MONATE															
12 MONTHS															
1989/90	172172	158163	7301	16235	50255	2277	21521	20229	2306	10220	132	24168	3303	14224	
1990/91	174151*	162326*	8686*	16907*	48112	2325*	23766*	20310*	2477*	10266*	141*	23233	3492	14436*	
1991/92	165993*	-:	8854*	17530*	41050*	2364*	21893*	20500*	2602*	10290*	141*	22780*	3558*	14432*	
% 90/91	1.1*	2.6*	19.0*	4.1*	-4.3	2.1*	10.4*	0.4*	7.4*	0.4*	6.5*	-3.9	5.7	1.5*	
% 91/92	-4.7*	-:	1.9*	3.7*	-14.7*	1.7*	-7.9*	0.9*	5.0*	0.2*	0.0*	-1.9*	1.9*	0.0*	
AUGUST/SEPTEMBER															
AUGUST/SEPTEMBER															
AOUT/SEPTEMBRE															
1989	28200	25831	1496	2763	8083	350	3368	3282	379	1608	20	4045	560	2247	
1990	28213	25959	1583	2830	7984	341	3813	3199	405	1368	20	3868	580	2222	
1991	26535*	25535*	1522*	2917*	6850	345*	3297	3300*	422*	1375*	20*	3640*	593*	2254*	
% 89/90	0.0	0.5	5.8	2.4	-1.2	-2.7	13.2	-2.5	6.9	-14.9	3.3	-4.4	3.6	-1.1	
% 90/91	-5.9*	-1.6*	-3.9*	3.1*	-14.2	1.3*	-13.5	3.2*	4.2*	0.5*	0.0*	-5.9*	2.2*	1.4*	
OKTOBER/NOVEMBER															
OKTOBER/NOVEMBER															
OCTOBRE/NOVEMBRE															
1989	30213	27755	1615	2855	8828	411	3613	3432	406	1787	22	4107	528	2609	
1990	31367	28744	1574	2984	9030	389	3864	3666	449	1854	25	4315	538	2679	
1991	28859*	27859*	1631*	3009*	7200*	400*	3509	3550*	470*	1860*	25*	3960*	575*	2671*	
% 89/90	3.8	3.6	-2.5	4.5	2.3	-5.3	6.9	6.8	10.5	3.7	14.9	5.1	1.9	2.7	
% 90/91	-8.0*	-3.1*	3.6*	0.8*	-20.3*	2.7*	-9.2	-3.2*	4.7*	0.3*	0.0*	-8.2*	6.9*	-0.3*	
DEZEMBER/JANUAR															
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DECEMBRE/JANVIER															
1989/90	30302	28149	1420	2739	8484	583	3830	3483	376	2347	20	4010	580	2430	
1990/91	31444*	29364*	1327	2848*	8430	610	4249	3586	408	2564	25	4244	635	2519	
1991/92	30134*	-:	1452*	3039*	7300*	633*	4041*	3600*	430*	2570*	25*	3915*	625*	2504*	
% 90/91	3.8*	4.3*	-6.6	4.0*	-0.6	4.6	10.9	3.0	8.5	9.2	23.4	5.8	9.5	3.7	
% 91/92	-4.2*	-:	9.4*	6.7*	-13.4*	3.8*	-4.9*	0.4*	5.4*	0.2*	0.0*	-7.8*	-1.6*	-0.6*	
FEBRUAR/MAERZ															
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FEVRIER/MARS															
1990	28506	26007	1001	2660	8477	339	3696	3567	364	1611	19	4053	551	2169	
1991	27405*	25856*	1381	2594*	7499	356	3925	3186	392*	1615*	19	3693	555	2191	
1992	26388*	-:	1401*	2784*	6300*	356*	3632*	3400*	415*	1620*	19*	3690*	561*	2210*	
% 90/91	-3.9*	-0.6*	38.0	-2.5*	-11.5	5.1	6.2	-10.7	7.7*	0.3*	0.0	-8.9	0.7	1.0	
% 91/92	-3.7*	-:	1.4*	7.3*	-16.0*	0.1*	-7.5*	6.7*	5.9*	0.3*	0.0*	-0.1*	1.1*	0.9*	
APRIL/MAI															
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AVRIL/MAI															
1990	28056	25598	1019	2582	8485	278	3666	3270	389	1501	26	3967	534	2338	
1991	28465*	26485*	1482*	2767*	7930	302*	4028*	3377*	418*	1495*	26*	3651	612	2377*	
1992	27433*	-:	1500*	2814*	6800*	302*	3845*	3470*	440*	1500*	26*	3760*	621*	2355*	
% 90/91	1.5*	3.5*	45.4*	7.2*	-6.5	8.4*	9.9*	3.3*	7.5*	-0.4*	0.0*	-8.0	14.6	1.7*	
% 91/92	-3.6*	-:	1.2*	1.7*	-14.2*	0.0*	-4.5*	2.8*	5.3*	0.3*	0.0*	3.0*	1.5*	-0.9*	
JUNI/JULI															
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JUIN/JUILLET															
1990	26894	24822	750	2636	7898	317	3348	3195	392	1366	26	3986	550	2431	
1991	27256*	25917*	1339*	2884*	7239	329*	3887*	3296*	405*	1370*	26*	3462	572	2448*	
1992	26644*	-:	1348*	2967*	6600*	329*	3569*	3180*	425*	1365*	26*	3815*	583*	2438*	
% 90/91	1.3*	4.4*	78.5*	9.4*	-8.3	3.7*	16.1*	3.2*	3.3*	0.3*	0.0*	-13.1	4.0	0.7*	
% 91/92	-2.2*	-:	0.7*	2.9*	-8.8*	0.0*	-8.2*	-3.5*	4.9*	-0.4*	0.0*	10.2*	1.9*	-0.4*	

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Pig population in Germany in the old and new Länder (1000 head)

	Old Länder					New Länder					Germany				
	Dec.'90	Apr.'91	Aug.'91	%Aug/Dec	%Aug/Apr	Dec.'90	Apr.'91	Aug.'91	%Aug/Dec	%Aug/Apr	Dec.'90	Apr.'91	Aug.'91	%Aug/Dec	%Aug/Apr
Total	22035	21790	21856	-1.1	0.3	8783	5678	4991	-35.4	-12.1	30818	27468	26847	-10.9	-2.3
Piglets (<20 kg)	5895	6346	6259	7.7	-1.4	1584	1138	1060	-28.2	-6.9	7479	7484	7319	0.1	-2.2
Young pigs (20-50 kg)	5403	5199	5332	-3.8	2.6	2904	1657	1498	-42.9	-9.6	8307	6856	6830	-17.5	-0.4
Pigs for fattening															
(>50 kg)	8247	7749	7801	-6.0	0.7	3479	2277	1849	-34.6	-18.8	11726	10026	9650	-14.5	-3.8
(50-80 kg)	4903	4676	4726	-4.6	1.1	1730	1071	961	-38.1	-10.3	6633	5747	5687	-13.4	-1.0
(80-110 kg)	3145	2939	2943	-6.6	0.1	1339	1012	759	-24.4	-25.0	4484	3951	3702	-11.9	-6.3
(>110 kg)	199	143	132	-28.1	-7.7	410	194	129	-52.7	-33.5	609	337	261	-44.7	-22.6
Breeding boars (>50 kg)	98	93	89	-5.1	-4.3	13	7	8	-46.2	14.3	111	100	97	-9.9	-3.0
Breeding sows (>50 kg)	2392	2394	2374	0.1	-0.8	804	600	577	-25.4	-3.8	3196	2994	2951	-6.3	-1.4
Mated sows	1585	1569	1566	-1.0	-0.2	514	402	384	-21.8	-4.5	2099	1971	1950	-6.1	-1.1
of which:															
Sows mated for the first time	304	314	306	3.3	-2.5	116	90	101	-22.4	12.2	420	404	407	-3.8	0.7
Breeding sows not mated	806	825	808	2.4	-2.1	290	198	193	-31.7	-2.5	1096	1023	1001	-6.7	-2.2
of which:															
Breeding gilts not yet mated	234	219	219	-6.4	0.0	166	110	109	-33.7	-0.9	400	329	328	-17.8	-0.3

