

COMPARATIVE STUDY OF THE DYNAMIC OF BEEF MEAT PRODUCTION CARRIED OUT AT THE GLOBAL LEVEL, IN THE EU MEMBER STATES AND IN ROMANIA

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Abstract

The study compares the beef production obtained worldwide, in EU member countries and in Romania. To carry out the research, documentation was carried out based on official statistical data provided by Faostat, Eurostat and INS for the period 2014-2023. Thus, worldwide total beef production has increased continuously since 2020 and in 2023 reached 338389297 tons. The largest quantity was slaughtered in Asia, with production on the continent representing 35.39% of the total. European countries achieved 11.13%, which places Europe continent in third place. In Romania, amid the decrease in cattle herds, in 2024 meat production was 35,323 tons, which represented 3.98% of the total quantity of meat slaughtered in the country. Meat from cattle slaughter represents a valuable source of nutrients with high biological value and must make an increased contribution to supporting the growing demand for consumption.

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