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Denmark



Herd Structure

Farms and herd size, heads

	2010	2018	2019	2020
Number of farms	42,099	34,114	33,607	33,148
Number of herds of cattle	13,576	10,978	10,243	10,261
- with dairy cows	4,245	2,884	2,821	2,640
- without dairy cows	9,331	8,094	7,422	7,621
- with suckler cows	8,412	7,040	6,407	6,658
		Average size of herd		
- total cattle	115.7	140.3	145.6	146.1
- dairy cows	133.9	199.5	200.9	214.8
- suckler cows	12.0	12.0	12.4	12.3

Note: Farms of 5 ha and more.

Source: Statistics Denmark.

Danish cattle population (summer census), 1,000 heads

	2010	2018	2019	2020
Males under 1/2 year old	132.2	127.1	112.8	109.9
Males 1/2-1 year old	90.9	91.5	84.0	81.3
Males 1-2 years	38.3	29.9	29.3	31.1
Males 2 years and more	11.6	9.7	8.9	10.9
Males, total	273.0	258.2	235.0	233.2
Heifer calves under 1/2 year old	155.9	163.9	156.8	163.3
Heifer calves 1/2-1 year old	144.1	156.5	154.3	157.1
Heifers from 1-2 years	257.0	255.9	256.9	253.8
Heifers 2 years and more	71.7	45.7	42.7	42.7
Females, total	1,298.0	1,282.3	1,256.4	1,265.5
- of which dairy cows	568.2	575.4	566.6	567.0
- of which suckler cows	101.1	84.8	79.2	81.6
Total cattle	1,571.1	1,540.4	1,491.4	1,498.7

Note: Farms of 5 ha and more.

Source: Statistics Denmark.

Herd Structure

Farms and cattle by regions (summer census), pct.

	2018	2019	2020	2018	2019	2020
	Cattle			Farms		
Region of Copenhagen	2.2	2.0	1.9	3.7	4.1	4.3
Region of Zealand	5.4	4.7	5.2	13.0	9.3	10.6
Region of South Denmark	38.7	38.3	39.3	29.4	31.0	30.6
Region of Middle Jutland	31.2	31.9	30.0	33.7	32.3	31.6
Region of North Jutland	22.4	23.2	23.6	20.3	23.3	22.7
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Islands east of the Great Belt	7.7	6.6	7.1	16.6	13.4	15.0
Jutland and islands west of the Great Belt	92.3	93.4	92.9	83.4	86.6	85.0

Source: Statistics Denmark.

The dairy cow population distributed on breeds, 1,000 heads

	2009/10	2017/18	2018/19	2019/20	2020 in pct. of 2019
Red Danish Dairy Breed	38.6	29.0	27.6	26.7	97.0
Danish Holstein	376.0	365.1	358.2	358.0	99.9
Danish Jersey	64.9	65.6	65.7	66.8	101.7
Cross-breeds and other	42.0	59.0	61.1	62.3	102.0
Total	521.6	518.7	512.6	513.8	100.2

Note: Counted in the October-year. Yield recorded cows.

Source: Danish Agriculture and Food Council.

Cattle by herd size, pct.

	2010	2019	2020	2010	2019	2020
	Farms			Cattle		
1-9 cattle	16.2	18.5	18.4	0.7	0.6	0.7
10-19 cattle	17.1	17.2	20.3	2.1	1.7	1.9
20-29 cattle	10.7	11.5	10.9	2.2	1.9	1.8
30-49 cattle	11.0	11.1	10.9	3.6	2.9	2.9
50-74 cattle	7.4	6.9	6.4	3.9	2.9	2.7
75-99 cattle	4.9	3.6	3.5	3.6	2.1	2.0
100-149 cattle	6.6	5.1	4.5	7.0	4.3	3.8
150-199 cattle	4.8	3.1	3.0	7.2	3.7	3.6
More than 200 cattle	21.3	23.0	22.1	69.5	79.8	80.7
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0

Source: Statistics Denmark.

Herd Structure

Dairy cows by herd size, pct.

	2010	2019	2020	2010	2019	2020
	Farms			Cattle		
1-14 dairy cows	4.9	3.4	3.6	0.2	0.1	0.1
15-19 dairy cows	1.2	0.6	0.5	0.1	0.1	0.0
20-29 dairy cows	3.8	1.0	1.9	0.7	0.1	0.2
30-49 dairy cows	9.4	6.1	5.0	2.8	1.2	0.9
50-74 dairy cows	12.9	9.7	8.0	6.0	3.0	2.3
75-99 dairy cows	8.9	5.7	5.9	5.8	2.5	2.4
More than 100 dairy cows	58.9	73.4	75.1	84.4	93.1	94.0
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0

Source: Statistics Denmark.

Suckler cows by herd size, pct.

	2010	2019	2020	2010	2019	2020
	Farms			Cattle		
1-9 suckler cows	61.0	60.1	62.3	23.1	21.8	23.0
10-14 suckler cows	14.8	16.2	14.4	14.4	15.4	13.8
15-19 suckler cows	8.3	7.9	7.6	11.6	10.9	10.4
20-29 suckler cows	8.1	7.7	7.3	16.2	14.9	14.1
30-49 suckler cows	5.0	5.2	5.2	15.1	16.3	15.7
More than 50 suckler cows	2.8	2.8	3.2	19.6	20.7	22.9
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0

Source: Statistics Denmark.

Slaughterings, Production and Classifications

Number of slaughter animals by categories, 1,000 heads

	2010	2018	2019	2020	2019	2020
	Total slaughterings				Organic slaughterings ¹	
Cows	206.0	183.3	171.0	167.1	15.9	17.4
Heifers	43.2	74.3	71.7	69.4	3.2	3.3
Steers	10.9	6.2	6.8	7.2	2.6	2.8
Young bulls and bulls	231.7	219.8	208.6	200.1	1.4	1.4
Veal calves (max. 300 kg lw)	3.1	7.1	5.8	4.4	0.4	0.3
New born calves	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Approved slaughtering ²	494.9	490.6	464.0	448.3	23.4	25.2
+ On-farm slaughterings	6.0	4.0	4.0	3.5	-	-
Total production	500.9	494.6	468.0	451.8	-	-
+ Live exports ³	18.3	38.9	50.3	48.0	-	-
- Live import	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	-	-
Gross indigenous production	519.2	533.5	518.3	499.8	-	-

Note: ¹ Recorded as organic at the time of slaughtering and can therefore be marketed as organic.

² Covers both classified and unclassified slaughterings.

³ Cattle exported to slaughter. Breeding cattle not included.

Source: Statistics Denmark and the Danish Agriculture and Food Council.

Production of slaughter animals by categories, 1,000 tonnes

	2010	2018	2019	2020	2019	2020
	Total slaughterings				Organic slaughterings ¹	
Cows	60.0	55.1	52.6	51.8	4.7	5.2
Heifers	12.1	19.1	18.8	18.1	0.9	1.0
Steers	3.3	1.8	2.0	2.2	0.8	0.9
Young bulls and bulls	55.6	52.4	50.4	48.4	0.4	0.4
Veal calves (max. 300 kg lw)	0.4	1.0	0.8	0.6	0.1	0.0
New born calves	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Approved slaughtering ²	131.4	129.4	124.6	121.1	6.8	7.4
+ On-farm slaughtering	1.2	1.0	1.0	1.0	-	-
Total production	132.6	130.4	125.6	122.1	-	-
+ Live exports ³	0.9	2.6	3.6	2.6	-	-
- Live import	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	-	-
Gross indigenous production	133.5	133.0	129.2	124.7	-	-

Note: The weight is the total weight of carcasses, ie. incl. bones but excl. by-products. According to Statistics Denmark the weight of by-products can be added to the carcass weight by these factors: 6.7 pct. for cows and heifers, 6.7 pct. for steers, 6.3 pct. for young bulls and bulls, 6.5 per cent for veal calves.

¹ Recorded as organic at time of slaughtering and can therefore be marketed as organic.

² Covers both classified and unclassified slaughterings.

³ Cattle exported to slaughter. Breeding cattle not included.

Source: Statistics Denmark and the Danish Agriculture and Food Council.

Slaughterings, Production and Classifications

Carcasses classified at export-approved abattoirs for cattle

	Year	Number 1,000 carcasses	Avg. weight Kg	Conformation ¹		Fat class ²	
				Avg.	Pct.in 2	Pct.in 3	
Bull calves ³	2019	132.4	213	4.19	51.7	46.9	
	2020	132.0	216	4.36	55.7	43.3	
Young bulls	2019	68.3	282	6.28	35.6	55.5	
	2020	59.7	284	6.31	37.3	55.7	
Bulls	2019	2.4	398	6.86	42.3	35.0	
	2020	2.2	401	6.83	49.0	31.4	
Steers	2019	5.2	300	4.82	28.8	57.0	
	2020	5.7	302	4.90	34.6	55.3	
Heifers	2019	68.2	258	5.89	16.1	62.2	
	2020	64.9	258	5.89	15.9	65.8	
Young cows	2019	31.7	275	2.86	29.2	44.6	
	2020	30.7	275	2.82	33.8	42.7	
Cows	2019	134.2	316	3.32	22.4	40.0	
	2020	132.5	320	3.00	24.5	39.6	

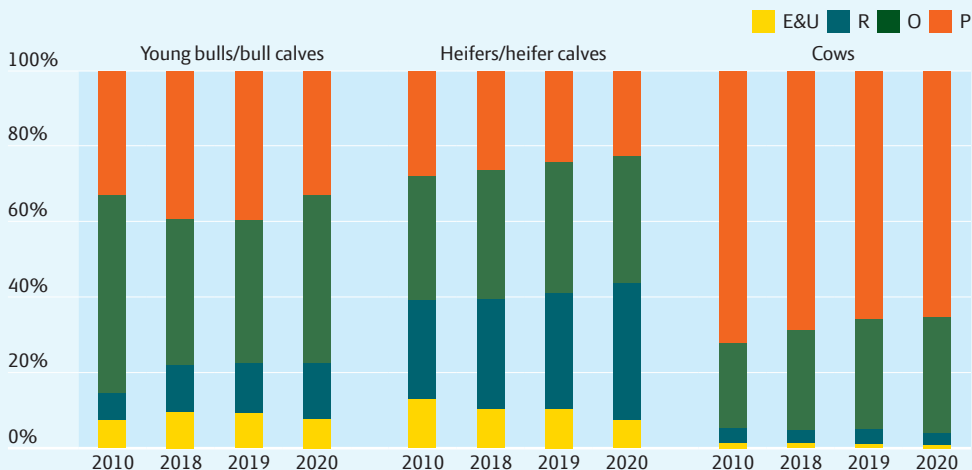
Note: ¹ Weighted average of the conformation classes 1 to 15 (P- to E+), where P is poor and E is excellent conformation.

² Degree of fat cover in 5 classes, where 1 is low and 5 is very high fat cover.

³ 0-12 months.

Source: Danish Classification Board on Pork, Beef and Sheep.

Carcasses classified at export-approved abattoirs for cattle, pct.



Source: Danish Classification Board on Pork, Beef and Sheep.



Market and Slaughterhouse structure

Delivered by market places, heads

	2018	2019	2020	2020 in pct. of 2019
Kolding Export Center A/S	5,456	3,787	3,470	91.6
Horsens Eksportmarked ApS	2,993	2,299	2,903	126.3
Total	8,449	6,086	6,373	104.7

Note: Number of slaughtered animals from markets with approved facilities in Denmark.

Source: The Danish Agriculture and Food Council.

Authorized markets for slaughter cattle, ultimo 2020

2 active markets



Source: The Danish Agriculture and Food Council.

Market and Slaughterhouse structure

Slaughtering of cattle by companies, heads

	2018 52 weeks	2019 52 weeks	2020 53 weeks	2020 in pct. of 2019
Danish Crown, Holsted	215,868	196,516	180,707	92,0
Danish Crown, Aalborg	97,580	91,739	87,921	95,8
Himmerlandskød A/S ¹ , Aalestrup	51,377	55,262	60,939	110,3
Århus slagtehus A/S, Århus	35,319	30,602	30,336	99,1
Himmerlandskød A/S ¹ , Hadsund	25,928	25,412	26,795	105,4
Himmerlandskød A/S ¹ , Kjellerup	22,653	22,310	22,364	100,2
Mogens Nielsen Kreaturslagteri, Herfulmagle	18,427	17,665	15,443	87,4
Harald Hansens Efterfølger I/S, Slangerup	2,095	1,848	1,909	103,3
Slagtermester Ole Thøgersen, Karby	1,226	1,170	1,317	112,6
Total classified²	470,473	442,524	427,732	96,7
Other slaughterings³	20,106	19,930	22,092	110,8
Total	490,579	462,454	449,824	97,3

Note: All slaughterings on plants managed by the listed companies (excl. discarded cattle).

¹ In 2018 A/S Hjalmar Nielsen Aalestrup, Nordic Beef Hadsund, and Kjellerup Eksportslagteri was merged with Himmerlandskød and became Himmerlandskød A/S.

² EUROP-classification is mandatory for export authorized abattoirs that slaughter more than 150 heads per week.

³ Includes slaughterings in non-classification slaughterhouses.

Source: The Danish Agriculture and Food Council.

Market and Slaughterhouse structure

Authorized abattoirs for cattle with classification, ultimo 2020



Source: Danish Classification Board on Pigs, Cattle and Sheep and the Danish Agriculture and Food Council.

Prices and Production value

Carcasses prices by category, oere per kg. slaughtered weight

	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020 ¹	2020 in pct. of 2019
Bull calves/bulls u. 2 years	2,469	2,496	2,482	2,342	2,322	99.1
0-10 mts.	2,488	2,524	2,500	2,384	2,393	100.4
>10 mts.	2,458	2,477	2,469	2,320	2,295	98.9
181-210 kg	2,292	2,297	2,281	2,213	2,249	101.6
211-220 kg	2,376	2,369	2,349	2,280	2,311	101.4
221-260 kg	2,406	2,409	2,394	2,283	2,296	100.6
261-270 kg	2,465	2,471	2,470	2,296	2,265	98.6
271-360 kg	2,586	2,607	2,607	2,423	2,353	97.1
Bulls over 2 years	1,680	1,713	1,699	1,570	1,585	101.0
All steers	2,687	2,846	2,762	2,675	2,618	97.9
All heifers/heifer calves	2,267	2,416	2,416	2,276	2,234	98.2
Heifers 261-340 kg	2,394	2,536	2,531	2,371	2,293	96.7
All cows	1,846	2,007	2,018	1,866	1,863	99.8
Young cows	1,816	2,005	2,017	1,854	1,818	98.1
261-340 kg	1,919	2,091	2,109	1,932	1,882	97.4
Cows	1,854	2,008	2,018	1,868	1,872	100.2
0-180 kg	1,321	1,424	1,408	1,223	1,242	101.6
181-200 kg	1,408	1,502	1,500	1,337	1,373	102.7
201-220 kg	1,441	1,547	1,545	1,386	1,424	102.7
221-240 kg	1,472	1,577	1,572	1,428	1,464	102.5
241-260 kg	1,529	1,642	1,630	1,482	1,529	103.2
261-280 kg	1,621	1,745	1,732	1,579	1,621	102.7
281-300 kg	1,750	1,874	1,870	1,703	1,735	101.9
301-320 kg	1,875	2,000	2,001	1,820	1,838	101.0
321-340 kg	1,974	2,091	2,103	1,916	1,913	99.8
341-360 kg	2,054	2,168	2,178	1,992	1,975	99.1
over 360 kg	2,192	2,302	2,308	2,121	2,073	97.7
Avg. price all categories	2,157	2,276	2,270	2,127	2,109	99.2

Note: Average prices per slaughtered cattle category paid after classification incl. post settlements. The post-payment for the October year 2019/2020 is 79 oere per kg sl. weight.

¹ Figures for 2020 are preliminary and may thus increase/decrease slightly, as the arrears for the 4th quarter of 2020 are not yet known.

Source: The Danish Agriculture and Food Council.

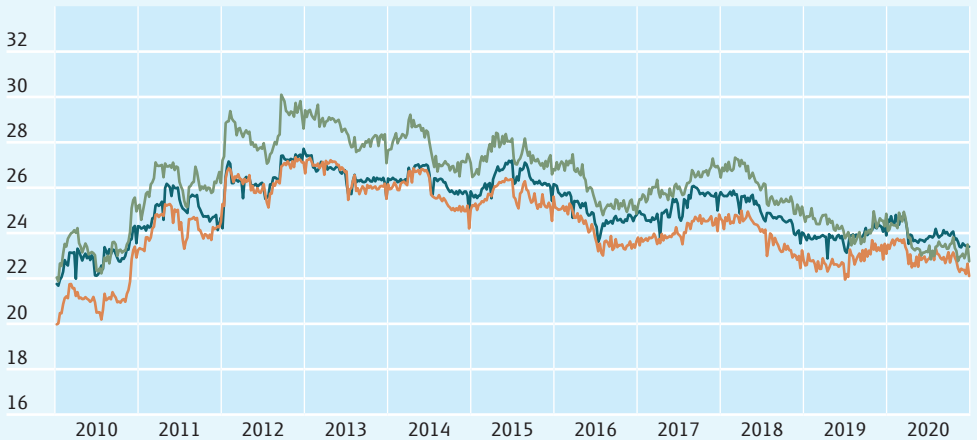
Prices and Production value

Carcasses prices by category, per week

Males

DKK/kg slaughtered weight

■ Young bulls, 271-360 kg ■ Bull calves, max. 10 mos. ■ Young bulls, 221-260 kg



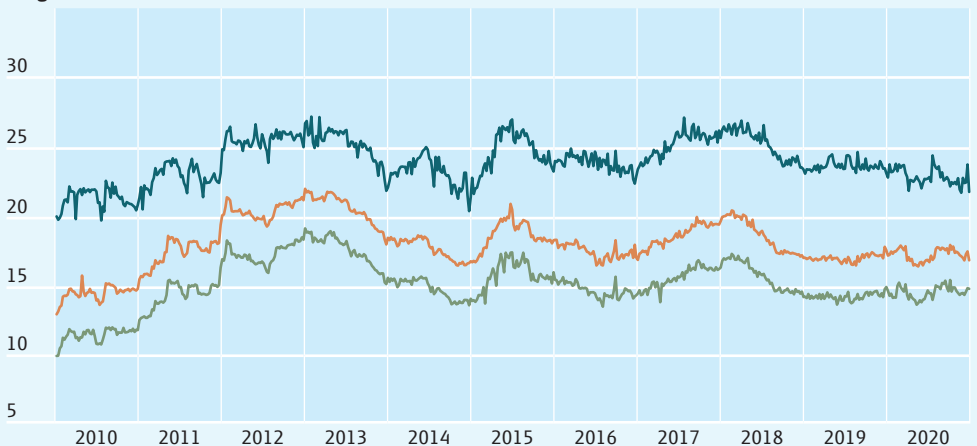
Note: Recorded prices are incl. post settlements.

Source: The Danish Agriculture and Food Council.

Females

DKK/kg slaughtered weight

■ Heifers > 12 mos. 261-340 kg ■ Cows, 221-240 kg ■ Cows, 281-300 kg



Note: Recorded prices are incl. post settlements.

Source: The Danish Agriculture and Food Council.

Prices and Production value

Production value of cattle, million dkk

	2010	2018	2019	2020	2020 in pct. of 2019
Production value of cattle ¹	2,400.0	3,261.0	3,104.0	2,845.0	91.7
Sales value of cattle ²	2,384.3	2,970.9	2,711.9	2,556.6	94.3
Production value of total animal products ¹	41,798.0	46,835.0	49,892.0	51,770.0	103.8
Production value of cattle in pct. of total animal products	5.7	7.0	6.2	5.5	-

Note.: Figures for 2020 are preliminary and may thus increase/decrease slightly during 2021.

¹ Production value is the gross income of agriculture (financial result) of cattle and total animal products.

² Sales value of total cattle production (excl. breeding animals) in Denmark.

Source: Statistics Denmark.





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Export

Denmark's export of fresh/chilled/frozen and processed beef and veal, tonnes

	2017	2018	2019	2020	2019	2020
	Fresh, chilled and frozen				Canned/processed	
Germany	27,741	28,047	21,456	20,626	2,887	2,437
Italy	8,489	9,264	10,752	8,215	21	21
Sweden	8,341	9,330	9,643	8,018	2,014	1,583
Spain	7,500	7,435	6,529	5,064	187	181
Finland	5,810	6,244	2,910	4,080	65	103
Greece	2,443	2,904	3,072	3,327	-	1
Netherlands	2,459	3,154	2,573	2,856	96	91
Lithuania	137	172	297	1,251	45	46
Portugal	1,628	1,920	1,699	967	23	18
Poland	942	1,222	1,043	484	32	45
Bulgaria	166	250	381	346	25	31
Malta	176	111	196	330	9	8
France	942	1,314	1,943	250	342	290
Ireland	508	343	238	237	19	34
Belgium	171	240	227	188	9	17
Luxembourg	214	270	201	138	-	-
Czech Republic	159	97	135	89	9	9
Other EU-countries	1,626	2,578	2,114	1,919	268	268
EU-27	69,451	74,895	65,409	58,385	6,051	5,182
Greenland	1,077	899	972	987	124	130
Norway	239	85	87	849	181	65
UK ¹	1,579	1,221	712	506	1,926	3,046
Vietnam	341	284	388	492	-	-
Faroe Islands	323	397	397	436	151	115
Libya	338	54	206	324	-	-
Philippines	248	230	106	258	-	-
Jordan	203	54	137	247	-	-
Switzerland	15	63	147	177	-	-
Egypt	1,566	242	62	163	-	-
Iceland	144	219	280	151	4	35
Bosnia Herzegovina	0	121	165	41	-	-
Other 3rd countries	707	253	200	2,813	87	128
Total 3rd countries	6,781	4,122	3,859	7,445	2,474	3,517
Total	76,232	79,017	69,268	65,830	8,525	8,699

Note: Figures for 2020 are preliminary and may thus increase/decrease slightly during 2021.

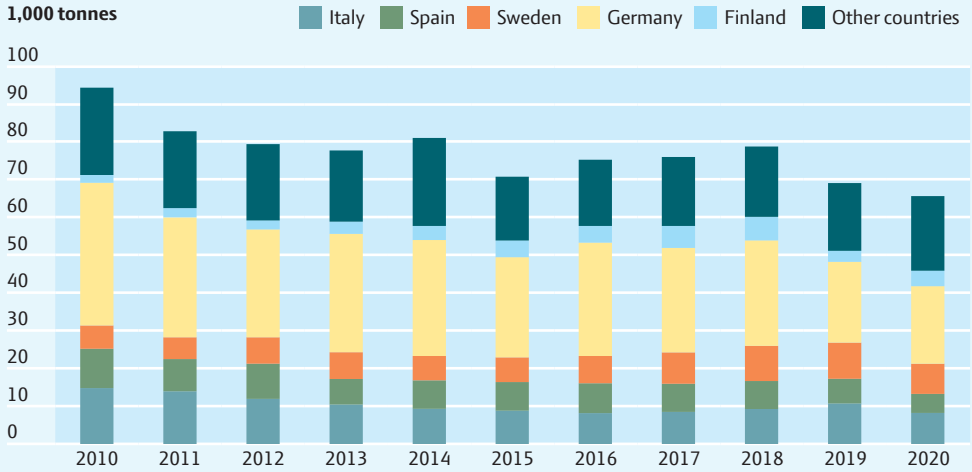
¹ The UK withdrew from the EU-28 in January 2020. The UK is included as a third country in the table to be able to compare the figures over the years.

Source: Statistics Denmark.

Export

Denmark's export of fresh/chilled/frozen beef and veal products

1,000 tonnes



Source: Statistics Denmark.

Export

Denmark's exports of beef and veal and live cattle by product

	2017	2018	2019	2020	2020 in pct. of 2019
	Heads				
Live cattle ¹	62,800	69,900	91,800	80,600	87.8
	Tonnes				
Beef and veal	76,232	79,017	69,268	65,830	95.0
Fresh/chilled	63,402	68,341	59,153	53,826	91.0
- Carcases	3,675	4,134	4,782	3,902	81.6
- Forequarters	14,624	15,275	10,981	9,082	82.7
- Hindquarters	14,895	15,603	15,192	15,536	102.3
- Cuts bone-in	5,583	5,937	3,094	3,127	101.1
- Cuts deboned	24,625	27,392	25,104	22,179	88.3
Frozen	11,580	9,209	7,748	10,000	129.1
- Carcases and quarters	227	192	229	225	98.4
- Cuts bone-in	606	691	625	836	133.9
- Cuts deboned	10,747	8,326	6,895	8,938	129.6
Salted/smoked/dried	1,250	1,467	2,367	2,004	84.7
Canned/processed ²	9,120	9,660	8,525	8,699	102.0
Edible offals	8,490	7,146	8,786	10,366	118.0
Fats	6,833	9,707	8,277	7,888	95.3

	2017	2018	2019	2020	2020 in pct. of 2019
	Value in mill. dkk				
Live cattle ³	461.2	492.6	662.0	496.6	75.0
Beef and veal	2,341.8	2,480.5	2,291.0	2,093.7	91.4
- Fresh/chilled	1,932.6	2,112.9	1,924.3	1,703.1	88.5
- Frozen	336.8	281.1	233.1	275.0	118.0
- Salted/smoked/dried	72.3	86.5	133.5	115.7	86.6
Canned/processed ²	313.9	333.2	312.1	322.1	103.2
Edible offals	108.3	98.9	101.0	98.8	97.9
Fats	23.2	26.5	19.3	21.1	109.5
Total	3,248.4	3,431.7	3,385.3	3,032.4	89.6

Note: Figures for 2020 are preliminary and may thus increase/decrease slightly during 2021.

¹ The number of exported live cattle is calculated by the Danish Agriculture and Food Council based on data from the CHR-register.

² Excl. beef in mixed products (sausages etc).

³ The value of exported live cattle is calculated by Denmark Statistics based on foreign trade statistics.

Source: The Danish Agriculture and Food Council and Statistics Denmark.

Export

Denmark's exports of live cattle by age, heads

		2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2020 in pct. of 2019
Male animals	Max. 2 mos.	31,241	27,647	31,084	38,814	38,877	100.2
	>2 mos. - 6 mos.	468	366	624	916	304	33.2
	>6 mos. - 12 mos.	168	121	401	1,042	145	13.9
	>12 mos. -24 mos.	98	114	138	193	89	46.1
	>24 mos.	63	51	158	89	118	132.6
	Total	32,038	28,299	32,405	41,054	39,533	96.3
Heifers	Max. 2 mos.	1,711	2,416	3,199	4,742	4,883	103.0
	>2 mos. - 6 mos.	653	809	474	917	634	69.1
	>6 mos. - 12 mos.	1,199	2,573	1,341	1,918	1,701	88.7
	>12 mos. -24 mos.	10,279	18,541	20,484	29,222	24,494	83.8
	>24 mos.	1,608	2,033	2,294	2,496	1,924	77.1
	Total	15,450	26,372	27,792	39,295	33,636	85.6
Cows	Total	8,935	7,930	9,736	11,479	7,412	64.6
Total		56,423	62,601	69,933	91,828	80,581	87.8
Pure breeding cattle ¹		16,524	29,402	31,059	41,565	32,673	78.6
Breeding and slaughter ²		39,899	33,199	38,871	50,256	47,958	95.4

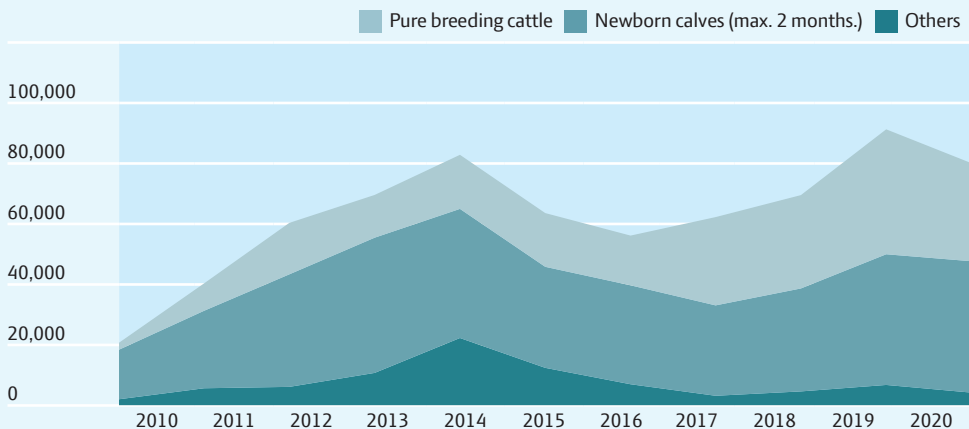
Note: The number of exported live cattle is calculated by the Danish Agriculture and Food Council based on data from the CHR-register.

¹ Based on registered books of export herd in the calendar year. Since 2017 pure breeding cattle has been registered and is part of the database of cattle.

² Breeding and slaughter cattle are calculated as the difference between total and pure breeding cattle.

Source: Danish Cattle Federation and Danish Agriculture and Food Council.

Denmark's export of live cattle, 1,000 heads



Source: The Danish Agriculture and Food Council.



Import

Denmark's import of fresh/chilled/frozen and processed beef and veal, tonnes

	2017	2018	2019	2020	2019	2020
	Fresh, chilled and frozen				Canned/processed	
Netherlands	24,238	24,994	25,030	27,865	1,254	1,266
Germany	31,204	25,704	23,012	22,302	1,150	899
Poland	9,287	7,886	8,796	8,398	360	194
Ireland	4,917	4,904	6,582	4,189	849	738
Italy	5,507	5,901	4,366	3,816	318	19
Finland	1,186	1,708	2,936	3,592	-	1
Austria	3,147	2,843	1,739	3,224	95	76
Lithuania	2,227	1,628	2,548	1,632	47	57
France	1,440	2,343	1,861	1,242	151	7
Hungary	424	827	1,047	1,066	4	3
Belgium	507	639	591	896	271	185
Tjekkiet	578	752	611	812	-	-
Latvia	205	995	254	653	-	-
Spain	525	1,218	730	504	1,024	256
Sweden	129	314	68	227	608	458
Estonia	274	204	233	185	-	-
Portugal	6	0	3	124	-	-
Rumania	149	119	108	48	-	-
Other EU-countries	26	126	106	31	3	2
EU-27	85,975	83,105	80,623	80,806	6,133	4,163
UK ¹	1,871	1,976	2,059	2,782	634	851
Uruguay	742	773	916	699	-	-
Australia	41	695	703	373	-	-
Brazil	677	817	668	633	-	-
New Zealand	525	473	609	386	-	-
Argentina	22	29	44	5	-	-
Japan	3	2	6	1	-	-
Other 3rd countries	48	14	4	20	0	0
Total 3rd countries	3,928	4,779	5,008	4,899	634	851
Total	89,903	87,884	85,631	85,705	6,766	5,014

Note: Figures for 2020 are preliminary and may thus increase/decrease slightly during 2021.

¹ Since UK's exit, EU-28 has become EU-27. However, the UK is included in the table as a 3rd country, in order to be able to make the comparisons in the best possible way.

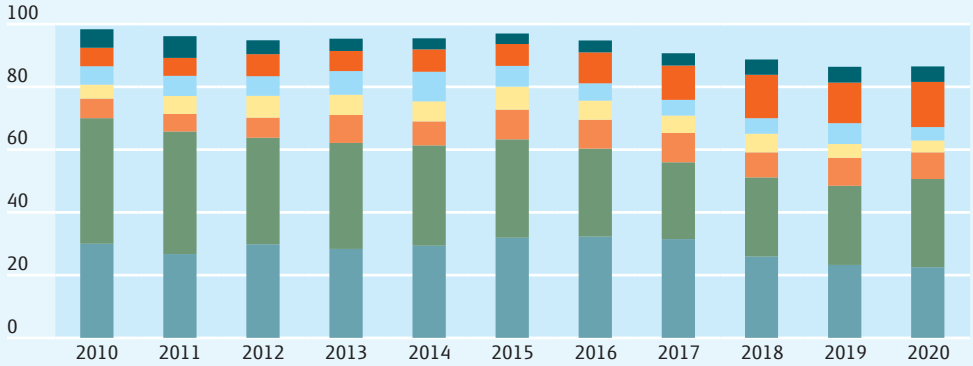
Source: Statistics Denmark.

Import

Denmark's import of fresh/chilled/frozen beef and veal products

1,000 tonnes

■ Netherlands
 ■ Germany
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 ■ Ireland
 ■ Other EU
 ■ Other World



Source: Statistics Denmark.

Import

Denmark's import of beef and veal by products

	2017	2018	2019	2020	2020 in pct. of 2019
	Tonnes				
Beef and veal	89,903	87,884	85,631	85,705	100.1
Fresh/chilled	77,940	75,690	72,789	72,253	99.3
- Carcases	0	0	0	0	-
- Forequarters	1,120	804	306	22	7.3
- Hindquarters	17,386	17,975	15,365	14,515	94.5
- Cuts bone-in	364	347	385	526	136.6
- Cuts deboned	59,070	56,563	56,733	57,190	100.8
Frozen	9,450	9,056	8,683	8,711	100.3
- Carcases and quarters	500	621	571	934	163.6
- Cuts bone-in	405	737	904	535	59.2
- Cuts deboned	8,545	7,698	7,208	7,242	100.5
Salted/dried/smoked	2,513	3,138	4,159	4,741	114.0
Canned/processed ²	7,350	7,256	6,766	5,014	74.1
Edible offals	4,990	2,845	1,579	1,232	78.0
Fats	2,826	2,855	2,690	2,462	91.5
	2017	2018	2019	2020	2020 in pct. of 2019
	Value in mill. dkk				
Beef and veal	3,640.9	3,604.8	3,425.5	3,299.1	96.3
Fresh/chilled	3,189.2	3,134.8	2,922.8	2,800.9	95.8
- Meat bone-in ¹	547.9	565.6	466.3	430.0	92.2
- Cuts deboned	2,641.3	2,569.2	2,456.5	2,370.9	96.5
Frozen	353.4	345.3	342.9	330.7	96.5
- Meat bone-in ¹	42.0	45.1	42.0	39.3	93.6
- Cuts deboned	311.5	300.2	300.8	291.4	96.9
Salted/dried/smoked	98.2	124.7	159.8	167.5	104.8
Canned/processed ²	264.0	269.0	256.4	207.6	81.0
Edible offals	33.8	33.7	33.7	29.0	86.1
Fats	15.2	13.2	12.1	12.6	103.9
Total	3,953.8	3,920.7	3,727.7	3,548.3	95.2

Note: Figures for 2020 are preliminary and may thus increase/decrease slightly during 2021.

¹ Excl. of beef in mixed products (sausages etc.).

² Carcasses, quarters and cuts incl. bones.

Source: Statistics Denmark.

Price index

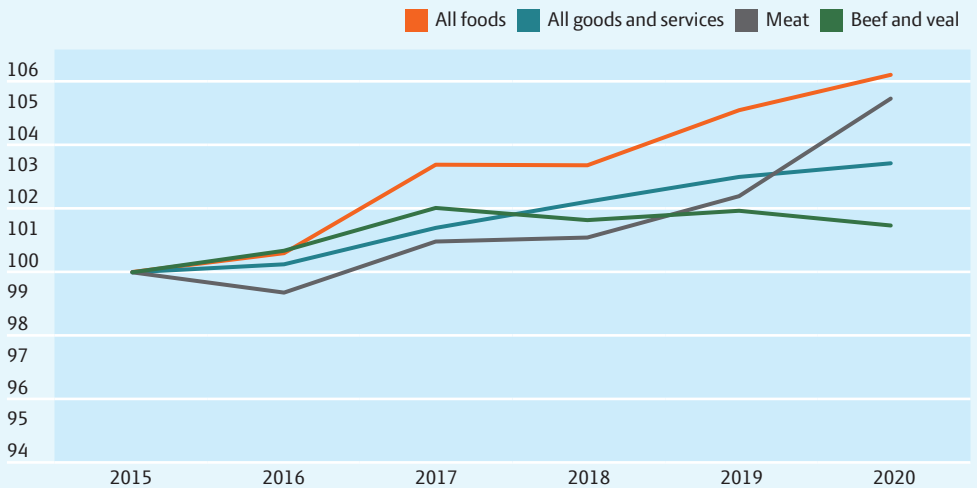
Price index (index figures and yearly percentage change of prices)

	Retail price index (year 2015 = 100)							
	All goods and services		All foods		Pork		Poultry	
	Index	Pct.	Index	Pct.	Index	Pct.	Index	Pct.
2018	102.2	0.8	103.4	0.0	95.6	-1.0	97.2	-2.0
2019	103.0	0.8	105.1	1.7	97.7	2.3	93.5	-3.8
2020	103.4	0.4	106.2	1.1	104.6	7.1	91.6	-2.1

	Retail price index (year 2015 = 100)				Producer price index (year 2015 = 100)			
	Meat		Beef and veal		Bovine		Pig	
	Index	Pct.	Index	Pct.	Index	Pct.	Index	Pct.
2018	101.1	0.1	101.7	-0.4	98.5	1.0	94.5	-17.6
2019	102.4	1.3	101.9	0.3	91.5	-7.1	121.3	28.3
2020	105.5	3.0	101.5	-0.5	91.3	-0.3	128.0	5.6

Source: Statistics Denmark.

Retail price index



Source: Statistics Denmark.

EU



Cattle stocks, Slaughterings and Production

Cattle population in the EU (december census), 1,000 heads

	2018	2019	2020	2018	2019	2020
	Total cattle			Cows		
France	18,613	18,173	17,591	7,650	7,505	7,432
Germany	11,949	11,640	11,302	4,751	4,651	4,548
Spain	6,511	6,600	6,636	2,819	2,881	2,909
Ireland	6,593	6,560	6,529	2,351	2,383	2,379
Italy	6,311	6,377	6,400	2,263	2,237	2,243
Poland	6,183	6,262	6,279	2,417	2,406	2,391
Netherlands	3,690	3,721	3,691	1,594	1,633	1,612
Belgium	2,398	2,373	2,334	942	939	922
Rumania	1,977	1,923	1,894	1,173	1,166	1,148
Austria	1,913	1,880	1,855	733	720	715
Portugal	1,632	1,675	1,691	723	731	739
Denmark	1,530	1,500	1,500	655	645	646
Sweden	1,435	1,405	1,391	514	500	499
Czech Republic	1,365	1,367	1,340	570	570	560
Hungary	885	909	933	403	412	414
Finland	859	841	835	322	318	316
Lithuania	654	635	630	312	299	295
Bulgaria	542	527	589	351	343	381
Greece	542	530	539	269	242	258
Slovenia	477	483	486	166	166	167
Slovakia	439	432	442	195	192	191
Croatia	414	420	423	146	142	144
Latvia	395	395	399	196	195	196
Estonia	252	254	253	116	116	116
Luxembourg	194	192	191	78	79	78
Cyprus	71	74	78	32	35	37
Malta	14	14	14	6	6	6
UK ¹	9,610	9,459	-	3,382	3,337	-
EU-28/EU-27	87,450	86,620	76,245	35,131	34,850	31,344

Note: ¹ UK withdrew from EU-28 in Jan. 2020, therefore the total for EU-27 is used in 2020.

Source: EUROSTAT.

Cattle stocks, Slaughtering and Production

Slaughtering of cattle and the production of slaughtered cattle in the EU

	2018	2019	2020	2018	2019	2020
	1,000 heads			1,000 tonnes		
France	4,626	4,546	4,486	1,460	1,428	1,435
Germany	3,416	3,387	3,274	1,102	1,106	1,091
Italy	2,768	2,730	2,694	809	780	732
Spain	2,463	2,511	2,444	669	695	677
Netherlands	2,243	2,123	2,087	459	424	432
Ireland	1,896	1,853	1,882	623	620	633
Poland	1,942	1,854	1,851	565	560	559
Belgium	888	838	783	277	264	255
Austria	694	681	645	233	230	218
Denmark	491	464	448	129	125	121
Sweden	426	433	434	137	140	141
Portugal	384	369	393	94	92	98
Finland	275	269	262	86	87	87
Czech Republic	237	239	235	72	73	73
Croatia	180	183	170	44	45	43
Lithuania	155	157	150	40	42	42
Greece	166	144	144	40	33	35
Rumania	233	196	132	50	44	32
Slovenia	116	116	118	35	36	37
Hungary	112	112	106	29	30	28
Latvia	76	70	67	16	15	15
Estonia	35	34	35	9	9	9
Bulgaria	34	27	30	7	5	6
Luxembourg	27	28	28	10	10	10
Slovakia	30	29	26	8	8	8
Cyprus	17	17	15	5	6	5
Malta	4	4	4	1	1	1
UK ¹	2,810	2,826	-	923	914	-
EU-28/EU-27	26,742	26,240	22,943	7,932	7,822	6,822

Note: Including classified and non-classified slaughtering.

¹ UK withdrew from EU-28 in Jan. 2020, therefore the total for EU-27 in 2020 is used.

Source: EUROSTAT.

Market prices

Market prices in euro per 100 kg slaughter weight

	2018	2019	2020 ¹	2018	2019	2020 ¹
	Young bulls R3 ²			Cows O3 ²		
Belgium	300.5	301.4	297.9	279.3	272.9	247.9
Denmark	365.7	342.2	327.7	310.4	286.0	279.2
Germany	389.7	364.3	362.7	298.4	285.5	265.4
Greece	412.2	395.0	404.3	197.7	196.3	201.4
Spain	384.0	361.4	348.5	242.9	250.1	240.4
Finland	397.4	395.0	385.7	258.0	258.6	293.6
France	376.2	378.4	367.3	317.1	314.4	304.6
Ireland	379.5	340.1	345.4	313.1	276.4	283.5
Netherlands	336.6	342.8	312.2	277.5	285.6	268.6
Austria	386.7	370.2	365.0	272.8	257.7	241.0
Portugal	384.7	382.0	372.0	219.3	216.7	206.8
Sweden	424.5	400.3	420.7	386.6	363.1	384.5
UK	398.8	372.1	-	303.6	281.0	-
Poland	338.4	299.7	294.0	288.3	256.3	243.3
Czech Republic	340.9	332.2	315.4	249.3	242.1	222.8
Italy	392.2	390.6	358.5	288.9	277.4	261.1
EU-avg.	379.6	360.3	352.9	293.2	283.5	271.4
	Young bulls O3 ²			Cows P3 ²		
Denmark	335.9	313.9	302.1	285.2	261.5	256.2
Germany	361.7	338.5	335.7	252.5	241.4	229.5
Sweden	416.0	392.2	411.3	372.0	343.6	355.0
EU-avg.	352.0	331.2	327.5	278.1	263.9	261.0
	Steers R3 ²			Heifers R3 ²		
Denmark	428.8	395.9	377.0	366.2	344.9	331.3
France	363.7	362.7	366.0	388.7	391.1	400.1
Ireland	384.8	356.3	362.8	396.5	370.4	367.4
EU-avg.	398.5	372.7	369.2	386.6	373.0	364.5

Note: Prices reported to the EU Commission and thereby including various surcharges, shipping and post-payment depending on the country. Prices cannot be directly compared between countries because of different turnover patterns.

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² Letters indicate conformation, and numbers indicate fat levels. Prices cannot be compared between countries due to differences in market structures etc.

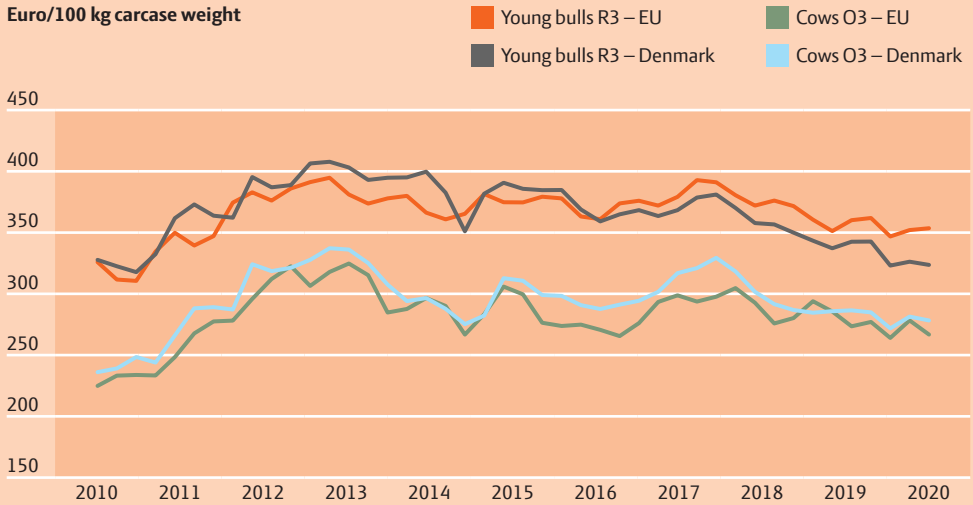
Source: EU Commission.



Market prices

Young bulls and cow prices in the EU and Denmark, quarterly

Euro/100 kg carcase weight

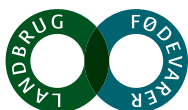


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