

A large group of pink piglets, some with small black spots, are gathered together in a farm setting. The piglets are looking in various directions, and the background is slightly blurred, emphasizing the piglets in the foreground.

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Structure of Pig Herd

Structure of Pig Herd in Denmark

Specialisation of the Pig Herd

	1990	2000	2010	2020	2025
Number of farms with pigs	29,903	13,231	5,068	2,921	1,706
Of which:					
With pigs and sows	13,902	6,110	2,089	1,080	755
With pigs only	8,010	4,876	2,239	1,226	568
With sows only	6,503	1,588	493	427	310
Neither "pigs or sows" ¹⁾	1,488	657	247	125	74

¹⁾ Statistics Denmark defines a slaughter pig as one of 50 kg an upwards.
Farms with pigs less than 50 kg and without sows are therefore included in "Neither pigs or sows".
Source: Statistics Denmark

Pigs and sows by size of herd

2025 Pigs			2025 Sows		
Percentage	Number of farms	Number of pigs	Percentage	Number of farms	Number of pigs
1-49 head	7.9	0.0	1-4 head	8.9	0.0
50-199 head	1.9	0.0	5-19 head	2.1	0.0
200-499 head	1.2	0.1	20-49 head	0.4	0.0
500-999 head	5.8	0.7	50-99 head	0.9	0.1
1.000-1.999 head	11.1	2.4	100-199 head	3.9	0.7
2.000-2.999 head	10.6	3.8	200-299 head	4.8	1.4
3.000-3.999 head	8.6	4.3	300-399 head	7.2	2.9
4.000-4.999 head	7.1	4.7	400-499 head	6.8	3.4
5.000-5.999 head	6.3	5.0	500-599 head	8.4	5.2
6.000-6.999 head	5.5	5.2	600-699 head	8.7	6.4
7.000-7.999 head	5.6	6.1	700-799 head	7.7	6.6
8.000 -	28.5	67.7	800-	40.1	73.2
Total	100.0	100.0	Total	100.0	100.0

Source: Statistics Denmark

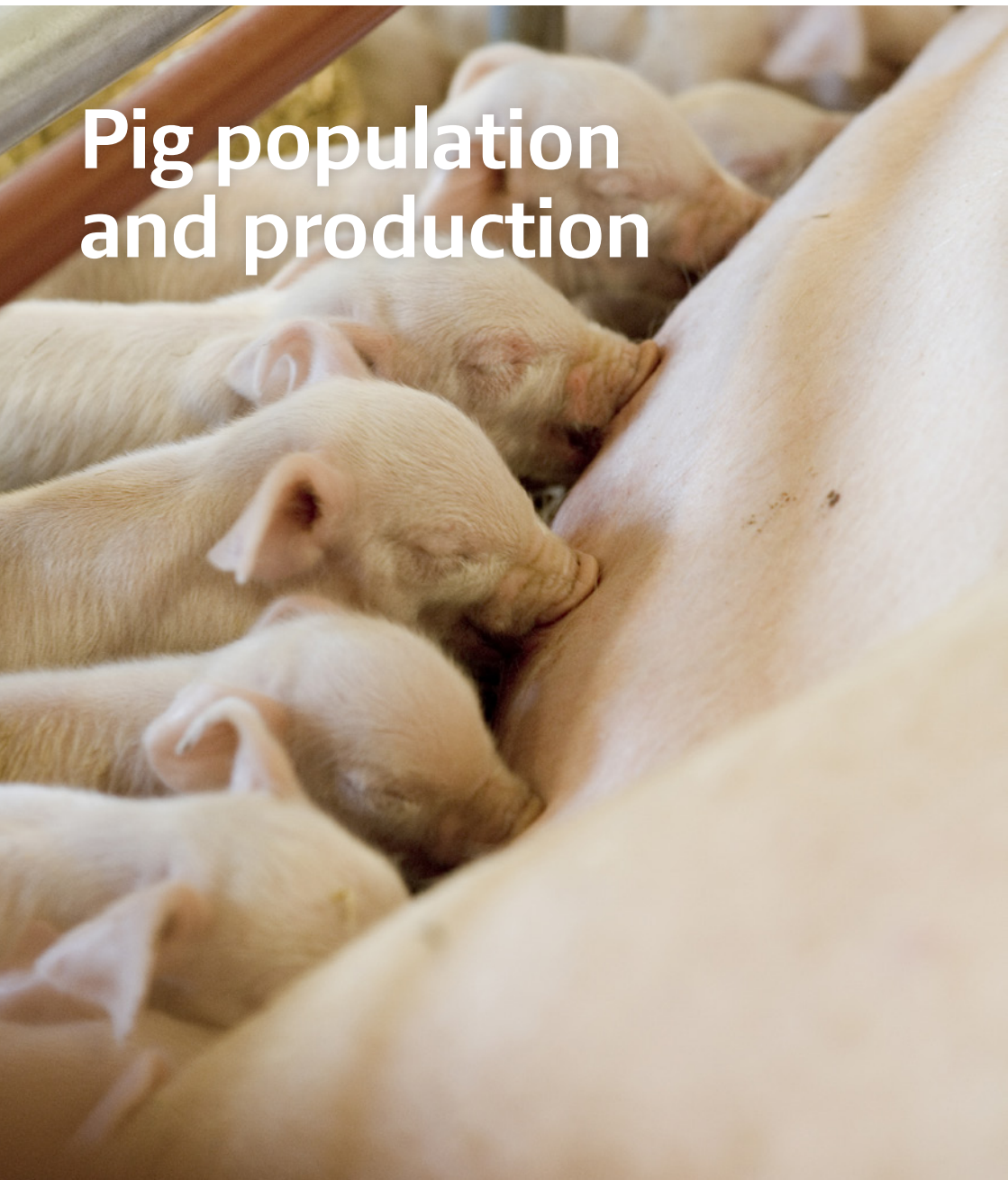
Holding structure in EU

	Main Livestock Indicators Amount of LSU in %									Holding structure in EU Amount of LSU in %								
	1 - 99 LSU	10 - 199 LSU	20 - 499 LSU	50 - 999 LSU	100 - 1999 LSU	200 - 2999 LSU	300 - 4999 LSU	> 500 LSU	Total	1 - 99 DE	10 - 199 DE	20 - 499 DE	50 - 999 DE	100 - 1999 DE	200 - 2999 DE	300 - 4999 DE	> 500 DE	Total
Belgium	0.0	0.0	0.1	1.0	5.3	9.5	21.0	63.0	100.0	2.1	1.4	3.5	7.3	17.9	17.7	22.9	27.1	100.0
Bulgaria	1.0	0.3	0.7	0.4	1.3	0.8	2.5	92.9	100.0	86.0	5.1	4.2	1.5	0.9	0.3	0.6	1.5	100.0
Czechia	0.6	0.5	0.9	0.7	1.0	0.9	2.0	93.3	100.0	54.2	14.7	13.8	4.5	2.2	1.3	1.6	7.7	100.0
Denmark	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.2	0.8	1.4	4.4	93.2	100.0	8.4	2.3	3.0	3.0	6.4	6.4	12.1	58.4	100.0
Germany	0.2	0.4	2.3	4.3	12.6	14.2	22.8	43.3	100.0	15.0	8.2	13.2	12.0	16.6	12.1	13.4	9.5	100.0
Estonia	0.1	0.0	0.2	0.0	3.7	0.0	0.0	96.0	100.0	25.0	0.0	12.5	0.0	12.5	0.0	0.0	50.0	100.0
Ireland	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.9	0.9	4.0	93.6	100.0	23.6	12.9	20.0	12.1	8.6	3.6	5.0	14.3	100.0
Greece	1.6	1.1	3.0	3.8	6.2	5.7	9.2	69.5	100.0	54.7	14.0	17.8	7.4	2.5	0.8	1.0	1.7	100.0
Spain	0.2	0.2	0.9	2.0	5.5	5.4	12.0	73.9	100.0	28.3	7.2	11.9	10.3	11.4	6.7	8.8	15.4	100.0
France	0.1	0.2	0.6	1.5	6.0	9.3	23.8	58.5	100.0	14.4	6.3	10.6	11.1	15.5	12.1	15.7	14.4	100.0
Croatia	30.6	8.9	7.0	3.9	4.0	1.5	4.2	39.9	100.0	87.5	7.3	3.8	0.8	0.3	0.1	0.1	0.1	100.0
Italy	1.3	0.8	2.1	2.9	5.1	4.3	8.4	75.1	100.0	58.7	10.4	14.6	6.6	3.4	1.4	1.5	3.4	100.0
Cyprus	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.8	97.0	100.0	43.8	6.3	6.3	6.3	6.3	0.0	6.3	25.0	100.0
Latvia	2.8	1.4	1.3	0.6	0.7	0.6	1.1	91.5	100.0	70.0	14.7	9.5	3.3	1.1	0.3	0.3	0.8	100.0
Lithuania	4.7	0.7	0.5	0.3	0.5	0.8	0.7	91.8	100.0	86.4	7.3	4.3	1.1	0.4	0.1	0.1	0.4	100.0
Luxembourg	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.1	7.3	6.6	16.7	68.3	100.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	14.3	28.6	14.3	14.3	28.6	100.0
Hungary	6.9	1.4	1.9	1.4	2.3	1.8	4.3	79.9	100.0	91.4	3.9	2.6	0.8	0.4	0.2	0.2	0.5	100.0
Malta	0.3	0.0	6.9	15.9	27.2	0.0	9.1	40.6	100.0	11.1	0.0	22.2	22.2	22.2	0.0	11.1	11.1	100.0
Netherlands	0.0	0.0	0.3	0.7	2.2	4.0	9.8	83.0	100.0	5.3	2.0	4.5	6.7	12.0	10.9	15.1	43.4	100.0
Austria	1.0	1.4	6.0	18.7	45.6	14.5	7.7	5.0	100.0	27.2	19.8	27.1	13.5	9.7	1.8	0.6	0.2	100.0
Poland	5.0	5.5	10.8	10.6	12.9	7.2	10.8	37.2	100.0	49.2	19.8	17.6	6.6	3.6	1.1	1.0	1.0	100.0
Portugal	3.0	0.8	1.5	1.6	3.3	3.2	7.6	79.0	100.0	85.4	5.0	4.2	2.2	1.4	0.5	0.6	0.7	100.0
Romania	40.3	2.1	2.0	0.7	0.5	0.1	1.1	53.1	100.0	96.3	1.9	1.4	0.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	100.0
Slovenia	21.4	12.1	17.4	16.2	15.0	9.8	8.2	0.0	100.0	69.1	15.3	10.9	3.0	1.2	0.3	0.2	0.1	100.0
Slovakia	2.5	0.8	1.3	1.3	1.3	0.6	1.9	90.3	100.0	81.1	7.0	5.0	2.3	1.3	0.7	0.7	2.0	100.0
Finland	0.1	0.2	2.2	5.8	14.7	13.2	18.7	45.1	100.0	3.3	2.2	13.0	17.4	26.1	14.1	12.0	12.0	100.0
Sweden	0.1	0.1	0.5	0.9	5.2	5.9	14.3	73.0	100.0	19.0	7.8	10.3	7.8	13.8	7.8	12.1	21.6	100.0
Iceland	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	100.0	100.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	100.0	100.0
Norway	0.2	0.3	3.7	14.2	47.3	20.4	8.9	5.0	100.0	9.7	5.1	11.8	21.0	35.9	11.3	4.1	1.0	100.0
Switzerland	0.3	1.1	12.1	30.4	34.7	11.0	8.6	1.8	100.0	5.0	7.2	32.4	33.1	17.7	2.9	1.4	0.2	100.0
Total	2.1	0.9	2.1	3.3	7.5	7.0	13.3	63.9	100.0	2.1	0.8	2.1	3.3	7.5	7.0	13.3	63.9	100.0

Source: Eurostat, updated numbers from 2020

LSU = Livestock units

Pig population and production



Pig Population in Denmark

2025

1,000 heads	Jan 1st	April 1st	July 1st	Oct. 1st
--- Gilts (first time pregnant)	179	178	176	180
--- Other pregnant sows	540	530	531	541
Total pregnant sows	719	708	707	721
Boars	10	9	9	9
Sows with piglets	192	194	195	200
Dry sows	32	33	32	29
Culled sows and boars for slaughter	6	5	5	5
Gilts (over 50 kg) for breeding	216	223	214	213
Piglets	2,451	2,469	2,494	2,570
Weaners under 50 kg	5,454	5,504	5,694	5,614
Slaughter pigs over 50 kg	2,503	2,479	2,537	2,654
Total pig population	11,583	11,624	11,887	12,015

Source: Statistics Denmark, SVIN
The census is based on a sample of about 1,200 farms

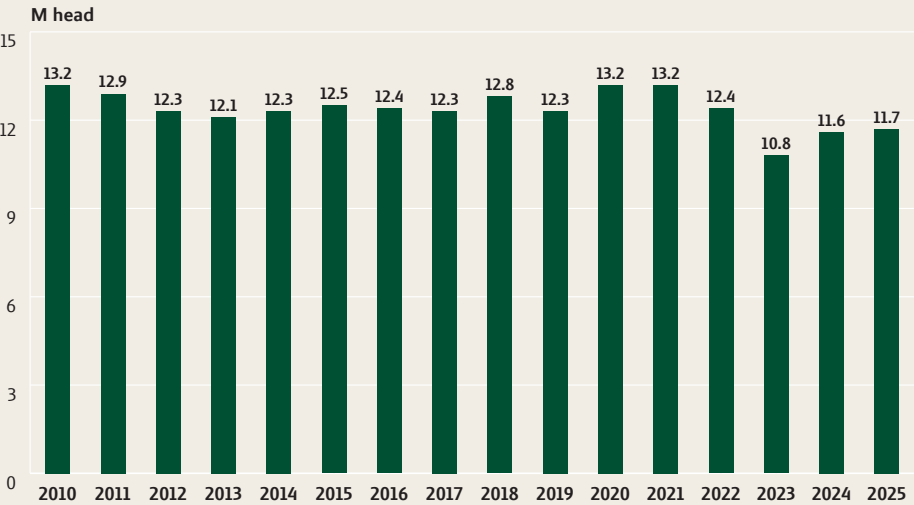
Percentage distribution of pig population i counties

	2023	2024	2025
Eastern part of Denmark	12.6	11.7	12.7
Fuen	9.4	11.2	9.6
South Jutland	19.4	19.8	20.0
East Jutland	13.5	14.1	13.3
West Jutland	21.3	20.4	21.9
North Jutland	23.9	22.8	22.4
Total Denmark	100	100	100

The figures are based on the annual agricultural census from Statistics Denmark. Since this is a sample census, the figures for each year are subject to some uncertainty.
Source: Statistics Denmark

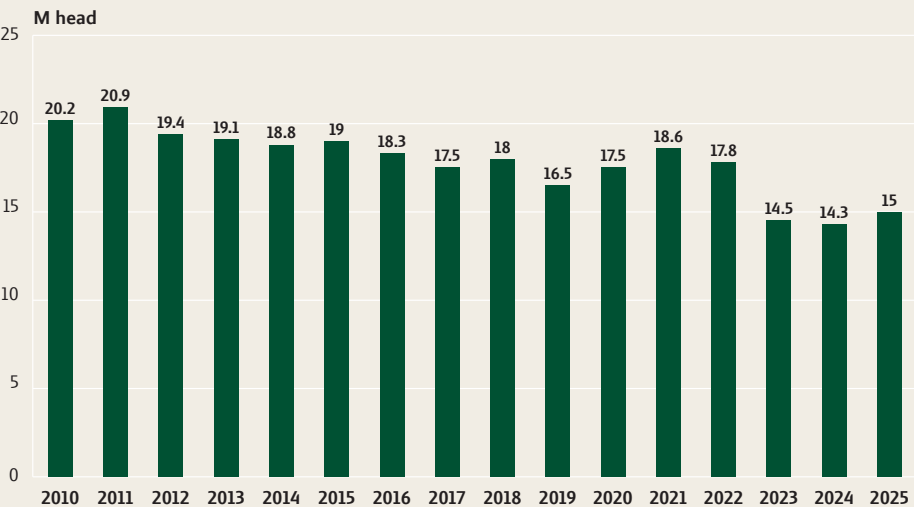
Development in pig population and slaughterings

Development in the Pig Head



The figures are from Statistics Denmarks agricultural census.

Development in slaughterings



Production of Pigs in Denmark

Production of Pig in Denmark

M head	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Slaughtering in Denmark	16.5	17.5	18.5	17.8	14.5	14.3	15.0
Export slaughterpigs and sows	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.1
Danish production of slaughter pigs and sows	16.8	17.7	18.7	18.0	14.7	14.5	15.1
Export of wearers	14.9	14.8	14.1	13.9	15.1	16.4	16.7
Total	31.7	32.5	32.9	31.9	29.7	30.9	31.8

Source: Pig Slaughter Data system and Pig Movement Data System



World Pigmeat Production and Pig Population in Selected Countries

	Pigmeat production 1,000 tonnes		Pig Population Mio. head	
	2024	2025 ¹⁾	2024	2025 ¹⁾
Spain	4,927	5,067	33.8	34.6
Germany	4,059	4,106	21.2	21.3
France	2,124	2,095	11.8	11.7
Denmark	1,781	1,864	11.4	11.6
Poland	1,695	1,710	9.8	9.1
Netherlands	1,624	1,593	10.4	10.2
Italy	1,233	1,240	9.2	7.8
Belgium	982	992	5.4	5.4
Hungary	435	474	2.6	2.8
Austria	421	425	2.5	2.5
Ireland	345	322	1.4	1.5
Romania	298	319	3.2	3.3
Portugal	289	297	2.2	2.2
Sweden	247	253	1.3	1.4
Czechia	241	242	1.4	1.4
Finland	161	161	1.0	1.0
Croatia	106	105	0.9	0.9
Bulgaria	86	85	0.7	0.7
Lithuania	76	77	0.5	0.5
Slovakia	68	77	0.4	0.4
Greece	59	54	0.8	0.8
Estonia	42	42	0.3	0.3
Cyprus	35	36	0.3	0.3
Latvia	31	31	0.3	0.3
Slovenia	24	22	0.2	0.2
Luxembourg	11	9	0.1	0.1
Malta	4	4	0.0	0.0
EU-27 in total	21,404	21,702	132.9	132.3
UK	929	964	4.7	4.8
China	57,172	58,212	434.2	427.4
USA	11,957	11,802	74.9	73.7
Brazil	5,359	5,598	43.9	44.1
Russia	4,899	4,950	28.3	27.8
Canada	2,981	3,064	14.0	13.8
Mexico	1,803	1,839	20.5	20.8
South Korea	1,455	1,449	11.1	10.8
Japan	1,294	1,294	8.8	8.7
Total Selected countries	109,253	110,874	773.4	764.2

¹⁾ Provisional figures

Source: Gira

EU's Supply Balance with Pigmeat

	2023	2024	2025	2026*
1,000 tonnes (deadweight)	EU-27	EU-27	EU-27	EU-27
Netto production	20,829	21,279	21,984	21,764
Import (cwe)	108	99	98	95
Export (cwe)	3,016	2,940	2,983	2,893
Consumption	17,921	18,438	19,099	18,966
Consumption per capita (kg)	31.0	31.8	32.9	32.6
Self sufficiency rate, %	116	115	115	115

* Forecast

Kilde: EU Commission, Spring 2026

Supply Balance of Pigmeat in Selected Countries (excl. Stocks)

1,000 tonnes (CWE)

2023	Canada	USA	Mexico	China	Brazil	Russia	Japan
Production	2,993	11,738	1,764	58,049	5,298	4,734	1,298
Import	262	518	1,401	1,645	5	30	1,486
Export	1,433	3,095	271	127	1,255	213	3
Consumption	1,118	9,808	2,898	59,059	4,048	4,537	2,798

2024	Canada	USA	Mexico	China	Brazil	Russia	Japan
Production	2,981	11,957	1,803	57,172	5,359	4,899	1,294
Import	247	520	1,593	1,334	3	32	1,534
Export	1,551	3,232	226	143	1,362	259	2
Consumption	961	9,894	3,180	57,851	4,001	4,658	2,808

2025 1)	Canada	USA	Mexico	China	Brazil	Russia	Japan
Production	3,064	11,802	1,839	58,212	5,598	4,950	1,294
Import	218	495	1,660	1,100	9	32	1,540
Export	1,445	3,139	213	196	1,556	290	2
Consumption	1,102	9,835	3,295	58,579	4,051	4,692	2,812

2026 2)	Canada	USA	Mexico	China	Brazil	Russia	Japan
Production	3,104	12,011	1,885	57,626	5,778	5,000	1,294
Import	230	510	1,713	1,025	7	32	1,541
Export	1,520	3,223	198	229	1,635	318	2
Consumption	1,072	9,984	3,410	57,796	4,149	4,714	2,813

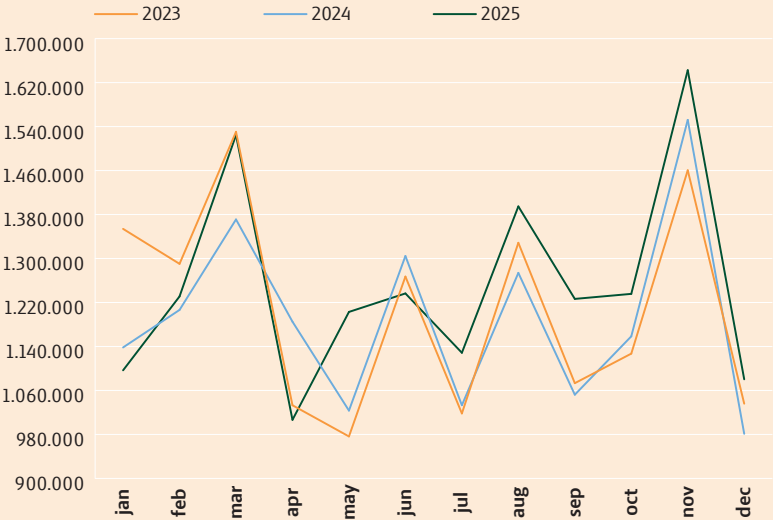
¹⁾ Provisional figures ²⁾ Forecast

Source: Gira

Slaughterhouses



Monthly Pig Slaughtering in Denmark



	2023	2024	2025	Change in percent 2025:2024
January	1,353,929	1,138,238	1,096,623	-3.7
February	1,290,291	1,206,491	1,231,032	2.0
Marts	1,530,510	1,371,073	1,524,525	11.2
April	1,033,054	1,185,077	1,006,544	-15.1
May	976,350	1,023,371	1,202,828	17.5
June	1,267,146	1,304,525	1,236,473	-5.2
July	1,018,182	1,033,072	1,128,543	9.2
August	1,328,598	1,273,845	1,394,760	9.5
September	1,073,220	1,052,279	1,226,535	16.6
October	1,126,986	1,158,425	1,235,691	6.7
November	1,460,451	1,552,152	1,642,526	5.8
December	1,035,937	981,151	1,080,277	10.1
Total	14,494,654	14,279,699	15,006,357	5.1

Structure of Slaughterhouses

Development in Number of Slaughterhouses

	End of year:						
	1970	1980	1990	2000	2010	2020	2025
Cooperatives	50	18	5	3	2	1	1
Private owned*	4	2	8	12	8	6	5
Slagterier i alt	54	20	13	15	10	7	6

* Slaughterhouses with more than 20,000 pigs per year. No exact figures are available for private owned slaughterhouses in 1970 and 1980.



Slaughterhouses in Denmark



Pig Slaughtering in EU and Selected Countries

M. head.	2024	2025 ¹⁾	2026 ²⁾	% - change
				2026:25
Spain	53.9	54.9	55.6	1.2
Germany	44.7	44.6	43.1	-3.4
France	21.9	21.7	21.3	-2.1
Poland	20.0	20.1	18.9	-5.9
Denmark	14.2	14.6	14.2	-3.0
Netherlands	14.5	14.1	13.6	-3.6
Italy	10.1	10.0	9.8	-2.3
Belgium	9.4	9.1	9.0	-1.3
Portugal	5.6	5.7	5.6	-0.7
Hungary	4.7	5.0	5.2	3.4
Austria	4.7	4.7	4.7	-1.1
Romania	3.6	3.7	3.7	-0.5
Ireland	3.4	3.4	3.5	1.2
Sweden	2.6	2.6	2.6	-2.3
Czechia	2.4	2.4	2.4	-0.4
Finland	1.7	1.7	1.7	0.0
Croatia	1.6	1.6	1.6	0.0
Bulgaria	1.3	1.2	1.2	-1.6
Greece	1.1	1.0	1.0	-1.0
Lithuania	0.8	0.8	0.9	4.9
Slovakia	0.5	0.5	0.5	-7.8
Cyprus	0.5	0.5	0.5	4.0
Estonia	0.5	0.5	0.5	-3.9
Latvia	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.0
Slovenia	0.2	0.2	0.2	-4.5
Luxembourg	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.0
Malta	0.1	0.1	0.0	-5.5
EU-27	224.5	225.3	221.5	-1.7
UK	10.4	10.8	10.8	0.0
China	702.6	710.0	700.0	-1.4
USA	129.7	128.4	130.6	1.7
Brazil	58.2	59.6	61.0	2.3
Mexico	22.4	22.9	23.4	2.2
Canada	21.4	22.0	22.3	1.4
South Korea	18.9	19.0	19.2	1.1
Thailand	22.7	23.0	19.2	-16.5
Japan	16.3	16.2	16.2	0.0
India	9.1	9.0	9.0	-0.5

¹⁾ Provisional figures ²⁾ Forecast

The figures include slaughtering of pigs i.e. imported pigs are included.

Source: Gira

Employment and Wages in the Slaughterhouse Sector

Number of Workers Employed in the Slaughterhouses

year	Number employed
2014	6,609
2015	6,680
2016	6,461
2017	6,298
2018	6,481
2019	6,218
2020	6,392
2021	6,856
2022	5,787
2023	5,731
2024	5,006
2025	5,407

Source: Danish Industry

Average wages for Danish Slaughterhouse workers

År	DKK/hour *
2014	263.23
2015	265.14
2016	270.70
2017	274.75
2018	281.49
2019	283.30
2020	294.21
2021	302.50
2022	313.30
2023	318.20
2024	334.26
2025	346.80

Including holiday pay and sickness benefit
Source: Danish Industry

Comparative Labor Costs in Selected Countries (Manufacturing Industry)

	Year-on-Year rise (in percentage)					DKK per hour
	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2024
Denmark	0.7	3.4	4.8	4.4	4.4	396.53
Germany	0.9	0.2	5.2	4.2	4.5	360.26
Sweden	-0.8	4.8	2.8	3.7	3.3	336.22
France	2.3	-0.5	3.2	3.6	3.9	345.35
Netherlands	4.1	1.2	5.0	6.7	5.4	
Belgium	1.7	1.3	6.9	7.5	3.4	384.13
Poland	5.6	8.1	11.2	11.4	11.6	115.54
Spain	4.1	-0.9	2.2	5.8	4.8	202.88
Italy	2.6	-2.0	3.1	4.3	4.1	236.45
USA	0.5	2.6	4.1	2.8	0.5	302.62

Source: Confederation of Danish Employers, DA, International Wages and Labour Costs Statistics



Producer Pig Prices

Payment to the producer

DKK/kg	Average Pig Price ¹⁾	Bonus payment	Interest paid from producer accounts	Production levy	Total
2021	10.15	1.30	0.03	-0.07	11.41
2022	11.38	1.30	0.03	-0.06	12.65
2023	13.44	1.10	0.03	-0.07	14.50
2024	11.95	1.04	0.03	-0.08	12.94
2025	12.52	0.58	0.03	-0.07	13.06

¹⁾ Including all pigs. After weight and meat percentage payment, and incl. discounts/cost at slaughterhouse.

Producer Pig Prices

Producer pig prices DKK/kg, Danish Crown (best weight group)

Week	2023	2024	2025	Week	2023	2024	2025
1	12.20	12.70	10.40	27	13.80	11.80	14.60
2	12.00	12.50	10.40	28	13.80	11.80	14.10
3	11.70	12.20	10.40	29	13.80	11.80	13.40
4	11.30	11.80	10.40	30	13.80	11.40	13.40
5	11.10	11.80	10.20	31	13.80	11.40	13.40
6	11.10	11.80	10.20	32	13.80	11.40	13.40
7	11.40	11.80	10.20	33	13.80	11.00	13.40
8	11.80	12.10	10.20	34	13.50	11.00	13.40
9	12.00	12.10	10.20	35	13.30	10.60	13.40
10	12.00	12.30	10.40	36	13.30	10.60	13.40
11	12.00	12.30	10.40	37	12.90	10.60	13.40
12	12.20	12.30	10.40	38	12.70	10.60	12.90
13	12.80	12.30	10.40	39	12.50	10.60	12.15
14	13.00	12.30	11.20	40	12.50	11.00	12.15
15	13.30	12.30	11.50	41	12.50	11.00	12.15
16	13.50	12.30	11.70	42	12.50	11.00	11.40
17	13.80	12.30	11.70	43	12.70	11.00	11.40
18	13.80	12.00	12.00	44	12.70	11.00	11.40
19	13.80	12.00	13.60	45	12.70	11.00	11.40
20	13.80	12.00	13.80	46	12.70	10.80	11.40
21	13.80	12.00	14.00	47	12.90	10.80	10.65
22	13.80	12.00	14.00	48	12.90	10.80	10.65
23	13.80	12.00	14.00	49	12.90	10.80	10.65
24	13.80	12.00	14.20	50	12.90	10.80	10.15
25	13.80	11.80	14.20	51	12.90	10.60	9.75
26	13.80	11.80	14.60	52	12.70	10.40	9.75
Average		12.92	11.55	Average		12.92	11.55

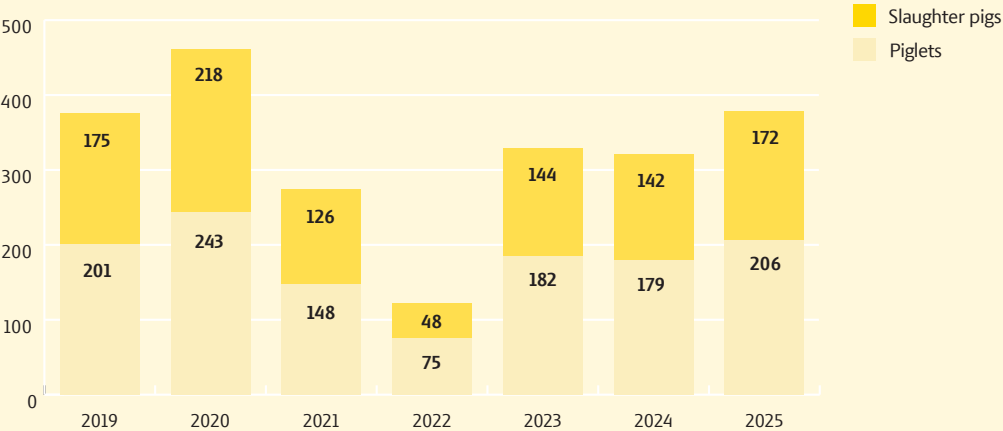
Economy in Pig Production

The ratio between the price for slaughter pigs and compound feeding stuff (Fesv)

Relationstal pr. Måned	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
January	5.27	9.85	6.56	4.60	4.75	6.19	5.46
February	5.36	9.78	6.32	4.11	4.54	6.01	5.34
March	5.57	9.63	6.68	4.30	4.89	6.23	5.35
April	6.57	9.20	6.94	4.70	5.35	6.28	5.90
May	7.09	8.39	7.42	4.36	5.62	6.17	6.80
June	7.46	7.73	7.74	4.49	5.78	6.17	7.21
July	7.45	7.49	6.99	4.72	5.84	6.03	7.05
August	7.45	7.46	6.18	4.88	6.00	5.81	6.82
September	8.59	7.48	5.57	5.19	6.00	5.66	6.61
October	9.11	7.33	5.21	5.22	6.09	5.93	6.03
November	9.72	6.98	5.11	5.21	6.41	5.92	5.73
December	9.54	6.63	4.82	5.20	6.46	5.83	5.25
Total year	7.43	8.16	6.29	4.75	5.65	6.02	6.13

Gross margin 2019-2025

DKK/head



Source: Gris.dk

The Societal Importance of Pig Production

The Total Danish Pig Production

Year	Tonnes	%-change from the year before	Value ex producer DKK M	%-change from the year before
2022	1,956,600	-5.3	24,125	1.5
2023	1,662,500	-15.0	27,374	13.5
2024	1,726,600	3.9	26,661	-2.6
2025	1,834,400	6.2	25,928	-2.7

The production is estimated by Statistics Denmark and does not include discarded animals and exported pigs for breeding

Source: Statistics Denmark and own estimates

Value of the Danish Export

Total export

Year	DKK M	%-change from the year before
2022	926,771	17.6
2023	892,811	-3.7
2024	921,807	3.2
2025	982,319	6.6

Agricultural export

DKK M	%-change from the year before
195,430	12.6
199,771	2.2
203,610	1.7
212,001	4.1

Export of pigmeat products

Year	DKK M	%-change from the year before
2022	34,704	5.2
2023	38,289	10.3
2024	38,891	1.5
2025	36,962	-5.0

Share of pigmeat export percentage

Total export	Agricultural export
3.7	17.8
4.3	19.2
4.2	19.1
3.8	17.4

Source: Statistics Denmark and own estimates

Export and Import of Pigmeat



Denmark's Export of Pigmeat

2025

Land	Tonnes	M. DKK	Country	Tonnes	M. DKK
Poland	463,545	7,692	New Zealand	1,907	48
Germany	412,493	7,527	Slovenia	1,622	83
China	200,116	2,673	Finland	1,617	32
UK	138,916	3,370	Faroe Islands	1,604	75
Italy	122,120	2,223	Papua New Guinea	1,526	51
Philippines	52,398	961	Mexico	1,512	35
Japan	42,963	1,436	Hong Kong	1,355	48
Australia	42,961	1,179	Bosnia and Herzegovina	1,274	26
Sweden	35,217	1,017	New Caledonia	1,272	39
USA	33,827	1,071	Portugal	1,132	23
Netherlands	32,998	601	Liberia	980	5
Taiwan	23,987	581	Vietnam	652	15
France	23,345	452	Republic of the Congo	641	6
Greece	23,286	652	Azerbaijan	620	5
Spain	18,741	576	Guam	606	19
Ukraine	18,639	323	Iceland	594	28
Malaysia	17,557	456	Cyprus	532	16
Belgium	16,163	135	North Macedonia	460	10
South Korea	15,648	367	Belize	422	17
Romania	12,791	250	Colombia	412	7
Canada	11,532	343	Malta	324	11
Austria	11,129	180	United Arab Emirates	307	6
Croatia	11,112	237	Ghana	258	2
Lithuania	9,107	161	Ivory Coast	243	1
Bulgaria	8,234	135	Saint Vincent and the Grenadines	207	8
Slovakia	8,007	165	Brazil	203	14
Latvia	7,880	129	Namibia	197	4
Ireland	5,628	187	Bahrain	195	3
Hungary	5,526	134	Qatar	175	11
Serbia	4,725	99	Mauritius	164	3
Indonesia	4,692	139	Grenada	154	6
Estonia	4,192	108	Saint Lucia	152	6
Singapore	3,590	52	Uruguay	152	3
Czech	3,261	84	Moldova	143	9
Norway	3,003	210	Seychelles	138	5
Greenland	2,424	130	Oman	130	2
Argentina	2,149	27	Bahamas	115	5
Panama	2,065	80	Lebanon	100	6
South Africa	1,951	35	Other countries	1,512	90
Total ¹⁾			1,883,530	36,962	

¹⁾ Export to a total of 115 countries

Denmark's Export of Pigmeat

2024

Tonnes	EU-27	3rd Countries	Total
By-products	54,518	170,788	225,306
Live pigs and sows	523,865	9,181	533,046
Prepared or preserved	17,942	34,316	52,258
Bacon	4,815	50,117	54,932
Carcasses pigs/sows	80,530	5,252	85,782
Cuts	495,127	309,833	804,960
Sausages	17,349	20,148	37,497
Total	1,193,146	599,634	1,793,780
%-share	66.6	33.4	100

2025

Tonnes	EU-27	3rd Countries	Total
By-products	66,814	185,573	252,387
Live pigs and sows	523,731	5,433	529,164
Prepared or preserved	18,729	34,129	52,858
Bacon	4,696	46,114	50,810
Carcasses pigs/sows	85,904	5,718	91,622
Cuts	523,373	346,398	869,771
Sausages	16,765	20,153	36,918
Total	1,240,012	643,518	1,883,530
%-share	65.8	34.2	100



Denmark's Export of Pigmeat (1,000 DKK)

2024

1,000 DKK	EU-27	3rd Countries	Total
By-products	455,886	2,457,074	2,912,960
Live pigs and sows	11,857,453	374,777	12,232,230
Prepared or preserved	664,017	1,207,912	1,871,929
Bacon	182,796	1,332,146	1,514,942
Carcasses pigs/sows	1,148,289	96,039	1,244,328
Cuts	9,831,820	7,785,409	17,617,229
Sausages	675,162	821,970	1,497,132
Total	24,815,424	14,075,326	38,890,749
%-share	63.8	36.2	100

2025

1,000 DKK	EU-27	3rd Countries	Total
By-products	512,300	2,272,971	2,785,271
Live pigs and sows	10,287,878	361,169	10,649,047
Prepared or preserved	663,870	1,212,725	1,876,595
Bacon	184,153	1,168,404	1,352,557
Carcasses pigs/sows	1,067,768	88,375	1,156,143
Cuts	9,462,416	8,197,952	17,660,368
Sausages	632,098	849,957	1,482,055
Total	22,810,483	14,151,553	36,962,036
%-share	61.7	38.3	100



Denmark's Export of Pigmeat to EU (tonnes)

2024

Tonnes	Germany	Poland	Italy	Other EU-countries	Total EU-27
By-products	17,702	2,086	1,846	32,885	54,518
Live pigs and sows	232,493	232,620	16,808	41,944	523,865
Prepared or preserved	9,280	18	331	8,313	17,942
Bacon	94,000	453	136	4,132	4,815
Carcasses pigs/sows	77,920	20	781	1,808	80,530
Cuts	91,170	165,796	100,528	137,633	495,127
Sausages	4,630	20	461	12,239	17,349
Total	433,288	401,012	120,891	238,955	1,194,147
%-share	36.3	33.6	10.1	20.0	100

2025

Tonnes	Germany	Poland	Italy	Other EU-countries	Total EU-27
By-products	26,887	2,014	3,147	34,766	66,814
Live pigs and sows	212,690	256,324	17,217	37,500	523,731
Prepared or preserved	9,566	23	373	8,768	18,730
Bacon	390,000	43	147	4,116	4,696
Carcasses pigs/sows	84,344	554	379	626	85,903
Cuts	74,682	204,458	100,333	143,900	523,373
Sausages	3,933	129	525	12,178	16,765
Total	412,492	463,545	122,121	241,854	1,240,012
%-share	33.3	37.4	9.8	19.5	100



Denmark's Export of Pigmeat to EU (1,000 DKK)

2024

1,000 DKK	Germany	Poland	Italy	Other EU-countries	Total EU-27
By-products	124,593	37,849	49,441	244,003	455,886
Live pigs and sows	5,274,035	5,021,185	423,069	1,139,164	11,857,453
Prepared or preserved	306,680	792	12,483	344,062	664,017
Bacon	3,746	14,821	6,422	157,807	182,796
Carcasses pigs/sows	1,108,973	305	12,397	26,615	1,148,289
Cuts	1,938,688	2,802,755	1,914,701	3,175,676	9,831,820
Sausages	179,056	826	20,876	474,404	675,162
Total	8,935,771	7,878,533	2,439,389	5,561,731	24,815,424
%-share	36.0	31.7	9.8	22.4	100.0

2025

1,000 DKK	Germany	Poland	Italy	Other EU-countries	Total EU-27
By-products	139,866	31,262	61,321	279,852	512,301
Live pigs and sows	4,360,008	4,537,016	389,009	1,001,846	10,287,879
Prepared or preserved	301,788	501	12,851	348,730	663,870
Bacon	6,143	1,458	6,832	169,719	184,152
Carcasses pigs/sows	1,044,157	7,595	5,464	10,551	1,067,767
Cuts	1,551,440	3,109,027	1,723,940	3,078,010	9,462,417
Sausages	123,416	4,691	23,717	480,274	632,098
Total	7,526,818	7,691,550	2,223,134	5,368,982	22,810,484
%-share	33.0	33.7	9.7	23.5	100.0



Denmark’s export of pigmeat to 3rd countries (tonnes)

2024

Tonnes	China	Japan	UK	Other 3rd countries	Total 3rd countries
By-products	136,359	409	2,725	31,295	170,788
Live pigs and sows	0	5	59	9,117	9,181
Prepared or preserved	197	4,734	9,932	19,453	34,316
Bacon	0	0	48,560	1,557	50,117
Carcasses pigs/sows	0	0	5,224	28	5,252
Cuts	190	1,285	11,142	7,531	20,148
Sausages	56,784	59,853	63,580	129,616	309,833
Total	193,531	66,286	141,221	198,596	599,634
%-share	32.3	11.1	23.6	33.1	100.0

2025

Tonnes	China	Japan	UK	Other 3rd countries	Total 3rd countries
By-products	141,952	507	2,765	40,349	185,573
Live pigs and sows	190	8	30	5,204	5,433
Prepared or preserved	1,324	3,233	10,380	19,192	34,129
Bacon	0	0	44,067	2,047	46,114
Carcasses pigs/sows	0	23	5,645	50	5,718
Cuts	145	508	12,369	7,131	20,153
Sausages	56,505	38,683	63,660	187,550	346,397
Total	200,116	42,963	138,916	261,522	643,518
%-share	31.1	6.7	21.6	40.6	100.0



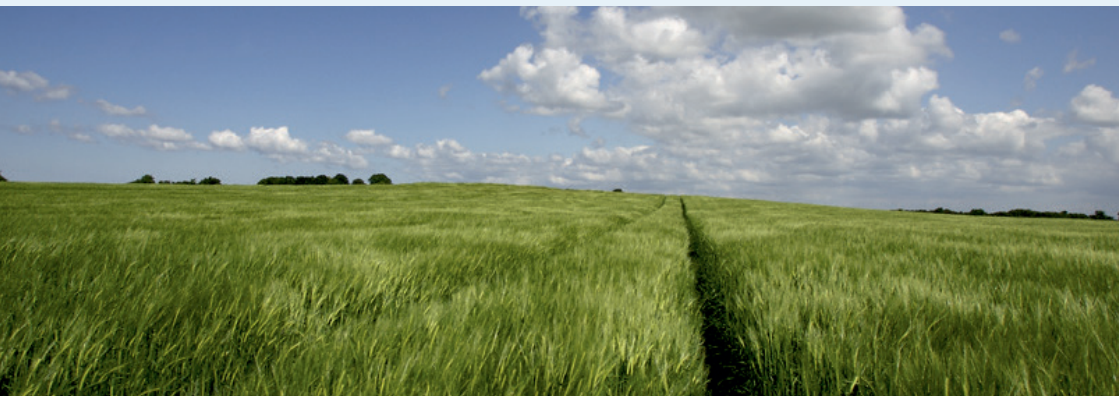
Denmark's export of pigmeat to 3rd countries (1,000 DKK)

2024

1,000 DKK	China	Japan	UK	Other 3rd countries	Total 3rd countries
By-products	1,907,020	4,793	30,613	514,648	2,457,074
Live pigs and sows	0	2,856	16,701	355,220	374,777
Prepared or preserved	6,581	145,676	353,594	702,061	1,207,912
Bacon	0	0	1,245,951	86,195	1,332,146
Carcasses pigs/sows	0	0	95,287	752	96,039
Cuts	854,466	1,958,482	1,286,547	3,685,914	7,785,409
Sausages	8,076	45	478,220	290,574	821,970
Total	2,776,142	2,156,907	3,506,912	5,635,364	14,075,326
%-share	19.7	15.3	24.9	40.0	100.0

2025

1,000 DKK	China	Japan	UK	Other 3rd countries	Total 3rd countries
By-products	1,705,705	5,528	30,701	531,036	2,272,971
Live pigs and sows	80,950	4,926	19,454	255,838	361,169
Prepared or preserved	42,834	101,501	356,723	711,667	1,212,725
Bacon	0	0	1,055,092	113,312	1,168,404
Carcasses pigs/sows	0	103	87,678	594	88,375
Cuts	836,989	1,304,940	1,279,021	4,777,002	8,197,952
Sausages	6,171	18,705	541,056	284,024	849,957
Total	2,672,650	1,435,704	3,369,725	6,673,473	14,151,553
%-share	18.9	10.1	23.8	47.2	100.0



Trend in Pigmeat Export

Products

Tonnes	2005	2015	2024	2025
By-products	90,805	67,694	225,306	252,387
Live pigs and sows	278,624	301,161	533,046	529,164
Prepared or preserved	70,016	69,225	52,258	52,859
Bacon	150,314	390,428	54,932	50,810
Carcasses pigs/sows	37,655	34,819	85,783	91,622
Cuts	70,594	54,698	804,960	869,770
Sausages	1,094,163	1,053,638	37,497	36,917
Total	1,792,170	1,971,662	1,793,780	1,883,530

1,000 DKK	2005	2015	2024	2025
By-products	1,759,516	2,767,737	2,912,960	2,785,271
Live pigs and sows	1,746,326	5,230,121	12,232,230	10,649,047
Prepared or preserved	1,591,392	1,387,625	1,871,929	1,876,595
Bacon	1,886,901	1,397,418	1,514,942	1,352,557
Carcasses pigs/sows	691,095	603,565	1,244,328	1,156,143
Cuts	17,767,966	16,353,216	17,617,229	17,660,369
Sausages	818,768	916,434	1,497,132	1,482,054
Total	26.261.963	28,656,116	38,890,749	36,962,036



Trend in Pigmeat Export

Main markets

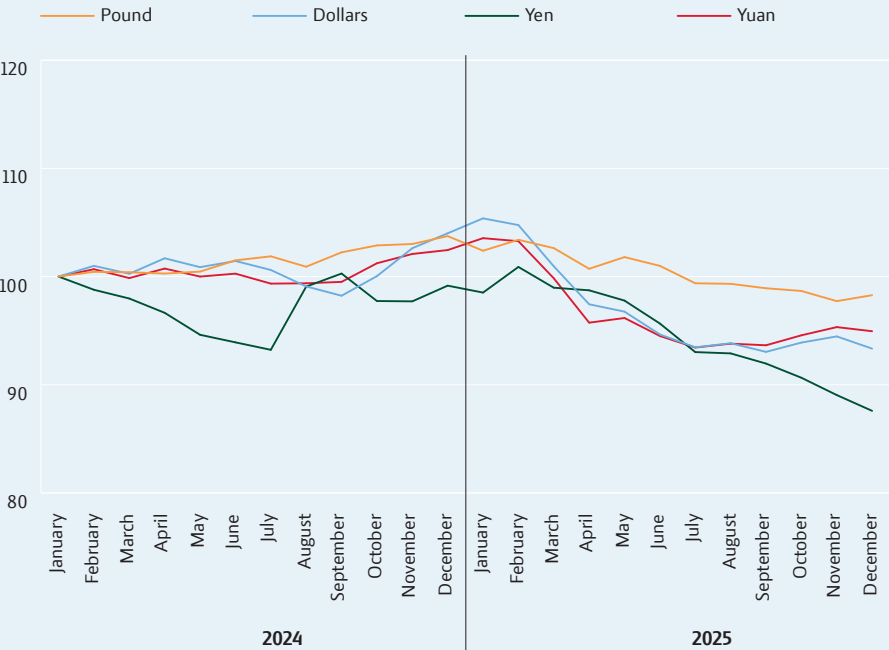
Tonnes	2005	2015	2024	2025
Germany	465,555	597,532	433,288	412,493
Poland	93,610	267,634	401,032	463,545
Italy	130,787	135,131	120,891	122,120
Sweden	63,451	36,595	31,918	35,217
Other EU-countries	252,673	148,332	207,018	206,637
Total EU countries	942,625	1,185,224	1,194,147	1,240,012
China/ Hong Kong	43,824	244,077	193,531	200,116
UK	303,290	219,754	141,221	138,916
Japan	229,765	122,233	66,286	42,963
Australia	26,975	59,143	41,394	42,961
USA	46,153	34,889	33,845	33,827
Other 3rd countries	199,537	106,341	123,357	184,735
Total 3rd countries	849,545	786,438	599,634	643,518
Total	1,792,170	1,971,662	1,793,810	1,883,530

1,000 DKK	2005	2015	2024	2025
Germany	5,469,501	6,372,377	8,935,772	7,526,818
Poland	1,116,868	3,171,886	7,878,533	7,691,549
Italy	1,820,428	1,791,114	2,439,389	2,223,134
Sweden	1,318,512	736,838	888,306	1,016,909
Other EU-countries	2,376,737	2,184,992	4,673,426	4,352,074
Total EU countries	12,102,045	14,257,208	24,815,424	22,810,484
China/ Hong Kong	208,395	2,914,966	2,776,142	2,672,650
UK	5,045,355	3,789,451	3,506,912	3,369,725
Japan	5,074,783	3,376,111	2,156,907	1,435,704
Australia	518,646	1,214,630	1,215,660	1,178,886
USA	962,455	1,036,506	1,124,827	1,070,974
Other 3rd countries	2,350,285	2,067,245	3,294,877	4,423,614
Total 3rd countries	14,159,918	14,398,909	14,075,325	14,151,553
Total	26,261,963	28,656,116	38,890,749	36,962,036

The development in Rate of Exchange

Products

DKK per 100 units	Pound Sterling		Dollar		Yen		Yuan	
	2024	2025	2024	2025	2024	2025	2024	2025
January	868.41	889.21	683.83	720.64	4.68	4.61	95.36	98.74
February	872.28	897.94	690.63	716.40	4.62	4.72	96.01	98.48
Marts	871.86	891.23	685.64	690.35	4.58	4.63	95.23	95.21
April	870.87	874.65	695.39	666.36	4.52	4.62	96.06	91.30
May	872.43	884.01	689.81	661.70	4.43	4.57	95.36	91.71
June	881.48	877.00	693.70	647.22	4.39	4.47	95.62	90.12
July	884.68	863.04	688.00	639.12	4.36	4.35	94.74	89.10
August	876.31	862.59	677.63	641.71	4.63	4.34	94.77	89.45
September	887.89	859.03	671.72	636.24	4.69	4.30	94.90	89.30
October	893.38	856.89	684.11	642.13	4.57	4.24	96.53	90.19
November	894.52	848.67	701.73	646.01	4.57	4.17	97.35	90.91
December	900.86	853.45	711.18	638.32	4.64	4.10	97.69	90.55



Denmark's Import of Pigmeat (tonnes)

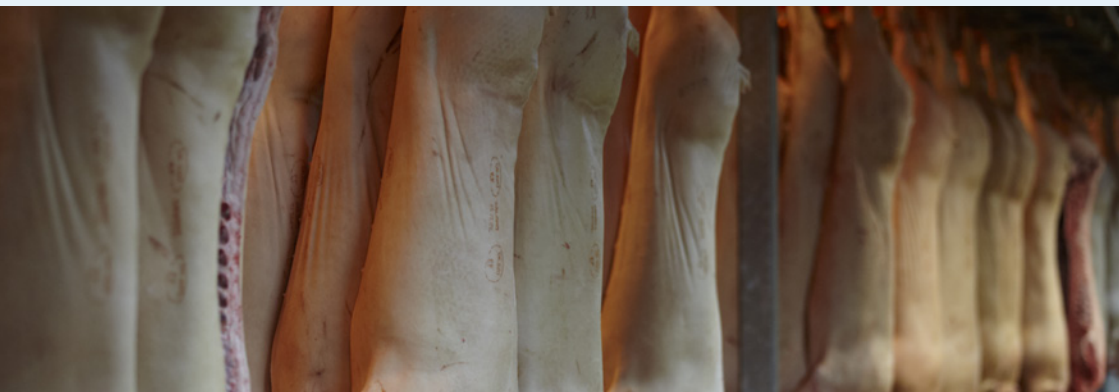
2024

Tonnes	Germany	Poland	Netherlands	Other EU-27 countries	Other countries	Total
By-products	28,439	97	2,888	14,290	2,633	48,346
Live pigs and sows	4	0	179	1,558	0	1,741
Prepared or preserved	17,924	3,957	1,701	5,362	248	29,192
Bacon	8,225	1,250	5,678	2,533	75	17,760
Carcasses pigs/sows	6	0	38	18	0	63
Cuts	28,480	7,103	3,779	2,834	2,675	44,872
Sausages	12,356	8,772	391	4,539	241	26
Total	95,433	21,180	14,655	31,136	5,872	168,275
%-share	56.7	12.6	8.7	18.5	3.5	100.0

2025

Tonnes	Germany	Poland	Netherlands	Other EU-27 countries	Other countries	Total
By-products	27,184	619	1,529	12,262	3,191	44,786
Live pigs and sows	30	0	39	2	1	2,039
Prepared or preserved	18,332	4,548	1,787	5,588	174	30,428
Bacon	7,229	1,067	5,881	2,980	373	17,528
Carcasses pigs/sows	5	6	37	19	0	67
Cuts	26,801	7,439	1,374	3,945	2,376	41,935
Sausages	13,645	9,173	1,132	3,973	331	28,255
Total	93,227	22,851	11,778	30,735	6,447	165,037
%-share	56.5	13.8	7.1	18.6	3.9	100.0

Source: Own calculations based on Statistics Denmark



EU's Export to 3rd Countries

Products

Tonnes	2024	2025
Product weight	EU-27	EU-27
Live pigs	66,910	70,936
Fresh/frozen pigmeat	1,933,685	1,958,964
Bacon	225,715	221,059
Processed products	433,372	423,964
By-products	1,446,563	1,526,945
Total	4,106,245	4,201,868

Source: EU Commission

By country

Importers of EU pigmeat

Tonnes	2024	2025
	EU-27	EU-27
China	1,114,328	1,034,923
UK	871,015	845,034
Philippines	353,907	356,648
South Korea	234,310	259,750
Japan	316,006	249,648
Vietnam	135,215	179,217
Ivory Coast	86,688	108,888
USA	103,415	107,212
Australia	84,199	87,146
Taiwan	44,597	76,998
Congo	57,603	74,058
Malaysia	45,944	66,125
Others	659,019	756,222
EU-27	4,106,245	4,201,868

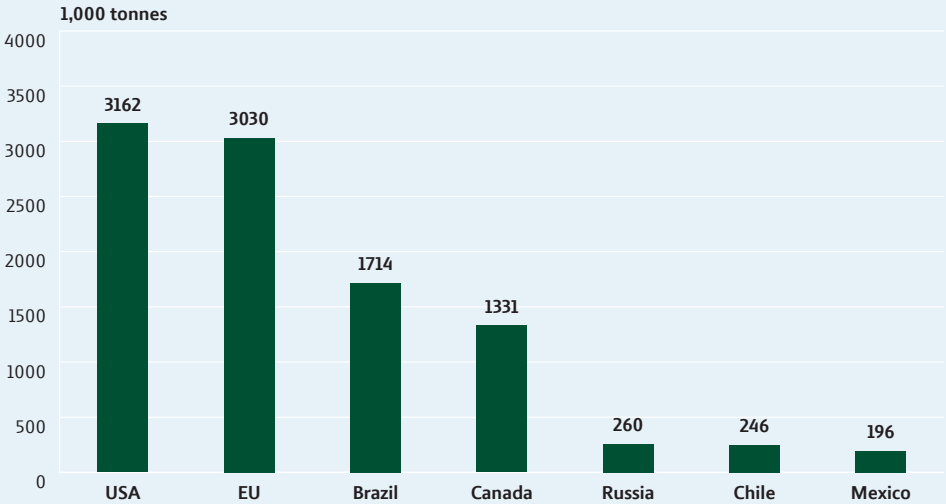
Exporters of EU pigmeat

Tonnes	2024	2025
	EU-27	EU-27
Spain	1,285,844	1,312,397
Netherlands	668,539	653,159
Denmark	579,618	623,417
Germany	384,348	334,695
Poland	235,164	285,857
France	269,024	265,791
Ireland	230,019	236,251
Belgium	151,544	163,859
Italy	100,061	105,073
Austria	51,189	57,113
Hungary	31,404	33,166
Finland	30,455	32,412
Others	89,036	98,678
EU-27	4,106,245	4,201,868

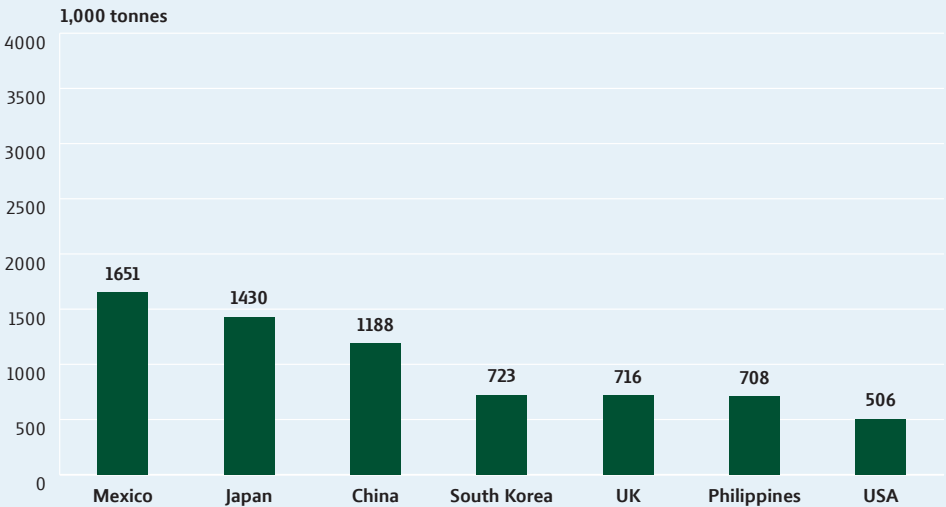
Source: EU Commission

World Trade in Pigmeat

Main Exporters of Pig Products in 2025



Main Importers of Pig Products in 2025



Source: USDA

The above exports and imports are stated in tonnes slaughter weight and include fresh, chilled or frozen and processed pigmeat but not offal of pigs or live pigs

World Trade in Pigmeat | Import countries

China

Fresh and frozen pigmeat			By-products	
Tonnes	2024	2025	2024	2025
Spain	289,907	283,404	231,350	222,866
Brazil	236,989	153,541	21,859	20,974
UK	61,928	71,921	54,848	60,865
Netherlands	75,251	71,736	117,037	114,111
Chile	64,730	68,103	38,035	40,724
Canada	76,106	66,758	122,088	120,198
Denmark	60,771	64,276	115,550	119,950
USA	69,929	55,447	305,462	249,358
France	46,858	44,725	75,812	72,478
Russia	19,444	32,410	11,481	33,663
Others	47,976	51,426	50,336	53,678
	1,049,889	963,747	1,143,858	1,108,865

Philippines

Fresh and frozen pigmeat			By-products	
Tonnes	2024	2025	2024	2025
Brazil	203,999	313,436	12,705	32,267
Canada	73,098	52,854	23,389	27,148
Denmark	18,275	21,992	12,890	16,319
Spain	29,073	19,222	92,326	94,971
Netherlands	21,118	16,268	19,799	29,986
France	19,534	13,152	19,328	18,278
USA	12,460	12,006	38,380	33,812
Belgium	5,691	5,714	11,012	14,283
UK	5,685	2,553	12,571	14,014
Australia	2,001	1,002	6,326	6,358
Others	2,242	1,334	7,635	12,186
	393,176	459,533	256,361	299,622

Mexico**Fresh and frozen pigmeat**

Tonnes	2024	2025
USA	1,157,722	1,227,060
Canada	168,283	224,169
Brazil	41,248	74,645
Others	294	2,137
	1,367,547	1,528,011

Japan**Fresh and frozen pigmeat**

Tonnes	2024	2025
Canada	260,485	245,306
USA	201,184	225,958
Spain	165,255	169,257
Brazil	107,290	77,627
Mexico	93,675	111,948
Denmark	38,331	57,180
Chile	34,837	41,681
France	15,138	20,367
Others	22,291	27,036
	938,486	976,361

Sydkorea**Fresh and frozen pigmeat**

Tonnes	2024	2025
USA	195,610	187,836
Spain	89,346	107,458
Canada	72,820	79,530
Chile	39,602	36,813
Netherlands	32,091	33,239
Austria	17,870	20,210
Brazil	20,964	17,411
Others	94,907	68,998
	563,210	551,495

UK**Fresh and frozen pigmeat**

Tonnes	2024	2025
Denmark	85,675	91,446
Belgium	43,467	50,414
Spain	43,411	46,914
Germany	72,753	43,519
Netherlands	25,945	25,790
France	25,176	25,111
Ireland	19,170	16,872
Others	24,639	21,155
	340,236	321,221

USA**Fresh and frozen pigmeat**

Tonnes	2024	2025
Canada	279,353	271,762
Mexico	34,073	35,432
Denmark	25,130	22,341
Brazil	32,017	21,913
Spain	11,594	14,142
Poland	9,679	11,170
Netherlands	8,166	7,534
Others	15,457	13,785
	415,469	398,079

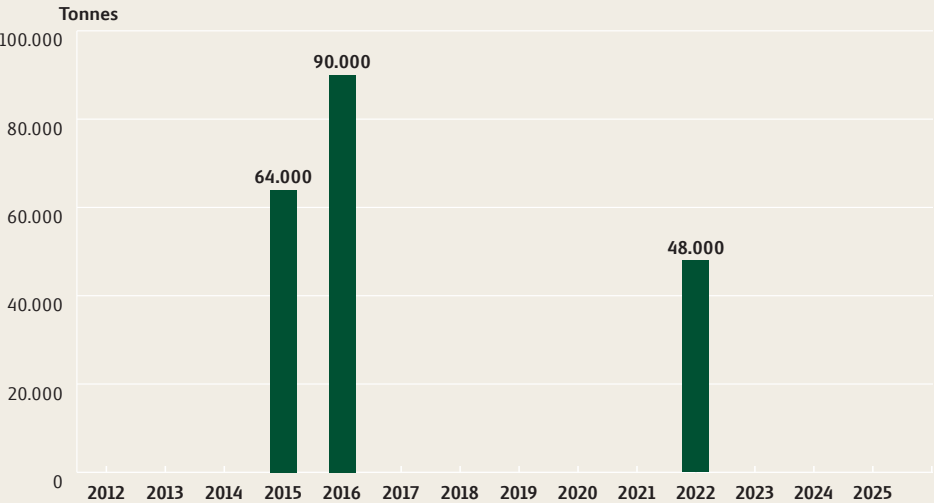
Source: Trade Data Monitor (TDM)



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Private storage



Export Refunds

Fresh, chilled and frozen cuts

DKK/kg	Hams, shoulders/fores and loins with bones	Bellies with rind	Deboned hams, shoulders/fores and loins excl. Japan Products	Bellies without rind and bones excl. Japan Products
2013	0	0	0	0
...	0	0	0	0
2025	0	0	0	0

Processed products

DKK/kg	Dried Sausages	Cooked Sausages	Shoulders cooked*	Luncheon meat	Luncheon meat
2011	1,45	1,13	2,16/1,27	1,70/1,27	0
2012 1/1 - 20/4	1,45	1,13	2,16/1,27	1,70/1,27	0
2012 after 20/4	0	0	0	0	0
2013	0	0	0	0	0
...	0	0	0	0	0
2025	0	0	0	0	0

* Above/below 1 kg.



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