## Methodological notes

The publication presents outputs of the Monthly Survey on Livestock Slaughtering. The survey includes all registered slaughterhouses in the Czech Republic regardless of their production capacity. The slaughtering statistics covers the all the livestock for slaughter, both of domestic and imported origin.

Categories of slaughtering statistics are given by Regulation (EC) No. 1165/2008 of the European Parliament and of the Council.

Category	Definition by Regulation No. 1165/2008	Definition by the CZSO
Cattle		
Calves	Bovine animals aged 8 months or under	
Young cattle	Bovine animals aged over 8 but not over 12 months	
Bulls	Non-castrated male bovine animals not included under calves and young cattle	
Bullock	Castrated male bovine animals not included under calves and young cattle	
Heifers	Female bovine animals that have not yet calved and which are not included under calves and young cattle	
Cows	Female bovine animals that have calved	
Pigs	No breakdown requested	
Pigs excluding sows and boars		Pigs not included under sows and boars
Sows		Female pigs that have already farrowed
Boars		Non-castrated male pigs
Sheep		
Of which lambs	Male or female sheep under 12 months old	
Goats	No breakdown requested	
Horses	Not requested by the Regulation	

Total meat production includes beef, veal, pigmeat, sheepmeat, goatmeat, and horsemeat. Emergency slaughtering is included in the carcass weight in case that meat is fit for human consumption.

Data on poultry production are based on results of the monthly survey on poultry purchase carried out by the Ministry of Agriculture of the Czech Republic. Live weight is recalculated to carcass weight; without giblets since January 2012.

Estimates of slaughtering out of slaughterhouses for pigs, sheep, goats, and poultry are provided by the Ministry of Agriculture of the Czech Republic. Data on cattle slaughtering out of slaughterhouses come from the Central Animal Register (Ministry of Agriculture of the Czech Republic). Horse slaughtering out of slaughterhouses is not permitted in the Czech Republic.

The results of the survey are published at national level as well as in regional (NUTS 3) breakdown.

## Symbols used in the tables:

- no cases registered (real zero)
- . not available or unreliable
- x not applicable
- 0 less than half the final digit shown and greater than real zero