## Comment

Number of pigs as at 31<sup>st</sup> December 2012 increased by 46.6 thousand heads year on year (+3.1%), of which number of sows rise by 1.3 thousand heads (+1.4%). The largest increment was in region *Zlínský* (by 36.4 thousand heads, 62.7%). The reduction was pronounced the most in region Vysočina in absolute terms (by 32 thousand heads, i.e. 12.5%), and relatively in Karlovarský region (by 1.1 thousand heads, i.e. 44.0%). Compared with the situation at 1. 8. 2012 the number of pigs decreased by 2.6%, of which sows by 2.6%.

In the year 2012 26.8 piglets per 1 sow were born (rise of 1.6% year-on-year), 23.9 piglets were weaned (+1.7%) and 10.9% piglets were lost by death. Sale of pigs for slaughter went down by 12.0 % year on year.