

Livestock and meat statistics

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PURPOSE: to establish a common framework for the systematic production of Community statistics on livestock and meat production

LEGISLATIVE ACT: Regulation (EC) No 1165/2008 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 19 November 2008 concerning livestock and meat statistics and repealing Council Directives 93/23/EEC, 93/24/EEC and 93/25/EEC.

CONTENT: the Council adopted a Regulation establishing a common legal framework for the production of Community statistics on livestock and meat in Member States, following an agreement at 1st reading with the European Parliament. The Regulation establishes a common legal framework for the systematic production of Community statistics on livestock and meat production in Member States, in particular:

- (a) statistics on bovine, pig, sheep and goat livestock;
- (b) slaughtering statistics on bovine animals, pigs, sheep, goats and poultry; and
- (c) production forecasts of beef, veal, pigmeat, sheepmeat and goatmeat.

The statistics referred to in the Regulation are essentially for the management and evaluation of the common agricultural policy.

In order to ensure a smooth transition from the regime applicable under Directives 93/23/EEC, 93/24/EEC and 93/25/EEC, this Regulation allows for the granting of a derogation from its application until 1 January 2010 or, in the case of statistics on sheep and goats, until 1 January 2011, where the application of the Regulation to the national statistical system of a Member State necessitates major adaptations and is likely to cause significant practical problems.

Every 3 years, and for the first time by 1 July 2011, Member States must provide the Commission (Eurostat) with a **report on the quality** of the data transmitted.

APPLICATION: from 01/01/2009.

ENTRY INTO FORCE: 21/12/2008.