

# Introduction to Pig Production in Ireland

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# **Agricultural Output 2010 €m**

<b>Cattle</b>	<b>1628</b>
<b>Milk</b>	<b>1571</b>
<b>Pigs</b>	<b>331</b>
<b>Sheep</b>	<b>170</b>
<b>Other incl. Poultry</b>	<b>271</b>
<b>Cereals</b>	<b>202</b>
<b>Forage Plants</b>	<b>858</b>
<b>Total Goods</b>	<b>5479</b>

**Source : CSO 2010**

# **Livestock and Livestock Products Output 2010**

	<b>€m</b>	<b>% of Total</b>
<b>Cattle</b>	<b>1628</b>	<b>41</b>
<b>Milk</b>	<b>1571</b>	<b>40</b>
<b>Pigs</b>	<b>331</b>	<b>8</b>
<b>Sheep</b>	<b>170</b>	<b>4</b>
<b>Other</b>	<b>271</b>	<b>7</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>3972</b>	<b>100</b>

**Source : CSO 2010**

# Pig Production in Agricultural Economy

- **Third** largest sector in Gross Agricultural Output after Milk and Beef
- 6% of Gross Agricultural Output
- 8% of Output of Livestock and Livestock Products

# Employment

- **Employment in the sector is c 7,500**
- **At least 1100 at production**
- **Remainder**

**Feed supply and other input supply**

**Pig Slaughtering and pig meat processing**

**Services such as transport, repairs, manure, accountancy, support services**

# National Commercial Herd - 2011

- **150,000 sows**
- **325 commercial herds: 300 sow herds**
- **About 440 production sites**
  
- **Average Sow Herd: 500 sows**
- **Range: c 50 - >2500 sows**

# Pig Disposals 2010

<b>Outlet</b>	<b>No. Head m</b>	<b>% of Total</b>
<b>Licensed Export Plants</b>	<b>2.606</b>	<b>78</b>
<b>Northern Ireland Plants</b>	<b>0.560</b>	<b>17</b>
<b>Other Plants in ROI (est.)</b>	<b>0.078</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>Weaner Exports (est.)</b>	<b>0.078</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>3.32</b>	<b>100</b>

Source: DAFF and DARDNI

# Sow Productivity

	2010	2005-9
<b>Sow Numbers</b>	<b>150,000</b>	<b>150.9</b>
<b>Disposals m</b>	<b>3.32</b>	<b>15.836</b>
<b>Pigs per Sow per Year</b>	<b>22.1</b>	<b>21.8</b>



# **Pig Meat Production 2010**

## **Republic of Ireland**

<b>Total Slaughter Pigs m</b>	<b>3.244</b>
<b>Average Carcass Weight kg</b>	<b>80</b>
<b>Total Pig Meat tonnes</b>	<b>259,520</b>
<b><u>Slaughtered</u></b>	
<b>Republic tonnes</b>	<b>212</b>
<b>Northern Ireland tonnes</b>	<b>48</b>

# Pig Meat Supply Balance 2009 (000 tonnes)

<b>Slaughterings</b>	<b>197</b>
<b>Imports</b>	<b>71</b>
<b>Supplies</b>	<b>268</b>
<b>Exports</b>	<b>119</b>
<b>Stocks Variation</b>	<b>4</b>
<b>Domestic Uses</b>	<b>145</b>
<b>Gross Indigenous Production</b>	<b>242</b>

Source: CSO 2010

# **Meat per Capita Consumption kg 2009**

<b>Pig</b>	<b>32.4</b>
<b>Poultry</b>	<b>26.0</b>
<b>Beef</b>	<b>19.7</b>
<b>Sheep</b>	<b>3.3</b>
<b>Other</b>	<b>2.0</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>83.3</b>

**Source: CSO 2010**

# Pig Feed

<b>No Pigs Produced m</b>	<b>3.244</b>
<b>Feed per Pig (80 kg dead) kg</b>	<b>297</b>
<b>Total Feed tonnes</b>	<b>950,000</b>
<b>Feed Millers &lt;70%</b>	<b>650,000</b>
<b>Home Millers &gt;30%</b>	<b>300,000</b>