

INDUSTRY NEWS

China Livestock | Animal Health | Animal Nutrition

2022 feed production reached 302.23 million tonnes

In 2022, the national feed production reached 302.23 million tonnes, with a YoY increase of 3% from 2021, in which compound feed production was 280.21 million tonnes, an increase of 3.7% from 2021, concentrate feed production was 14.26 million tonnes, a decrease of 8.1% from 2021, premix production was 6.52 million tonnes, a decrease of 1.6% from 2021,.

The pig feed production was 135.98 million tonnes, an increase of 4% from 2021, the layer feed production was 32.11 million tonnes, a decrease of 0.6% from 2021, the broiler feed production was 89.25 million tonnes, an increase of 0.2% from 2021, the ruminant feed production was 16.17 million tonnes, an increase of 9.2% from 2021, the aqua feed production was 25.26 million tonnes, an increase of 10.2% from 2021. (Source: China Feed Industry Association, 16th February 2022)

China's pork output reaches highest in eight years

According to China Statistics Bureau, in 2022, the total meat production reached 92.27 million tonnes, showing an increase of 3.8% from 2021. The production of pork, beef and mutton, poultry meat, poultry eggs and milk all increased to varying degrees.

China's pork output in 2022 increased by 4.6% from 2021 to reach 55.41 million tonnes, the highest since 56.71 million tonnes recorded eight years ago.

At the end of 2022, the pig inventory was 452.56 million head, an increase of 0.7% from 2021, and 2022 China slaughtered 699.95 million head pigs.

Farmers have raised heavier hogs, hoping to benefit from an anticipated recovery in demand and prices, a factor that could have boosted production. However, demand remained tepid because of surging COVID-19 cases in China that kept many people at home, causing prices to plunge.

Pork production was boosted by high fourth-quarter production of 13.91 million tonnes, according to the data from the National Bureau of Statistics. That was up 0.87% from the same year-earlier quarter despite a shortage of slaughterhouse labour due to COVID outbreaks.

The data shows that China's pork production has increased every quarter YoY for the last two years despite sluggish demand. A rally in prices over the summer encouraged farmers to fatten pigs up more than normal to increase their profits. Though it has declined, the average weight of live pigs was still on the high side at about 124.5





2022 meat imports to China reach 7.4 million tonnes

China imported 7.4 million tonnes of meat (including offal) in 2022, with a value of 31.7 USD billion, a decrease of 21% in volume and 1.3% in value from 2021.

China imported 1.76 million tonnes of pork, with a value of USD 3.9 billion, a YoY decrease of 52.6% in volume and 61.7% in value.

China imported 1.32 million tonnes of poultry meat (including offal), with a value of USD 4.2 billion, a YoY decrease of 11.0% in volume and increase of 18.6% in value.

China's beef imports in 2022 were 2.69 million tonnes, an increase of 15.3% YoY. Brazil (41.1%), Argentina (18.2%), Uruguay (13.2%), New Zealand (8.0%) and Australia (6.8%).

China imported 358,000 tonnes of lamb, with a value of USD 2.1 billion, a YoY decrease of 12.8% in volume and 12.6% in value. (Source: China Custom, 7th February, 2023)

kg (275 pounds) last week.

Beef production was 7.18 million tonnes, an increase of 3% from 2021. At the end of 2022, the beef cattle production was 48.4 million head, an increase of 2.8% from 2021.

Lamb production was 5.25 million tonnes, an increase of 2% from 2021. At the end of 2022, the sheep inventory was 326.27 million head, an increase of 2.1% from 2021, and 2022 China slaughtered 336.24 million head sheep, an increase of 2.1% from 2021.

Poultry meat production was 24.43 million tonnes, an increase of 2.6% from 2021. Poultry production was 16.14 billion birds, an increase of 2.5% from 2021.

Egg production was 34.56 million tonnes, an increase of 1.4% from 2021. At the end of 2022, the poultry inventory was 6.77 billion birds, a decrease of 0.2% from 2021.

Milk production was 39.32 million tonnes, an increase of 6.8% from 2021. At the end of 2022, the cattle inventory was 102.16 million head, an increase of 4.1% from 2021.

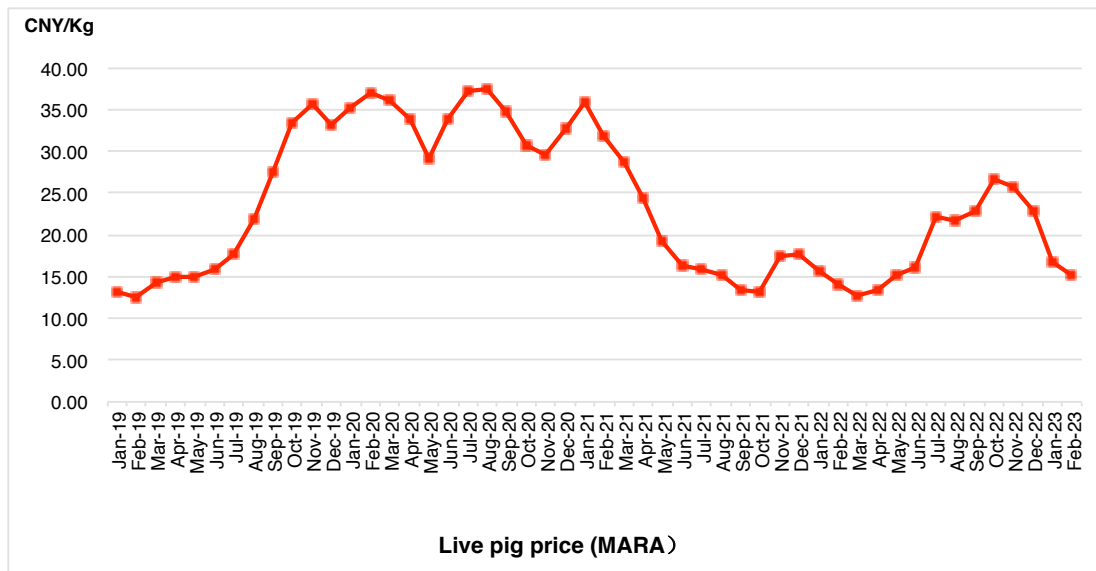
Cultured aquaculture production was 55.68 million tonnes, an increase of 3.2% from 2021.

(Source: China Statistics Bureau, 28th February, 2023)



Live pig price in February 2023

China pig average pig prices in China was CNY 15.18 Kg in February, which was 10% lower than the previous month and 8% higher than the same period last year. The pig price expected to decrease in the near future, due to the weak consumption and increasing supply (Source: MARA, February 2023)



Chicken and egg price in February 2023

China chicken and egg average pig prices in China was CNY 24.64 Kg and 11.76 in February, chicken price was 1% lower than the previous month and 7% higher than the same period last year. Egg price was 4% lower than the previous month and 11% higher than the same period last year. (Source: MARA, February 2023)

