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Animal production remains at a high level in 2020; meat and egg consumption declined further

Vienna, 2021-08-31 – In 2020, **Austria's agriculture produced** about 910 000 tons of meat calculated in carcass weight ($\pm 0\%$ compared to the previous year), 3.85 million tons of cow, sheep and goat milk (+1%), 2.17 billion eggs (+4%) and 4 700 tons of fish (+2%), as Statistics Austria's supply balance sheets show. Thus, the total production quantity of animal products consisted of 4.9 million tons in 2020 (+1%).

Domestic consumption amounted to 808 900 tons of meat (90.8 kg per capita), 740 100 tons of drinking milk (83.1 kg per capita), 2.1 billion eggs (236 pieces per capita) and 65 100 tons of fish (7.3 kg per capita).

To meet domestic demand, 336 000 tons of meat (-11%), 70 700 tons of drinking milk including yoghurt (+4%), 130 600 tons of cheese (+4%) and 70 100 tons of fish (-6%) were **imported**. However, 498 600 tons of meat (-4%), 583 200 tons of drinking milk (+10%) and 155 600 tons of cheese (+2%) were **exported** during the same period.

The **degree of self-sufficiency** was 177% for drinking milk, 112% for meat, 111% for cheese, 90% for eggs and 73% for butter.

The total **agricultural foreign trade volume** (crop and animal sector) amounted to 25.5 bn euros (imports: 12.8 bn euros; exports: 12.7 bn euros). This corresponds to a share of 8.9% of the total foreign trade volume (287.0 bn euros).

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