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Number of examined pig and cattle slaughterings decreased in 2019

Vienna, 2020-02-14 – In 2019, the number of examined slaughterings in Austria declined in most of the observed categories. According to Statistics Austria, the number of examined slaughterings of pigs decreased below 5.1 million (-1.2%), those of cattle sunk to 625 000 (-2.1%), those of calves to 55 100 (-0.2%) and those of horses (as well as other equids) to 564 (-8.7%). On the other hand, increases were recorded for the number of slaughtered sheep (+12.6% to 173 000) and goats (+24.0% to 13 300; see table).

At regional level, Upper Austria reported the highest share of examined slaughterings concerning cattle (33.2%) and calves (23.1%), as well as horses and other equids (40.8%). However, the most examined pig slaughterings (39.1%) took place in Styria, whereas Lower Austria was leading in examined sheep slaughterings (41.5%) and Tyrol in goat slaughterings (26.1%).

For more detailed results and further information concerning statistics of slaughterings please refer to our [website](#).

Information on methods: The available statistics are based on data from the veterinary service.
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Examined slaughterings 2019 in head

Categories	2018	2019	Change in %
Horses and other equids	618	564	-8.7
Calves	55 155	55 054	-0.2
Cattle	639 077	625 474	-2.1
Pigs	5 123 942	5 063 302	-1.2
Sheep	153 481	172 794	+12.6
Goats	10 757	13 342	+24.0

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