

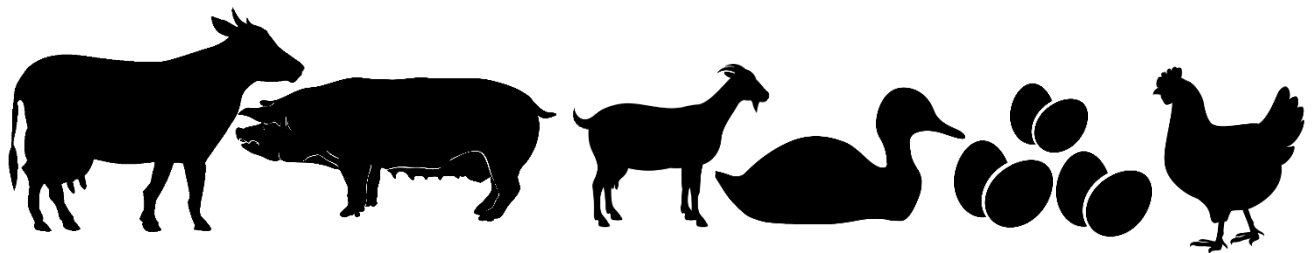


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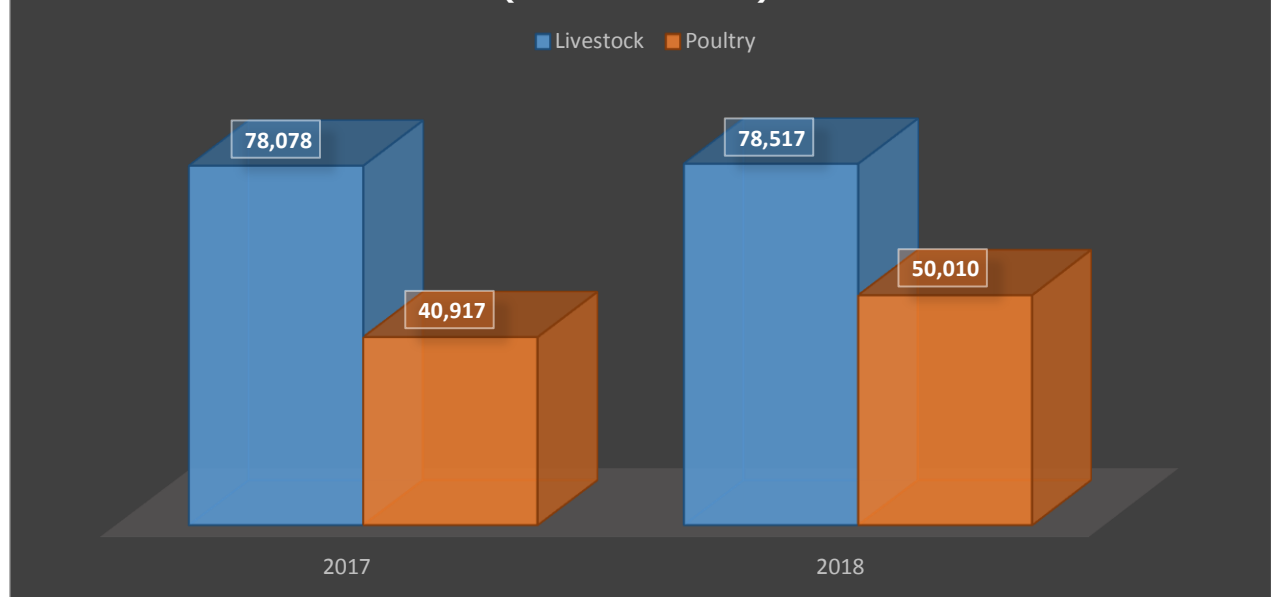
SOCCSKSARGEN Region's Total Livestock and Poultry Production Up by 8.0 percent in the 2nd Semester of 2018

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**FIGURE 1. VOLUME OF LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY PRODUCTION,
SOCCSKSARGEN REGION: JULY-DECEMBER 2017-2018
(IN METRIC TONS)**



Source: Philippine Statistics Authority

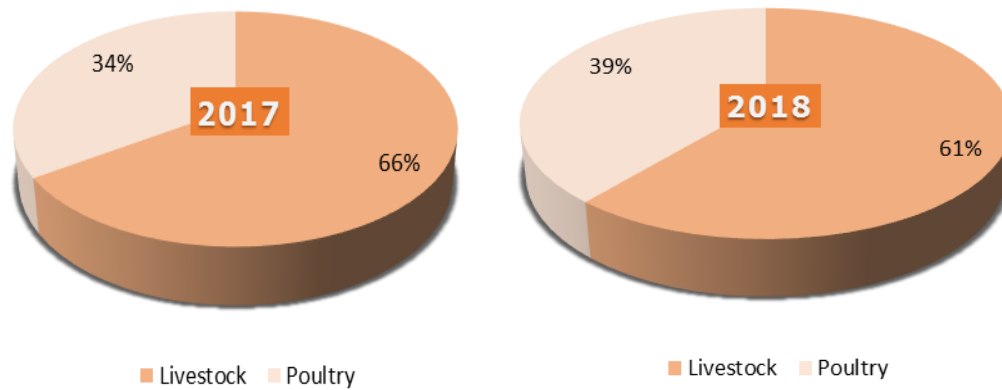
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Total livestock and poultry production in the SOCCSKSARGEN Region reached 128,527 metric tons, an increase of 8.0% during the second semester of 2018 compared to the same period in 2017.

Livestock production, comprised the bulk of the total livestock and poultry production at 61%. This was lower by 0.56% from the production recorded in the second half of 2017 at 78,078 metric tons.



Figure 2. Distribution of Livestock and Poultry Production, SOCCSKSARGEN Region: July-December 2017-2018



Poultry production reached 50,010 metric tons in the 2nd semester of 2018, about 22.2 percent higher compared to the 40,917 metric tons recorded in the same period the previous year.

Table 1. Livestock Production, SOCCSKSARGEN Region: July-December 2017-2018

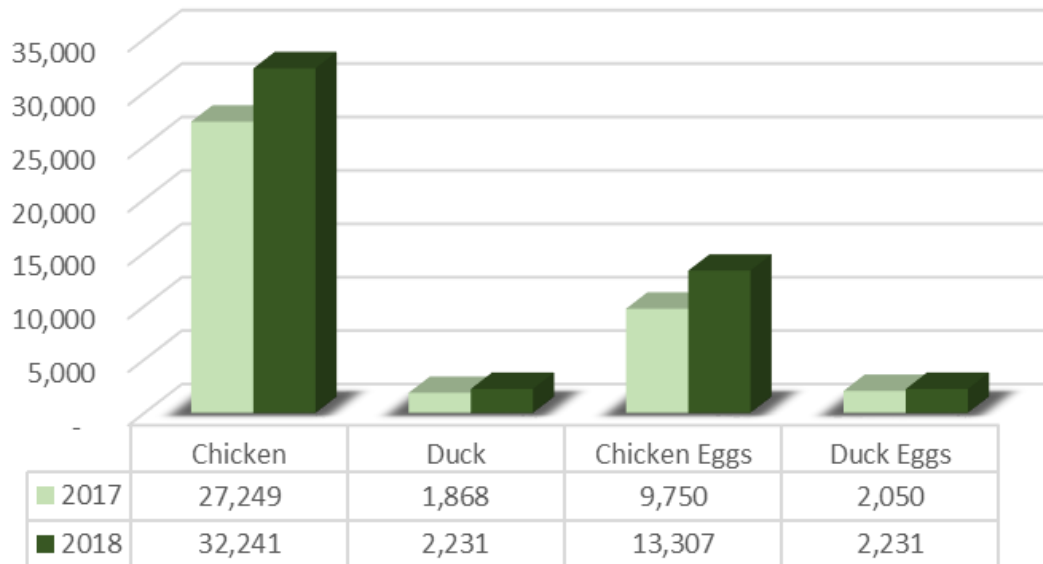
Sector	Production (in MT)		Growth rate (%)
	2017	2018	
Livestock	78,018	78,517	0.6
Carabao	4,545	4,700	3.4
Cattle	8,523	8,187	-3.9
Hog	62,017	62,828	1.3
Goat	2,993	2,802	-6.4

Source: Philippine Statistics Authority

Livestock production sustained its 2017 output increasing only by 0.6% in July-December 2018 compared to the same period in 2017. Of the 78,517 metric tons of livestock production in the 2nd semester of 2018, about 80.0% of the production output was that of hogs. This was followed by cattle (10.4%), carabao (6.0%) and goat (3.6%).

At 3.4%, carabao production recorded the highest increase in output. This was followed by hogs at 1.3%. Production of other livestock animals posted decreases during the period.

Figure 3. Volume of Poultry Production, SOCCSKSARGEN Region: July-December, 2017-2018 (in Metric Tons)



During the second half of 2018, poultry production in the region recorded positive growths. Among its subsectors, chicken eggs posted the highest growth at 36.5%. This was followed by duck (19.4%), chicken (18.3%), and duck eggs (8.8%).

Definition of Terms:

Volume of Production (operational definition) – the volume of locally-raised animals disposed for slaughter which includes animals shipped-out for slaughter (in “head/bird” and in “liveweight equivalent”).

Livestock – Farm animals kept or raised for consumption, work or leisure. In general, poultry is separated as a distinct group of farm animals. For purposes of censuses and surveys, livestock covers only those that are tended and raised by an operator.

Poultry – A collective term of all domesticated avian for the purpose of food consumption or, the carcass of such avian dressed/processed for human consumption.

Chicken – A domestic poultry (genus Gallus) raised for meat, eggs and other by-products.

Duck – A general term for waterfowl belonging to the family Anatidae of either sex.



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Carabao – A Philippine water buffalo or swamp buffalo, characterized by its heavy built, low and wide body and raised primarily for work.

Cattle – General term for the members of the *Bovidae* family, wild (*Bibos* spp.) or domestic (*Bos* spp.). Domestic cattle has two species: *Bos taurus* or European breeds and *Bos indicus* or Zebu breeds or oriental domestic cattle.

Goat – An animal of genus *Capra*, family *Capridae*, comprising of various agile, hollow horned ruminants closely related to sheep.

Hog – Generally refers to animals at or nearing market weight or finished for market.

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