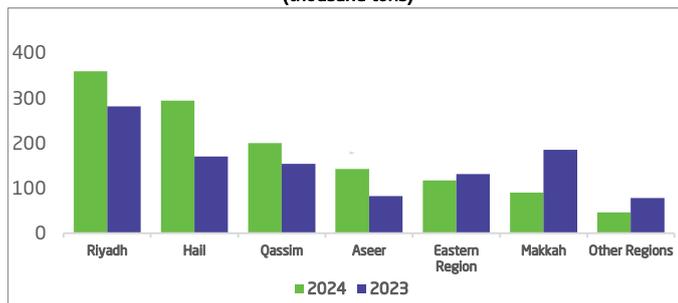


Kingdom's production of broiler chickens reaches 1.3 million tons in 2024

The results of the livestock statistics for the year 2024 showed that the production quantity of broiler chickens reached 1.3 million tons in 2024, representing an increase of 12.9% compared to 2023. Riyadh Region ranked first in production with a total output of 359.7 thousand tons, followed by Hail Region with 295 thousand tons and Qassim Region with 200 thousand tons (Figure1).

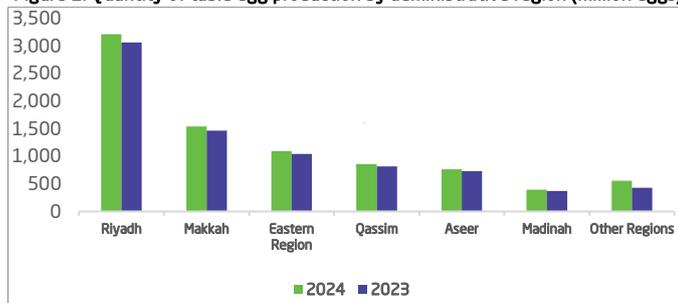
Figure 1. Quantity of broiler chicken production by administrative region (thousand tons)



Production of table eggs

Production of table eggs from layer hen farms exceeded 8.4 billion eggs, recording an increase of 6.4% compared to 2023. Riyadh Region ranked first among the Kingdom's regions in table egg production during 2024, with a total output of around 3.2 billion eggs, followed by Makkah Region with 1.5 billion eggs and Eastern Region with approximately 1.1 billion eggs (Figure2).

Figure 2. Quantity of table egg production by administrative region (million eggs)



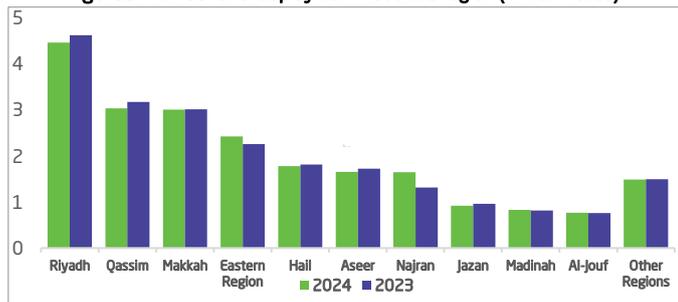
Raw milk production in specialized cattle projects

Statistics revealed that the quantity of raw milk produced in specialized cattle farms in 2024 reached approximately 2.7 billion liters, recording a decrease of 3.5% compared to 2023. Riyadh Region ranked first in raw milk production with a total of 1.6 billion liters, followed by Eastern Region with 1.1 billion liters. The number of milking cows in these specialized farms amounted to about 233 thousand head.

Number of sheep in the Kingdom

The livestock statistics showed that the total number of sheep in the Kingdom exceeded 22 million heads in 2024, recording a slight increase of 0.25% compared to 2023. The data indicated that males accounted for 18% of the total sheep population, while females represented 82%. The statistics also indicated that sheep aged one year or more constituted 65% of the total, whereas those less than one year old accounted for 35% (Figure3).

Figure3. Number of sheep by administrative region (million heads)



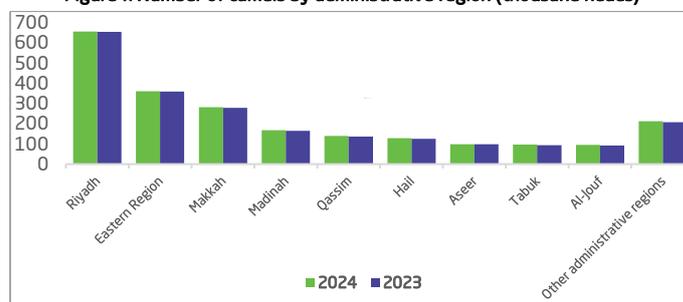
Number of goats in the Kingdom

Statistics indicated that the total number of goats in the Kingdom reached about 7.3 million heads in 2024, recording a decrease of 1% compared to 2023. Riyadh Region ranked first among the administrative regions in terms of the number of goats, accounting for 14.9%, followed by Makkah Region with 13.8% and Aseer Region with 11.6%.

Number of camels in the Kingdom

Statistics indicated that the number of camels in the Kingdom increased to more than 2.24 million heads during 2024, recording a rise of 1% compared to 2023. Camels aged more than four years represented 63% of the total camel population. At the regional level, Riyadh Region ranked first, accounting for 29.4% of the total number of camels, followed by the Eastern Region with 16.2% and Makkah Region with 12.6% (Figure4).

Figure4. Number of camels by administrative region (thousand heads)



Credit service loans for livestock projects

Statistics showed that the value of loans granted to livestock projects in 2024 exceeded SAR 2 billion. Layer chicken projects accounted for the largest share of these loans at 31% of the total, followed by broiler chicken projects with 22%.

Key indicators of livestock statistics

Indicators	Unit	2023	2024
Quantity of table egg production	Billion eggs	7.9	8.4
Quantity of broiler chicken production	Thousand tons	1,107	1,250
Number of dairy cattle in specialized cattle projects	Thousand heads	234	233
Quantity of raw milk production from specialized cattle projects	Billion liters	2.8	2.7
Number of sheep	Million Heads	22	22.1
Number of goats		7.4	7.3
Number of camels		2.21	2.24
Number of cattle	Thousand heads	502	516

Source: Tables.

Methodology and quality

The livestock statistics publication provides up-to-date data on the numbers of livestock, birds, and poultry in both traditional and specialized holdings, as well as the number of organic livestock. It also presents the quantity and value of exports and imports of animal products and the value of loans granted for livestock activities at the administrative region level in the Kingdom. In addition, the publication includes several other important data items. The publication is based on data from the 2024 Agricultural Survey conducted by GASTAT across the administrative regions of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, as well as administrative records obtained from the Ministry of Environment, Water and Agriculture, and the Agricultural Development Fund.

For more details, please refer to the Methodology and Quality Report.