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Welcome!



- Belgian Meat Association
- 140 members
- Located in the 3 regions of Belgium
- Slaughterhouses, cutting plants, meat preparations, cold stores and traders
- Pork, beef and horsemeat
- Representing 90% of the turnover of the industry
- 4 FTE

# The pig meat market



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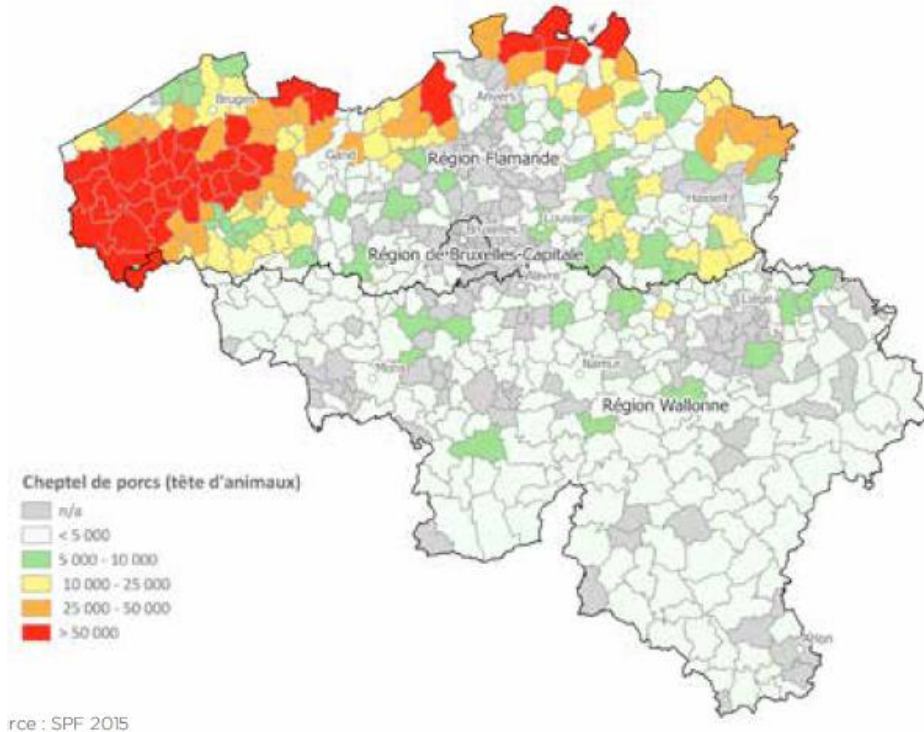
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Source: Eurostat

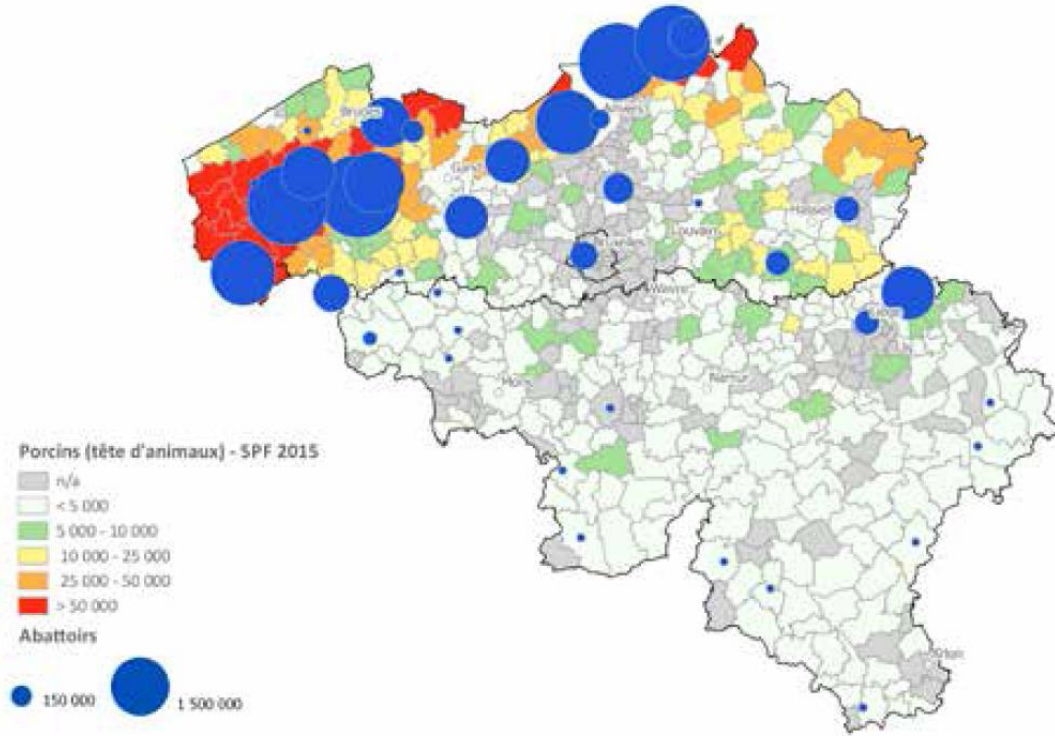
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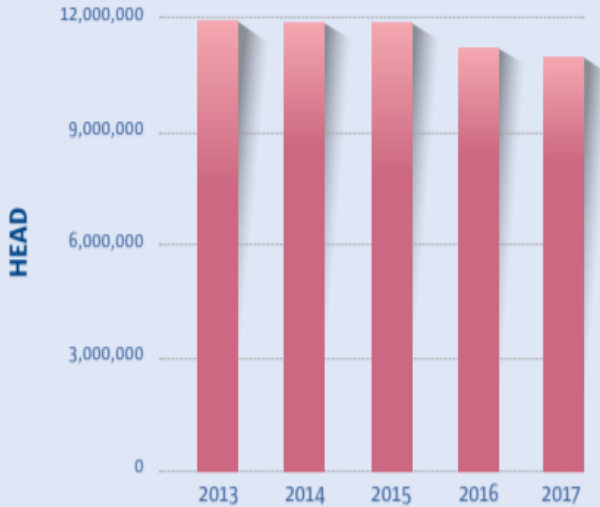
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Source: Statistics Belgium by FASFC

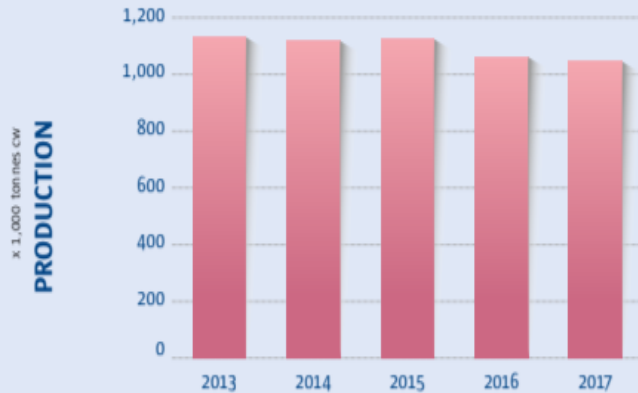
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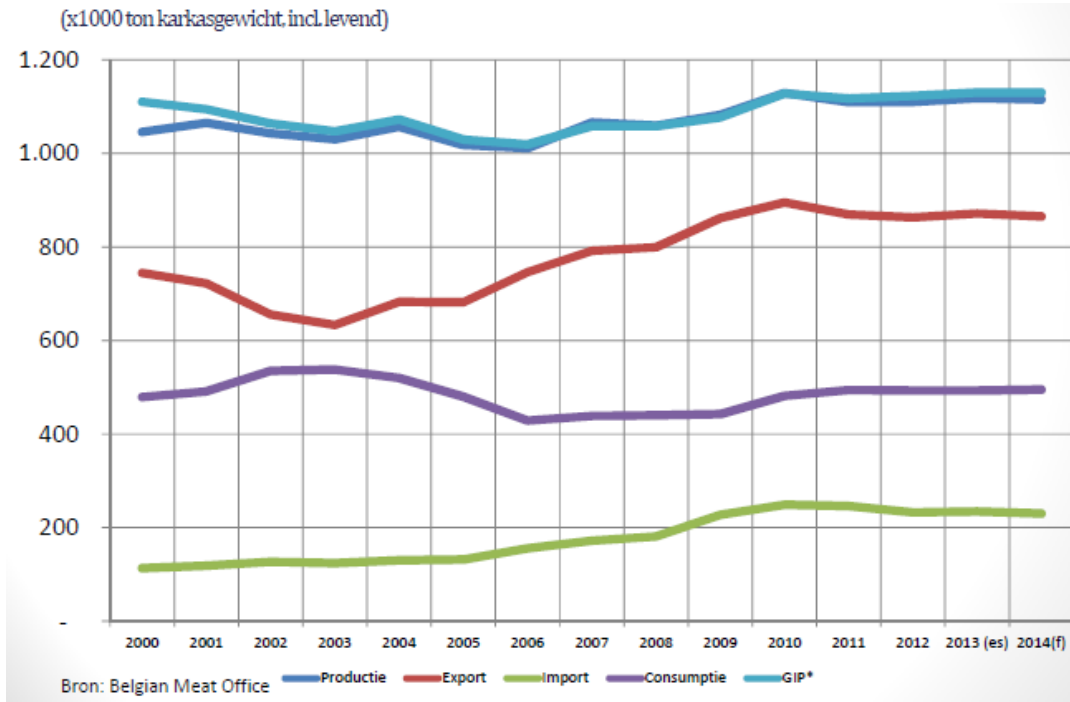
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## EXPORT PORK

In 2017 the export volume decreased slightly by 3.9% to 797,017 tonnes compared to 2016.



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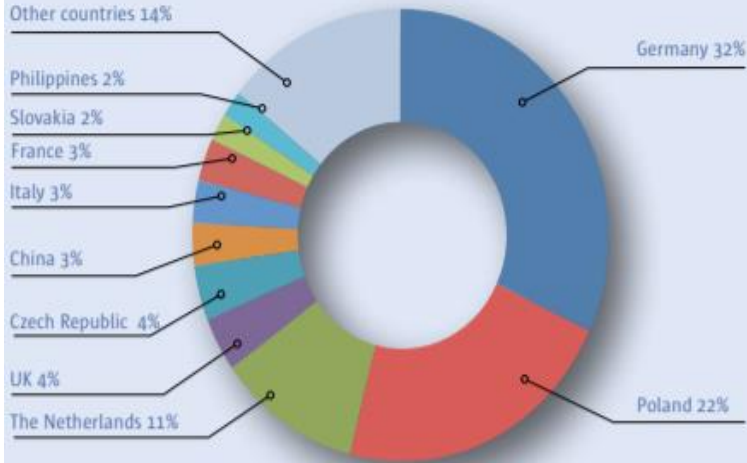
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### TOP 10 DESTINATIONS – BELGIAN PORK 2017 (VOLUME IN %)

Even in 2017 Germany remains the most important export destination for Belgian pork. Poland ranks second with a volume share of 22%. The Netherlands, UK and the Czech Republic complete the top 5.



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Belgium exports pork to more than 67 countries in the world, making it the 7th exporter of pork in the world.

Destination	2017	% of total 2017
EU	706.445	100,0%
GERMANY	255.757	36,2%
POLAND	177.242	25,1%
NETHERLANDS	91.712	13,0%
UNITED KINGDOM	31.713	4,5%
ITALY	26.782	3,8%
CZECH REPUBLIC	31.198	4,4%
FRANCE	20.195	2,9%
LITHUANIA	10.427	1,5%
SLOVAKIA	13.587	1,9%
BULGARIA	6.512	0,9%
ROMANIA	7.733	1,1%
LATVIA	2.441	0,3%
DENMARK	7.824	1,1%

## Belgian Quality

- Varied range of products and of companies.
- High return of the Belgian Landrace: high percentage of lean meat with a high carcass weight. Belgian farmers supply a mean pig with a meat percentage of +60% and a slaughter weight of +96 kg => efficient cutting of the Belgian Landrace guarantees more meat per animal.
- Customised but also stable products
- Experience with export and transport

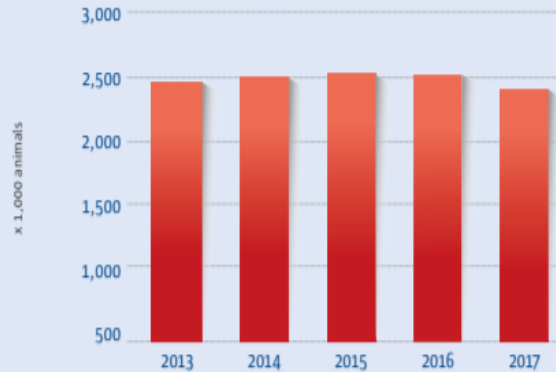


# The beef market



## CATTLE HERD IN BELGIUM

In 2017 the Belgian cattle herd shrank by almost 115,000 animals compared to 2016, dropping to 2.4 million.



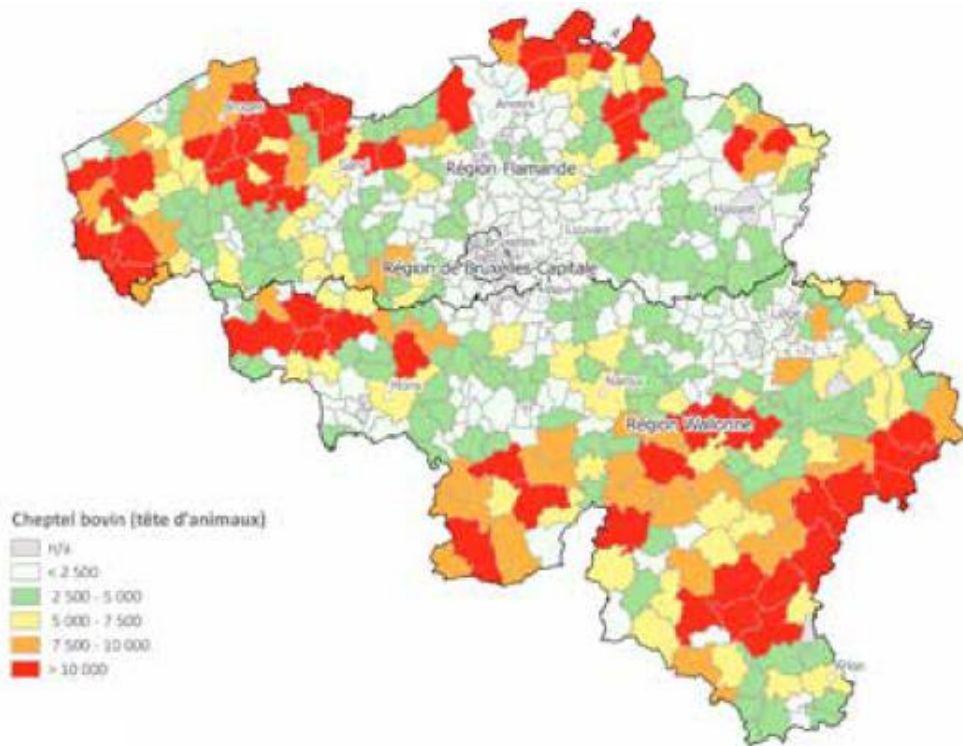
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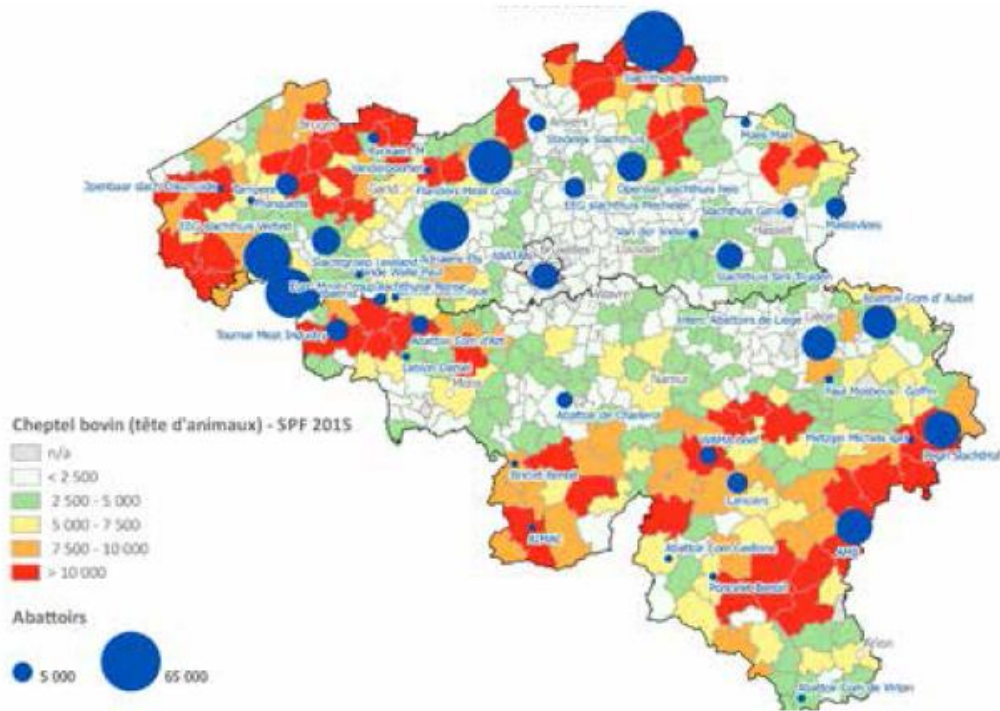
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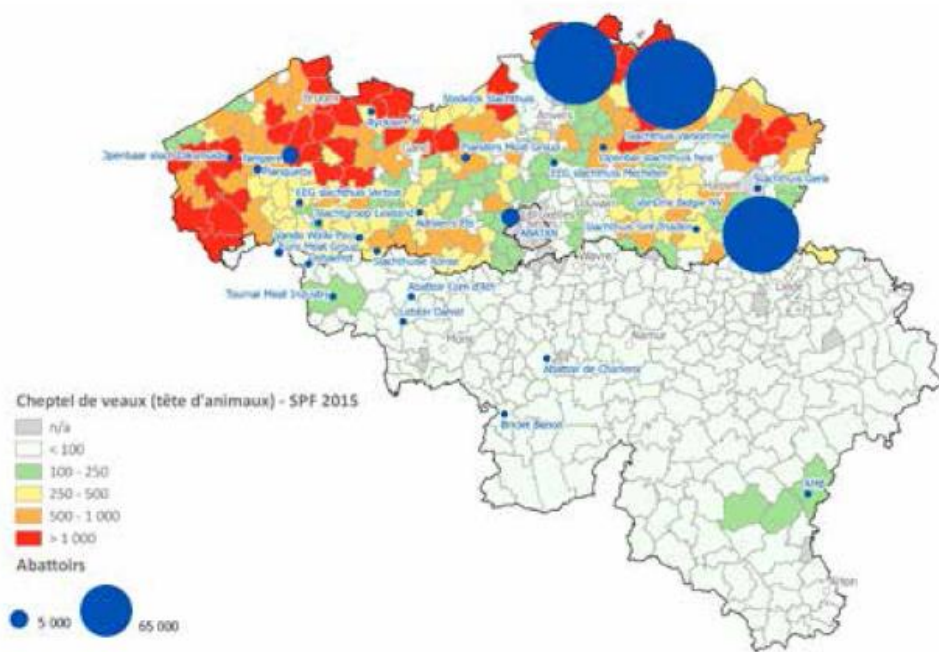






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## CATTLE AND VEAL SLAUGHTERINGS IN BELGIUM

In 2017 the number of cattle slaughterings rose to almost 550,000 animals. The calf slaughterings increased as well to 371,000.



## Production of beef

- Stable
- Around 300.000 veals and 500.000 bovines slaughtered every year



## CATTLE AND VEAL SLAUGHTERINGS IN BELGIUM

The beef production fell slightly in 2017 to 212,000 tonnes.

In 2017 the production of veal amounted to 60,000 tonnes and remains therefore stable compared to the previous year.



x 1,000 tonnes cw  
**PRODUCTION**



## Production of beef

- Stable
- Around 300.000 veals and 500.000 bovines slaughtered every year
- Correspond respectively to 50.000 and 200.000 tons meat/year

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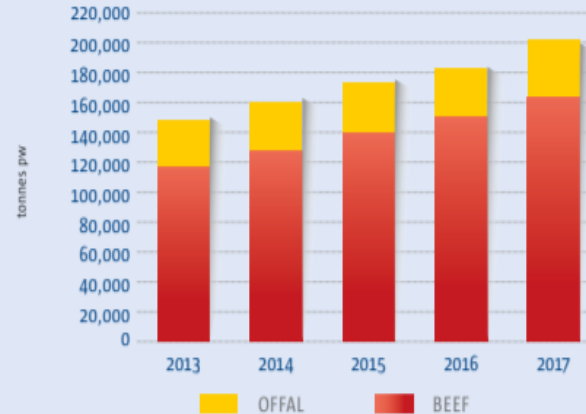
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### EXPORT OF BELGIAN BEEF

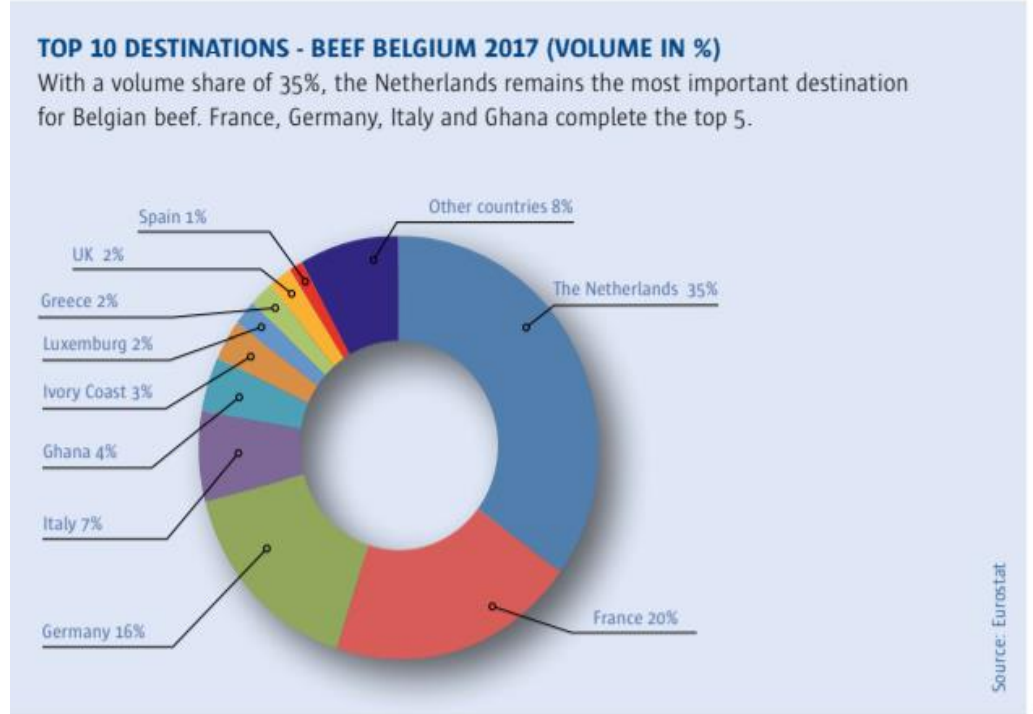
After a 5% rise in 2016, the Belgian beef export increased again in 2017 by 10% to almost 202,500 tonnes.



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Belgian beef is actually exported to more than 32 countries in the world.

<b>Destination</b>	<b>2017</b>	<b>% of total 2017</b>
<b>INTRA EU</b>	<b>180.696</b>	<b>89,0%</b>
<b>3rd COUNTRIES</b>	<b>22.415</b>	<b>11,0%</b>
<b>WORLD</b>	<b>203.111</b>	<b>100,0%</b>
NETHERLANDS	71.386	35,1%
FRANCE	39.589	19,5%
GERMANY	32.822	16,2%
ITALY	13.897	6,8%
UNITED KINGDOM	3.192	1,6%
LUXEMBOURG	3.587	1,8%
GREECE	3.327	1,6%
SPAIN	2.858	1,4%
PORTUGAL	2.192	1,1%
DENMARK	1.365	0,7%
CZECH REPUBLIC	964	0,5%
IRELAND	643	0,3%
SWEDEN	651	0,3%
ROMANIA	334	0,2%
AUSTRIA	609	0,3%



## Belgian Quality

- Varied range of breeds, of products and of companies.
- Dominance of the Belgian white blue. The absence of fat leads to a very high muscle mass (70% of the cows slaughtered are class S or E with regard to conformation. The greater majority of the animals are fattened to a warm carcass weight of 450 to 600 kg (for cows and bulls respectively) → High yield.
- Healthy meat.
- The production of beef is greatly specialized => less linked to the dairy industry.



## Useful Links

- FEBEV: <https://www.febev.be/en/home>
- FASFC: <http://www.fasfc.be/home-en/>
- AWEX: [Database of exporters](#)
- BMO: [Belgian meat figures 2018](#)

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**Thank you**