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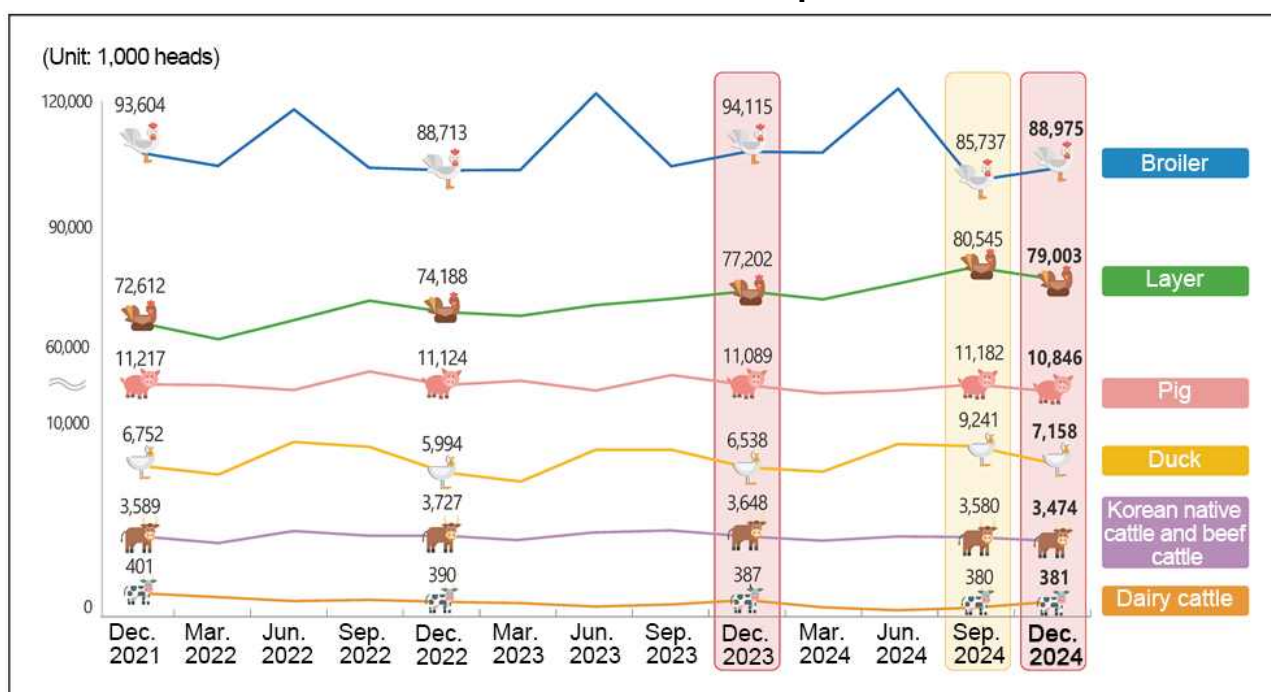
Livestock Statistics in the Fourth Quarter of 2024

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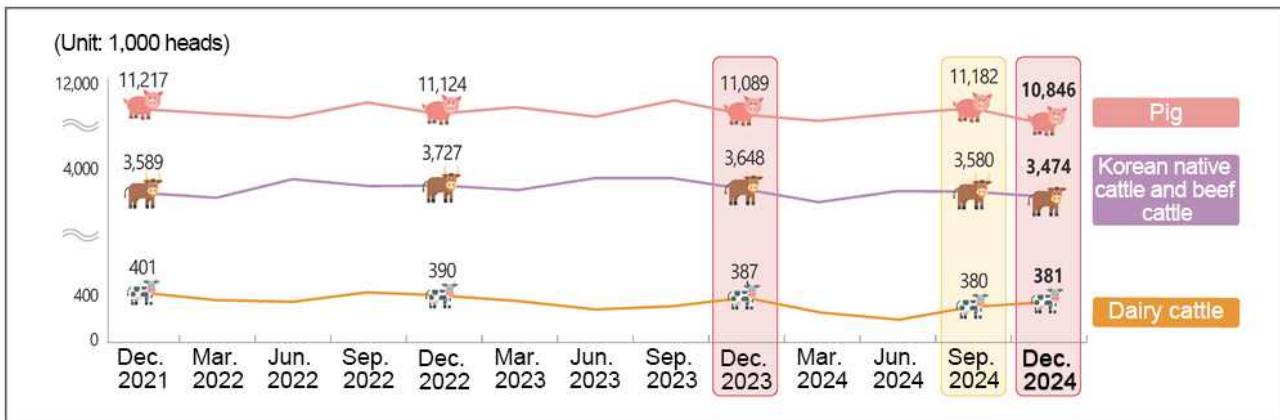
- In the fourth quarter of 2024, the number of layers and ducks recorded a year-on-year increase. Whereas, the number of 'Korean native cattle and beef cattle', dairy cattle, pigs and broilers recorded a year-on-year decrease.

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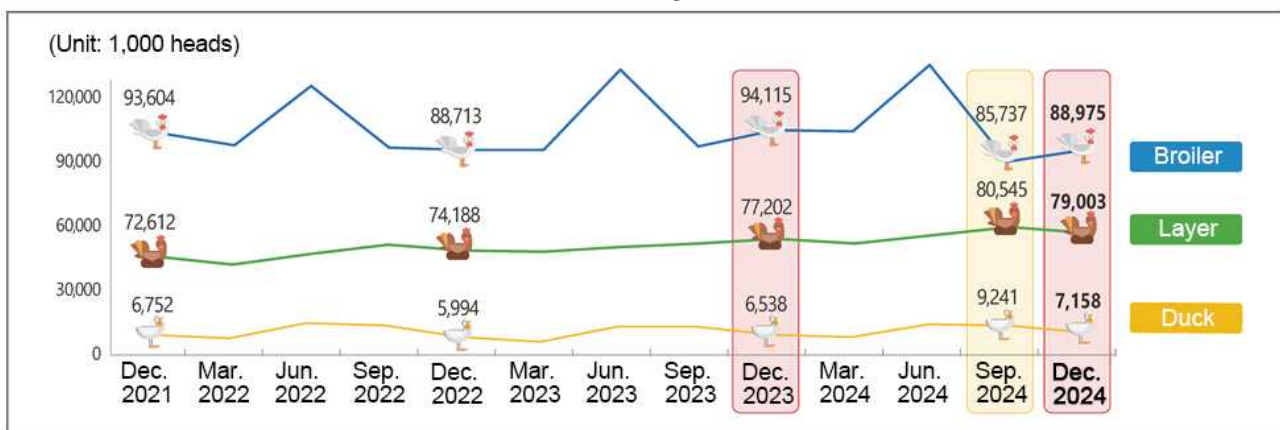
- The number of 'Korean native cattle and beef cattle' amounted to 3.474 million in the fourth quarter of 2024. This figure fell by 174 thousand (-4.8%) from the same quarter of the previous year and 106 thousand (-3.0%) from the previous quarter.
- The number of dairy cattle totaled 381 thousand in the fourth quarter of 2024. This figure dropped by 5.6 thousand (-1.4%) from the same quarter of the previous year, but grew by 1.2 thousand (0.3%) from the previous quarter.
- The number of pigs was 10.846 million in the fourth quarter of 2024. This figure fell by 243 thousand (-2.2%) from the same quarter of the previous year and 336 thousand (-3.0%) from the previous quarter.

< Trends in the number of 'Korean native cattle and beef cattle', dairy cattle and pigs >



- ☐ The number of layers amounted to 79.003 million in the fourth quarter of 2024. This figure rose by 1.801 million (2.3%) from the same quarter of the previous year, but fell by 1.541 million (-1.9%) from the previous quarter.
- ☐ The number of broilers totaled 88.975 million in the fourth quarter of 2024. This figure fell by 5.14 million (-5.5%) from the same quarter of the previous year, but rose by 3.238 million (3.8%) from the previous quarter.
- ☐ The number of ducks totaled 7.158 million in the fourth quarter of 2024. This figure grew by 619 thousand (9.5%) from the same quarter of the previous year, but dropped by 2.084 million (-22.5%) from the previous quarter.

< Trends in the number of layers, broilers and ducks >



(Unit: 1,000 heads, farm (household), %)

Classification		Dec. 2021	Dec. 2022	Dec. 2023	2024				Change (Percent change) ^{p)}	
					March	June	Sep.	Dec. ^{p)}	From the previous quarter	From the same quarter of the previous year
Cattle	Total	3,990	4,116	4,035	3,909	3,994	3,960	3,855	-105 (-2.7)	-180 (-4.5)
	- Korean native cattle and beef cattle	3,589	3,727	3,648	3,527	3,615	3,580	3,474	-106 (-3.0)	-174 (-4.8)
	- Korean native cattle	3,415	3,557	3,501	3,387	3,482	3,447	3,340	-107 (-3.1)	-161 (-4.6)
	- Fertile cows	1,640	1,702	1,700	1,650	1,643	1,662	1,649	-13 (-0.8)	-52 (-3.1)
	- Dairy cattle	401	390	387	382	378	380	381	1 (0.3)	-6 (-1.4)
	- Fertile dairy cattle	307	300	303	302	300	298	300	3 (0.8)	-3 (-1.0)
	Number of breeding farms	94,462	92,020	87,482	86,151	84,835	83,581	82,366	-1,215 (-1.5)	-5,116 (-5.8)
	- Korean native cattle and beef cattle	93,845	91,592	87,145	85,672	84,287	83,093	81,862	-1,231 (-1.5)	-5,283 (-6.1)
	- Korean native cattle	89,824	87,852	83,627	82,235	80,933	79,676	78,474	-1,202 (-1.5)	-5,153 (-6.2)
	- Dairy cattle	6,105	5,888	5,553	5,519	5,473	5,440	5,431	-9 (-0.2)	-122 (-2.2)
Pig	Total	11,217	11,124	11,089	10,994	11,061	11,182	10,846	-336 (-3.0)	-243 (-2.2)
	- Sows	1,023	995	993	996	1,004	978	974	-4 (-0.4)	-19 (-1.9)
	Number of breeding farms	5,942	5,695	5,634	5,698	5,667	5,560	5,513	-47 (-0.8)	-121 (-2.1)
Chicken	Total	177,194	173,136	182,127	180,237	201,506	176,860	178,474	1,614 (0.9)	-3,653 (-2.0)
	- Layers	72,612	74,188	77,202	76,033	78,225	80,545	79,003	-1,541 (-1.9)	1,801 (2.3)
	- Broilers	93,604	88,713	94,115	93,822	112,231	85,737	88,975	3,238 (3.8)	-5,140 (-5.5)
	- Breeding chickens	10,978	10,234	10,809	10,383	11,050	10,578	10,496	-82 (-0.8)	-313 (-2.9)
	Number of breeding households	2,842	2,694	2,815	2,795	3,110	2,727	2,687	-40 (-1.5)	-128 (-4.5)
Duck	Total	6,752	5,994	6,538	6,049	9,535	9,241	7,158	-2,084 (-22.5)	619 (9.5)
	- Parents stock	635	631	687	665	755	793	827	34 (4.2)	140 (20.4)
	- Commercial stock	6,117	5,363	5,852	5,384	8,781	8,448	6,331	-2,117 (-25.1)	479 (8.2)
	Number of breeding households	379	338	370	349	523	520	411	-109 (-21.0)	41 (11.1)

Note 1) Data on Korean native cattle & beef cattle and dairy cattle have been provided from the cattle traceability system.

2) Since 2017, the population of pigs has changed from the Census of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries to the pig traceability system. (Sows include sow candidates.)

3) A total of 42.4 Korean native cattle and beef cattle per farm, a total of 70.2 dairy cattle per farm, a total of 1,967 pigs per farm, a total of 66,421 chickens per household and a total of 17,415 ducks per household

4) p: preliminary data for cattle