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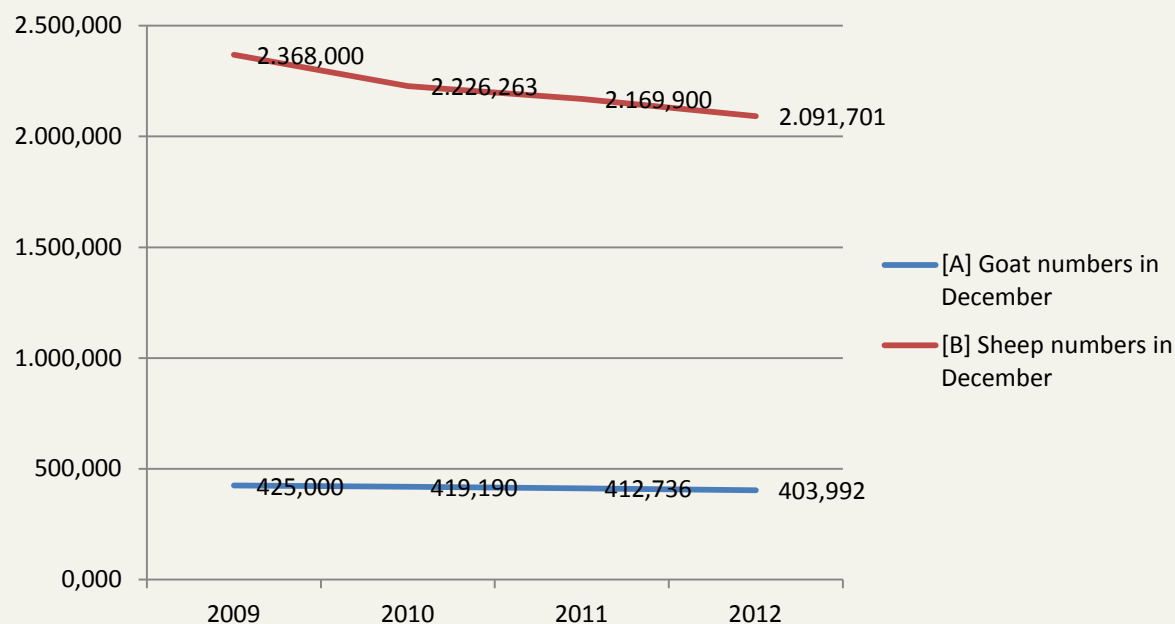
INTERNATIONAL SHEEPMET FORUM FOR PRODUCERS AND INDUSTRY

What does the future hold for sheepmeat producers and the industry worldwide?

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Total sheep and goat numbers in Portugal (1000 head)



Per capita anual consumption 2,4 kg

Self sufficiency rate 75%

Light carcass

Extensive production



Main problems

Aged producers: since 2008, only 3% of the total new young farmers settled in sheep sector

New bureaucratic demands, bringing additional costs and penalties to sheep producers and with no added value for them

Climatic uncertainty that makes difficult the production of forage in the farm and the feed market volatility

A possible solution

Climate changes and the market volatility lead to the need to improve the farms autonomy in forage especially by the (re) introduction of plant proteins in order to lead to self-sufficiency in vegetable protein at competitive prices



In Portugal, National Institute for Agrarian and Veterinarian Research (INIAV, I.P.) is leading the establishment of an operational group, involving research, producers organizations (some members of CONFAGRI) and industry



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Production



Involving groups of farmers

Production and concentration of production and promotion of marketing of raw materials obtained



Food industry and feed compounds

- Involving all aspects of processing
- Create a logistics Import substitution grain legumes to feed



Research

- Provide answers in terms of new varieties with enhanced efficiency for the use of natural resources and respect the environment
- Find new technical itineraries tailored to meet both production and industry



Main Objectives (related to the sheep sector)

- Improve agronomic value of pulses in Portuguese agricultural systems
- How to improve the supply level of these materials:

FEED

- **GRAIN** - animal production
- **PROTEIN RICH FORAGES** – ruminants
- Promote the use of mixtures of cereals with legumes



VARIETIES INCLUDED IN THE NATIONAL CATALOG OF VARIETIES

FEED

DRY PEA: Grisel, Pixel

FABA BEAN: Favel

CHICKPEA: Elite, Elmo

MEDICS: Atalaia, Lentisca, Revilheira

TRIFOLIUM sp.: Davel, Romel

GRASSPEA: Grão da Gramicha, Grão da Comenda

VICIAS sp: Gil Vaz, Piedade, Amoreiras, Casal, Lage e Barril

LUPINUS sp: Cardiga, Estoril



- Low Self Sufficiency for Vegetable Protein
- Environmental advantages
- Economic advantages



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