TREND IN MEAT PRODUCTION IN REGISTERED SLAUGHTER HOUSES OF TAMIL NADU

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This study analyses the trend in meat production of different species in registered slaughter houses of Tamil Nadu. The analysis was done by conventional analysis (in the form of average and percentage proportion) and ACGR. The secondary data for the study were enumerated for the period from 1980-81 to 2013-14 from various secondary sources. The collected data were partitioned into two phases, viz., first phase (1980-81 to 1999-2000) and second phase (2000-01 to 2013-14). The analysis by ACGR showed a high growth rate in cara beef (7.07 per cent) followed by beef and pork while mutton retained a sustained growth rate and chevon showed a negative trend. The second phase indicated a higher growth rate in beef (6.21 per cent) followed by mutton and chevon. The overall analytical study revealed that beef had higher growth rate followed by carabeef, mutton, chevon and pork. The results of the conventional analysis revealed that mutton shared a higher proportion (36.68 per cent) in meat production followed by chevon, beef and other species in the first phase. The second phase also revealed a similar proportion where mutton takes higher proportion (29.54 per cent) followed by beef, chevon and other species. The overall proportion analysis revealed that mutton retained the highest average proportion (33.56 per cent) of meat production in registered slaughter houses of Tamil Nadu followed by chevon, beef, cara beef and pork.