

Fodder area efficiency in farms undertaking beef production

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Affluence in arable land is a crucial element in the cattle production in farm. The arable land plays a role of factor limiting farm production capacities. In the paper, the possibility of the potential development of farms undertaking beef production after resignation with dairy production was examined. In the present studies, the studies covered 79 farms from Lublin Region which were classified in 5 groups. It was found that the principal limitation of beef production included the size of fodder area, including permanent grassland. The basic herd size was dependent on the amount of roughages present on a farm. The beef cattle production in the smallest farms (up to 10 cows) was based on the own calves, supplemented by the animals coming from purchase.