



## Livestock & Meat Advisory Council

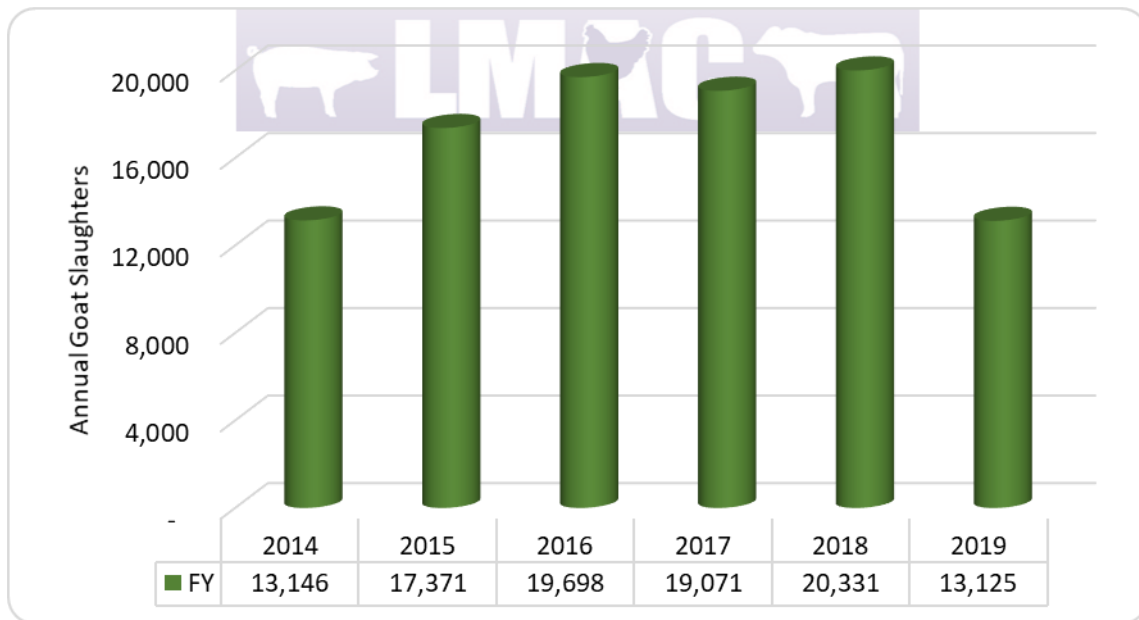
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### Market Watch 2019

#### Goat Sector

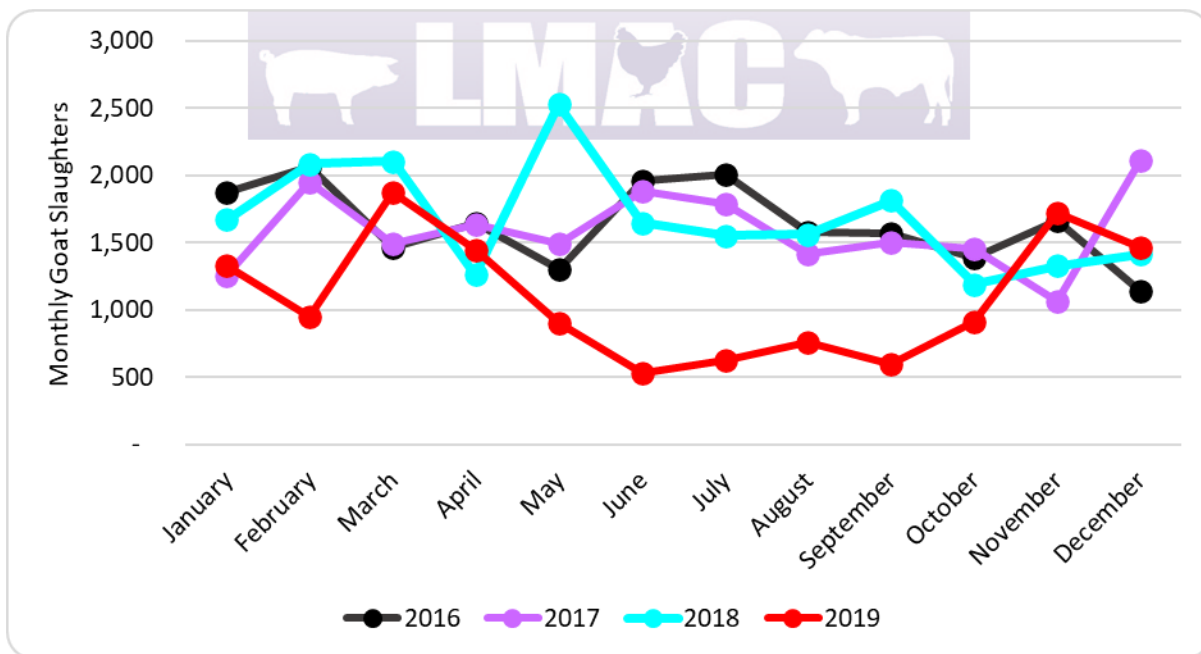
Total goat slaughters at abattoirs monitored by the Department of Crop and Livestock for 2019 was 9,022 head, a decrease of 35, 31 and 33% over 2018, 2017 and 2016, respectively.

Average monthly slaughters in 2019 was 1,094 head compared with 1,694 head per month in 2018.

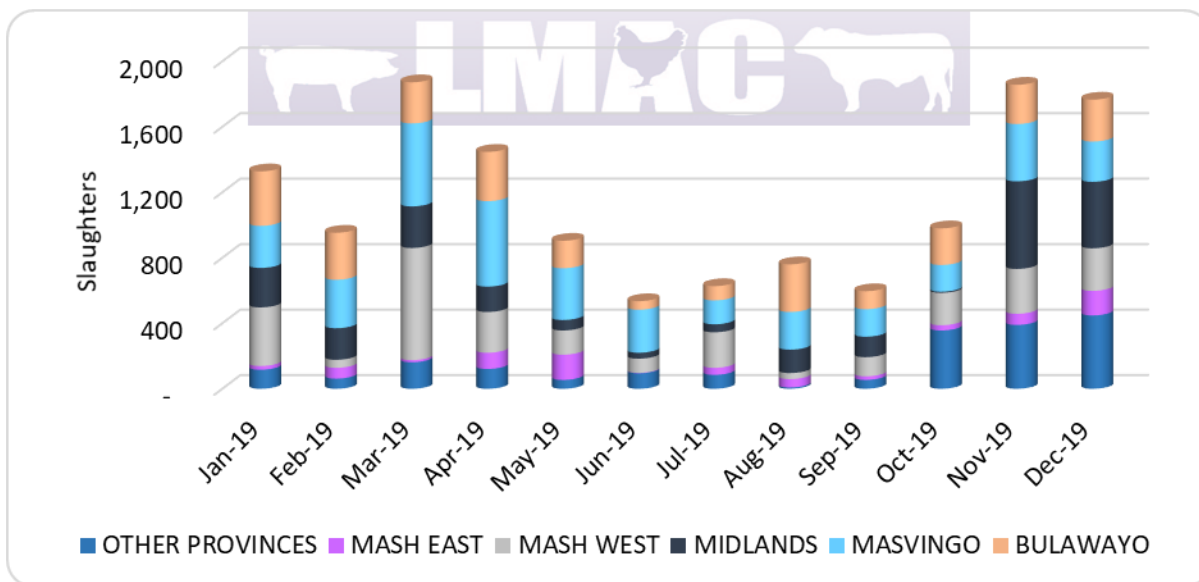


**Annual Goat Slaughters, 2014 – 2019**

The lowest and highest numbers of goat slaughters of 535 and 1,872 head were recorded in June and March, respectively.



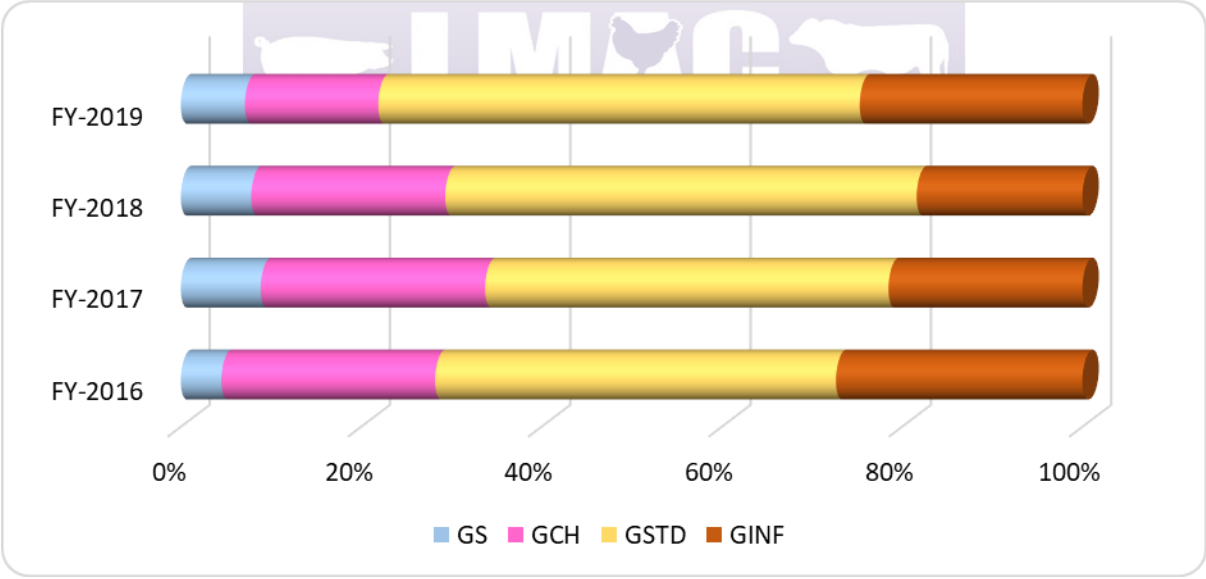
**Monthly National Goat Slaughters, 2016-2019**



**Monthly National Slaughters by Province, 2019**

The graph below illustrates the breakdown in meat quality of goats slaughtered through the formal abattoir system. In 2019, Goat Super grade accounted for 7% of total slaughters, a decline of 1% on 2018 although there has been a general growth from 3% to 7% since 2016.

This trend can be contrasted with the decrease in Goat Inferior as a percentage of total goat meat slaughtered. In 2016, slaughters comprised of 27% of Goat Inferior, declining in 2017 and 2018 and increasing to 25% in 2019.



**Proportionate Goat Slaughters by Grade, 2016 – 2019**

*(GS = Goat Super; GCH = Goat Choice; GSTD = Goat Standard; GINF = Goat Inferior)*