



## Analysis of pig carcasses in Oltenia

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The quality of the 138 analyzed carcasses has varied from 35% to 60% CM, with a caloric mean of 51% CM. this variation of the muscular mass does not comply with EU market. The average quality of EU carcasses is over 56% CM. The average quality difference of autochthonous pig carcasses, compared to EU standards, is a least 4% CM and corresponds to a value of 12-15 euro /carcass. This can be determining for profit or loss in production, starting from the premise that the manufacturer receives this sum at sale. The average mass of slaughtered carcasses according to EU standards, was 74 kg, with a variation between 55 and 120 kg [Zaneci, N. and co., 2002].