HORSE INDUSTRY IN LITHUANIA

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AIM
• To review horse industry situation in Lithuania over last years.

METHODS
• Literature review;
• Secondary data analyses;
• Interpretative analyses.
Data on livestock population in 2017

- Cattle: 41%
- Swine: 39%
- Rabbits: 8%
- Goats: 1%
- Sheep: 10%
- Horses: 1%
## Horse industry situation

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<th>Activity indicators</th>
<th>2010</th>
<th>2017</th>
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<td>Number of equines in the country</td>
<td>28754</td>
<td>16324</td>
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<td>Number of equines per 1000 human</td>
<td>9,2</td>
<td>5,7</td>
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<td>Number of broodmares</td>
<td>12891</td>
<td>7681</td>
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<td>Number of breeders</td>
<td>19108</td>
<td>8117</td>
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<td>Number of slaughtered horses</td>
<td>2250</td>
<td>637</td>
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<td>Number of riding schools</td>
<td>42</td>
<td>105</td>
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Horse population changes

Number of horses, thous.

Year

General management of horses

LUHS ANIMAL SCIENCE INSTITUTE AND VETERINARY ACADEMY

MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE

STATE ANIMAL BREEDING SUPERVISION SERVICE OF MAL

CENTER OF AGRICULTURE INFORMATION AND RURAL BUSINESS DATA BASE

DEPARTMENT OF SPORT AT LITHUANIAN GOVERNMENT

BREEDING ASSOCIATIONS

NATIONAL BREEDING STUD

HORSE SPORT ORGANISATIONS

BREEDERS

EQUINE CRYOPRESERVATION AND ARTIFICIAL INSEMINATION LABORATORY
Breeding horses

2010

- Number of breeding horses: 90%
- Number of other horses: 10%

2017

- Number of breeding horses: 54%
- Number of other horses: 46%
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Breeds of horses

- Standardbred; 156
- Arab; 123
- Baltic Hanover; 651
- Thoroughbred Saddle; 71
- Lithuanian Saddle; 1400
- Orlov Trotter; 7
- French Trotter; 159
- Russian Trotter; 105
- Large - Type Žemaitukas; 632
- Lithuania Heavy Draught; 1577
- Žemaitukas; 709
- Trakehner; 1014
Lithuanian Horse Breeders Association

Established in 1993

Studbooks: Arab (till 2007), Lithuanian Riding horse, Large-Type Zemaitukai (till 2003), Lithuanian Heavy Draught Horse (till 2003)

WBFSH
Lithuanian Trakehner Breeders Association

Established in 1993 (2000)
Trakehner Horse Studbook
Trakehner Verband
Žemaitukai Horse Breeders Association

Established in 1997

Žemaitukai Horse Sudbook (2001)
Lithuanian Draught Horse Breeders Association


Lithuanian Heavy Draught Horse Studbook, Large - Type Zemaitukai horse Studbook
Republic Racing Horses League

Established in 1999

Trotter Horse
Baltic Hanover Horse Breeders Association

Established in 2000
Baltic Hanover Horse Studbook
Lithuanian Trotters Sport Association

Established in 2006

Orlov Horse Studbook, French Trotter horse Studbook
National Racing Horse Club

Established in 2007
Lithuanian Thoroughbred Horse Studbook
Arab Horse Breeders Association

Established in 2007
Lithuanian Arab Horse Studbook
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Export of horses

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<th>Countries</th>
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<td>ITALY</td>
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<td>1000</td>
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<td>POLAND</td>
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<td>300</td>
<td>900</td>
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Hippodromes locations in 2007
Conclusions

• Horse-related information is currently either or distributed across different sectors.
• Horse population is consistently decreasing, while horse export is stable.
• Horse activities is growing.
2010 – Journey of the Žemaitukas along the roads of Vytautas Magnus to the Black see
Over 38 daus, 9 riders and horses traversed a distance of 2000 km.