

Animal species/ category	DM intake (% of body weight)*	Water-to-DM intake ratio (L kg <sup>-1</sup> )	Possibly influencing factors
Cattle			
Dairy cow	2–4	3–5	Milk yield, temperature
Beef cattle, heifer	2	3	
Sheep			
Ewe	2–3	3–4	Milk yield, temperature
Fattening lamb	4	2–2.5	
Goat (milk)	2.5–6	3.5–4	Milk yield, temperature
Horses	2–3.	2–4	
Work	5	> 5	Work, sweat, temperature
Pigs			
Sow	2–3	3–4	Milk yield, temperature
Fattening pigs	3–5	3 (2–4)	
Laying hen	5–8	2–5	Temperature
Chicken for fattening	7–13.5	2–5	Temperature
Turkey for fattening	3–10	2–5	Temperature
Duck (Peking)	7–12.5	3.5–5	Temperature

\* High values for high yields and young animals.