Commentary

The number of cattle as at 30 June 2020 decreased by 15.8 thous. head (-1.1%), y-o-y, of which the number of cows went down by 11.3 thous. head (-1.9%) and the number of dairy cows by 7.1 thous. head (-2.0%). Compared with the situation as at 31 December 2019, the number of cattle increased by 2.2%, of which the number of other cows rose by 2.2% and the number of dairy cows decreased by 0.9%.

The milk production in the 1st half-year reached the level of 1 609.1 mil. litres (4.1%, y-o-y). The average dairy milk yield amounted to 24.7 l; it went up by 5.4%. There were 56.2 calves born (+0.3%, y-o-y) and 52.5 calves reared per 100 cows. Losses of calves less than 3 months old related to the total number of calves were 6.5% (no change). The marketability of milk was 97.1%. The production of cattle for slaughter grew by 2.1 thousand tonnes in live weight (+2.6%, y-o-y).