***Commentary***

*The number of cattle as at 30 June 2022 increased by 41.5 thousand head, year-on-year (+2.9%), of which the number of other cows increased by 7.2 thous. head (+3.3%) and the number of dairy cows decreased by 2.8 thous. head (-0.8%). Compared with the number as at 31 December 2021, the number of cattle increased by 7.0%, of which it rose by 6.5% for other cows and decreased by 1.2% for dairy cows.*

*The milk production reached the level of 1 632.3 mil. litres in the 1st half-year (+1.2%, y-o-y). The average daily milk yield accounting for 25.11 l rose by 1.5%. On average 57.4 calves were born per 100 cows (+0.6%, y-o-y) and 53.7 calves were reared. The losses of calves less than 3 months old by death related to the total number of calves were 6.3% (-0.5 percentage points, y-o-y). The milk marketability was 97.2%. The production of cattle for slaughter went up by 5.7 thous. tonnes in live weight (+7.6%, y-o-y).*