## Commentary

According to the Livestock Survey as at 1 April 2017 the numbers of cattle, goats, horses and poultry grew up, y-o-y, while numbers of sheep, and pigs went down.

Number of cattle increased by 5.6 thousand head, y-o-y (+0.4%). Number of cows increased by 2.2 thousand head (+0.4 %) and number of other cows grew up by 2.3% to 216.1 thousand head.

Number of pigs decreased by 119.2 thousand head (-7.4%) in comparison with the situation as at 1 April 2016, of which number of sows by 6.0 thousand head (-6.2%).

Number of poultry grew up by 180.4 thousand head (0.8%), of which numbers of hens grew up by 719.5 thousand head (11.8%).

There was a y-o-y decrease in sheep numbers by 1.4 thousand head, i.e. by 0.6%.

Numbers of horses grew up by 7.5%, y-o-y, i.e. to 34.5 thousand head.

Tables show detailed data on livestock broken down by species, category and region.