***Comment***

*Number of cattle as at 30 June 2018 increased by 14.1 thousand heads (+1.0%) y-o-y, of which number of other cows increased by 3.8 thousand heads (+1.8%) and number of dairy cows decreased by 3.3 thousand heads(-0.9%). Compared with the number as at 31 December 2017 the number of cattle increased by 5.0%, of which other cows rose by 6.0% and number of dairy cows went down by 1.2%.*

*Milk production reached the level of 1 555 mil. litres in the 1st half-year (+ 4.0%) y-o-y. Average daily milk yield 23.73l rose by 4.6%. 56.6 calves were born per 100 cows (+0.6%) y-o-y and 52.5 calves were reared. Losses of claves less than 3 months old related to the total number of calves were 7.3% (+0.3 % points). Marketability of milk was 96.8%. Production of cattle for slaughter grew up by 0.5 thousand tonnes in live weight (+0.7%) y-o-y.*