

## **Comment**

*Number of cattle as at 30 June 2012 decreased by 28.1 thousand heads (-2.0%) y-o-y, of which number of suckler cows decreased by 5.6 thousand heads (-3.0%) and number of dairy cows decreased by 4.2 thousand heads (-1.1%). Compared with the number as at 30 December 2010 the number of cattle increased by 0.9%, of which suckler cows by -1.7% and number of dairy cows by -0.6%.*

*Milk production reached the level of 1 384 mil. litres in the 1st half-year (+4.9%) y-o-y. Average daily milk yield 20.52 l rose by 5.2%. 54.3 calves were born per 100 cows (+0.6%) y-o-y and 50.4 calves were weaned. Losses of calves less than 3 months old related to the total number of calves were 7.2% (+0.5% points). Marketability of milk was 95.9%. Sale of cattle for slaughter went up by 2.1 thousand tonnes in live weight (+2.8%) y-o-y.*