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Number of cattle as at 31 December 2009 went down by 2 thousand heads (-0.2%) y-o-y, of which number of suckler cows went up by 18 thousand heads (+11.8%) and number of dairy cows decreased by 16 thousand heads (-4.0%). Compared with the beginning of 2nd half-year 2009 the number of cattle decreased by 4.8%, of which suckler by 2.6% and number of dairy cows went down by 4.4%.

Milk production amounted to 2 708 mil. litres in 2009 (-0.7%) y-o-y. Average daily milk yield 18.82 l rose by 1.7%. 96.5 calves born per 100 cows (+2.1%) y-o-y and 88.3 calves were weaned (+2.5%) y-o-y. 8.4% of calves less than 3 month out of total calves born were lost by death (-0.3 percentage point). Marketability of milk was 95.5%. Sale of cattle for slaughter went down by 1.7 thousand tonnes in live weight (-1.0%) y-o-y.