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Number of cattle as at 30 June 2008 went up by 11 thousand heads (+0.8 %) y-o-y, of which number of suckler cows by 8 thousand heads (+5.2%) and number of dairy cows decreased by 7 thousand heads (-1.8%). Compared with the beginning of 2008 the number of cattle increased by 3.5%, of which suckler by 5.7%, whereas number of dairy cows decreased by 0.8 %.

Milk production reached the level of 1 369 mil. litres in the 1st half-year (+1.6 %) y-o-y. Average daily milk yield 18.59 l rose by 2.8%. 51.6 calves born per 100 cows (+0.2%) y-o-y and 47.2 calves were weaned (-0.2%) y-o-y. 8.5% of calves less than 3 month out of total calves born were lost by death (+0.4 percentage point). Marketability of milk was 95.0%. Sale of cattle for slaughter went up by 4 thousand tonnes in live weight (+5.7%) y-o-y.