The Livestock Marketed Composite Index stood at 82.3 basis points in July 2019 compared to 89.4 and 115.0 basis points registered in June 2019 and July 2018 respectively. This represents declines of 8.0 percent m/m and 28.5 percent y/y.

In absolute terms, the number of livestock marketed recorded in July 2019 was 105,914 compared to 126,002 recorded during the preceding month.

The Index for ‘Cattle Export Abattoirs and Butchers’ stood at 9.1 basis points in July 2019 compared to 14.4 and 75.2 basis points registered in June 2019 and July 2018 respectively. This represents declines of 37.1 percent m/m and 88.0 percent y/y.

The y/y decline was attributed to low stock capacity at feedlots due to high weaned prices that prevailed at auctions during 2019.

The number of cattle marketed to abattoirs was 1,096 in July 2019 compared to 1,743 recorded in the previous month.
The Index for ‘Cattle Live Exported on Hoof’ stood at 173.6 basis points in July 2019 compared to 173.7 and 168.9 basis points recorded for June 2019 and July 2018 respectively. This represents a decline of 0.1 percent m/m and an increase of 2.8 percent y/y.

The number of live cattle exported on hoof was 28,117 in July 2019 compared to 28,133 recorded month earlier.

The Index for Small Stock Exported from Abattoirs and Butchers for July 2019 was estimated as 20.4 basis points compared to 25.0 and 44.0 basis points recorded in June 2019 and July 2018. These are declines of 18.3 percent m/m and of 53.5 percent y/y.

The decline on Small stock export from Abattoir and butchers was attributed to the declines in the prices of producers during the month under review.

The number of small stock marketed to abattoirs and butchers in July 2019 was 15,402 compared to 18,858 recorded for the preceding month.
The Index for **Live Small Stock Exported to South Africa & Angola** stood at 187.1 basis points in July 2019 compared to 240.7 and 254.7 basis points recorded during the previous month and July 2018 respectively. These are declines of 22.3 percent m/m and 26.5 percent y/y.

The number of live small stock exported to South Africa & Angola declined to 57 139 in July 2019 compared to 73 512 recorded in June 2019.

The Index for **Pigs** stood at 139.5 basis points in July 2019 compared to 126.0 and 134.9 basis points recorded in June 2019 and July 2018. This represents increases of 10.8 percent m/m and 3.4 percent y/y.

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Methodology

Data Sources: The data are obtained from the Meat Board of Namibia and the Agricultural Union of Namibia

Base year: Livestock sectoral report is harmonised with the Quarterly and annual national accounts base year 2010.

Calculations of index: The index is calculated based on the 2010 base year volumes and 2010 weights. The index is a magnitude of the volume changes over time, with reference to the volume of the base year 2010. Index is calculated as a ratio of a volume of a specific component in a specific month to the total volume of that component in 2010.