

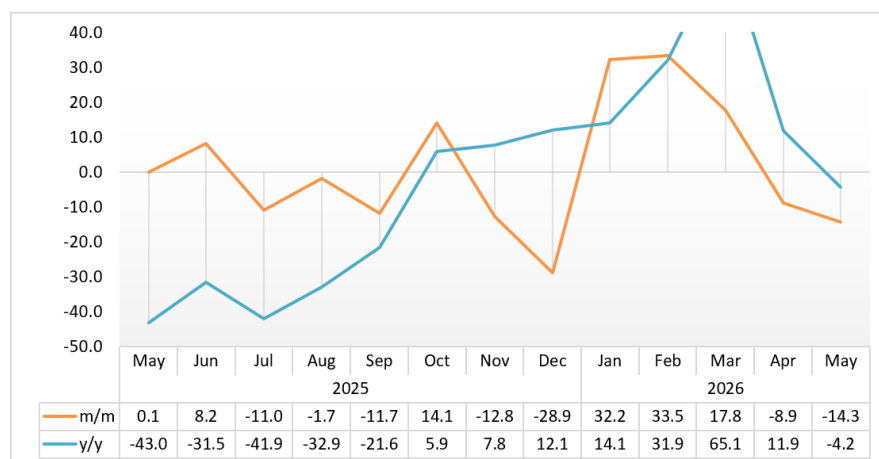


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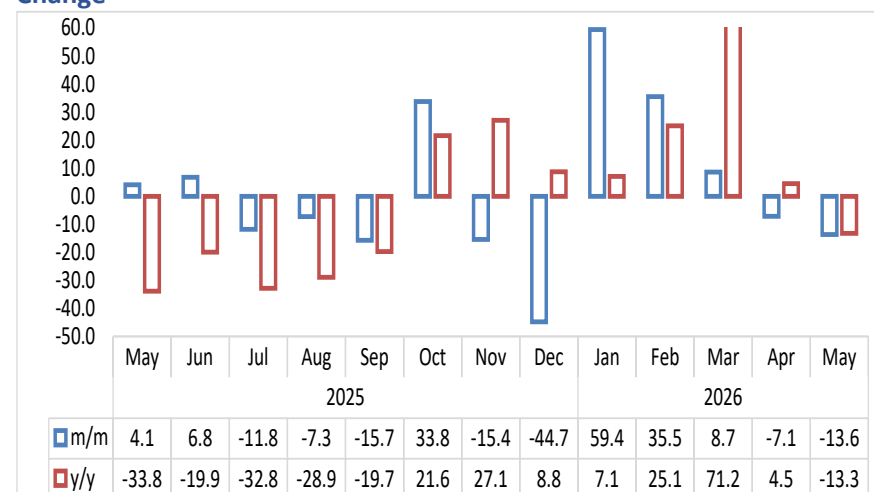


Chart 1: Livestock Marketed Composite Index, Percentage Change¹



- In May 2026, the **Livestock Marketed Composite Index** declined further by 14.3 percent on a month-on-month basis, following an 8.9 percent decrease recorded in April 2026. On a year-on-year basis, the index contracted by 4.2 percent (Chart 1).
- In absolute terms, 100 914 animals were marketed in May 2026, down from 103 143 animals marketed in the previous month, but higher than the 89 434 animals marketed in the corresponding month of 2025.

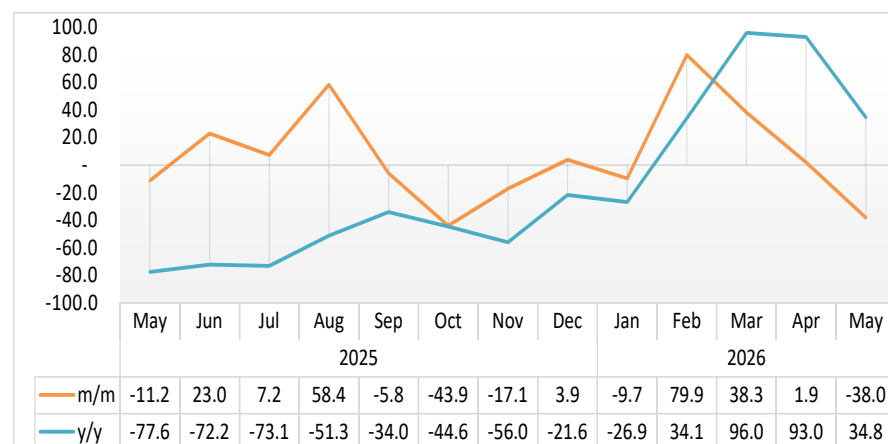
Chart 2: Cattle Export Approved Abattoirs and Butchers Index, Percentage Change



- The **Cattle Export to Approved Abattoirs and Butchers Index** recorded a 13.6 percent decline in May 2026, following a 7.1 percent decrease in April 2026. On a year-on-year basis, the index also fell by 13.3 percent (Chart 2).
- During the period under review, 12 685 cattle were marketed to export-approved abattoirs and butchers, compared to 14 686 cattle in April 2026 and 14 623 cattle registered in May 2025, reflecting declines on both a monthly and annual basis.

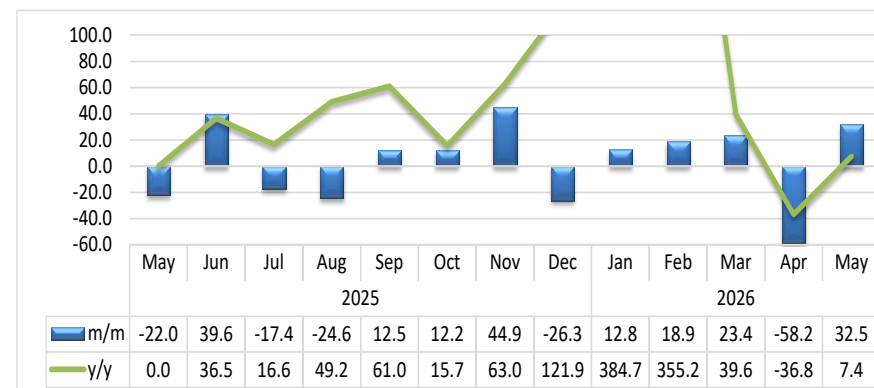
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Chart 3: Live Cattle Exported on Hoof Index, Percentage Change



- The **Index for Live Cattle Exported on Hoof** declined by 38.0 percent in May 2026, reversing the 1.9 percent increase recorded in April 2026. On a year-on-year basis, however, the index increased by 34.8 percent (Chart 3).
- In absolute terms, 5 280 live cattle were exported on hoof in May 2026, down from 8 521 cattle exported in April 2026, but higher than the 3 918 cattle exported during the same month in 2025.

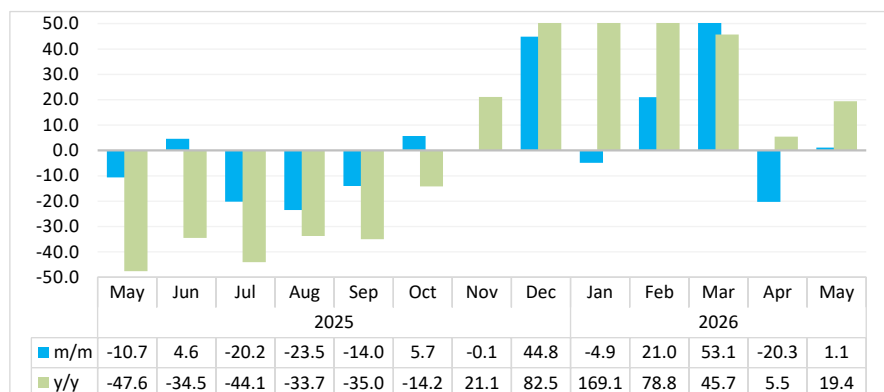
Chart 4: Small Stock Export Approved Abattoirs and Butchers Index, Percentage Change²



- The **Small Stock Export to Approved Abattoirs and Butchers Index** increased by 32.5 percent in May 2026, reversing the 58.2 percent decline recorded in April 2026. On a year-on-year basis, the index also rose by 7.4 percent (Chart 4).
- In absolute terms, 9 699 small stock animals were marketed to export-approved abattoirs and butchers in May 2026. All 9 699 animals originated from south of the Veterinary Cordon Fence (S-VCF), while no animals were sourced from north of the Veterinary Cordon Fence (N-VCF).

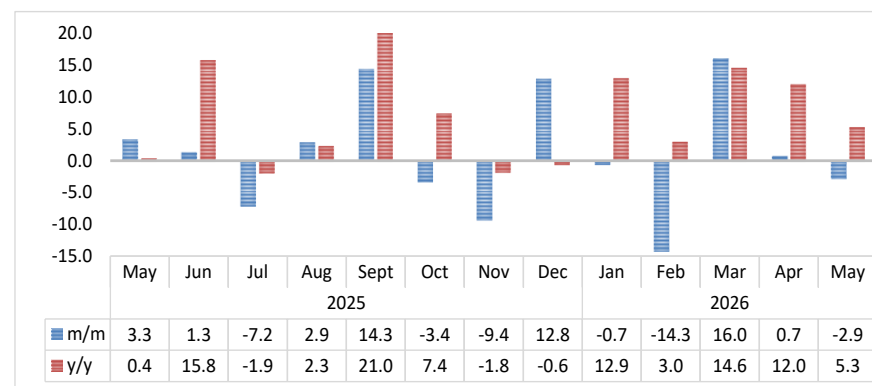
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Chart 5: Live Small Stock Export, Percentage Change³



- The **Live Small Stock Exports Index** rose by 1.1 percent in May 2026, following a 20.3 percent decline recorded in the previous month. On a year-on-year basis, the index also grew by 19.4 percent (Chart 5).
- In absolute terms, 68 599 live small stock animals were exported in May 2026, of which 89.2 percent were sheep and 10.8 percent were goats. This was an increase from the 67 826 animals exported in April 2026 and was also significantly higher than the 57 448 animals exported during the corresponding month in 2025.

Chart 6: Pigs Slaughtered Index, Percentage Change



- The **Pigs Slaughtered Index** declined by 2.9 percent in May 2026, following a marginal 0.7 percent increase recorded a month earlier. On a year-on-year basis, however, the index rose by 5.3 percent (Chart 6).
- During the month under review, 4 651 pigs were slaughtered locally, slightly lower than the 4 789 pigs slaughtered in April 2026, but higher than the 4 416 pigs slaughtered during the corresponding month in 2025.

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Table 1: Number of livestock Marketed ('000)

Year	Month	Cattle export abattoirs & butchers	Cattle live exported South Africa & Angola	Small stock Export abattoirs and butchers	Total live small stock exported South Africa and Angola	Pigs slaughtered	Total Livestock Marketed
2021	Jan	4	7	9	7	3	30
	Feb	5	8	11	21	4	49
	Mar	8	11	12	42	4	77
	Apr	8	10	14	41	4	77
	May	8	10	10	54	4	86
	Jun	9	12	11	52	4	88
	Jul	10	14	10	33	4	72
	Aug	9	15	10	25	4	63
	Sep	7	15	10	21	4	57
	Oct	8	13	5	27	4	56
	Nov	6	13	7	29	4	58
	Dec	5	10	5	39	4	62
2022	Jan	8	8	7	20	4	46
	Feb	8	10	7	32	3	61
	Mar	8	11	10	58	4	91
	Apr	12	10	29	66	4	121
	May	10	14	12	73	4	113
	Jun	12	14	16	75	4	121
	Jul	10	16	13	58	3	99
	Aug	8	10	12	34	5	70
	Sep	9	10	12	30	4	64
	Oct	9	16	12	32	4	72
	Nov	9	13	14	40	4	80
	Dec	9	8	19	43	4	83
2023	Jan	8	10	11	21	4	54
	Feb	8	8	16	40	4	75
	Mar	12	12	25	77	4	131
	Apr	12	13	20	89	4	138
	May	15	11	21	80	4	132
	Jun	20	12	19	87	4	142
	Jul	14	16	18	81	4	132
	Aug	15	22	13	65	4	119
	Sep	14	14	11	51	4	94
	Oct	9	10	14	53	4	90
	Nov	11	16	15	55	4	101
	Dec	6	7	15	47	4	78

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2024	Jan	9	14	9	33	4	69
	Feb	9	22	11	56	4	101
	Mar	14	21	12	88	4	141
	Apr	29	17	15	93	4	158
	May	22	17	9	110	4	163
	Jun	20	17	9	92	4	142
	Jul	20	19	9	86	4	139
	Aug	18	17	5	55	4	100
	Sep	13	12	5	49	4	83
	Oct	12	8	9	39	4	71
	Nov	10	8	9	28	4	58
	Dec	6	5	5	26	5	47
2025	Jan	10	5	2	17	4	38
	Feb	12	5	3	31	4	54
	Mar	9	4	13	58	4	89
	Apr	14	4	12	64	4	99
	May	15	4	9	57	4	89
	Jun	16	5	13	60	4	98
	Jul	14	5	10	48	4	81
	Aug	13	8	8	37	4	70
	Sept	11	8	9	32	5	64
	Oct	14	4	10	33	5	67
	Nov	12	4	14	33	4	68
	Dec	7	4	11	48	5	74
2026	Jan	11	3	12	46	5	77
	Feb	15	6	14	56	4	94
	Mar	16	8	18	85	5	132
	Apr	15	9	7	68	5	103
	May	13	5	10	69	5	101

Table 2: Indices of Livestock Marketed

Year	Month	Cattle export abattoirs & butchers	Cattle Live export on hoof	Small stock Export abattoirs and butchers	Total live small stock exported South Africa and Angola	Pigs slaughtered	Composite Index
2021	Jan	43.2	32.0	20.4	14.7	105.5	36.8
	Feb	54.3	36.2	25.5	44.6	116.5	46.4
	Mar	78.6	52.1	27.3	87.5	132.6	67.2
	Apr	84.0	45.7	32.5	84.5	116.9	66.8
	May	80.7	47.9	23.6	112.9	114.9	67.9
	Jun	92.2	56.5	26.0	108.3	112.5	75.7
	Jul	105.2	65.7	23.2	69.4	120.1	81.4
	Aug	95.4	68.9	22.8	52.1	122.2	77.0
	Sep	75.3	70.2	22.0	43.5	121.1	67.9
	Oct	79.6	59.7	11.3	57.0	113.2	65.9
	Nov	59.6	61.4	15.4	60.0	119.1	58.7
	Dec	48.5	44.6	10.5	81.0	135.6	49.7
2022	Jan	78.2	38.9	15.4	40.9	115.0	56.6
	Feb	81.3	47.0	16.8	67.2	110.1	63.2
	Mar	83.8	49.9	23.7	121.4	123.6	71.0
	Apr	124.6	47.3	67.0	136.6	128.4	92.4
	May	101.2	65.1	28.3	151.4	129.7	87.3
	Jun	118.0	67.0	35.9	156.2	122.5	96.0
	Jul	96.6	73.1	30.3	120.3	102.9	84.9
	Aug	79.1	48.6	28.3	71.8	146.2	65.3
	Sep	86.0	46.0	28.4	62.0	117.8	65.5
	Oct	86.7	73.4	27.1	67.4	122.5	76.6
	Nov	94.2	60.5	32.2	82.9	139.4	77.3
	Dec	89.0	37.6	43.6	90.3	119.2	67.4
2023	Jan	76.3	46.1	25.9	44.3	120.9	59.8
	Feb	80.5	39.1	35.5	83.0	117.4	62.9
	Mar	124.9	58.4	56.6	161.1	116.1	97.6
	Apr	119.6	61.5	46.5	185.4	116.5	97.8
	May	149.5	52.4	49.1	167.5	135.0	106.5
	Jun	196.6	58.5	44.4	181.7	116.2	129.3
	Jul	143.0	73.0	41.0	168.4	120.5	110.4
	Aug	147.8	104.1	30.5	134.6	117.5	120.2
	Sep	143.8	65.2	26.3	105.6	113.8	101.0
	Oct	94.0	47.0	33.0	109.6	126.9	74.1
	Nov	106.8	74.5	34.3	115.4	123.0	90.4
	Dec	58.6	31.7	33.6	97.3	125.1	52.1

Table 2: Indices of Livestock Marketed continued....

Year	Month	Cattle export abattoirs & butchers	Cattle Live export on hoof	Small stock Export abattoirs and butchers	Total live small stock exported South Africa and Angola	Pigs slaughtered	Composite Index
2024	Jan	87.6	67.8	19.8	68.7	137.3	74.9
	Feb	89.5	101.3	25.0	116.2	122.7	92.2
	Mar	144.6	100.7	28.2	183.8	130.8	122.1
	Apr	289.1	78.8	35.5	194.1	132.6	177.6
	May	222.4	82.0	20.7	228.4	140.2	152.1
	Jun	196.4	81.4	21.1	191.1	123.1	137.0
	Jul	206.4	90.1	20.5	178.6	134.9	143.7
	Aug	180.8	78.8	12.1	115.3	133.0	122.3
	Sep	135.0	54.8	12.6	101.2	128.6	92.4
	Oct	119.4	36.6	19.6	80.9	139.8	78.0
	Nov	96.6	38.2	20.2	57.4	138.7	66.8
	Dec	62.4	22.3	10.9	55.1	154.5	45.7
2025	Jan	101.0	21.5	5.6	35.5	135.1	59.3
	Feb	117.1	21.1	7.1	64.7	126.9	68.5
	Mar	93.0	20.0	28.7	121.6	132.3	64.5
	Apr	141.5	20.7	26.5	133.9	136.3	86.6
	May	147.3	18.4	20.7	119.7	140.8	86.7
	Jun	157.3	22.6	28.9	125.2	142.6	93.8
	Jul	138.7	24.2	23.8	99.9	132.3	83.5
	Aug	128.6	38.4	18.0	76.4	136.1	82.0
	Sep	108.5	36.1	20.2	65.8	155.6	72.4
	Oct	145.1	20.3	22.7	69.5	150.2	82.6
	Nov	122.8	16.8	32.9	69.4	136.1	72.0
	Dec	67.8	17.5	24.3	100.6	153.6	51.2
2026	Jan	108.1	15.8	27.4	95.6	152.5	67.7
	Feb	146.6	28.3	32.5	115.7	130.7	90.4
	Mar	159.2	39.2	40.1	177.2	151.6	106.5
	Apr	147.9	39.9	16.8	141.3	152.7	96.9
	May	127.7	24.8	22.2	142.9	148.3	83.0

Data Sources	:	The data was obtained from the Livestock and Livestock Products Board of Namibia.
Base year	:	Livestock Sectoral report is harmonized with the quarterly and annual national accounts base year 2015.
Sector Classification	:	The ISIC CODE for this sector is 4620 for live animals and 4621 for slaughtered animals.
Calculations of index	:	The index is calculated based on the 2015 base year volumes and 2015 weights. The index is the magnitude of the volume. Changes over time, with reference to the volume of the base year 2015. The index is calculated as a ratio of the volume of a specific component in a specific month to the total volume of that component in 2015.
Conversion	:	1 basis point = 0.01 percent
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