Recent Advancements in Livestock Statistics

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Why livestock / livestock statistics

• Livestock account for about 1/3 of agricultural value added

• As economic development progresses, consumption of high-value livestock products increases

• Livestock anticipated to become one of the largest, if not the largest contributors to agricultural value added

Livestock value added: % of agricultural value added
Why livestock / livestock statistics

- Majority of rural households keep animals
- Consumption of animal-source foods key for food security
- Livestock might have negative impact on environment and global public health
Why livestock / livestock statistics

- Measuring livestock critical for ensuring an equitable and efficient growth of the sector:
  - Consumer demand is met
  - Poverty is reduced / economic growth supported
  - No negative impact on environment / public health

- But available livestock data are usually few and inadequate

**LIVESTOCK POPULATION IN UGANDA**

‘MAAIF, together with UBOS, conducted a National Livestock Census ... the national cattle herd was estimated to be **11.4 million cattle**’ in 2008 (MAAIF, 2010,p.24)

‘Previous estimates of the total number of cattle ... based on ... the Uganda National Household Survey (UNHS) 2005/06 showed that the national herd stood at **7.5 million cattle**’ (MAAIF, 2010,p.24)

‘The number of livestock/poultry increased by 3.0 percent. Similar to the period **2008-2009**, livestock / poultry numbers increased **between 2009 and 2010** by about **3 percent**’ (MAAIF, 2011,p.22)
Why livestock / livestock statistics

In 2010-13 governments of Niger, Tanzania and Uganda partnered with:
- FAO
- World Bank
- International Livestock Research Institute (ILRI)
- African Union / InterAfrican Bureau for Animal Resources (AU-IBAR)

to improve the quantity and quality of livestock data available for policy and investment design
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Uganda: Core Livestock Data and Indicators

Uganda:

• MoU between Ministry of Agriculture Animal Industry and Fisheries (MAAIF) and Uganda Bureau of Statistics (UBOS) to agree upon core livestock indicators (and data) and identify priorities to improve systems of agri-data collection

• Core indicators defined as those regularly needed by MAAIF and UBOS to fulfil their mandates (GS pillar 3: governance)
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animal health related indicators
Uganda: Core Livestock Data and Indicators

1. Already part of the statistical system (surveys & min. resp. of livestock often manages stand alone system of data collection)

2. Livestock diseases influence production / trade

3. Largest share of resources of Min. responsible for livestock allocated to animal disease control and management (governance – GS pillar 3)

4. International obligations require countries to regularly report (monthly) on their animal disease situation

5. Needed to estimate livestock value added (cost of inputs), a key statistics
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Example 1:
Number of animals slaughtered (survey / census / other)  
X  
Meat per animal slaughtered (TCF) =  
Meat production

Example 2:
Number of milking cows (survey / census / other)  
X  
Milk per cow (TCF) =  
Milk production
Tanzania: Livestock Technical Conversion Factors

TCFs issues:

- Rarely data collected to properly quantify TCFs
- Based on expert opinions / project data / taken from neighbouring countries
- Rarely updated
- Livestock statistics inaccurate
- Impacts of policies and investments not captured in official statistics!
Increases in beef productivity not reflected in official statistics

In the TZ national accounts, from 2011 to 2012, beef production = number of cattle slaughtered * 125 Kg (constant TFCs)
Tanzania: Livestock Technical Conversion Factors

Estimating TCFs is straightforward:

• **Physically measure** production at farm level (milk; eggs; manure) and in slaughterhouses (meat, fat, offals)

• Basic training and supervision

• Technology is not an issue, but resources are

• In Tanzania, Ministry of Livestock and Bureau of Statistics are jointly updating key livestock TCFs to update livestock statistics (national accounts)
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- Livestock support livelihoods
  - food
  - cash
  - insurance
  - draught power
  - manure
  - ... ... ...

- There is evidence, but not systematic
Livestock in household surveys: NEG, TZ & UGA

Livestock questions in Standard Living Standards Measurement Studies (Integrated Surveys on Agriculture) – LSMS-ISA

- Uganda: 58
- Tanzania: 47
- Nigeria: 36
- Malawi: 38
- Niger: no LSMS-ISA

LIVESTOCK-RELATED QUESTIONS
### Livestock in household surveys: NEG, TZ & UGA

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• Review of existing hh questionnaires:
  - demand for info
  - LSMS questionnaires (with a focus on agriculture)
  - Specialized livestock questionnaires

• Draft ‘livestock questionnaireS’
  - consultations (national / international)

• Livestock questionnaire incorporated into LSMS questionnaires
  - Niger / Uganda / Tanzania
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### Three versions

**Short version**
- basic questions on livestock to include in all LSMS surveys

**Standard version**
- allow estimations of livestock contribution to livelihoods (cash / non-cash)

**Expanded**
- detailed questions for all sections: countries to choose

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Livestock questionnaire & GS integrated survey framework

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Input in annual agricultural surveys / censuses / other

**Standard version**
Specialized livestock periodic survey (at regular year intervals)

**Expanded**
Targeted design of selected surveys
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