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This publication contains preliminary estimates of livestock numbers at 31 March 1973 together with comparative information for earlier years. The figures are based on data from the annual Agricultural Census taken in each State at the end of March. More detailed figures will be included in the bulletin *Principal Agricultural Statistics : Australia Preliminary Estimates, 1972-73* (Reference No. 10.63), to be issued at the end of June 1973. Final figures will be published in the bulletin *Livestock Statistics 31 March 1973* (Reference No. 10.14) when processing of all Agricultural Census returns has been completed.

	At 31 March					% change 1973 on 1972
	1969	1970	1971	1972	1973 p	
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Total Cattle	20,611	22,611	24,373	27,373	28,975	+5.9
Total Sheep and Lambs	174,605	180,080	177,792	162,910	142,336	-12.6
Total Pigs	2,253	2,398	2,590	3,199	3,170	-0.9

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