

Jan. 1 Cattle Inventory Do

Cow inventory down 3%, while inventory of beef replacement heifers was up 1%.

Table 1: Cattle inventory by class, by state and U.S. total, Jan. 1, 2011 and 2012

State	All cattle and calves			All cows that have calved			Beef cows that have calved		
	2011	2012	2012, % of previous yr.	2011	2012	2012, % of previous yr.	2011	2012	2012, % of previous yr.
	1,000 head			1,000 head			1,000 head		
Alabama	1,230.0	1,210.0	98	670.0	660.0	99	659.0	650.0	99
Alaska	13.5	13.0	96	5.6	6.0	107	5.1	5.5	108
Arizona	870.0	920.0	106	365.0	375.0	103	180.0	185.0	103
Arkansas	1,720.0	1,670.0	97	940.0	920.0	98	928.0	909.0	98
California	5,200.0	5,350.0	103	2,350.0	2,400.0	102	600.0	620.0	103
Colorado	2,650.0	2,750.0	104	850.0	880.0	104	727.0	749.0	103
Connecticut	49.0	49.0	100	23.0	23.0	100	4.0	4.5	113
Delaware	18.0	19.0	106	8.5	8.5	100	3.5	3.5	100
Florida	1,630.0	1,710.0	105	1,040.0	1,060.0	102	926.0	940.0	102
Georgia	1,030.0	1,020.0	99	580.0	590.0	102	502.0	512.0	102
Hawaii	141.0	140.0	99	81.0	80.0	99	79.0	78.1	99
Idaho	2,220.0	2,220.0	100	1,020.0	1,050.0	103	446.0	469.0	105
Illinois	1,100.0	1,070.0	97	450.0	430.0	96	352.0	331.0	94
Indiana	850.0	860.0	101	385.0	370.0	96	213.0	195.0	92
Iowa	3,900.0	3,900.0	100	1,050.0	1,100.0	105	840.0	895.0	107
Kansas	6,300.0	6,100.0	97	1,600.0	1,550.0	97	1,478.0	1,427.0	97
Kentucky	2,190.0	2,150.0	98	1,100.0	1,070.0	97	1,023.0	995.0	97
Louisiana	790.0	790.0	100	480.0	470.0	98	461.0	452.0	98
Maine	90.0	86.0	96	45.0	42.0	93	13.0	10.0	77
Maryland	195.0	200.0	103	95.0	95.0	100	42.0	43.0	102
Massachusetts	40.0	41.0	102	19.0	19.0	100	5.5	7.0	127
Michigan	1,090.0	1,110.0	102	460.0	480.0	104	99.0	109.0	110
Minnesota	2,380.0	2,360.0	99	830.0	830.0	100	360.0	365.0	101
Mississippi	900.0	950.0	106	510.0	500.0	98	495.0	486.0	98
Missouri	3,950.0	3,900.0	99	1,960.0	1,950.0	99	1,865.0	1,857.0	100
Montana	2,500.0	2,500.0	100	1,490.0	1,470.0	99	1,476.0	1,456.0	99
Nebraska	6,200.0	6,450.0	104	1,830.0	1,940.0	106	1,772.0	1,884.0	106
Nevada	460.0	470.0	102	265.0	265.0	100	237.0	236.0	100
New Hampshire	34.0	35.0	103	18.0	18.0	100	3.0	4.0	133
New Jersey	32.0	31.0	97	16.5	15.5	94	9.0	8.0	89
New Mexico	1,540.0	1,390.0	90	810.0	770.0	95	488.0	435.0	89
New York	1,400.0	1,410.0	101	700.0	710.0	101	90.0	100.0	111
North Carolina	800.0	810.0	101	400.0	405.0	101	356.0	360.0	101
North Dakota	1,700.0	1,690.0	99	900.0	880.0	98	880.0	862.0	98
Ohio	1,230.0	1,280.0	104	560.0	570.0	102	290.0	300.0	103
Oklahoma	5,100.0	4,500.0	88	2,070.0	1,780.0	86	2,016.0	1,728.0	86
Oregon	1,330.0	1,300.0	98	670.0	670.0	100	549.0	547.0	100
Pennsylvania	1,610.0	1,610.0	100	700.0	700.0	100	157.0	160.0	102
Rhode Island	4.9	4.5	92	2.6	2.4	92	1.5	1.3	87
South Carolina	385.0	370.0	96	200.0	200.0	100	184.0	184.0	100
South Dakota	3,700.0	3,650.0	99	1,700.0	1,700.0	100	1,610.0	1,610.0	100
Tennessee	1,990.0	1,970.0	99	1,040.0	1,000.0	96	990.0	950.0	96
Texas	13,300.0	11,900.0	89	5,450.0	4,800.0	88	5,025.0	4,365.0	87
Utah	800.0	800.0	100	420.0	420.0	100	333.0	330.0	99
Vermont	270.0	260.0	96	145.0	143.0	99	10.0	10.0	100
Virginia	1,540.0	1,490.0	97	770.0	760.0	99	675.0	664.0	98
Washington	1,090.0	1,110.0	102	485.0	480.0	99	233.0	217.0	93
West Virginia	370.0	390.0	105	210.0	205.0	98	200.0	195.0	98
Wisconsin	3,450.0	3,400.0	99	1,530.0	1,530.0	100	265.0	265.0	100
Wyoming	1,300.0	1,360.0	105	700.0	720.0	103	694.0	714.0	103
United States	92,682.4	90,768.5	98	39,999.2	39,112.4	98	30,849.6	29,882.9	97

Source: USDA National Agricultural Statistics Service (NASS) Agricultural Statistics Board, Jan. 27, 2012.

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On Jan. 27 the National Agricultural Statistics Service (NASS) Agricultural Statistics Board of the USDA released the Jan. 1 Cattle Inventory Report.

All cattle and calves in the United States as of Jan. 1, 2012, totaled 90.8 million head, 2% below the 92.7 million on inventory Jan. 1, 2011. This is the lowest Jan. 1 inventory of all cattle and calves since the 88.1 million on hand in 1952.

All cows and heifers that have calved, at 39.1 million, were down 2% from the 40.0 million on inventory Jan. 1, 2011. Beef cows, at 29.9 million, were down 3% and milk cows, at 9.2 million, were up 1% from Jan. 1, 2011.

Other class estimates on Jan. 1, 2012, and the change from Jan. 1, 2011, are as follows:

- All heifers ≥500 pounds (lb.), 19.4 million, down 1%.
- Beef replacement heifers, 5.2 million, up 1%.
- Milk replacement heifers, 4.5 million, down 1%.
- Other heifers, 9.6 million, down 2%.
- Steers ≥500 lb., 16.1 million, down 2%.
- Bulls ≥ 500 lb., 2.1 million, down 5%.
- Calves <500 lb., 14.1 million, down 3%.
- Cattle and calves on feed for slaughter in all feedlots, 14.1 million, up 1%.
- The combined total of calves <500 lb., and other heifers and steers >500 lb. outside of feedlots was 25.7 million, down 4%.

Calf crop down

The 2011 calf crop was estimated at 35.3 million head, down 1% from 2010. This is the smallest calf crop since the 34.9 million born during 1950. Calves born during the first half of 2011 are estimated at 25.7 million, down 1% from 2010.

Revisions

All inventory and calf crop estimates for July 1, 2010; Jan. 1, 2011; and July 1, 2011, were reviewed using calf crop, official slaughter, import and export data, and the relationship of new survey information to the prior surveys. Based on the findings of this review, small adjustments of less than ½% were made to previously released inventory estimates by class and calf crop.

State level estimates were reviewed and changes were made to reallocate inventory and calf crop estimates to the United States total. This report was approved Jan. 27, 2012.

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