

Jan. 1 Cattle Inventory Down 2%

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Table 1: U.S. cattle inventory by class and calf crop, Jan. 1, 2012 and 2013

Class	2012	2013	% of previous yr.
	----- 1,000 head -----		
Cattle and calves	90,768.5	89,299.6	98
Cows and heifers that have calved	39,387.4	38,515.2	98
• Beef cows	30,157.9	29,295.3	97
• Milk cows	9,229.5	9,219.9	100
Heifers 500 lb. and over	19,337.8	19,128.9	99
• For beef cow replacement	5,261.6	5,360.6	102
Expected to calve ¹	3,221.3	3,280.3	102
• For milk cow replacement	4,622.0	4,550.7	98
Expected to calve ¹	3,064.9	2,928.4	96
• Other heifers	9,454.2	9,217.6	97
Steers 500 lb. and over	15,832.5	15,812.7	100
Bulls 500 lb. and over	2,096.0	2,055.8	98
Calves under 500 lb.	14,114.8	13,787.0	98
Cattle on feed	14,121.4	13,351.7	95

Class	2011	2012	% of previous yr.
	----- 1,000 head -----		
Calf crop	35,313.2	34,279.0	97

¹Replacement heifers expected to calve during the year.

Source: Feb. 1, 2013, *Cattle Inventory Report*, USDA NASS Agricultural Statistics Board.

All cattle and calves in the United States as of Jan. 1, 2013 totaled 89.3 million head, 2% below the 90.8 million on Jan. 1, 2012. 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 38.5 million, were down 2% from the 39.4 million on Jan. 1, 2012. This is the lowest Jan. 1 inventory of all cows and heifers that have calved since the 36.8 million head in 1941. Beef cows, at 29.3 million, were down 3% from Jan. 1, 2012. Milk cows, at 9.2 million, were unchanged from Jan. 1, 2012.

Other class estimates on Jan. 1, 2013, and the change from Jan. 1, 2012, are provided in Table 1.

The 2012 calf crop was estimated at 34.3 million head, down 3% from 2011. This is the smallest calf crop since the 33.7 million born during 1949. Calves born during the first half of 2012 are estimated at 25.0 million, down 3% from 2011.

All inventory and calf crop estimates for July 1, 2011, Jan. 1, 2012, and July 1,

2012, 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.

State level estimates were reviewed and changes were made to reallocate inventory estimates to the United States total.

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Table 2: U.S. cattle inventory by class and state, Jan. 1, 2012 and 2013

State	Beef cows that have calved			Milk cows that have calved			Calf Crop		
	2012	2013	% of prev. yr.	2012	2013	% of prev. yr.	2011	2012	% of prev. yr.
	--- 1,000 head ---			--- 1,000 head ---			--- 1,000 head ---		
Alabama	650.0	651.0	100	10.0	9.0	90	560.0	610.0	109
Alaska	5.5	4.9	89	0.5	0.4	80	4.0	3.8	95
Arizona	180.0	175.0	97	190.0	190.0	100	290.0	260.0	90
Arkansas	909.0	851.0	94	11.0	9.0	82	800.0	760.0	95
California	620.0	610.0	98	1,780.0	1,780.0	100	2,030.0	2,100.0	103
Colorado	759.0	715.0	94	131.0	135.0	103	800.0	760.0	95
Connecticut	4.5	6.0	133	18.5	18.0	97	20.0	18.0	90
Delaware	3.5	4.0	114	5.0	4.5	90	7.0	6.0	86
Florida	940.0	908.0	97	120.0	122.0	102	890.0	860.0	97
Georgia	512.0	490.0	96	78.0	80.0	103	470.0	480.0	102
Hawaii	78.1	69.9	90	1.9	2.1	111	65.0	61.0	94
Idaho	469.0	510.0	109	581.0	580.0	100	910.0	960.0	105
Illinois	331.0	360.0	109	99.0	100.0	101	380.0	390.0	103
Indiana	195.0	191.0	98	175.0	174.0	99	310.0	330.0	106
Iowa	895.0	925.0	103	205.0	205.0	100	1,050.0	1,050.0	100
Kansas	1,447.0	1,328.0	92	123.0	132.0	107	1,420.0	1,250.0	88
Kentucky	995.0	1,028.0	103	75.0	72.0	96	960.0	980.0	102
Louisiana	452.0	454.0	100	18.0	16.0	89	375.0	370.0	99
Maine	10.0	11.0	110	32.0	32.0	100	31.0	32.0	103
Maryland	43.0	41.0	95	52.0	51.0	98	80.0	76.0	95
Massachusetts	7.0	6.5	93	12.0	12.5	104	18.0	18.0	100
Michigan	109.0	113.0	104	371.0	377.0	102	390.0	385.0	99
Minnesota	365.0	375.0	103	465.0	465.0	100	780.0	790.0	101
Mississippi	486.0	486.0	100	14.0	14.0	100	385.0	400.0	104
Missouri	1,857.0	1,757.0	95	93.0	93.0	100	1,820.0	1,740.0	96
Montana	1,456.0	1,506.0	103	14.0	14.0	100	1,470.0	1,500.0	102
Nebraska	1,884.0	1,805.0	96	56.0	55.0	98	1,690.0	1,720.0	102
Nevada	236.0	231.0	98	29.0	29.0	100	215.0	205.0	95
New Hampshire	4.0	3.5	88	14.0	13.5	96	15.0	15.0	100
New Jersey	8.0	9.0	113	7.5	7.0	93	11.0	10.0	91
New Mexico	435.0	390.0	90	335.0	320.0	96	620.0	580.0	94
New York	100.0	90.0	90	610.0	610.0	100	530.0	530.0	100
North Carolina	360.0	364.0	101	45.0	46.0	102	350.0	370.0	106
North Dakota	862.0	922.0	107	18.0	18.0	100	860.0	870.0	101
Ohio	300.0	290.0	97	270.0	270.0	100	490.0	480.0	98
Oklahoma	1,778.0	1,754.0	99	52.0	46.0	88	1,850.0	1,670.0	90
Oregon	547.0	527.0	96	123.0	123.0	100	630.0	610.0	97
Pennsylvania	160.0	155.0	97	540.0	535.0	99	590.0	590.0	100
Rhode Island	1.3	1.5	115	1.1	0.9	82	2.2	2.2	100
South Carolina	184.0	174.0	95	16.0	16.0	100	160.0	150.0	94
South Dakota	1,610.0	1,688.0	105	90.0	92.0	102	1,620.0	1,710.0	106
Tennessee	950.0	912.0	96	50.0	48.0	96	920.0	880.0	96
Texas	4,565.0	4,015.0	88	435.0	435.0	100	4,650.0	3,900.0	84
Utah	330.0	315.0	95	90.0	90.0	100	365.0	365.0	100
Vermont	10.0	12.0	120	133.0	134.0	101	115.0	117.0	102
Virginia	664.0	686.0	103	96.0	94.0	98	640.0	670.0	105
Washington	217.0	221.0	102	263.0	264.0	100	430.0	420.0	98
West Virginia	195.0	200.0	103	10.0	10.0	100	185.0	195.0	105
Wisconsin	265.0	260.0	98	1,265.0	1,270.0	100	1,380.0	1,370.0	99
Wyoming	714.0	694.0	97	6.0	6.0	100	680.0	660.0	97
United States	30,157.9	29,295.3	97	9,229.5	9,219.9	100	35,313.2	34,279.0	97

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