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ALL CATTLE AND CALVES in the United States as of January 1, 1987, totaled 102 million head, down 3 percent from the 105 million on January 1, 1986, and 7 percent below the 110 million two years ago, according to the Agricultural Statistics Board. This continued the recent downward trend in cattle inventories begun four years ago and was the lowest number on hand since 1962.

All cows and heifers that have calved, at 44.5 million, were down 1 percent from 44.8 million a year ago, down 4 percent from 46.2 million two years ago and the lowest since 1961.

- Beef cows, at 33.9 million, were 1 percent above January 1, 1986, reversing the downward trend started four years ago.
- Milk cows, at 10.5 million, were 6 percent below January 1, 1986 and down 2 percent from two years ago.

Other class estimates on January 1, 1987, and the changes from January 1 last year and two years ago, respectively, are as follows:

- All heifers 500 pounds and over, 17.0 million, down 5 percent and 7 percent.
- Beef replacement heifers, 5.15 million, virtually unchanged and down 7 percent.
- Milk replacement heifers, 4.33 million, down 9 percent from both years.
- Other heifers, 7.55 million, down 7 percent and 6 percent.
- Steers weighing 500 pounds and over, 15.2 million, down 4 percent and 7 percent.
- Bulls weighing 500 pounds and over, 2.20 million, down 3 percent and 9 percent.
- Calves under 500 pounds, 23.1 million, down 6 percent and 13 percent.
- All cattle and calves on feed for slaughter, 11.0 million, down 5 percent and 12 percent.

## CALF CROP UP SLIGHTLY

The 1986 calf crop was estimated at 41.2 million, up slightly from 1985, but down 3 percent from 1984. The estimated calf crop is up 3 percent from the expected number published last July. Calves born during the first six months of the year were estimated at 71.8 percent of the annual total.

## RELIABILITY AND ESTIMATING PROCEDURES

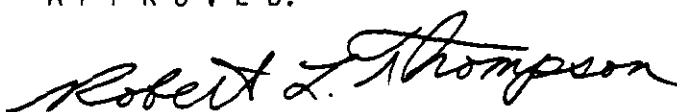
Primary data used in making cattle estimates in this report were obtained from a sample of farmers and ranchers across the U.S. using probability surveys. Information was collected by mail, telephone and personal interview. Since all operations with cattle were not included in the sample, survey estimates are subject to sampling variability. This variability, as measured by the relative standard error, is less than one percent of the total cattle and calves at the national level. This means, that chances are approximately 95 out of 100 that the survey estimate will be within two percent of the complete coverage value if the same procedures were used to survey all producers. The sampling variability of estimates for all cows and for the calf crop is slightly larger than that for total inventory.

Survey estimates are also subject to non-sampling errors such as omissions, duplications, and mistakes in reporting, recording and processing the data. These errors cannot be measured directly, but they are minimized through rigid quality controls in the data collection process and a careful review of all reported data for consistency and reasonableness.

In setting the inventory estimates, the Agricultural Statistics Board used survey estimates of inventory numbers, births, and deaths. These survey estimates were combined with reliable check data from other sources on slaughter, imports and exports to construct a national balance sheet (on page 3), which provides an additional check on survey inventory estimates.

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CATTLE AND CALVES: NUMBER BY CLASS AND CALF CROP, UNITED STATES  
JANUARY 1, 1985-87

CLASS	1985	1986	1987	1987 AS % OF 1986
	1000 HEAD			PERCENT
CATTLE AND CALVES	109749	105468	102031	97
COWS AND HEIFERS THAT HAVE CALVED	46174	44810	44457	99
BEEF COWS	35370	33633	33910	101
MILK COWS	10805	11177	10547	94
HEIFERS 500 POUNDS AND OVER	18358	18000	17037	95
FOR BEEF COW REPLACEMENT	5542	5149	5154	100
FOR MILK COW REPLACEMENT	4760	4761	4335	91
OTHER HEIFERS	8056	8090	7548	93
STEERS 500 POUNDS AND OVER	16369	15967	15249	96
BULLS 500 POUNDS AND OVER	2411	2261	2204	97
CALVES UNDER 500 POUNDS	26436	24431	23084	94
	1984	1985	1986	1986 AS % OF 1985
CALF CROP	42500	41045	41201	100

UNITED STATES BALANCE SHEET  
CATTLE AND CALVES  
1984 - 1986 1/

ITEM	1984	1985	1986
	MILLION HEAD		
JANUARY 1 INVENTORY	113.7	109.7	105.5
CALF CROP AND IMPORTS	43.3	41.9	42.6
TOTAL SUPPLY 2/	157.0	151.6	148.0
SLAUGHTER	41.3	40.0	41.0
DEATHS AND EXPORTS	5.5	5.2	5.2
TOTAL DISAPPEARANCE 2/	46.8	45.2	46.2
RESIDUAL 2/	-.4	-.9	+.2
JANUARY 1 INVENTORY (END OF YEAR)	109.7	105.5	102.0

1/ Final 1985 and preliminary 1986 estimates will be published in Meat Animals - Production, Disposition and Income, April 1987.

2/ Totals may not add due to rounding.

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 \* The National Agricultural Statistics Service plans to discon- \*  
 \* tinue publication of the Index Numbers of Livestock and Poultry \*  
 \* (Meat Animals) effective with this report. Individual species \*  
 \* estimates used in the index computations will be continued. \*  
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 \* Comments from data users regarding the proposed change \*  
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INDEX NUMBERS OF LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY, UNITED STATES,  
 JANUARY 1, 1975 - 87 1/ (1977 = 100) REVISED

YEAR	TOTAL LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY	MEAT ANIMALS	MILK CATTLE 2/	POULTRY
1975	107	107	103	101
1976	103	103	101	100
1977	100	100	100	100
1978	96	96	99	102
1979	93	92	99	106
1980	94	94	99	108
1981	96	96	101	106
1982	96	96	103	103
1983	95	94	103	101
1984	94	94	104	97
1985	90	90	102	99
1986	87*	87	105	98*
1987	84*	84	99	98*

1/ FOR METHOD OF COMBINING SPECIES AND WEIGHTS IN CONSTRUCTION OF THESE INDEX NUMBERS SEE AGRICULTURAL HANDBOOK NO. 365, VOLUME II, MAJOR STATISTICAL SERIES OF THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, APRIL 1970. WEIGHTS BASED ON 1967 SALES VALUES RELATIVE TO MILK COWS ARE: MILK COWS, 1.00; BEEF CATTLE AND CALVES, 0.71; HOGS, 0.17; SHEEP AND LAMBS, 0.07; CHICKENS, 0.001; TURKEY BREEDER HENS, 0.014. FOR 1965 AND THEREAFTER, MILK COWS AND HEIFERS THAT HAVE CALVED ARE USED IN PLACE OF MILK COWS TWO YEARS OLD AND OLDER: TURKEY BREEDER HENS, DEC 1 PRECEDING YEAR, ARE USED IN PLACE OF ALL TURKEYS JAN 1; ALL CHICKENS (EXCLUDING COMMERCIAL BROILERS) DEC 1 PRECEDING YEAR ARE USED IN PLACE OF ALL CHICKENS ON FARMS JAN 1. HOGS AND PIGS RELATE TO DEC 1 PRECEDING YEAR. 2/ WEIGHTS FOR MILK CATTLE ARE: MILK COWS, 1.00; HEIFERS WEIGHING 500 LBS. AND OVER, 0.56.

\* EXCLUDES TURKEY BREEDER HENS DUE TO DISCONTINUED ESTIMATES.

CATTLE AND CALVES: TOTAL AND NUMBER BY CLASS  
JANUARY 1, 1986-87

STATE	ALL CATTLE AND CALVES			ALL COWS THAT HAVE CALVED		
	1986	1987	1987 AS % OF 86	1986	1987	1987 AS % OF 86
	1,000 HEAD		PERCENT	1,000 HEAD		PERCENT
ALA	1,780	1,850	104	910	960	105
ALAS	9.2	9.5	103	4.6	4.9	107
ARIZ	1,050	1,000	95	381	355	93
ARK	1,750	1,840	105	930	1,000	108
CALIF	5,000	4,750	95	1,980	1,940	98
COLO	2,850	2,600	91	855	830	97
CONN	100	83	83	53	46	87
DEL	27	31	115	12	14	117
FLA	2,120	2,140	101	1,320	1,370	104
GA	1,700	1,650	97	870	860	99
HAW	209	195	93	92	80	87
IDAHO	1,750	1,550	89	700	680	97
ILL	2,470	2,250	91	870	780	90
IND	1,570	1,470	94	605	580	96
IOWA	4,950	4,650	94	1,550	1,490	96
KANS	5,800	5,920	102	1,570	1,570	100
KY	2,480	2,450	99	1,210	1,220	101
LA	1,240	1,160	94	716	709	99
MAINE	135	120	89	64	59	92
MD	370	330	89	195	175	90
MASS	100	85	85	56	49	88
MICH	1,410	1,325	94	550	520	95
MINN	3,400	3,150	93	1,336	1,260	94
MISS	1,430	1,373	96	772	765	99
MO	4,800	4,600	96	2,190	2,220	101
MONT	2,450	2,400	98	1,400	1,350	96
NEBR	5,800	5,500	95	1,850	1,780	96
NEV	610	550	90	320	285	89
N H	69	62	90	34	33	97
N J	97	90	93	52	48	92
N MEX	1,390	1,360	98	610	590	97
N Y	1,970	1,885	96	1,055	1,018	96
N C	1,100	950	86	520	475	91
N DAK	2,000	1,900	95	1,060	1,000	94
OHIO	1,840	1,800	98	775	760	98
OKLA	5,200	5,200	100	1,950	2,120	109
OREG	1,575	1,400	89	700	660	94
PA	1,960	1,950	99	937	947	101
R I	7.0	7.0	100	4.0	3.9	98
S C	635	620	98	319	326	102
S DAK	3,600	3,600	100	1,630	1,640	101
TENN	2,500	2,400	96	1,250	1,230	98
TEX	13,600	13,400	99	5,500	5,600	102
UTAH	790	770	97	380	394	104
VT	350	325	93	196	190	97
VA	1,840	1,860	101	815	870	107
WASH	1,460	1,300	89	630	600	95
W VA	520	560	108	275	310	113
WIS	4,280	4,260	100	2,076	2,030	98
WYO	1,325	1,300	98	680	660	97
U. S.	105,468	102,031	97	44,810	44,457	99

CATTLE AND CALVES: NUMBER BY CLASS  
JANUARY 1, 1986-87

STATE	BEEF COWS THAT HAVE CALVED			MILK COWS THAT HAVE CALVED		
	1986	1987	1987 AS % OF 86	1986	1987	1987 AS % OF 86
	1,000 HEAD		PERCENT	1,000 HEAD		PERCENT
ALA	862	917	106	48	43	90
ALAS	2.5	2.5	100	2.1	2.4	114
ARIZ	293	268	91	88	87	99
ARK	852	938	110	78	62	79
CALIF	950	950	100	1,030	990	96
COLO	773	752	97	82	78	95
CONN	6	6	100	47	40	85
DEL	2	3	150	10	11	110
FLA	1,135	1,192	105	185	178	96
GA	751	760	101	119	100	84
HAW	81	68	84	11	12	109
IDAHO	526	518	98	174	162	93
ILL	640	565	88	230	215	93
IND	400	379	95	205	201	98
IOWA	1,190	1,182	99	360	308	86
KANS	1,455	1,458	100	115	112	97
KY	976	997	102	234	223	95
LA	620	620	100	96	89	93
MAINE	10	10	100	54	49	91
MD	71	50	70	124	125	101
MASS	10	11	110	46	38	83
MICH	153	150	98	397	370	93
MINN	396	405	102	940	855	91
MISS	686	690	101	86	75	87
MO	1,955	2,003	102	235	217	92
MONT	1,373	1,326	97	27	24	89
NEBR	1,738	1,677	96	112	103	92
NEV	301	266	88	19	19	100
N H	5	6	120	29	27	93
N J	14	13	93	38	35	92
N MEX	542	529	98	68	61	90
N Y	87	104	120	968	914	94
N C	393	361	92	127	114	90
N DAK	958	908	95	102	92	90
OHIO	385	390	101	390	370	95
OKLA	1,837	2,013	110	113	107	95
OREG	598	568	95	102	92	90
PA	190	212	112	747	735	98
R I	.6	.7	117	3.4	3.2	94
S C	271	280	103	48	46	96
S DAK	1,468	1,491	102	162	149	92
TENN	1,040	1,027	99	210	203	97
TEX	5,178	5,275	102	322	325	101
UTAH	298	320	107	82	74	90
VT	10	12	120	186	178	96
VA	650	720	111	165	150	91
WASH	407	399	98	223	201	90
W VA	241	278	115	34	32	94
WIS	184	190	103	1,892	1,840	97
WYO	669	650	97	11	10	91
U. S.	33,633	33,910	101	11,177	10,547	94

CATTLE AND CALVES: NUMBER BY CLASS  
JANUARY 1, 1986-87

STATE	HEIFERS 500 POUNDS AND OVER					
	BEEF COW REPLACEMENT		MILK COW REPLACEMENT		OTHER	
	1986	1987	1986	1987	1986	1987
	1,000 HEAD					
ALA	147	148	14	13	69	65
ALAS	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.8	0.2	0.1
ARIZ	47	54	21	20	10	18
ARK	136	160	33	22	37	34
CALIF	165	155	490	470	195	185
COLO	100	109	35	26	645	530
CONN	1	1	23	15	1	1
DEL	1	1	3	2	2	1
FLA	170	170	36	35	46	35
GA	111	116	41	38	68	69
HAW	14	20	5	5	20	17
IDAHO	96	82	82	68	137	130
ILL	75	60	107	95	400	375
IND	58	55	102	90	125	120
IOWA	125	140	145	125	605	550
KANS	185	192	45	43	810	895
KY	139	146	82	75	97	96
LA	106	95	31	26	24	22
MAINE	4	4	28	20	2	2
MD	13	10	53	48	12	7
MASS	3	2	15	13	1	1
MICH	23	37	192	187	45	54
MINN	62	66	398	350	254	274
MISS	115	115	35	30	30	20
MO	264	271	110	97	221	182
MONT	230	235	10	7	170	132
NEBR	210	200	35	30	1,015	930
NEV	41	36	6	8	14	16
N H	1	1	15	11	1	1
N J	4	3	13	13	3	2
N MEX	87	97	28	22	75	77
N Y	24	36	430	390	40	47
N C	75	61	43	35	32	26
N DAK	134	139	36	33	140	130
OHIO	70	65	165	160	90	95
OKLA	280	235	30	40	470	445
OREG	100	91	57	49	117	84
PA	37	40	290	294	49	52
R I	0.2	0.3	1.2	1.1	0.0	0.0
S C	53	50	18	16	23	20
S DAK	160	184	42	39	285	302
TENN	190	175	100	85	55	50
TEX	880	880	140	100	1,230	1,040
UTAH	44	45	44	36	34	41
VT	3	3	73	63	2	1
VA	111	99	78	82	80	57
WASH	73	75	115	80	112	103
W VA	32	35	15	10	18	31
WIS	47	47	847	814	90	94
WYO	102	112	3	3	89	89
U.S.	5,149	5,154	4,761	4,335	8,090	7,548

CATTLE AND CALVES: NUMBER BY CLASS  
JANUARY 1, 1986-87

STATE	STEERS		BULLS		CALVES	
	500 POUNDS AND OVER		500 POUNDS AND OVER		UNDER 500 LBS.	
	1986	1987	1986	1987	1986	1987
	1,000 HEAD					
ALA	92	112	65	62	483	490
ALAS	0.4	0.3	1.0	1.1	1.8	1.7
ARIZ	306	285	31	30	254	238
ARK	104	105	50	56	460	463
CALIF	950	830	70	70	1,150	1,100
COLO	740	665	45	45	430	395
CONN	2	3	1	1	19	16
DEL	4	5	1	1	4	7
FLA	70	40	73	75	405	415
GA	102	90	51	53	457	424
HAW	20	23	6	5	52	45
IDAHO	297	240	35	35	403	315
ILL	400	390	44	40	574	510
IND	250	205	30	30	400	390
IOWA	1,170	1,065	75	70	1,280	1,210
KANS	1,800	1,815	70	70	1,320	1,335
KY	238	245	64	69	650	599
LA	39	30	42	37	282	241
MAINE	5	6	2	2	30	27
MD	26	21	6	5	65	64
MASS	3	3	2	1	20	16
MICH	215	210	20	17	365	300
MINN	525	485	37	38	788	677
MISS	75	55	51	50	352	338
MO	533	470	106	100	1,376	1,260
MONT	245	215	80	77	315	384
NEBR	1,400	1,350	85	80	1,205	1,130
NEV	43	38	16	15	170	152
N H	2	3	1	1	15	12
N J	4	6	2	2	19	16
N MEX	210	212	40	39	340	323
N Y	36	38	22	21	363	335
N C	63	57	32	28	335	268
N DAK	210	195	50	46	370	357
OHIO	295	270	39	40	406	410
OKLA	1,000	920	110	115	1,360	1,325
OREG	190	155	36	34	375	327
PA	225	206	29	30	393	381
R I	0.3	0.4	0.1	0.1	1.2	1.2
S C	39	36	23	23	160	149
S DAK	430	445	73	72	980	918
TENN	165	155	65	60	675	645
TEX	2,400	2,500	390	380	3,060	2,900
UTAH	95	90	17	19	176	145
VT	4	4	4	4	68	60
VA	250	299	40	43	466	410
WASH	236	209	28	23	266	210
W VA	56	40	19	17	105	117
WIS	265	270	43	34	912	971
WYO	137	137	39	38	275	261
U.S.	15,967	15,249	2,261	2,204	24,431	23,084



CATTLE AND CALVES - NUMBER ON FEED, JANUARY 1, 1986-87 1/

STATE	1986	1987	1987 AS % OF 1986
	1,000 HEAD		PERCENT
ARIZ	344	343	100
CALIF	451	395	88
COLO	935	920	98
IDAHO	206	159	77
ILL	460	440	96
IOWA	670	680	101
KANS	1,430	1,395	98
MINN	300	305	102
NEBR	1,900	1,860	98
OKLA	320	255	80
S DAK	350	305	87
TEXAS	2,190	2,040	93
WASH	198	138	70
13 STS	9,754	9,235	95
ALA	40	51	128
ARK	12	10	83
FLA	65	20	31
GA	17	18	106
HAW	13	16	123
IND	250	225	90
KY	30	25	83
LA	9	9	100
MD	20	12	60
MICH	175	200	114
MISS	77	8	73
MO	85	90	106
MONT	80	70	88
NEV	26	24	92
N J	3	3	100
N MEX	157	157	100
N Y	10	17	170
N C	25	23	92
N DAK	42	38	90
OHIO	185	200	108
OREG	85	90	106
PA	85	80	94
S C	20	20	100
TENN	18	25	139
UTAH	33	36	109
VA	30	50	167
W VA	5	9	180
WIS	108	120	111
WYO	102	70	69
OTH STS	2	2	100
U S	11,497	10,953	95

1/ CATTLE AND CALVES ON FEED ARE ANIMALS FOR SLAUGHTER MARKET BEING FED A FULL RATION OF GRAIN OR OTHER CONCENTRATES AND ARE EXPECTED TO PRODUCE A CARCASS THAT WILL GRADE GOOD OR BETTER. CATTLE AND CALVES ON FEED ARE INCLUDED IN THE CATTLE INVENTORY ESTIMATES BY CLASSES.

CALF CROP, 1985-86

STATE	1985	1986	1986 AS % OF 85
	1,000 HEAD		PERCENT
ALA	820	860	105
ALAS	3.9	4.0	103
ARIZ	325	310	95
ARK	730	860	118
CALIF	1,700	1,710	101
COLO	785	785	100
CONN	51	46	90
DEL	10	13	130
FLA	1,030	1,100	107
GA	780	780	100
HAW	71	64	90
IDAHO	690	660	96
ILL	750	670	89
IND	535	530	99
IOWA	1,500	1,470	98
KANS	1,500	1,505	100
KY	1,110	1,160	105
LA	560	565	101
MAINE	63	58	92
MD	175	160	91
MASS	51	47	92
MICH	540	500	93
MINN	1,320	1,270	96
MISS	660	660	100
MO	2,120	2,120	100
MONT	1,470	1,375	94
NEBR	1,750	1,700	97
NEV	270	260	96
N H	33	31	94
N J	43	41	95
N MEX	535	525	98
N Y	950	930	98
N C	460	450	98
N DAK	1,040	1,000	96
OHIO	710	700	99
OKLA	1,850	2,000	108
OREG	650	610	94
PA	840	880	105
R I	3.7	3.5	95
S C	260	270	104
S DAK	1,690	1,640	97
TENN	1,120	1,140	102
TEX	4,750	4,950	104
UTAH	320	340	106
VT	195	183	94
VA	760	835	110
WASH	550	540	98
W VA	230	250	109
WIS	2,005	2,000	100
WYO	680	640	94
U.S.	41,045	41,201	100

ALL CATTLE AND CALVES: NUMBER, VALUE PER HEAD,  
AND TOTAL VALUE, JANUARY 1, 1986-87

STATE	NUMBER		VALUE PER HEAD		TOTAL VALUE	
	1986	1987	1986	1987	1986	1987
	1,000 HEAD		DOLLARS		1,000 DOLLARS	
ALA	1,780	1,850	290	295	516,200	545,750
ALAS	9.2	9.5	620	620	5,704	5,890
ARIZ	1,050	1,000	375	385	393,750	385,000
ARK	1,750	1,840	320	325	560,000	598,000
CALIF	5,000	4,750	515	545	2,575,000	2,588,750
COLO	2,850	2,600	435	430	1,239,750	1,118,000
CONN	100	83	555	570	55,500	47,310
DEL	27	31	615	575	16,605	17,825
FLA	2,120	2,140	345	345	731,400	738,300
GA	1,700	1,650	300	320	510,000	528,000
HAW	209	195	330	360	68,970	70,200
IDAHO	1,750	1,550	400	415	700,000	643,250
ILL	2,470	2,250	410	420	1,012,700	945,000
IND	1,570	1,470	395	390	620,150	573,300
IOWA	4,950	4,650	420	430	2,079,000	1,999,500
KANS	5,800	5,920	360	370	2,088,000	2,190,400
KY	2,480	2,450	365	380	905,200	931,000
LA	1,240	1,160	335	345	415,400	400,200
MAINE	135	120	505	515	68,175	61,800
MD	370	330	580	585	214,600	193,050
MASS	100	85	560	570	56,000	48,450
MICH	1,410	1,325	475	500	669,750	662,500
MINN	3,400	3,150	425	465	1,445,000	1,464,750
MISS	1,430	1,373	300	305	429,000	418,765
MO	4,800	4,600	350	390	1,680,000	1,794,000
MONT	2,450	2,400	375	400	918,750	960,000
NEBR	5,800	5,500	395	410	2,291,000	2,255,000
NEV	610	550	360	375	219,600	206,250
N H	69	62	535	550	36,915	34,100
N J	97	90	615	610	59,655	54,900
N MEX	1,390	1,360	350	355	486,500	482,800
N Y	1,970	1,885	520	550	1,024,400	1,036,750
N C	1,100	950	360	365	396,000	346,750
N DAK	2,000	1,900	395	420	790,000	798,000
OHIO	1,840	1,800	435	450	800,400	810,000
OKLA	5,200	5,200	325	330	1,690,000	1,716,000
OREG	1,575	1,400	390	420	614,250	588,000
PA	1,960	1,950	525	550	1,029,000	1,072,500
R I	7.0	7.0	575	580	4,025	4,060
S C	635	620	340	355	215,900	220,100
S DAK	3,600	3,600	385	405	1,386,000	1,458,000
TENN	2,500	2,400	320	335	800,000	804,000
TEX	13,600	13,400	335	340	4,556,000	4,556,000
UTAH	790	770	395	410	312,050	315,700
VT	350	325	570	610	199,500	198,250
VA	1,840	1,860	355	365	653,200	678,900
WASH	1,460	1,300	440	485	642,400	630,500
W VA	520	560	375	355	195,000	198,800
WIS	4,280	4,260	570	605	2,439,600	2,577,300
WYO	1,325	1,300	350	400	463,750	520,000
U. S.	105,468	102,031	391	407	41,279,749	41,491,650

NUMBER OF OPERATIONS WITH CATTLE AND MILK COWS, 1985-86 1/

STATE	OPERATIONS WITH CATTLE		OPERATIONS WITH MILK COWS 2/	
	1985	1986	1985	1986
	NUMBER			
ALA	42,000	42,000	1,600	1,400
ALAS	210	200	70	70
ARIZ	5,500	5,200	900	800
ARK	35,000	34,000	2,300	2,000
CALIF	34,000	34,000	5,200	5,200
COLO	17,000	17,000	3,000	2,600
CONN	2,000	1,900	800	800
DEL	700	730	230	230
FLA	21,000	21,000	1,400	1,400
GA	36,000	35,000	2,200	1,700
HAW	850	800	90	90
IDAHO	19,000	18,500	4,200	4,000
ILL	42,000	40,000	5,900	5,500
IND	45,000	42,000	7,900	7,500
IOWA	64,000	63,000	10,500	10,000
KANS	47,000	44,000	3,700	3,500
KY	62,000	61,000	8,500	8,000
LA	25,000	24,000	3,100	3,000
MAINE	3,700	3,500	1,700	1,500
MD	8,100	7,900	2,200	2,100
MASS	2,200	2,200	1,000	1,000
MICH	30,000	28,000	8,500	8,000
MINN	53,000	49,000	23,000	21,000
MISS	34,000	32,000	2,500	2,200
MO	98,000	96,000	11,000	10,500
MONT	16,200	16,000	2,700	2,500
NEBR	35,000	35,000	4,500	4,300
NEV	1,700	1,700	400	400
N H	1,800	1,700	700	700
N J	2,500	2,400	800	750
N MEX	9,000	9,000	1,400	1,300
N Y	29,000	27,000	16,500	15,800
N C	40,000	37,000	4,500	4,000
N DAK	17,800	17,200	3,400	3,000
OHIO	45,000	44,000	11,000	10,600
OKLA	65,000	64,000	5,300	4,800
OREG	26,000	26,000	3,800	3,800
PA	46,000	46,000	21,000	19,500
R I	320	300	130	120
S C	18,000	18,000	2,000	2,000
S DAK	26,000	25,000	5,600	5,200
TENN	76,000	74,000	6,700	6,400
TEX	148,000	142,000	9,200	8,700
UTAH	9,300	8,800	2,300	2,100
VT	5,200	5,100	3,500	3,400
VA	39,000	39,000	6,500	5,000
WASH	23,000	23,000	3,400	3,400
W VA	18,000	17,000	3,200	3,100
WIS	63,000	62,000	41,000	39,000
WYO	5,800	5,600	900	800
U. S.	1,493,880	1,449,730	271,920	254,760

1/ AN OPERATION IS ANY PLACE HAVING ONE OR MORE HEAD OF THE SPECIES ON HAND AT ANY TIME DURING THE YEAR.

2/ INCLUDED IN OPERATIONS WITH CATTLE.

CATTLE AND CALVES: NUMBER BY CLASS, UNITED STATES,  
JULY 1, 1984 - 1986

CLASS	1984	1985	1986	1986 AS % OF 1985
	1,000 HEAD			PERCENT
CATTLE AND CALVES	121,500	116,300	112,200	96
COWS AND HEIFERS THAT HAVE CALVED	48,700	46,300	45,000	97
BEEF COWS	37,900	35,250	34,150	97
MILK COWS	10,800	11,050	10,850	98
HEIFERS 500 POUNDS AND OVER	18,500	18,200	17,500	96
FOR BEEF COW REPLACEMENT	5,500	4,900	4,800	98
FOR MILK COW REPLACEMENT	4,950	5,000	4,700	94
OTHER HEIFERS	8,050	8,300	8,000	96
STEERS 500 POUNDS AND OVER	16,400	15,900	15,300	96
BULLS 500 POUNDS AND OVER	2,500	2,300	2,200	96
CALVES UNDER 500 POUNDS	35,400	33,600	32,200	96

JUNE 1 CATTLE INVENTORY

The National Agricultural Statistics Service (NASS) announced a survey program modification for midyear cattle estimates on October 21, 1986. Beginning in 1987, the midyear cattle inventory report will reference June 1 instead of the previously referenced July 1. The following tables present June 1 estimates for the period 1973 to 1986 for the convenience of data users in preparing for the new reference date. In establishing these June 1 estimates, NASS reviewed survey data collected around June 1 as well as available June birth, death, slaughter, import and export data.

Allowances were also made for class changes due to weight gains during June and for heifers calving and entering the cow herd during June. The July 1 Cattle estimates provided since 1973 will be discontinued.

CATTLE AND CALVES: NUMBER BY CLASS AND CALF CROP, UNITED STATES,  
JUNE 1, 1973-76

CLASS	1973	1974	1975	1976
1,000 HEAD				
CATTLE AND CALVES	132,900	140,900	142,300	136,200
COWS AND HEIFERS THAT HAVE CALVED:				
BEEF COWS	42,750	45,750	47,450	43,450
MILK COWS	11,450	11,250	11,150	11,050
HEIFERS 500 POUNDS AND OVER	18,500	19,200	19,200	19,200
FOR BEEF COW REPLACEMENT	7,100	7,800	7,300	6,400
FOR MILK COW REPLACEMENT	3,800	3,800	3,800	3,800
OTHER HEIFERS	7,600	7,600	8,100	9,000
STEERS 500 POUNDS AND OVER	18,500	19,300	17,900	19,400
BULLS 500 POUNDS AND OVER	2,700	2,900	3,100	2,700
CALVES UNDER 500 POUNDS	39,000	42,500	43,500	40,400
CALF CROP				
JAN 1 - MAY 31	NA	NA	NA	NA
JUN 1 - DEC 31	NA	NA	NA	NA
TOTAL	49,194	50,873	50,183	47,384

CATTLE AND CALVES: NUMBER BY CLASS AND CALF CROP, UNITED STATES,  
JUNE 1, 1977-80

CLASS	1977	1978	1979	1980
1,000 HEAD				
CATTLE AND CALVES	132,900	124,000	120,100	124,300
COWS AND HEIFERS THAT HAVE CALVED:				
BEEF COWS	41,750	38,100	37,300	39,300
MILK COWS	10,950	10,800	10,700	10,800
HEIFERS 500 POUNDS AND OVER	18,600	18,500	17,700	18,000
FOR BEEF COW REPLACEMENT	5,700	5,300	5,600	5,700
FOR MILK COW REPLACEMENT	3,900	3,900	4,000	4,300
OTHER HEIFERS	9,000	9,300	8,100	8,000
STEERS 500 POUNDS AND OVER	19,500	18,600	17,400	17,100
BULLS 500 POUNDS AND OVER	2,700	2,500	2,500	2,600
CALVES UNDER 500 POUNDS	39,400	35,500	34,500	36,500
CALF CROP				
JAN 1 - MAY 31	31,950	29,550	28,350	30,600
JUN 1 - DEC 31	13,981	14,268	14,246	14,338
TOTAL	45,931	43,818	42,596	44,938

CATTLE AND CALVES: NUMBER BY CLASS AND CALF CROP, UNITED STATES,  
JUNE 1, 1981-84

CLASS	1981	1982	1983	1984
	1,000 HEAD			
CATTLE AND CALVES	126,500	126,000	125,500	123,700
COWS AND HEIFERS THAT HAVE CALVED:	51,200	50,300	49,900	49,200
BEEF COWS	40,300	39,300	38,800	38,400
MILK COWS	10,900	11,000	11,100	10,800
HEIFERS 500 POUNDS AND OVER	18,500	18,700	18,800	18,700
FOR BEEF COW REPLACEMENT	6,100	5,900	5,600	5,400
FOR MILK COW REPLACEMENT	4,500	4,700	4,800	4,800
OTHER HEIFERS	7,900	8,100	8,400	8,500
STEERS 500 POUNDS AND OVER	16,900	17,000	17,500	17,200
BULLS 500 POUNDS AND OVER	2,700	2,700	2,600	2,500
CALVES UNDER 500 POUNDS	37,200	37,300	36,700	36,100
CALF CROP				
JAN 1 - MAY 31	30,200	29,650	29,650	28,950
JUN 1 - DEC 31	14,466	14,550	14,275	13,550
TOTAL	44,666	44,200	43,925	42,500

CATTLE AND CALVES: NUMBER BY CLASS AND CALF CROP, UNITED STATES,  
JUNE 1, 1985-86

CLASS	1985	1986	1986 AS % 1985
	1,000 HEAD		PERCENT
CATTLE AND CALVES	118,200	114,400	97
COWS AND HEIFERS THAT HAVE CALVED:	46,600	45,400	97
BEEF COWS	35,600	34,500	97
MILK COWS	11,000	10,900	99
HEIFERS 500 POUNDS AND OVER	18,500	17,800	96
FOR BEEF COW REPLACEMENT	4,800	4,700	98
FOR MILK COW REPLACEMENT	4,900	4,600	94
OTHER HEIFERS	8,800	8,500	97
STEERS 500 POUNDS AND OVER	16,500	16,100	98
BULLS 500 POUNDS AND OVER	2,300	2,200	96
CALVES UNDER 500 POUNDS	34,300	32,900	96
CALF CROP			
JAN 1 - MAY 31	27,950	28,250	101
JUN 1 - DEC 31	13,095	12,951	99
TOTAL	41,045	41,201	100

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