

U.S. Livestock Summary

Cattle Inventory Down 1 Percent

The inventory of all cattle and calves on hand January 1, 1999 was 98.5 million head, down 1 percent from the previous year. All inventory classes except milk replacement heifers and bulls posted declines of 1 to 4 percent from a year earlier. Beef replacement heifers, at 96 percent of the previous year, posted the largest decline. The 1998 calf crop of 38.6 million head was 1 percent lower than a year earlier. The lower inventory continues the downward trend in the cattle cycle. Reduced numbers of cows, calves, and replacement heifers indicate that this pattern should continue. The number of operations with cattle during 1998 was 1.1 million, down 3 percent from 1997. Operations for all size categories were down from the previous year.

On January 1, 1999 the inventory of cattle on feed in the U.S. totaled 13.2 million head, down 3 percent from the previous year. For feedlots with a capacity of 1,000 or more head, inventories decreased 4 percent. With an inventory of 10.7 million head, these feedlots account for 81 percent of the U.S. total. Fed cattle marketings from these feedlots totaled 22.8 million head.

Preliminary numbers of commercial beef production for 1998 totaled 25.7 billion pounds, up 1 percent from the previous year.

Milk Production Increased 0.9 Percent

U.S. milk production increased 0.9 percent to 157.4 billion pounds in 1998. Milk cow numbers were 1 percent lower than a year earlier, while production per cow increased 2 percent. The number of operations with milk cows during 1998 fell to 116,430, down 6 percent from a year earlier. Operations with fewer than 200 head declined while those with 200 or more head increased. The larger operations continued to increase their share of production, with the biggest gain for operations with 200 or more head.

Hog Inventory Up 2 Percent

The inventory of all hogs and pigs on December 1, 1998 was 62.2 million head, up 2 percent from the previous year. The inventory of breeding animals, was down 4 percent from 1997. Sows farrowed during 1998 increased 5 percent from a year earlier, while the pig

crop also rose 5 percent. The average pigs saved per litter increased slightly during 1998 compared with a year earlier. The number of operations with hogs has fallen steadily since 1980 and was down to 114,380 operations in 1998. The share of inventory held by larger operations continues to increase; in 1998 the 6,685 operations with 2,000 or more hogs held 64 percent of the inventory, compared to 6,180 operations with 61 percent of the inventory a year earlier. Preliminary commercial pork production totaled 19.0 billion pounds in 1998, up 10 percent from the previous year. Number of head slaughtered increased 10 percent while the average dressed weight per animal was unchanged.

Poultry Value of Production Up

The combined value of production from broilers, eggs, and turkeys plus the value of sales from chickens in 1997 was \$21.6 billion, down 1 percent from the \$21.9 billion in 1996. Of the 1997 total, 65 percent was from broilers, 21 percent from eggs, 13 percent from turkeys, and less than 1 percent from other chickens. The value of broilers produced during 1997 was \$14.2 billion, up 2 percent from \$13.9 billion in 1996. The number of broilers produced has increased each year for the past 21 years; the 7.76 billion produced in 1997 was up 2 percent from 1996. The total live weight of broilers produced in 1997 was 37.5 billion pounds, up 3 percent from 1996. The average live weight per broiler continues to increase at 4.84 pounds per bird in 1997.

The value of turkeys produced during 1997 was \$2.88 billion, down 8 percent from \$3.12 billion the previous year. Turkey production totaled 7.23 billion pounds live weight, compared with 7.22 billion pounds in 1996. The average price received by producers during 1997 was 39.9 cents per pound, compared with 43.3 cents in 1996.

The number of chickens on December 1, 1998 (excluding commercial broilers) was 424 million, up 3 percent from 1997. Layers at 321 million were up 3 percent from the previous year. The 95.7 million pullets were up 6 percent from the 90.3 million of December 1, 1997. Other chickens showed a 2 percent increase to 7.68 million birds. All chickens were valued at \$1.14 billion on December 1, 1998, up 2 percent from a year earlier. Average value decreased from \$2.72 to \$2.69 per bird.

Livestock

Egg production during the year ending November 30, 1998 was 79.7 billion eggs, up 3 percent from 77.5 billion eggs in 1997. Layer numbers during 1998 averaged 312 million, up 3 percent from the year earlier. The annual average production per layer on hand in 1998 was 256 eggs, compared with the 1997 average of 255 eggs per layer.

Trout Sales Decrease and Catfish Sales Increase

For trout growers in the 18 selected states, value of sales was \$78.9 million during the year ending

August 31, 1998, down 1 percent from the 79.8 million a year ago. Growers in 18 selected states sold a total of 60.6 million pounds of trout.

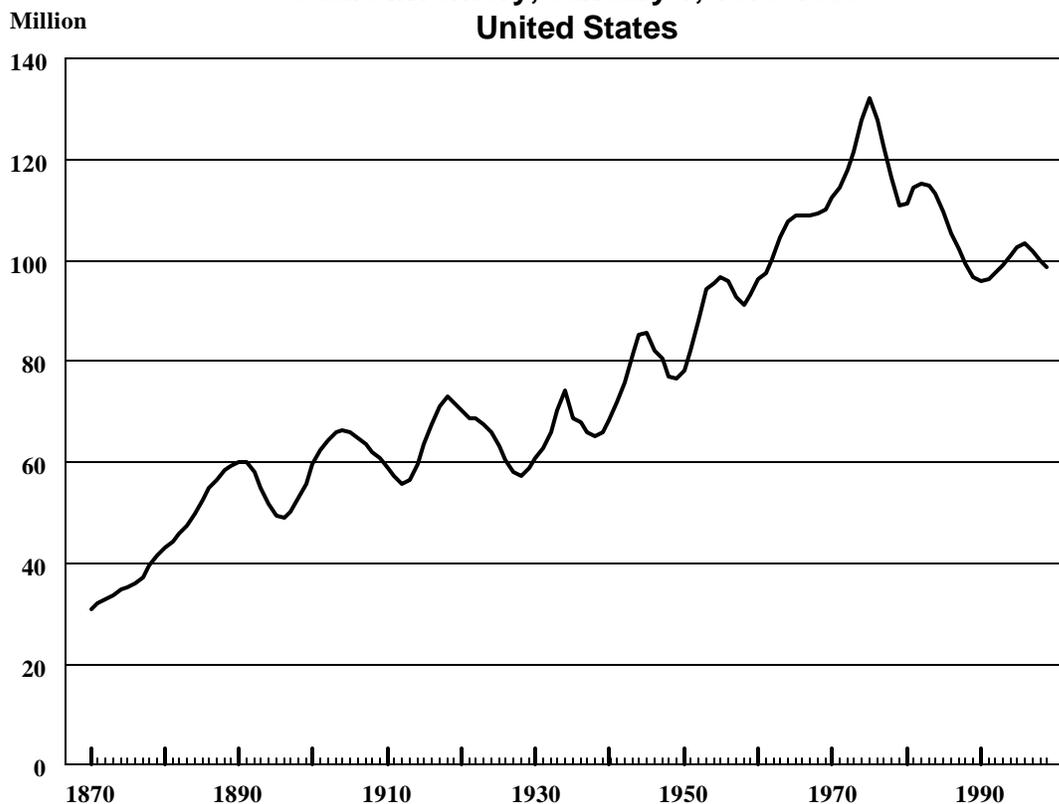
Catfish growers in the 15 selected states had sales of \$469 million during 1998. These sales were up 10 percent from the 1997 total of \$427 million. Sales of foodsize fish totaled \$441 million, up 8 percent from the \$407 million in 1997. Sales of stockers totaled \$7.22 million, up 79 percent from the \$4.03 million in 1997. Catfish water acres increased 2 percent from January 1, 1998, to 175,220 on January 1, 1999.

Cattle and Calves: January 1 Inventory

Year	Cattle Inventory ¹										Calf Crop	
	Total Cattle	Cows			Bulls	Heifers			Steers	Calves		
		Total	Beef	Milk		Beef	Milk	Other		500+lbs.		< 500 lbs.
<i>thousand head</i>	<i>thousand head</i>	<i>thousand head</i>	<i>thousand head</i>	<i>thousand head</i>	<i>thousand head</i>	<i>thousand head</i>	<i>thousand head</i>	<i>thousand head</i>	<i>thousand head</i>	<i>thousand head</i>	<i>thousand head</i>	
1994	100,974	44,110	34,603	9,507	2,312	6,364	4,125	9,104	17,086	17,873	39,269	
1995	102,785	44,672	35,190	9,482	2,385	6,452	4,121	9,302	17,513	18,341	40,105	
1996	103,548	44,739	35,319	9,420	2,384	6,189	4,090	9,948	17,815	18,384	40,264	
1997	101,656	43,776	34,458	9,318	2,350	6,042	4,058	10,212	17,392	17,826	39,823	
1998	99,744	43,084	33,885	9,199	2,270	5,764	3,986	10,051	17,189	17,401	38,961	
1999	98,522	42,615	33,472	9,143	2,276	5,550	4,060	9,994	16,836	17,190	38,582	

¹ Totals may not add due to rounding. NASS, Livestock & Economics Branch, (202) 720-3570

**Cattle Inventory, January 1, 1870-1999
United States**



Cattle and Calves: Marketings, Price, and Cash Receipts

Year	Marketings ¹		Average Price		Cash Receipts ²
	Cattle	Calves	Cattle	Calves	
	<i>thousand head</i>	<i>thousand head</i>	<i>dollars/cwt</i>	<i>dollars/cwt</i>	<i>million dollars</i>
1992	45,632	9,565	71.30	89.00	37,272
1993	46,022	9,679	72.60	91.20	39,362
1994	46,588	9,496	66.70	87.20	36,395
1995	48,432	9,589	61.80	73.10	34,004
1996	48,792	10,138	58.70	58.40	31,103
1997	49,607	10,017	63.10	78.90	36,095

¹ Includes custom slaughter for use on farms where produced and state outshipments but excludes interfarm sales within the state. ² Receipts from marketings and sale of farm slaughter. NASS, Livestock & Economics Branch, (202) 720-3570

Cattle and Calves: Top 10 States

State Rank	January 1, 1999 Inventory		1997 Cash Receipts ¹	
	State	Head	State	Dollars
		<i>thousand</i>		<i>million</i>
1	Texas	14,000	Texas	5,849
2	Nebraska	6,650	Nebraska	4,385
3	Kansas	6,550	Kansas	4,354
4	Oklahoma	5,200	Colorado	2,286
5	California	5,000	Oklahoma	2,009
6	Missouri	4,400	Iowa	1,652
7	South Dakota	3,850	California	1,323
8	Iowa	3,650	South Dakota	1,188
9	Wisconsin	3,400	Minnesota	973
10	Colorado	3,150	Missouri	901

¹ Receipts from marketings and sale of farm slaughter. NASS, Livestock & Economics Branch, (202) 720-3570

Cattle and Calves: Operations and Inventory by Size Group

Year	Total	Number and Percent by Size Group (head) ¹				
		1- 49	50 - 99	100 - 499	500 - 999	1,000+
		<i>number</i>	<i>number</i>	<i>number</i>	<i>number</i>	<i>number</i>
Number of Operations ²						
1993	1,213,780	774,600	204,180	209,140	17,125	8,735
1994	1,197,290	755,500	207,490	208,610	17,070	8,620
1995	1,190,630	745,500	207,780	209,860	18,310	9,180
1996	1,176,700	734,000	205,030	210,760	17,980	8,930
1997	1,148,050	715,040	200,550	205,390	17,750	9,320
1998	1,115,650	695,000	194,310	198,945	17,965	9,430
January 1 Inventory		<i>percent</i>	<i>percent</i>	<i>percent</i>	<i>percent</i>	<i>percent</i>
1994	100,974	13.7	13.9	38.7	11.1	22.6
1995	102,785	13.3	14.0	38.7	11.1	22.9
1996	103,548	13.0	13.9	38.3	11.6	23.2
1997	101,656	12.8	13.7	38.6	11.4	23.5
1998	99,744	12.5	13.5	38.1	11.4	24.5
1999	98,522	12.5	12.9	37.0	11.8	25.8

¹ Percents reflect average distributions of various probability surveys conducted during the year. ² An operation is any place with at least one head at any time during the year NASS, Livestock & Economics Branch, (202) 720-3570

Cattle and Calves: Commercial Slaughter

Year	Slaughter ¹		Average Live Weight		Average Dressed Weight ²		Meat Production	
	Cattle	Calves	Cattle	Calves	Cattle	Calves	Beef	Veal
	<i>thousand head</i>	<i>thousand head</i>	<i>pounds</i>	<i>pounds</i>	<i>pounds</i>	<i>pounds</i>	<i>million pounds</i>	<i>million pounds</i>
1993	33,324	1,195	1,161	388	694	228	22,942	286
1994	34,196	1,268	1,189	383	717	227	24,278	293
1995	35,639	1,430	1,183	372	711	218	25,117	307
1996	36,583	1,768	1,169	343	702	211	25,421	368
1997	36,318	1,575	1,173	338	706	208	25,384	323
1998 ³	35,471	1,456	1,203	286	730	174	25,655	251

¹ Excludes farm slaughter. ² Federally inspected slaughter. ³ 1998 preliminary, final estimates will be published in "Livestock Slaughter 1998 Summary" March 5, 1999. NASS, Livestock and Economics Branch, (202) 720-3570

Cattle on Feed: Inventory and Marketings by State

State ¹	Jan 1, 1999 Inventory ²	1998 Marketings	State ¹	Jan 1, 1999 Inventory ²	1998 Marketings
	<i>thousand head</i>	<i>thousand head</i>		<i>thousand head</i>	<i>thousand head</i>
Arizona	205	292	Oklahoma	410	928
California	400	570	South Dakota	184	331
Colorado	1,140	2,520	Texas	2,720	6,060
Idaho	285	579	Washington	199	467
Iowa	335	528			
Kansas	2,110	5,030	All Other States	450	823
Nebraska	2,170	4,440			
New Mexico	118	202	Total U.S.	10,667	22,770

¹ 1000+ capacity feedlots. ² Cattle and calves on feed are animals for slaughter market being fed a ration of grain or concentrates and are expected to produce a carcass that will grade select or better. NASS, Livestock & Economics Branch, (202) 720-3570

Cattle on Feed: Feedlots, Inventory, and Marketings, United States

Year	Counts by Size Group (head)							
	1,000 - 1,999	2,000 - 3,999	4,000 - 7,999	8,000 - 15,999	16,000 - 23,999	24,000 - 31,999	32,000 - 49,999	50,000+
Number of Feedlots ¹	834	492	310	186	81	63	60	45
	<i>thousand head</i>	<i>thousand head</i>	<i>thousand head</i>	<i>thousand head</i>	<i>thousand head</i>	<i>thousand head</i>	<i>thousand head</i>	<i>thousand head</i>
January 1, 1999 Inventory ²	531	670	1,006	1,429	1,129	1,417	1,876	2,609
Marketings ³	886	1,205	1,912	2,956	2,518	2,989	4,243	6,061

¹ Number of lots operating at any time during the year. ² Cattle and calves on feed are animals for slaughter market being fed a ration of grain or concentrates and are expected to produce a carcass that will grade select or better. ³ Marketed during calendar year 1998. NASS, Livestock & Economics Branch, (202) 720-3570

Beef Cows: Operations and Inventory by Size Group

Year	Total	Number and Percent by Size Group (head) ¹			
		1 - 49	50 - 99	100 - 499	500+
		<i>number</i>	<i>number</i>	<i>number</i>	<i>number</i>
Number of Operations ²					
1993	894,980	721,950	100,920	66,320	5,790
1994	897,260	720,150	103,120	68,350	5,640
1995	897,660	716,150	105,460	70,370	5,680
1996	885,980	703,850	106,410	70,225	5,495
1997	872,840	692,400	104,230	70,665	5,545
1998	855,860	679,250	101,150	69,975	5,485
January 1 Inventory		<i>percent</i>	<i>percent</i>	<i>percent</i>	<i>percent</i>
1994	34,603	31.7	19.8	33.9	14.6
1995	35,190	31.5	19.4	34.6	14.5
1996	35,319	31.2	19.2	35.3	14.3
1997	34,458	30.8	19.6	35.4	14.2
1998	33,885	30.4	19.4	35.9	14.3
1999	33,472	30.4	18.8	36.1	14.7

¹ Percents reflect average distributions of various probability surveys conducted during the year. ² An operation is any place with at least one head of beef cows at any time during the year. Included in operations with cattle. NASS, *Livestock & Economics Branch, (202) 720-3570*

Milk Cows: Operations and Inventory by Size Group

Year	Total	Operations and Percent by Size Group (head) ¹						
		1 - 29	30 - 49	50 - 99	100 - 199	200 +	200 - 499	500 +
		<i>number</i>	<i>number</i>	<i>number</i>	<i>number</i>	<i>number</i>	<i>number</i>	<i>number</i>
Number of Operations ²								
1994	148,140	53,500	32,640	40,640	14,450	6,910		
1995	139,670	48,150	31,030	39,280	14,290	6,920		
1996	130,980	43,050	29,230	37,560	14,090	7,050		
1997	123,700	39,070	27,285	35,850	14,040		5,119	2,336
1998	116,430	35,690	25,155	34,277	13,748		5,145	2,415
Milk Cow Inventory ³		<i>percent</i>	<i>percent</i>	<i>percent</i>	<i>percent</i>	<i>percent</i>	<i>percent</i>	<i>percent</i>
1994	9,494,000	4.6	14.0	28.7	19.3	33.4		
1995	9,466,000	4.0	13.0	28.0	20.0	35.0		
1996	9,372,000	4.0	12.0	27.0	20.0	37.0		
1997	9,252,900	3.5	11.5	26.0	20.0	39.0	14.6	24.4
1998	9,158,000						15.0	25.3

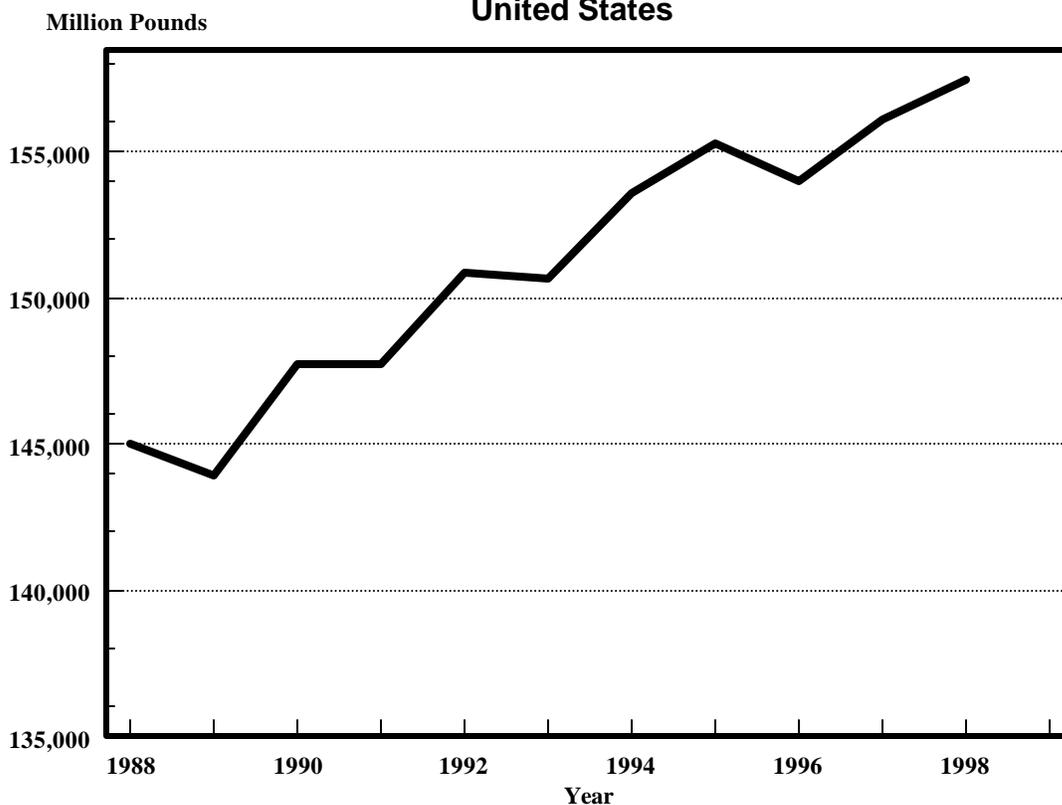
¹ Percents reflect average distributions of various probability surveys conducted during the year. ² An operation is any place with at least one head milk cows at any time during the year. ³ Average number during year, excluding heifers not yet fresh. NASS, *Livestock & Economics Branch, (202) 720-3570*

Milk Cows: Inventory, Production, Price, and Cash Receipts

Year	Milk Cow Inventory ¹	Milk Production ²		Average Price	Cash Receipts
		Per Cow	Total		
	<i>thousand head</i>	<i>pounds</i>	<i>Million pounds</i>	<i>dollars/cwt</i>	<i>million dollars</i>
1993	9,581	15,722	150,636	12.94	19,492
1994	9,494	16,179	153,602	13.12	20,153
1995	9,466	16,405	155,292	12.93	20,079
1996	9,372	16,433	154,006	14.94	23,008
1997	9,252	16,871	156,091	13.53	21,119
1998 ³	9,158	17,192	157,441		

¹ Average number during year, excluding heifers not yet fresh. ² Excludes milk sucked by calves. ³ Estimates for price and value will be published May 21, 1999. NASS, Livestock & Economics Branch, (202) 720-3570

**Milk Production, 1988-1998
United States**

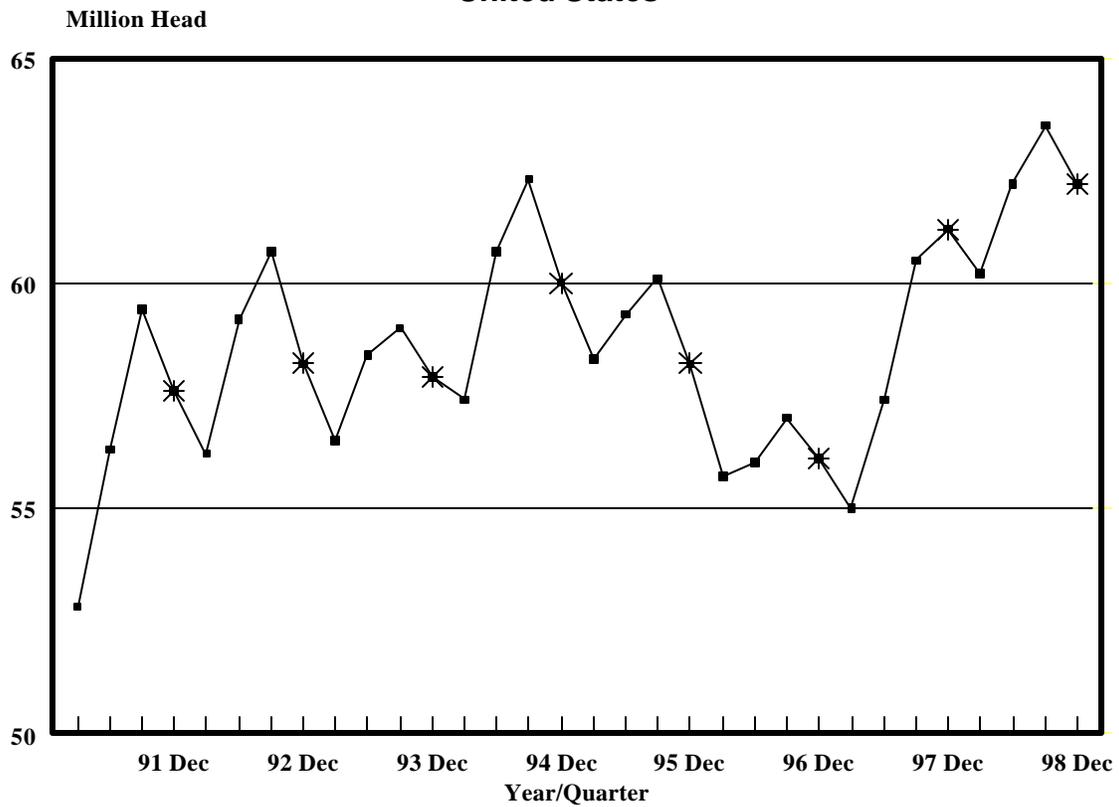


Hogs and Pigs: Inventory and Pig Crop

Year	Hogs and Pigs Inventory, Dec. 1			Sows Farrowed ¹	Pigs per Litter ¹	Pig Crop ¹
	Total	Breeding	Market			
	<i>thousand head</i>	<i>thousand head</i>	<i>thousand head</i>	<i>thousand head</i>		<i>thousand head</i>
1993	57,940	7,166	50,774	12,015	8.10	97,326
1994	59,738	6,998	52,739	12,396	8.19	101,478
1995	58,201	6,770	51,431	11,888	8.31	98,816
1996	56,124	6,578	49,546	11,113	8.50	94,459
1997	61,158	6,957	54,200	11,479	8.68	99,584
1998	62,156	6,672	55,483	12,058	8.71	104,981

¹ December of preceding year through November. **Record inventory: 83.7 million head December 1, 1944.**
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**Quarterly Hogs and Pigs Inventory, 1991-98
 United States**



Hogs and Pigs: Top 10 States

State Rank	Dec. 1, 1998 Inventory ¹		1997 Cash Receipts	
	State	Head	State	Dollars
		<i>thousand</i>		<i>thousand</i>
1	Iowa	15,300	Iowa	2,957,211
2	North Carolina	9,700	North Carolina	2,016,643
3	Minnesota	5,700	Minnesota	1,169,019
4	Illinois	4,800	Illinois	1,011,316
5	Indiana	4,050	Nebraska	832,754
6	Nebraska	3,400	Indiana	805,226
7	Missouri	3,300	Missouri	778,661
8	Oklahoma	1,920	Oklahoma	423,393
9	Ohio	1,700	Ohio	413,072
10	Kansas	1,590	Kansas	409,737

¹ Receipts from marketings and sale of farm slaughter; includes allowance for higher average price of state outshipments of feeder pigs. NASS, Livestock & Economics Branch, (202) 720-3570

Hogs and Pigs: Marketings, Price, and Cash Receipts

Year	Marketings ¹	Average Price	Cash Receipts ²
	<i>thousand head</i>	<i>dollars/cwt</i>	<i>million dollars</i>
1992	98,688	41.60	10,046
1993	98,351	45.20	10,911
1994	100,747	39.90	9,883
1995	102,684	40.50	10,264
1996	101,852	51.90	12,698
1997	104,554	52.90	13,197

¹ Includes custom slaughter for use on farms where produced and state outshipments but excludes interfarm sales within the state.

² Receipts from marketings and sale of farm slaughter; includes allowance for higher average price of state inshipments and outshipments of feeder pigs. NASS, Livestock & Economics Branch, (202) 720-3570

Hogs and Pigs: Commercial Slaughter

Year	Slaughter ¹	Average Live Weight	Average Dressed Weight ²	Pork Production
	<i>thousand head</i>	<i>pounds</i>	<i>pounds</i>	<i>million pounds</i>
1993	93,068	254	184	17,029
1994	95,696	255	185	17,659
1995	96,326	256	186	17,810
1996	92,394	254	186	17,084
1997	91,960	256	189	17,245
1998 ³				

¹ Excludes farm slaughter. ² Federally inspected only. ³ Estimates will be published in "Livestock Slaughter 1998 Summary" March 5, 1999. NASS, Livestock and Economics Branch, (202) 720-3570

Hogs and Pigs: Operations and Inventory

Year	Total	Number and Percent by Size of Operation (head) ¹					
		1 - 99	100 - 499	500 - 999	1,000 - 1,999	2,000 - 4,999	5,000+
Number of Operations ²		<i>number</i>	<i>number</i>	<i>number</i>	<i>number</i>	<i>number</i>	<i>number</i>
1993	218,060	131,160	56,295	18,270	7,955	3,390	990
1994	196,030	114,960	50,695	17,315	8,220	3,670	1,750
1995	168,450	96,730	44,140	15,160	7,420	3,615	1,385
1996	142,380	81,930	35,585	12,960	6,830	3,490	1,585
1997	122,160	69,460	28,095	11,670	6,755	4,355	1,825
1998	114,380	62,370	27,015	11,455	6,855	4,770	1,915
December 1 Inventory		<i>percent</i>	<i>percent</i>	<i>percent</i>	<i>percent</i>	<i>percent</i>	<i>percent</i>
1993	57,940,000	5.0	22.5	21.5	17.5	15.5	18.0
1994	59,738,000	4.0	20.5	19.5	18.0	17.0	21.0
1995	58,201,000	3.5	18.0	17.0	17.0	17.0	27.5
1996	56,124,000	3.0	15.0	15.0	16.0	17.0	34.0
1997	61,158,000	2.0	11.0	12.0	14.5	20.5	40.0
1998	62,156,000	2.0	9.5	11.0	14.0	21.5	42.0

¹ Percent: average distributions of various probability surveys conducted during the year. ² Operation: a place with at least one head at any time during the year prior to December 1. NASS, Livestock & Economics Branch, (202) 720-3570

Hogs and Pigs: Pigs per Litter

Year and Quarter	All Operations	Number of Pigs per Litter by Size of Operation (head)					
		1 - 99	100 - 499	500 - 999	1,000 - 1,999	2,000 - 4,999	5,000+
1994 Dec.-Feb.	8.10	6.70	7.70	8.00	8.20	8.20	8.70
Mar.-May	8.26	7.40	7.80	8.20	8.30	8.60	8.70
Jun.-Aug.	8.21	7.30	7.70	8.00	8.20	8.50	8.80
Sep.-Nov.	8.16	7.50	7.70	7.90	8.20	8.30	8.70
1995 Dec.-Feb.	8.24	7.00	7.70	8.00	8.20	8.30	8.80
Mar.-May	8.32	7.20	7.90	8.10	8.40	8.40	8.80
Jun.-Aug.	8.34	7.20	7.70	7.90	8.20	8.70	8.80
Sep.-Nov.	8.35	7.30	7.80	8.00	8.40	8.50	8.70
1996 Dec.-Feb.	8.43	6.90	7.80	8.00	8.40	8.90	8.80
Mar.-May	8.48	7.80	8.10	8.20	8.50	8.50	8.80
Jun.-Aug.	8.55	6.80	7.80	8.30	8.40	8.70	8.80
Sep.-Nov.	8.54	7.30	8.00	8.20	8.30	8.60	8.90
1997 Dec.-Feb.	8.63	7.20	7.70	8.10	8.40	8.60	8.90
Mar.-May	8.67	7.60	7.90	8.20	8.40	8.60	9.00
Jun.-Aug.	8.72	7.50	7.90	8.20	8.50	8.70	9.00
Sep.-Nov.	8.67	7.40	8.10	8.40	8.60	8.80	9.00
1998 Dec.-Feb.	8.70	7.10	7.90	8.30	8.50	8.80	8.90
Mar.-May	8.75	7.40	8.10	8.40	8.50	8.80	9.00
Jun.-Aug.	8.72	7.30	8.10	8.40	8.60	8.80	8.90
Sep.-Nov.	8.65	7.20	8.00	8.20	8.50	8.70	8.90

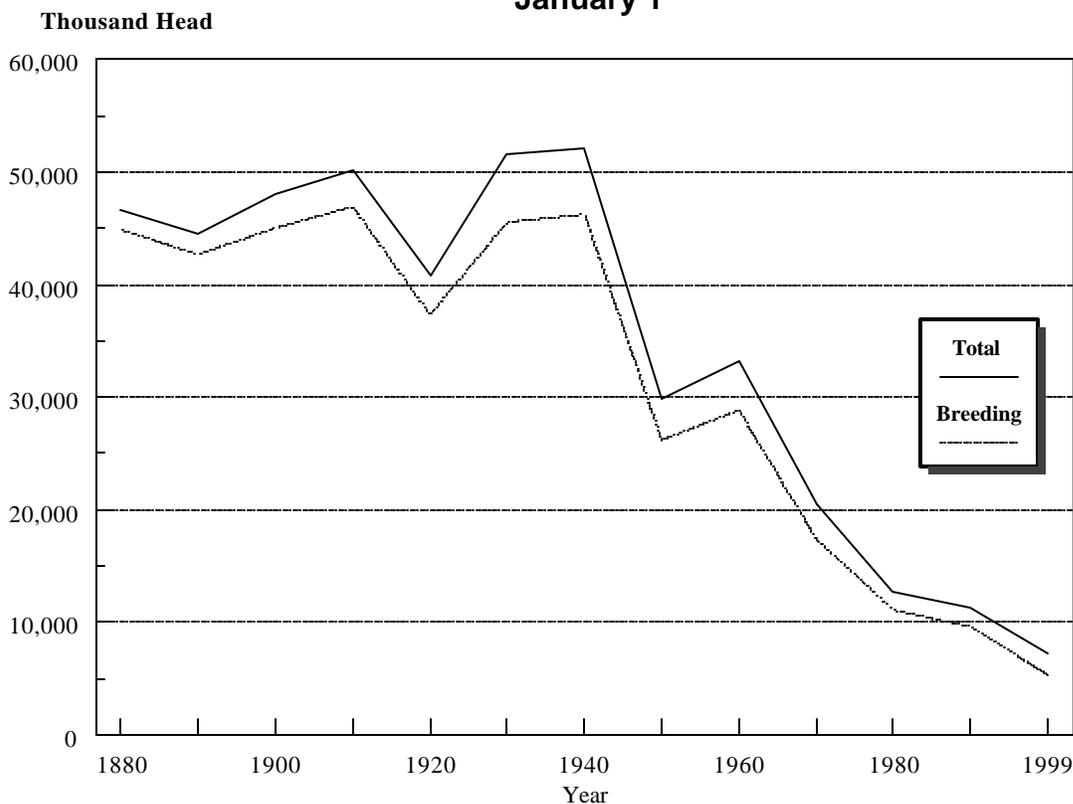
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Sheep and Lambs: Sheep Inventory and Lamb Crop

Year	January 1 Sheep Inventory						Lamb Crop ¹
	Total	Ewes 1+ Years	Rams 1+ Years	Replacement Lambs	Market Lambs	Market Sheep	
	<i>thousand head</i>	<i>thousand head</i>	<i>thousand head</i>	<i>thousand head</i>	<i>thousand head</i>	<i>thousand head</i>	<i>thousand head</i>
1994	9,836	5,844	294	1098	N/A	N/A	5,968
1995	8,989	5,404	257	857	2,375	97	5,643
1996	8,465	5,134	234	858	2,162	77	5,361
1997	8,024	4,912	220	787	2,020	85	5,356
1998	7,825	4,570	203	839	2,123	91	5,013
1999	7,238	4,338	202	774	1,841	83	-----

¹ Lambs crop is defined as lambs born in the Native States and lambs docked or branded in the Western States. N/A Not estimated. **Record Inventory: 56.2 million head on January 1, 1867.** NASS, *Livestock & Economics Branch, (202) 720-3570*

Sheep and Lambs Inventory, 1880-1999 January 1



Sheep and Lambs: Top 10 States

State Rank	January 1, 1999 Inventory		1997 Cash Receipts ¹	
	State	Head	State	Dollars
		<i>thousand</i>		<i>thousand</i>
1	Texas	1,350	Colorado	144,401
2	California	810	California	80,949
3	Wyoming	660	Texas	66,214
4	Colorado	440	South Dakota	43,270
5	South Dakota	420	Wyoming	39,473
6	Utah	400	Iowa	32,056
7	Montana	380	Montana	30,184
8	New Mexico	275	Utah	21,945
9	Idaho	265	Idaho	19,864
10	Iowa	260	Oregon	15,986

¹ Receipts from marketings and sale of farm slaughter. NASS, Livestock & Economics Branch, (202) 720-3570

Sheep and Lambs: Marketings, Price, and Cash Receipts

Year	Marketings ¹		Average Price		Cash Receipts ²
	Sheep	Lambs	Sheep	Lambs	
	<i>thousand head</i>	<i>thousand head</i>	<i>dollars/cwt</i>	<i>dollars/cwt</i>	<i>million dollars</i>
1992	1,923	7,007	25.80	59.50	507
1993	1,952	6,752	28.60	64.40	544
1994	1,536	6,384	30.90	65.60	507
1995	990	6,228	28.00	78.20	559
1996	1,024	6,023	29.90	82.20	612
1997	1,011	5,709	37.90	90.30	635

¹ Includes custom slaughter for use on farms where produced and State outshipments, but excludes interfarm sales within the State. ² Receipts from marketings and sale of farm slaughter. NASS, Livestock & Economics Branch, (202) 720-3570

Sheep and Lambs: Commercial Slaughter

Year	Slaughter ¹	Average Live Weight	Average Dressed Weight ²	Lamb and Mutton Production
	<i>thousand head</i>	<i>pounds</i>	<i>pounds</i>	<i>million pounds</i>
1993	5,182	127	64	329
1994	4,938	125	63	306
1995	4,560	125	63	284
1996	4,184	128	64	265
1997	3,907	133	67	260
1998 ³				

¹ Excludes farm slaughter. ² Federally inspected only. ³ 1998 estimates will be published in "Livestock Slaughter 1998 Summary" March 5, 1999. NASS, Livestock and Economics Branch, (202) 720-3570

Sheep and Lambs: Wool Production and Value

Year	Sheep Shorn ¹	Weight per Fleece	Shorn Wool Production	Average Price ²	Value of Production
	<i>thousand head</i>	<i>pounds</i>	<i>thousand pounds</i>	<i>dollars/pound</i>	<i>thousand dollars</i>
1993	9,996	7.75	77,513	0.51	39,071
1994	8,884	7.72	68,625	0.78	52,404
1995	8,126	7.80	63,368	1.04	64,122
1996	7,215	7.78	56,159	0.70	39,270
1997	6,960	7.70	53,578	0.84	44,909
1998 ³					

¹ Includes shearing at commercial feedlots. ² Weighted by sales. ³ 1998 estimates will be published in "Wool and Mohair" March 25, 1999. NASS, Livestock & Economics Branch, (202) 720-3570

Breeding Sheep: Survey Percent by Size Group

Year	Total	Operations and Inventory Percents by Size Groups			
		1 - 99	100 - 499	500 - 4,999	5,000+
		percent ¹	percent ¹	percent ¹	percent ¹
Number of Operations ²					
1994	86,060	89.6	8.2	2.1	0.1
1995	79,900	91.2	6.7	2.0	0.1
1996	76,600	90.9	7.0	2.0	0.1
1997	72,680	91.9	6.2	1.8	0.1
1998	68,810	90.8	6.8	2.3	0.1
1999		90.6	7.3	2.0	0.1
Jan. 1 Breeding Inventory					
1995	6,517,000	24.1	19.9	41.4	14.6
1996	6,225,500	25.0	20.4	40.9	13.7
1997	5,919,000	25.7	20.3	40.0	14.0
1998	5,611,700	25.5	19.2	42.6	12.7
1999	5,314,100	25.9	20.4	39.0	14.7

¹ Percent: distribution according to end-of-year surveys. ² Operation: a place with at least one head at any time during the year. NASS, Livestock & Economics Branch, (202) 720-3570

Honey: Number of Colonies, Yield, Production, Stocks, Price, and Value ¹

Year	Honey Producing Colonies	Yield per Colony	Production	Stocks Dec 15 ²	Average Price per Pound	Value of Production
	<i>1,000</i>	<i>Pounds</i>	<i>1,000 Pounds</i>	<i>1,000 Pounds</i>	<i>Cents</i>	<i>1,000 Dollars</i>
1992	3,045	72.8	221,676	39,061	55.0	121,922
1993	2,875	80.2	230,575	49,046	53.9	124,280
1994	2,783	78.4	218,187	59,877	52.8	115,203
1995	2,655	79.5	211,073	42,313	68.5	144,585
1996	2,581	77.3	199,511	47,206	88.8	177,166
1997	2,631	74.7	196,536	70,696	75.2	147,795
1998	2,633	83.7	220,311	80,808	65.5	144,304

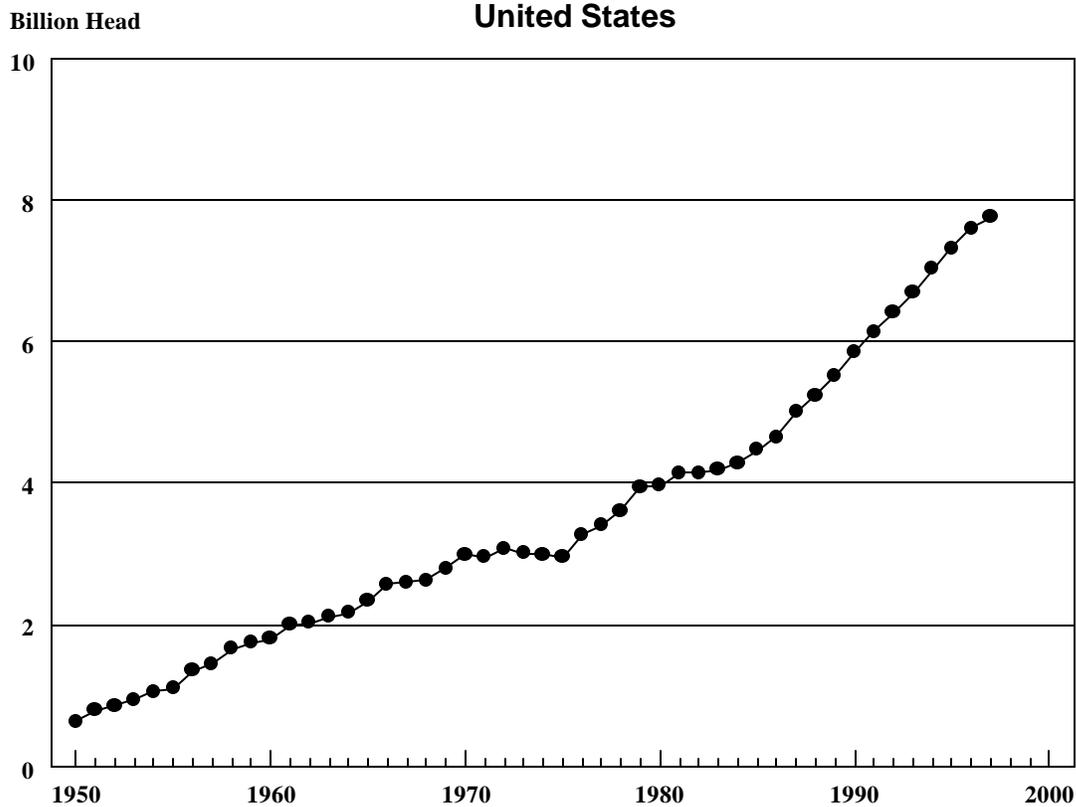
¹ For producers with 5 or more colonies ² Stocks held by producers. Does not include stocks under loan. NASS, Livestock and Economics Branch, (202) 720-3570

Broilers: Production, Price, and Value

Year	Production ¹		Average Price ²	Value of Production
	Head	Pounds		
	<i>million</i>	<i>million</i>	<i>dollars/pound</i>	<i>million dollars</i>
1992	6,402	28,829	0.318	9,174
1993	6,694	30,618	0.340	10,417
1994	7,018	32,529	0.350	11,372
1995	7,326	34,222	0.344	11,762
1996	7,598	36,483	0.381	13,904
1997	7,760	37,523	0.377	14,153

¹ Excludes states producing fewer than 500,000 broilers. ² Liveweight equivalent price. NASS, Livestock & Economics Branch, (202) 720-3570

**Annual Broiler Production, 1950-1997
United States**

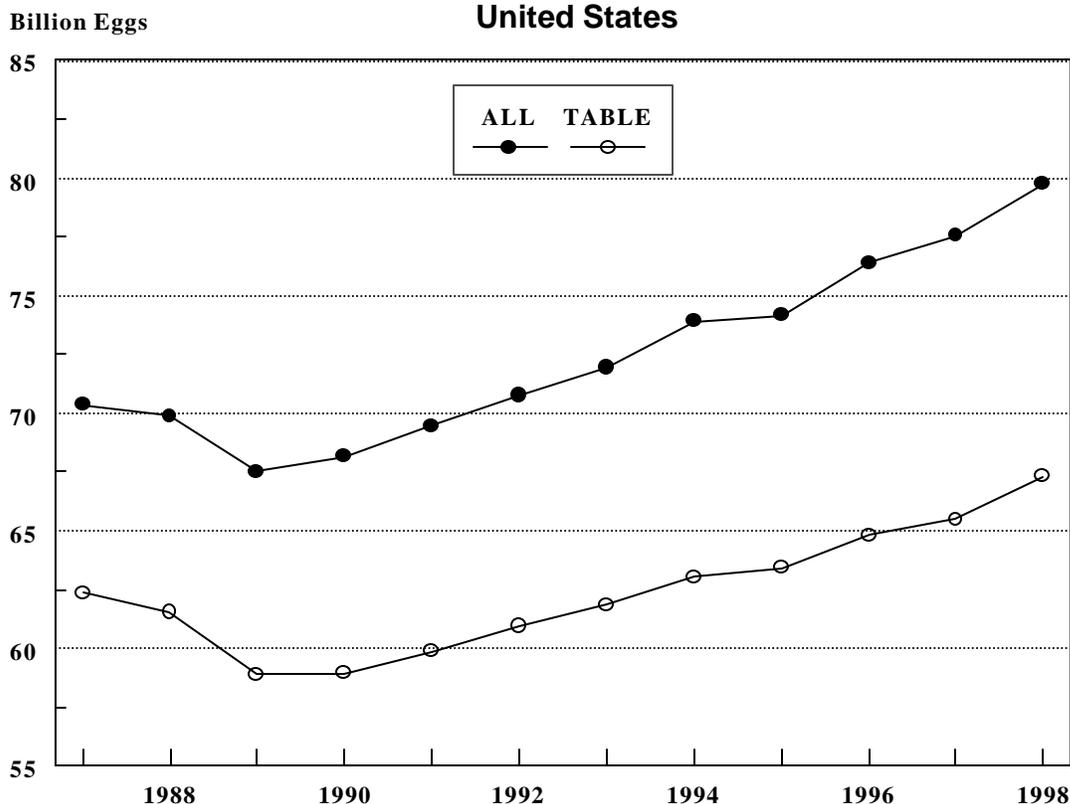


Layers: Egg Production, Price, and Value

Year ¹	Avg. Number of Layers	Eggs per Layer ²	Egg Production	Average Price ³	Value of Production
	<i>thousand</i>		<i>thousand</i>	<i>dollars/dozen</i>	<i>thousand dollars</i>
1993	284,770	253	71,936	0.634	3,800,237
1994	291,035	254	73,903	0.615	3,789,834
1995	294,350	254	74,764	0.625	3,892,912
1996	298,270	256	76,377	0.750	4,776,252
1997	303,604	255	77,532	0.703	4,539,929
1998 ⁴	312,058	256	79,717	-----	-----

¹ Estimates cover December 1 of previous year through November 30. ² Total egg production divided by average number of layers on hand. ³ Average of all eggs sold, including hatching eggs. ⁴ Price and value of egg production will be published April 29, 1999. NASS, *Livestock & Economics Branch, (202) 720-3570*

**All and Table Egg Production, 1988-98
United States**



Chickens: Inventory and Value

Year (Dec. 1)	Inventory Numbers ¹				Average Price per Head	Inventory Value
	Layers ²	Pullets ³	Other Chickens	Total		
	<i>thousand head</i>	<i>thousand head</i>	<i>thousand head</i>	<i>thousand head</i>	<i>dollars</i>	<i>thousand dollars</i>
1993	290,626	81,774	7,240	379,640	2.37	898,059
1994	298,525	79,853	7,369	385,747	2.34	902,815
1995	299,071	81,369	7,637	388,077	2.41	934,905
1996	303,922	81,572	7,243	392,737	2.65	1,039,071
1997	312,137	90,344	7,549	410,030	2.72	1,113,183
1998	320,694	95,718	7,682	424,094	2.69	1,139,984

¹ Excludes commercial broilers. ² Pullets 20 weeks old or older plus layers one year old or older. ³ Pullets less than 20 weeks old. NASS, Livestock & Economics Branch, (202) 720-3570

Turkeys: Production, Price, and Value

Year	Production		Average Price ²	Value of Production
	Head ¹	Pounds		
	<i>thousand</i>	<i>thousand</i>	<i>dollars/pound</i>	<i>thousand dollars</i>
1993	287,650	6,432,577	0.390	2,509,127
1994	286,585	6,540,295	0.404	2,643,057
1995	292,356	6,761,327	0.410	2,769,397
1996	302,713	7,222,834	0.433	3,124,496
1997 ³	301,251	7,225,059	0.399	2,884,377
1998 ⁴	283,503	----	---	----

¹ September 1 of previous year through August 31 of year indicated. ² Liveweight equivalent price. ³ Revisions will be published April 29, 1999. ⁴ Production, price, and value will be published April 29, 1999. NASS, Livestock & Economics Branch, (202) 720-3570

Catfish and Trout: Operations, Catfish Water Acres, and Grower Sales

Year	No. of Operations		Catfish Water Acres Jan. 1	Producer Sales ¹					
	Catfish Jan. 1	Trout Sept. 1		Foodsize		Stockers		Total ²	
				Catfish	Trout	Catfish	Trout	Catfish	Trout
			<i>acres</i>	<i>thousand dollars</i>	<i>thousand dollars</i>	<i>thousand dollars</i>	<i>thousand dollars</i>	<i>thousand dollars</i>	<i>thousand dollars</i>
1993	1,527	452	151,060	352,895	54,259	7,416	7,398	370,540	68,594
1994	1,404	466	151,650	373,597	52,659	5,316	6,730	397,403	65,097
1995	1,300	437	155,420	378,084	60,797	4,756	6,459	399,542	73,949
1996	1,328	428	167,340	403,329	56,968	4,814	7,421	425,383	71,998
1997	1,319	465	177,460	406,801	60,693	4,027	12,481	426,827	79,765
1998	1,243	451	171,130	440,738	59,710	7,223	10,344	469,202	78,911
1999 ³	1,340	-----	175,220	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----

¹ Catfish: January 1 of previous year through December 31 of previous year. Trout: September 1 of previous year through August 1 of year indicated. ² Catfish total includes broodfish for breeding, broodfish previously used for breeding, and fingerlings and fry. Trout total includes fingerlings and eggs. ³ Trout operations and grower sales will be published September 29, 1999. NASS, Livestock & Economics Branch, (202) 720-3570