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ARIZONA ALL CATTLE INVENTORY UNCHANGED

Phoenix, Arizona – Arizona's all cattle inventory as of January 1, 2007, is estimated at 940,000 head, unchanged from last January's inventory. The beef cow inventory decreased by 10,000 head to 175,000 head, but the milk cow inventory increased 5,000 head from a year ago to 175,000 head. Other classes of cattle inventory include steers at 340,000 head, unchanged; milk replacement heifers at 50,000 head, up 6,000; beef replacement heifers at 33,000 head, up 3,000; and calves at 130,000 head, unchanged from a year ago.

All cattle and calves in the United States as of January 1, 2007, totaled 97.0 million head, slightly above the 96.7 million on January 1, 2006. All cows and heifers that have calved, at 42.0 million, were down slightly from the 42.1 million on January 1, 2006. Beef cows, at 32.9 million, were down slightly from January 1, 2006. Milk cows, at 9.13 million, were up 1 percent from January 1, 2006.

Other class estimates on January 1, 2007, and the change from January 1, 2006, are as follows: All heifers 500 pounds and over, 20.1 million, up 1 percent. Beef replacement heifers, 5.88 million, down slightly. Milk replacement heifers, 4.31 million, up 1 percent. Other heifers, 9.90 million, up 1 percent. Steers weighing 500 pounds and over, 17.2 million, up 2 percent. Bulls weighing 500 pounds and over, 2.22 million, down 2 percent. Calves under 500 pounds, 15.5 million, down slightly.

Cattle and calves on feed for slaughter in all feedlots, 14.3 million, up 1 percent. The combined total of calves under 500 pounds, and other heifers and steers over 500 pounds outside of feedlots was 28.3 million, up 1 percent.

The 2006 calf crop was estimated at 37.6 million head, down slightly from 2005. Calves born during the first half of the year are estimated at 27.4 million, up slightly from 2005.

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