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Cattle, Goat, and Sheep Report



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2008 Arkansas January 1 Cattle, Goat, and Sheep Inventory

Cattle: All cattle and calves in Arkansas as of January 1, 2008, totaled 1.81 million head, up 3 percent from January 1, 2007. The calf crop for the full year of 2007 was 820,000 head up 3 percent. All cows and heifers that have calved, at 960,000 head, were up 2 percent from January 1, 2007; beef cows, at 943,000 head, were up 2 percent; and milk cows, at 17,000 head, were down 11 percent. All heifers weighing 500 pounds and over were up 12 percent to 235,000 head. Steers were up 12 percent to 145,000 head; bulls remained unchanged at 55,000 head, and calves weighing less than 500 pounds were unchanged at 415,000 head.

Goats: On January 1, 2008, Arkansas meat and other goat inventory totaled 33,500 head, up 20 percent from the previous year. The January 1, Arkansas milk goat inventory totaled 5,900 head, up 26 percent from 2007.

Cattle Inventory by Class, Arkansas and U.S., January 1, 2007-2008

Class ¹	Arkansas			United States		
	2007	2008	% Change	2007	2008	% Change
	1,000 Head		from '07	1,000 Head		from '07
All Cattle and Calves	1,750	1,810	+ 3	97,003	96,669	- <0.5
All Cows and Heifers that have calved	940	960	+ 2	42,023	41,777	- 1
Beef Cows	921	943	+ 2	32,891	32,553	- 1
Milk Cows	19	17	- 11	9,132	9,224	+ 1
All Heifers 500 pounds and over	210	235	+ 12	20,086	20,003	- <0.5
Beef Replacement Heifers	140	150	+ 7	5,877	5,670	- 4
Milk Replacement Heifers	7	7	-	4,310	4,457	+ 3
Other Heifers	63	78	+ 24	9,899	9,876	- <0.5
Steers 500 Pounds and Over	130	145	+ 12	17,222	17,305	+ <0.5
Bulls 500 Pounds and Over	55	55	-	2,215	2,207	- <0.5
Calves Under 500 Pounds	415	415	-	15,456	15,378	- 1
Cattle and Calves on Feed ²	3	3	-	14,269	14,317	+ <0.5
Calf Crop	2006	2007	% Change	2006	2007	% Change
	1,000 Head		from '06	1,000 Head		from '06
Calf Crop During Year	800	820	+ 3	37,519	37,361	- <0.5

¹ Totals may not add due to rounding.

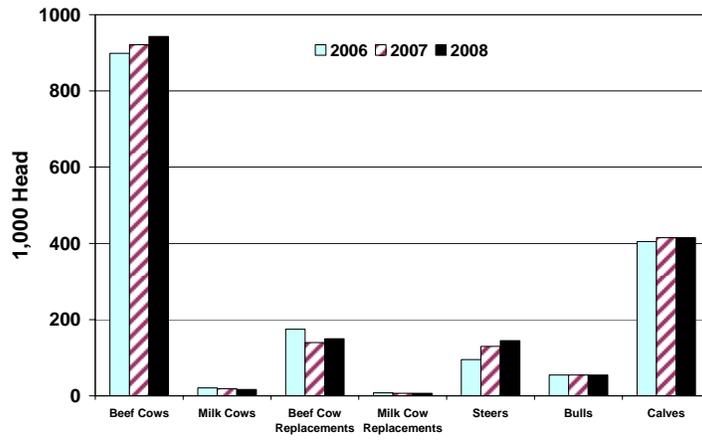
² Cattle and calves on feed are animals for slaughter market being fed a ration of grain or other concentrates and are expected to produce a carcass that will grade select or better. Cattle and calves on feed are included in the cattle inventory estimates by class.

Goat and Sheep Inventory, Arkansas and U.S., January 1, 2007-2008

Animal & Class	Arkansas			United States		
	2007	2008	% Change	2007	2008	% Change
	1,000 Head		from '07	1,000 Head		from '07
All Goats	(D)	(D)	(D)	2,934	3,015	+ 3
Angora Goats	(D)	(D)	(D)	238	210	- 12
Meat and Other Goats	28.0	33.5	+ 20	2,402	2,500	+ 4
Milk Goats	4.7	5.9	+ 26	294	305	+ 4
Sheep	(D)	(D)	(D)	6,165	6,055	- 2

(D) Data is not published to avoid disclosure of individual operations.

Cattle Inventory by Class, Arkansas, January 1, 2006-2008



Cattle Inventory, Arkansas and U.S., January 1, 1999-2008

