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Cattle and calves on feed for slaughter market in the United States for feedlots with capacity of 1,000 or more head totaled 10.8 million head on August 1, 2006. The inventory was seven percent above August 1, 2005 and ten percent above August 1, 2004. This is the second highest August 1 inventory since the series began in 1996.

Placements in feedlots during July totaled 1.96 million, 17 percent above 2005 and 14 percent above 2004. Net placements were 1.91 million. During July, placements of cattle and calves weighing less than 600 pounds were 570,000, 600-699 pounds were 403,000, 700-799 pounds were 490,000, and 800 pounds and greater were 500,000.

Marketings of fed cattle during July totaled 1.96 million, two percent above 2005 and two percent above 2004.

Other disappearance totaled 58,000 during July, five percent below 2005 but unchanged from 2004.

CATTLE ON FEED: U.S. Cattle Placed on Feed, by Weight Groups, 1,000+ Capacity Feedlots, July 2005, June and July 2006

Month		Less than 600 lbs	600-699 lbs	700-799 lbs	800+ lbs	Total
1,000 head						
July	2005	400	338	465	475	1,678
June	2006	565	430	456	*495	*1,946
July	2006	570	403	490	500	1,963

*Revised

CATTLE AND CALVES ON FEED, 1,000+ CAPACITY FEEDLOTS, MAJOR STATES AND UNITED STATES

State	Number on feed July 1		Placed during July 1		Marketed during July		Other disappearance during July		Number on feed August 1	
	2005	2006	2005	2006	2005	2006	2005	2006	2005	2006
1,000 head										
AZ	324	344	29	31	37	34	2	2	314	339
CA	520	530	72	55	59	67	3	3	530	515
CO	900	980	125	150	200	180	5	10	820	940
ID	260	230	36	36	45	40	1	1	250	225
IA	415	460	49	60	63	73	1	2	400	445
KS	2,200	2,280	480	590	470	495	20	15	2,190	2,360
NE	1,820	1,990	325	380	405	410	10	10	1,730	1,950
NM	132	140	23	23	18	18	3	1	134	144
OK	320	340	62	58	61	52	1	1	320	345
SD	161	180	15	24	30	38	3	1	143	165
TX	2,950	2,980	400	480	450	480	10	10	2,890	2,970
WA	142	148	26	33	30	26	1	1	137	154
Oth. Sts.	250	270	36	43	50	42	1	1	235	270
U.S.	10,394	10,872	1,678	1,963	1,918	1,955	61	58	10,093	10,822



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CHICKENS AND EGGS

FLORIDA

Table eggs sold in mid-August 2006 averaged 45.0 cents, up 13.0 cents from mid-July. Table egg production in Florida during July was 233 million eggs, up three percent from previous month.

UNITED STATES

U.S. egg production totaled 7.64 billion during July 2006, up one percent from last year. Production included 6.56 billion table eggs, and 1.09 billion hatching eggs, of which 1.02 billion were broiler-type and 66 million were egg-type. The total number of layers during July 2006 averaged 341 million, up one percent from last year. July egg production per 100 layers was 2,241 eggs, up slightly from July 2005.

All layers in the U.S. on August 1, 2006, totaled 341 million, up one percent from last year. The 341 million layers consisted of 284 million layers producing table-type eggs, 54.0 million layers producing broiler-type hatching eggs, and 2.76 million layers producing egg-type hatching eggs. Rate of lay per day on August 1, 2006, averaged 71.7 eggs per 100 layers, up one percent from August 1, 2005.

MID-MONTH TABLE EGG PRICES RECEIVED BY FLORIDA EGG PRODUCERS.

Month	Cents per dozen	
	2005	2006
January	40.0	60.0
February	36.0	36.0
March	33.0	59.0
April	30.0	34.0
May	27.0	27.0
June	25.0	45.0
July	34.0	32.0
August	29.0	45.0
September	50.0	
October	36.0	
November	51.0	
December	60.0	

FLORIDA: Layers on hand first of month, percent molting and molted

	Aug 2005	June 2006	July 2006	Aug 2006
Total layers on hand: Thous.	11,118	10,708	10,844	10,854
Percent of layers:				
Being molted	5.0	4.0	6.0	3.0
Molt completed	21.0	36.0	32.5	36.5

LAYERS AND EGG PRODUCTION, JULY 2006, PRODUCTION YEAR-TO-DATE EGG PRODUCTION FOR SELECTED STATES

Selected States	Average layers on hand	Eggs per 100 layers	Egg production				Layers	
			Total	Table	Hatching	Year to date ^{1/}	Being molted	Molt Completed
	<i>Thousand</i>		<i>Millions</i>				<i>Percent</i>	
Alabama	8,562	1,974	169	36	133	1,333	0.5	2.5
Arkansas	13,976	1,939	271	95	176	2,187	3.5	10.0
California	18,957	2,121	402			3,307	4.5	40.5
Florida	11,813	2,220	240	233	7	1,975	3.0	36.5
Georgia	18,569	2,079	386	209	177	3,131	3.5	12.0
Indiana	24,251	2,284	554	541	13	4,402	5.5	55.0
Iowa	50,823	2,357	1,198			8,060	5.5	35.0
Maine	4,065	2,263	92			717	0.0	0.0
Maryland	2,605	2,380	62	60	2	1,027	8.5	39.0
Michigan	8,521	2,371	202			1,548	5.0	23.5
Minnesota	10,934	2,232	244	236	8	1,975	4.0	35.5
Mississippi	6,361	2,075	132	40	92	1,038	2.0	12.5
Missouri	7,206	2,304	166			1,251	2.5	24.0
Nebraska	11,740	2,232	262	262	0	2,075	4.5	27.0
New York	4,208	2,519	106			784	2.0	16.0
North Carolina	10,718	2,053	220	80	140	1,745	0.0	9.5
Ohio	27,495	2,233	614			5,083	5.5	25.0
Pennsylvania	23,503	2,438	573	552	21	4,471	2.5	18.5
South Carolina	5,018	2,112	106	87	19	857	6.5	37.0
Texas	18,812	2,149	423			3,332	3.5	23.5
Virginia	3,159	1,994	63	30	33	543	6.5	6.5
Washington	4,691	2,145	110			862	4.0	52.5
Other States	46,060	2,222	525	398	127	4,097	4.9	24.0
United States	341,047	2,241	7,643	6,558	1,085	60,518	4.2	25.3

^{1/} Production year begins December 1.

HATCHERY PRODUCTION

FLORIDA

The July hatch of broiler-type chicks, at 5,007,000 was one percent below a year earlier. Broiler-type eggs in incubators on August 1, at 4,052,000 were two percent below a year ago.

UNITED STATES

Broiler-type chicks hatched during July 2006 totaled 800 million, down one percent from July 2005. Eggs in incubators totaled 660 million on August 1, 2006, down one percent from a year earlier.

Leading breeders placed 6.46 million broiler-type pullet chicks for future domestic hatchery supply flocks during July 2006, down three percent from July 2005.

Egg-type chicks hatched during July 2006 totaled 33.2 million, down five percent from July 2005. Eggs in incubators totaled 31.4 million on August 1, 2006, down 14 percent from a year ago.

Domestic placements of egg-type pullet chicks for future hatchery supply flocks by leading breeders totaled 320,000 during July 2006, up 32 percent from July 2005.

HATCHERY PRODUCTION, UNITED STATES

Item	2005	2006	2006 % of 2005
<i>-- Thousands --</i>			
EGG-TYPE:			
Eggs in incubators: Aug 1	36,630	31,378	86
Chicks hatched during July	34,897	33,224	95
Pullets hatched during July for intended placements in hatchery supply flocks	242	320	132
7-18 months earlier ^{1/}	3,007	2,845	95
BROILER-TYPE:			
Eggs in incubators: Aug 1	664,087	660,130	99
Chicks hatched during July	808,382	800,132	99
Pullets hatched during July for intended placements in hatchery supply flocks	6,657	6,456	97
7-15 months earlier ^{2/}	62,965	64,056	102

^{1/}2006 includes pullet chicks hatched January 2005 through December 2005.

^{2/}2006 includes pullet chicks hatched April 2005 through December 2005.

MILK PRODUCTION

FLORIDA

Florida dairy farms produced 174 million pounds of milk during July 2006, down three percent from the previous July. Production per cow in June of 1,330 pounds was one percent above last year. Milk cow numbers on Florida dairy farms in July totaled 131,000, four percent below last year.

UNITED STATES

Milk production in the 23 major States during July totaled 13.9 billion pounds, up 1.5 percent from July 2005. June revised production, at 14 billion pounds, was up 1.9 percent from June 2005. The June revision represented an increase of 6 million pounds from last month's preliminary production estimate.

Production per cow in the 23 major States averaged 1,686 pounds for July, 3 pounds above July 2005.

The number of milk cows on farms in the 23 major States was 8.26 million head, 107,000 head more than July 2005, but 11,000 head less than June 2006.

MILK COWS AND PRODUCTION, FLORIDA AND U.S.

Month and year	Milk Cows	Monthly milk production	
		Per cow	Monthly Total
	<i>Thous.</i>	<i>Lbs.</i>	<i>Mil. Lbs.</i>
FLORIDA:			
July 2005	136	1,315	179
June 2006	132	1,415	187
July 2006	131	1,330	174
23 MAJOR STATES:			
July 2005	8,151	1,683	13,715
June 2006	8,269	1,695	14,017
July 2006	8,258	1,686	13,919
UNITED STATES:			
July 2005	9,053	1,656	14,978
June 2006	9,147	1,674	15,309
July 2006	9,134	1,664	15,200

MILK PRODUCTION BY QUARTERS, UNITED STATES

Month	Milk cows ^{1/}		Milk per cow ^{2/}		Milk Production	
	2005	2006	2005	2006	2005	2006
	<i>Thousand</i>		<i>Pounds</i>		<i>Mil. Lbs.</i>	
Jan-Mar	9,002	9,094	4,816	5,009	43,350	45,553
Apr-Jun	9,041	9,135	5,069	5,134	45,831	46,902
Jul-Sep	9,060		4,871		44,134	
Oct-Dec	9,060		4,821		43,674	
Annual						
Total	9,041		19,576		176,989	

^{1/} Includes dry cows. Excludes heifers not yet fresh.

^{2/} Excludes milk fed to calves.

LIVESTOCK SLAUGHTER

Commercial red meat output in Florida for July 2006 was 5.3 million pounds, 23 percent above the same month last year. Commercial production of red meat in the United States for July at 3.78 billion pounds, was five percent above 2005.

COMMERCIAL SLAUGHTER AND RED MEAT PRODUCTION, FLORIDA AND UNITED STATES

Source and kind	July 2005	June 2006	July 2006	Year to date 2005	Year to date 2006
FLORIDA					
HOGS:					
Head slaughtered (1,000 head)	8	7	8	52	48
Total liveweight (1,000 pounds)	1,053	975	1,039	7,169	6,635
SHEEP AND LAMBS:					
Head slaughtered (1,000 head)	0.2	0.5	0.1	1.5	1.7
Total liveweight (1,000 pounds)	12	28	7	86	105
Red meat production (million pounds)	4.3	5.0	5.3	31.2	35.4
UNITED STATES					
CATTLE:					
Head slaughtered (1,000 head)	2,718	3,159	2,834	18,605	19,480
Total liveweight (million pounds)	3,406	3,978	3,605	23,094	24,628
Average liveweight (pounds)	1,254	1,259	1,272	1,241	1,264
Beef production (million pounds)	2,083	2,429	2,204	13,996	14,981
CALVES:					
Head slaughtered (1,000 head)	59	59	58	437	448
Total liveweight (million pounds)	21	21	20	151	142
Average liveweight (pounds)	350	365	340	347	366
Veal production (million pounds)	12	13	12	89	86
HOGS:					
Head slaughtered (1,000 head)	7,662	8,342	7,885	58,231	58,924
Total liveweight (million pounds)	2,025	2,238	2,090	15,675	15,950
Average liveweight (pounds)	264	268	265	269	271
Pork production (million pounds)	1,505	1,663	1,553	11,665	11,873
SHEEP AND LAMBS:					
Head slaughtered (1,000 head)	200	212	202	1,555	1,565
Total liveweight (1,000 pounds)	27	29	26	217	219
LAMB AND MUTTON:					
Head slaughtered (1,000 head)	13	15	13	108	110
Red meat production (million pounds)	3,614	4,120	3,782	25,859	27,051