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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 11.7 million head on February 1, 2007. The inventory was three percent below February 1, 2006 but three percent above February 1, 2005.

Placements in feedlots during January totaled 1.69 million, 23 percent below 2006 and ten percent below 2005. Net placements were 1.59 million. This is the second lowest placements for the month of January since the series began in 1996. During January, placements of cattle and calves weighing less than 600 pounds were 320,000, 600-699 pounds were 390,000, 700-799 pounds were 545,000, and 800 pounds and greater were 435,000.

Marketings of fed cattle during January totaled 1.84 million, up two percent from 2006 and up four percent from 2005. Other disappearance totaled 97,000 head during January, 17 percent above 2006 and 33 percent above 2005.

CATTLE ON FEED: U.S. Cattle Placed on Feed, by Weight Groups, 1,000+ Capacity Feedlots, December 2006, January 2006, and January 2007

Month	Less than 600 lbs	600-699 lbs	700-799 lbs	800+ lbs	Total
<i>1,000 head</i>					
January 2006	530	447	702	520	2,199
December 2006	470	504	420	320	1,714
January 2007	320	390	545	435	1,690

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

State	Number on feed January 1		Placed during January 1		Marketed during January		Other disappearance during January		Number on feed February 1	
	2006	2007	2006	2007	2006	2007	2006	2007	2006	2007
<i>1,000 head</i>										
AZ	334	334	39	33	26	32	1	1	346	334
CA	550	550	71	64	62	72	9	2	550	540
CO	1,080	1,100	225	155	185	200	10	15	1,110	1,040
ID	275	260	46	43	51	47	5	1	265	255
IA	510	520	81	76	69	64	2	2	520	530
KS	2,500	2,540	570	365	465	445	25	30	2,580	2,430
NE	2,430	2,540	425	420	355	405	10	15	2,490	2,540
NM	143	136	18	8	13	8	2	1	146	135
OK	370	350	65	50	57	48	3	2	375	350
SD	205	225	38	50	32	42	1	3	210	230
TX	2,920	2,870	540	340	420	390	10	20	3,030	2,800
WA	152	184	33	27	31	33	1	1	153	177
Oth. Sts.	335	365	48	59	44	55	4	4	335	365
U.S.	11,804	11,974	2,199	1,690	1,810	1,841	83	97	12,110	11,726

CHICKENS AND EGGS

FLORIDA

Table eggs sold in mid-February 2007 averaged 68.0 cents down 7.0 cents from mid-January. Table egg production in Florida during January was 243 million eggs, two percent below the previous month.

UNITED STATES

U.S. egg production totaled 7.64 billion during January 2007, down one percent from last year. Production included 6.54 billion table eggs, and 1.10 billion hatching eggs, of which 1.03 billion were broiler-type and 67 million were egg-type. The total number of layers during January 2007 averaged 347 million, down one percent from last year. January egg production per 100 layers was 2,200 eggs, down slightly from January 2006.

All layers in the U.S. on February 1, 2007, totaled 347 million, down one percent from last year. The 347 million layers consisted of 288 million layers producing table or market type eggs, 55.7 million layers producing broiler-type hatching eggs, and 2.81 million layers producing egg-type hatching eggs. Rate of lay per day on February 1, 2007, averaged 70.7 eggs per 100 layers, down slightly from February 1, 2006.

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

Month	Cents per dozen	
	2006	2007
January	60.0	75.0
February	36.0	68.0
March	59.0	
April	34.0	
May	27.0	
June	45.0	
July	32.0	
August	45.0	
September	44.0	
October	41.0	
November	68.0	
December	66.0	

**FLORIDA LAYERS ON HAND FIRST OF MONTH,
PERCENT MOLTING AND MOLTED**

	Feb 2006	Dec 2006	Jan 2007	Feb 2007
Total layers on hand: Thous.	11,408	11,262	11,301	11,319
Percent of layers: Being molted	9.5	5.0	7.0	7.0
Molt completed	34.0	40.0	36.0	34.0

**LAYERS AND EGG PRODUCTION, JANUARY 2007, 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	8,336	1,955	163	40	134	336	0.5	5.0
Arkansas	14,253	1,894	270	96	174	546	2.5	10.0
California	19,610	2,132	418			850	5.5	32.5
Florida	11,315	2,227	252	243	9	508	7.0	34.0
Georgia	19,881	2,062	410	223	187	829	2.0	15.5
Indiana	24,498	2,233	547	534	13	1,109	6.5	31.5
Iowa	51,773	2,167	1,122	1,109	13	2,277	3.5	37.0
Maine	3,997	2,077	83			168	0.0	0.0
Maryland	2,676	2,242	60	58	2	120	6.0	38.0
Michigan	8,901	2,337	208			425	2.0	28.5
Minnesota	11,064	2,296	254	246	8	509	1.0	29.0
Mississippi	6,579	2,006	132	38	94	263	1.0	11.5
Missouri	7,306	2,231	163			327	1.5	18.5
Nebraska	11,455	2,313	265	265	0	532	3.5	20.5
New York	4,314	2,411	104			206	5.0	7.5
North Carolina	11,688	2,053	240	99	141	481	0.0	5.0
Ohio	27,194	2,306	627			1,262	1.0	27.0
Pennsylvania	23,585	2,396	565	545	20	1,126	3.5	12.5
South Carolina	4,762	2,163	103	82	21	212	3.5	30.5
Texas	19,089	2,194	423			853	4.0	23.0
Virginia	3,176	2,216	66	31	35	133	2.5	10.5
Washington	4,904	2,078	114			227	9.5	32.5
Other States	46,766	2,157	516	390	126	1,036	4.0	24.5
United States	347,122	2,200	7,636	6,535	1,101	15,413	3.4	24.2

^{1/} Production year begins December 1.

HATCHERY PRODUCTION

FLORIDA

The January hatch of broiler-type chicks, at 4,982,000, was five percent below a year earlier. Broiler-type eggs in incubators on February 1, at 4,088,000, was slightly above a year ago.

UNITED STATES

Broiler-type chicks hatched during January 2007 totaled 797 million, down one percent from January 2006. Eggs in incubators totaled 649 million on February 1, 2007, down two percent from a year earlier.

Leading breeders placed 7.02 million broiler-type pullet chicks for future domestic hatchery supply flocks during January 2007, up three percent from January 2006.

Egg-type chicks hatched during January 2007 totaled 36.9 million, up four percent from January 2006. Eggs in incubators totaled 37.0 million on February 1, 2007, up ten percent from a year ago.

Domestic placements of egg-type pullet chicks for future hatchery supply flocks by leading breeders totaled 265,000 during January 2007, up 41 percent from January 2006.

HATCHERY PRODUCTION, UNITED STATES

Item	2006	2007	2007% of 2006
<i>-- Thousands --</i>			
EGG-TYPE:			
Eggs in incubators: Feb 1	33,497	36,993	110
Chicks hatched during Jan	35,422	36,926	104
Pullets hatched during Jan for intended placements in hatchery supply flocks	188	265	141
7-18 months earlier ^{1/}	2,837	2,842	100
BROILER-TYPE:			
Eggs in incubators: Feb 1	660,973	649,148	98
Chicks hatched during Jan	804,073	797,066	99
Pullets hatched during Jan for intended placements in hatchery supply flocks	6,825	7,015	103
7-15 months earlier ^{2/}	62,860	64,544	103

^{1/}2007 includes pullet chicks hatched July 2005 through June 2006.

^{2/}2007 includes pullet chicks hatched October 2005 through June 2006.

MILK PRODUCTION

FLORIDA

Florida dairy farms produced 189 million pounds of milk during January 2007, down five percent from the previous January. Production per cow in January of 1,450 pounds was down two percent from last year. Milk cow numbers on Florida dairy farms in January totaled 130,000, three percent below last year.

UNITED STATES

Milk production in the 23 major States during January totaled 14.2 billion pounds, up 1.4 percent from January 2006. December production, at 14.0 billion pounds, was up 2.8 percent from December 2005.

Production per cow in the 23 major States averaged 1,719 pounds for January, eight pounds above January 2006.

The number of milk cows on farms in the 23 major States was 8.28 million head, 81,000 head more than January 2006, and 3,000 head more than December 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:			
January 2006	134	1,485	199
December 2006	130	1,360	177
January 2007	130	1,450	189
23 MAJOR STATES:			
January 2006	8,198	1,711	14,027
December 2006	8,276	1,690	13,983
January 2007	8,279	1,719	14,228
UNITED STATES:			
January 2006	9,081	1,690	15,343
December 2006	9,126	1,669	15,231
January 2007	9,128	1,699	15,507

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	9,133	5,069	5,136	45,831	46,908
Jul-Sep	9,060	9,117	4,871	4,907	44,134	44,739
Oct-Dec	9,060	9,116	4,821	4,897	43,674	44,639
Annual						
Total	9,041	9,115	19,576	19,949	176,989	181,839

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

^{2/} Excludes milk fed to calves.

LIVESTOCK SLAUGHTER

Commercial red meat output in Florida for January 2007 was 6.7 million pounds, 37 percent above the same month last year. Commercial production of red meat in the United States for January at 4.09 billion pounds, was five percent above 2006.

COMMERCIAL SLAUGHTER AND RED MEAT PRODUCTION, FLORIDA AND UNITED STATES

Source and kind	January 2006	December 2006	January 2007	Year to date 2006	Year to date 2007
FLORIDA					
HOGS:					
Head slaughtered (1,000 head)	5	13	7	5	7
Total liveweight (1,000 pounds)	674	1,622	1,064	674	1,064
SHEEP AND LAMBS:					
Head slaughtered (1,000 head)	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1
Total liveweight (1,000 pounds)	9	16	5	9	5
Red meat production (million pounds)	4.9	6.6	6.7	4.9	6.7
UNITED STATES					
CATTLE:					
Head slaughtered (1,000 head)	2,642	2,611	2,799	2,642	2,799
Total liveweight (million pounds)	3,382	3,383	3,596	3,382	3,596
Average liveweight (pounds)	1,285	1,300	1,290	1,285	1,290
Beef production (million pounds)	2,050	2,048	2,164	2,050	2,164
CALVES:					
Head slaughtered (1,000 head)	56	68	74	56	74
Total liveweight (million pounds)	20	24	24	20	24
Average liveweight (pounds)	355	324	324	355	324
Veal production (million pounds)	12	13	14	12	14
HOGS:					
Head slaughtered (1,000 head)	8,915	8,884	9,366	8,915	9,366
Total liveweight (million pounds)	2,427	2,418	2,535	2,427	2,535
Average liveweight (pounds)	273	271	271	273	271
Pork production (million pounds)	1,820	1,797	1,898	1,820	1,898
SHEEP AND LAMBS:					
Head slaughtered (1,000 head)	225	226	217	225	217
Total liveweight (1,000 pounds)	32	30	31	32	30
LAMB AND MUTTON:					
Head slaughtered (1,000 head)	16	15	15	16	15
Red meat production (million pounds)	3,899	3,874	4,092	3,899	4,092