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Kansas January Cattle Inventory up 5 Percent

All cattle and calves held on Kansas farms and ranches on January 1, 2008 totaled 6.70 million head, up 5 percent from the January 1, 2007 level. **All cows and heifers** that have calved, at 1.62 million head, were up 1 percent from a year earlier. **Beef cow** inventory was estimated at 1.51 million head, 1 percent above a year ago. **Milk cows**, at 109,000 head, were down 1 percent from January 1, 2007. **Bulls over 500** pounds totaled 95,000 head, 6 percent above last year. **Beef replacement heifers**, at 255,000 head, were up 6 percent from the previous year. **Milk replacement heifers**, at 70,000 head, were up 17 percent from last year. **Other heifers over 500 pounds**, at 1.64 million head, decreased 1 percent from last year's 1.65 million head. **Steers over 500 pounds**, at 2.28 million head, were up 12 percent from the previous year's number. As of January 1, 2008 **all cattle and calves on feed** for slaughter in all feedlots were 2.63 million head, slightly higher than the previous January. **Calves under 500 pounds** totaled 740,000 head, 4 percent higher than the January 1, 2007 figure of 710,000 head. The 2007 **calf crop**, at 1.50 million head, was up 3 percent from 2006.

U.S. January Cattle Inventory down slightly Percent

All cattle and calves on U.S. farms and ranches on January 1, 2008 totaled 96.7 million head, down slightly from the January 1, 2007 level. **All cows and heifers** that have calved, at 41.8 million head, were down 1 percent from a year earlier. **Beef cow** inventory was estimated at 32.6 million head, 1 percent below a year ago. **Milk cows**, at 9.2 million head, were up 1 percent from January 1, 2007. **Bulls over 500** pounds totaled 2.2 million head, slightly below last year. **Beef replacement heifers**, at 5.7 million head, were down 4 percent from the previous year. **Milk replacement heifers**, at 4.5 million head, were up 3 percent from last year. **Other heifers over 500 pounds**, at 9.88 million head, decreased slightly from last year's 9.9 million head. **Steers over 500 pounds**, at 17.3 million head, were up slightly from the previous year's number. As of January 1, 2008 **all cattle and calves on feed** for slaughter in all feedlots were 14.3 million head, slightly higher than the previous January. **Calves under 500 pounds** totaled 15.4 million head, 1 percent lower than the January 1, 2007 figure of 15.5 million head. The 2007 **calf crop**, at 37.4 million head, was down slightly from 2006.

**Cattle And Calves: Number By Class, Calf Crop, And Operations,
January 1, 2006 - 2008**

Class	2006	2007	2008	% of Prev. Yr.
	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>Percent</i>
KANSAS				
Cattle and Calves	6,650	6,400	6,700	105
Cows & Heifers That Have Calved	1,660	1,610	1,620	101
Beef Cows	1,550	1,500	1,511	101
Milk Cows	110	110	109	99
Heifers 500 Pounds and Over				
For Beef Cow Replacement	255	240	255	106
For Milk Cow Replacement	55	60	70	117
Other Heifers	1,670	1,650	1,640	99
Steers 500 Pounds and Over	2,200	2,040	2,280	112
Bulls 500 Pounds and Over	95	90	95	106
Calves Under 500 Pounds	715	710	740	104
Calf Crop ²	1,450	1,500		103
Cattle on Feed	2,550	2,620	2,630	100
UNITED STATES				
Cattle and Calves	96,702	97,003	96,669	100
Cows & Heifers That Have Calved	42,056	42,023	41,777	99
Beef Cows	32,994	32,891	32,553	99
Milk Cows	9,063	9,132	9,224	101
Heifers 500 Pounds & over				
For Beef Cow Replacement	5,904	5,877	5,670	96
Expected to Calve ¹	3,580	3,568	3,420	96
For Milk Cow Replacement	4,275	4,310	4,457	103
Expected to Calve ¹	2,896	2,837	2,928	103
Other Heifers	9,805	9,899	9,876	100
Steers 500 Pounds & over	16,933	17,222	17,305	100
Bulls 500 Pounds & over	2,263	2,215	2,207	100
Calves Under 500 Pounds	15,465	15,456	15,378	99
Calf Crop ²	37,519	37,361		100
Cattle on Feed	14,132	14,269	14,317	100

¹ Replacement heifers expected to calve during the year. ² Percent calculated by comparing the 2007 to the 2006 calf crop.

For economic analyses and market implications of these reports, please go to www.agmanager.info/livestock_marketing/graphs for the latest livestock charts provided by Dr. Jim Mintert, Extension Ag Economist with KSU-Research & Extension Service. A link to the latest newsletter and radio comments is also available on this page.

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