

ALASKA LIVESTOCK - 2002

CATTLE AND CALVES: All cattle and calves totaled 11,500 head on January 1, 2003, the same number of head as last year. Inventory value of all cattle on January 1, 2003 totaled \$9,430,000 which was unchanged from last year.

DAIRY: Milk cows that have calved numbered 1,300 on January 1, 2003, up 100 cows from a year ago. There were 600 head of dairy replacement heifers. The number of Grade A dairies in the State on January 1, 2002 totaled 12.

MILK PRODUCTION in 2002 totaled 17.68 million pounds, 3.32 million pounds more than in 2001. The value of milk produced at \$3,389,000 was \$445,000 more than a year ago. The 2002 value per hundredweight of \$20.40 was down 10 cents from 2001.

BEEF: On January 1, 2003 beef cattle (all cattle and calves less milk cows and dairy replacement heifers) numbered 9,600 head; 200 head less than the January 1, 2002 number. Beef cows at 4,300 head, is unchanged from the previous year. Beef heifers are estimated at 1,000 head, down 100 head from last year. Bulls over 500 pounds, at 1,100 head, are down 100 head from a year ago. Calves under 500 pounds numbered 2,400 head, is the same as last year. Steers over 500 pounds numbered 800 head, is unchanged from last year.

HOGS: There were 1,200 hogs and pigs on farms on December 1, 2002, up 200 head from the previous year. All hogs kept for breeding, at 300 head, are up 100 head from a year ago. The number of market hogs, at 900 head, are unchanged from last year. Alaska producers averaged 9.2 pigs per litter, compared to 8.3 pigs per litter last year. Total value of hogs on December 1, 2001 was \$204,000, up from \$160,000 a year ago.

SHEEP: All sheep and lambs on January 1, 2003 totaled 1,100 head, down 100 head from a year earlier. Ewes, wethers and rams, 1 year old and older, totaled 700 head, down 100 head from last year. Lambs born, at 400 head, were unchanged from 2001. Inventory value of sheep was estimated at \$89,000, compared with \$96,000 a year ago.

WOOL PRODUCTION in 2002 totaled 4,000 pounds, the same as in 2001. Sheep and lambs shorn in 2002 totaled 600 head, also unchanged from 2001. Fleece weight at 7.2 pounds was up from 6.7 pounds the previous year. The 2002 wool crop was valued at \$4,000.

REINDEER: There were an estimated 15,000 head of reindeer during 2002, down 1000 head from 2001. Much of the decrease is due to reindeer on the Seward Peninsula running off with the native caribou of the Western Arctic herd. The value of sales from horn, meat and by-products totaled \$453,000 up from \$393,000 in 2001.

ALASKA MEAT PRODUCTION - 1995 - 2002

Year	Tanana Valley	Matanuska Valley	Kenai Peninsula	South- West 1/	State Total
BEEF AND VEAL PRODUCTION DRESSED WEIGHT - (POUNDS)					
1995	373,000	448,000	85,000	82,000	988,000
1996	520,000	355,000	80,000	73,000	1,028,000
1997	541,000	327,000	166,000	498,000	1,532,000
1998	414,000	421,000	189,000	1,053,000	2,077,000
1999	432,000	486,000	71,000	624,000	1,613,000
2000	443,000	385,000	132,000	187,000	1,147,000
2001	369,000	343,000	115,000	147,000	974,000
2002	488,000	642,000	149,000	199,000	1,478,000
BEEF AND VEAL PRODUCTION VALUE - (DOLLARS)					
1995	485,000	571,000	110,000	107,000	1,273,000
1996	659,000	445,000	97,000	87,000	1,288,000
1997	676,000	405,000	198,000	571,000	1,850,000
1998	527,000	536,000	237,000	1,278,000	2,578,000
1999	596,000	668,000	98,000	796,000	2,158,000
2000	659,000	566,000	194,000	275,000	1,694,000
2001	565,000	528,000	179,000	225,000	1,497,000
2002	746,000	986,000	228,000	308,000	2,268,000
PORK PRODUCTION DRESSED WEIGHT - (POUNDS)					
1995	420,000	169,000	16,000	16,000	621,000
1996	511,000	123,000	16,000	16,000	666,000
1997	462,000	73,000	17,000	18,000	570,000
1998	446,000	127,000	16,000	22,000	611,000
1999	384,000	178,000	14,000	14,000	590,000
2000	154,000	152,000	12,000	12,000	328,000
2001	97,000	119,000	12,000	12,000	240,000
2002	122,000	188,000	12,000	12,000	334,000
PORK PRODUCTION VALUE - (DOLLARS)					
1995	309,000	122,000	12,000	13,000	456,000
1996	358,000	85,000	11,000	12,000	466,000
1997	352,000	55,000	13,000	15,000	435,000
1998	390,000	104,000	13,000	13,000	520,000
1999	275,000	129,000	10,000	10,000	424,000
2000	115,000	121,000	9,000	9,000	254,000
2001	79,000	98,000	9,000	9,000	195,000
2002	100,000	153,000	10,000	10,000	273,000

1/ Includes Southeast.

ALASKA CATTLE ON FARMS (January 1) - 1996 - 2003

District	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003
BEEF COWS THAT HAVE CALVED								
Tanana Valley	310	320	360	400	410	400	400	500
Matanuska Valley	220	250	320	300	280	280	400	400
Kenai Peninsula	230	240	260	200	210	180	250	300
Southwest 2/	2,340	2,890	2,960	3,200	2,600	2,840	3,250	3,100
STATE TOTAL	3,100	3,700	3,900	4,100	3,500	3,700	4,300	4,300
Value (000) Dollars	2,110.0	2,535.0	3,080.0	3,218.0	3,252.0	3,150.0	3,877.0	3,780.0
MILK COWS THAT HAVE CALVED								
Tanana Valley	260	270	270	320	300	190	230	250
Matanuska Valley	530	610	620	570	590	900	960	1,040
Kenai Peninsula	10	20	10	10	10	10	10	10
Southwest 2/	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
STATE TOTAL	800	900	900	900	900	1,100	1,200	1,300
Value (000) Dollars	880.0	1,035.0	1,080.0	1,062.0	1,053.0	1,429.0	1,680.0	1,920.0
BEEF REPLACEMENT AND OTHER HEIFERS 1/								
Tanana Valley	150	170	160	190	150	200	120	150
Matanuska Valley	100	130	120	140	90	140	160	160
Kenai Peninsula	60	60	100	40	70	70	110	90
Southwest 2/	790	840	720	1,330	490	690	710	600
STATE TOTAL	1,100	1,200	1,100	1,700	800	1,100	1,100	1,000
Value (000) Dollars	635.0	695.0	684.0	1,135.0	572.0	754.0	718.0	600.0
DAIRY REPLACEMENT HEIFERS 1/								
Tanana Valley	130	140	130	200	160	120	130	150
Matanuska Valley	170	160	170	200	230	270	360	430
Kenai Peninsula	-	-	-	-	10	10	10	20
Southwest 2/	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
STATE TOTAL	300	300	300	400	400	400	500	600
Value (000) Dollars	240.0	240.0	246.0	320.0	360.0	376.0	520.0	690.0

1/ Over 500 pounds. Dash indicated combined with other areas.

2/ Includes Southeast.

ALASKA CATTLE ON FARMS (January 1) - 1996 - 2003

District	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003
STEERS 1/								
Tanana Valley	220	260	260	220	230	180	200	200
Matanuska Valley	50	60	60	120	110	120	50	100
Kenai Peninsula	60	10	20	30	70	40	50	100
Southwest 2/	770	670	660	530	190	360	500	400
STATE TOTAL	1,100	1,000	1,000	900	600	700	800	800
Value (000) Dollars	640.0	580.0	760.0	711.0	498.0	532.0	490.0	450.0
BULLS 1/								
Tanana Valley	30	30	30	30	40	40	30	30
Matanuska Valley	50	60	60	40	70	50	80	60
Kenai Peninsula	20	20	20	10	20	30	30	30
Southwest 2/	2,100	2,590	2,690	1,920	1,070	1,180	1,060	980
STATE TOTAL	2,200	2,700	2,800	2,000	1,200	1,300	1,200	1,100
Value (000) Dollars	1,545.0	1,944.0	2,128.0	1,620.0	960.0	1,235.0	1,260.0	1,100.0
CALVES 3/								
Tanana Valley	280	250	260	270	410	370	250	170
Matanuska Valley	370	410	350	300	330	340	340	470
Kenai Peninsula	50	180	170	140	110	60	60	50
Southwest 2/	900	1,060	1,220	1,290	1,750	1,430	1,750	1,710
STATE TOTAL	1,600	1,900	2,000	2,000	2,600	2,200	2,400	2,400
Value (000) Dollars	580.0	693.0	782.0	814.0	1,105.0	924.0	885.0	890.0
ALL CATTLE								
Tanana Valley	1,380	1,440	1,470	1,630	1,700	1,500	1,360	1,450
Matanuska Valley	1,490	1,680	1,700	1,670	1,700	2,100	2,350	2,660
Kenai Peninsula	430	530	580	430	500	400	520	590
Southwest 2/	6,900	8,050	8,250	8,270	6,100	6,500	7,270	6,800
STATE TOTAL	10,200	11,700	12,000	12,000	10,000	10,500	11,500	11,500
Value (000) Dollars	6,630.0	7,722.0	8,760.0	8,880.0	7,800.0	8,400.0	9,430.0	9,430.0

1/ Over 500 pounds.

2/ Includes Southeast.

3/ Under 500 pounds.