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January 1 Total Cattle and Calves Inventory Down 4 Percent from Previous Year

- All cattle and calves in New Jersey as of January 1, 2005, totaled 44,000 head, down 2,000 head from the previous year. This year's total cattle & calves inventory ties the state record low set on January 1, 2002. The highest inventory of cattle and calves was 264,000 head on hand January 1, 1880.
- All cows and heifers that have calved, at 22,000, were unchanged from January 1, 2004. Beef cows, at 10,000, were unchanged from January 1, 2004. Milk cows, at 12,000, ties the record low inventory for milk cows set last year.
- Beef replacement and other heifers, at 3,000 and 2,000, respectively, were both down 500 head from January 1, 2004.
- Other class estimates on January 1, 2005, were unchanged from previous year, except for calves under 500 pounds. Calves under 500 pounds were at 7,000, down 1,000 head from the previous year.

All Cattle and Calves

	New Jersey		United States	
	January 1, 2004	January 1, 2005	January 1, 2004	January 1, 2005
<i>Number of Head (000)</i>				
All cattle and calves	46.0	44.0	94,888.0	95,848.0
Cows and heifers that have calved:				
Beef cows	10.0	10.0	32,861.3	33,055.4
Milk cows	12.0	12.0	8,989.5	9,005.0
Heifers:				
Beef cow replacement	3.5	3.0	5,518.3	5,745.9
Milk cow replacement	6.0	6.0	4,020.0	4,133.3
Other	2.5	2.0	9,806.2	9,793.4
Steers, bulls, and calves:				
Steers, 500 pounds and over	3.0	3.0	16,277.3	16,510.8
Bulls, 500 pounds and over	1.0	1.0	2,205.9	2,219.3
Calves under 500 pounds	8.0	7.0	15,209.5	15,384.9

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