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**January 1 Total Cattle and Calves Inventory Unchanged from Previous Year**

- All cattle and calves in New Jersey as of January 1, 2004, totaled 46,000 head, unchanged from the previous year. Two years ago 44,000 cattle and calves were on New Jersey farms, a state inventory record low. 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, 2003. Beef cows, at 10,000, were up 1,000 from January 1, 2003. Milk cows, at 12,000, were down 1,000 head from January 1, 2003. This is a new Garden State record low inventory for milk cows.
- Beef replacement and other heifers, at 3,500 and 2,500, respectively, were both up 500 head from January 1, 2003.
- Other class estimates on January 1, 2004, were unchanged from previous year, except for steers over 500 pounds. Steers over 500 pounds were at 3,000, down 1,000 head from the previous year.

**All Cattle and Calves**

	New Jersey		United States	
	January 1, 2003	January 1, 2004	January 1, 2003	January 1, 2004
<i>Number of Head (000)</i>				
<b>All cattle and calves</b>	46.0	46.0	96,100.0	94,882.0
<b>Cows and heifers that have calved:</b>				
Beef cows	9.0	10.0	32,983.3	32,860.2
Milk cows	13.0	12.0	9,141.7	8,990.5
<b>Heifers:</b>				
Beef cow replacement	3.0	3.5	5,623.5	5,517.2
Milk cow replacement	6.0	6.0	4,113.9	4,020.0
Other	2.0	2.5	9,890.5	9,804.1
<b>Steers, bulls, and heifers:</b>				
Steers, 500 pounds and over	4.0	3.0	16,554.1	16,280.1
Bulls, 500 pounds and over	1.0	1.0	2,247.9	2,205.6
Steers, heifers, & bulls, under 500 lbs	8.0	8.0	15,545.1	15,204.2

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