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JULY 2005 EXCLUSIVELY FOR SURVEY RESPONDENTS

SPECIAL SURVEY RESULTS JULY LIVESTOCK

Dear Respondent:

This issue of the **NEW MEXICO AGRICULTURAL STATISTICS SERVICE SPECIAL SURVEY RESULTS** covers the results of the July 2005 Livestock Survey. This report is being sent exclusively to those of you who responded to our request for data. The information you provided made these published estimates possible. Thank you for your cooperation and the time spent completing the surveys.

Sincerely,



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Director

CATTLE INVENTORY

United States July 1 Cattle Inventory Up 1 Percent: All cattle and calves in the United States as of July 1, 2005, totaled 104.5 million head, 1 percent above the 103.6 million on July 1, 2004 and 1 percent above the 103.9 million two years ago.

All cows and heifers that have calved, at 42.8 million, were 1 percent above the 42.5 million on July 1, 2004 and slightly above the 42.7 million two years ago.

Beef cows, at 33.8 million, were up 1 percent from July 1, 2004 and up slightly from two years ago.

Milk cows, at 9.05 million, were up 1 percent from July 1, 2004 but down 1 percent from two years ago.

Other class estimates on July 1, 2005 and the changes from July 1, 2004, are as follows:

All heifers 500 pounds and over, 16.2 million, up 2 percent.

Beef replacement heifers, 5.0 million, up 4 percent.

Milk replacement heifers, 3.7 million, up 3 percent.

Other heifers, 7.5 million, down 1 percent.

Steers weighing 500 pounds and over, 14.4 million, up 1 percent.

Bulls weighing 500 pounds and over, 2.1 million, up 2 percent.

Calves under 500 pounds, 29.0 million, up slightly.

All cattle and calves on feed for slaughter, 12.0 million, up 2 percent.

Calf Crop Up Slightly: The 2005 calf crop is expected to be 37.8 million, up slightly from 2004 but down slightly from 2003. Calves born during the first half of the year are estimated at 27.5 million, up slightly from 2004 but down 1 percent from 2003.

Cattle and Calves: Number of Class and Calf Crop, U.S., July 1, 2003-2005

Class	2003	2004	2005	2005 as % of 2004
				-----Percent-----
	-----1,000 Head-----			
Cattle and Calves	103,900	103,600	104,500	101
Cows and Heifers that have Calved	42,700	42,500	42,800	101
Beef Cows	33,600	33,500	33,750	101
Milk Cows	9,100	9,000	9,050	101
Heifers 500 pounds and Over	15,900	15,950	16,200	102
For Beef Cow Replacement	4,600	4,800	5,000	104
For Milk Cow Replacement	3,600	3,600	3,700	103
Other Heifers	7,700	7,550	7,500	99
Steers 500 Pounds and Over	14,200	14,200	14,400	101
Bulls 500 Pounds and Over	2,100	2,050	2,100	102
Calves Under 500 Pounds	29,000	28,900	29,000	100
Calf Crop	37,903	37,625	37,800	100
Cattle on Feed	11,810	11,800	12,000	102

SHEEP INVENTORY

UNITED STATES: All sheep and lamb inventory in the United States on July 1, 2005, totaled 7.80 million head, 2 percent above July 1, 2004. Breeding sheep inventory at 4.66 million head on July 1, 2005 was 2 percent above July 1, 2004. Market sheep and lambs (including newborn lambs) at 3.14 million head, were 1 percent above last July.

The breeding herd consists of 3.79 million ewes one year old and older, 185,000 rams one year old and older, and 680,000 replacement lambs (including newborn lambs).

All Sheep and Lambs Inventory: By Region and United States, July 1, 2004 - 2005

Regions ^{1/}	All Sheep and Lambs			Breeding Sheep & Lambs		Market Sheep & Lambs	
	2004	2005	2005 as % 2004	2004	2005	2004	2005
	-----1,000 Head----		----Percent----	-----1,000 Head-----			
Region 1	1,290	1,300	101	810	805	480	495
Region 2	1,470	1,500	102	960	1,000	510	500
Region 3	2,600	2,650	102	1,430	1,460	1,170	1,190
Region 4	1,180	1,200	102	650	665	530	535
Region 5	1,110	1,150	104	695	725	415	425
U.S.	7,650	7,800	102	4,545	4,655	3,105	3,145

^{1/} States included in regions as follows: 1 - AZ, CA, ID, NV, OR, & WA; 2 - NM & TX; 3 - CO, MT, SD, UT, & WY; 4 - IA, KS, MN, MO, NE, ND, & OK; 5 - all other states.