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SOUTH DAKOTA: Inventory of all chickens in South Dakota's laying flock on December 1, 2002, numbered 2,677,000, down 4 percent from the previous year.

on hand on December 1, 2002, (excluding commercial broilers) was 439 million birds, down 1 percent from last year.

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Potential layers (layers 20 weeks old and older, plus pullets 13-20 weeks old), at 2,506,000 birds, were down 2 percent from 2001. The 2002 egg production, at 568 million eggs, was down 1 percent from a year ago.

Potential layers (layers 20 weeks old and older, plus pullets 13 weeks and older but less than 20 weeks) on hand December 1, 2002, totaled 377 million, down 1 percent from December 1, 2001. Of the 377 million potential layers, 89 percent were 20 weeks old and older and the remainder were pullets 13 weeks and older but less than 20 weeks.

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CHICKEN INVENTORY, SOUTH DAKOTA & UNITED STATES, DECEMBER 1, 2001 & 2002 1/

Item	South Dakota			United States		
	2001	2002	2002 as % of 2001	2001	2002	2002 as % of 2001
	- 1,000 Head -		Percent	- 1,000 Head -		Percent
Layers 1 year old and older	960	948	99	153,357	153,032	100
Layers 20 weeks old but less than 1 year	1,400	1,400	100	185,271	184,181	99
Total layers	2,360	2,348	99	338,628	337,213	100
Pullets 13 weeks+ but less than 20 weeks	206	158	77	42,807	39,679	93
Pullet chicks and pullets under 13 weeks	211	171	81	51,948	53,706	103
Other chickens	0	0	--	8,126	8,350	103
All chickens	2,777	2,677	96	441,509	438,948	99

1/ Excludes commercial broilers.

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LAYERS, EGGS PER LAYER, AND TOTAL EGG PRODUCTION, SOUTH DAKOTA & UNITED STATES, DECEMBER 1, 1998-2002 1/

Year 1/	Annual Average Layers		Average Eggs per Layer 2/		Total Egg Production	
	South Dakota	United States	South Dakota	United States	South Dakota	United States
	- - 1,000 Head - -		- - Number - -		- - Million Eggs - -	
1998	2,265	312,035	273	255	618	79,690
1999	2,171	322,354	273	257	592	82,715
2000	2,185	327,985	265	257	580	84,386
2001	2,300	335,012	250	256	575	85,745
2002	2,335	337,202	243	257	568	86,698

1/ December 1 previous year through November 30. 2/ Total egg production divided by average number of layers on hand.



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MILK PRODUCTION

SOUTH DAKOTA: The October - December quarterly milk production for South Dakota totaled 336 million pounds, 15 percent below the fourth quarter one year ago. This is 3 percent below the July - September quarter in 2002, primarily due to fewer milk cows this quarter.

The average number of milk cows during the quarter, at 95,000 head, was down 3,000 head from the fourth quarter

of 2001 and down 1,000 head from 2002's July -September quarter.

UNITED STATES: The quarterly production of milk for the U.S. was 41.5 billion pounds, 1.7 percent above the October-December period last year. The average number of milk cows in the U.S. during the quarter was 9.15 million head, 43,000 head more than the same period last year.

MILK COWS AND MILK PRODUCTION, OCTOBER-DECEMBER, SELECTED STATES, 2000-2002

State	October-December Milk Cows 1/			October-December Milk Production 2/			2002 as % of 2001
	2000	2001	2002	2000	2001	2002	
	- - - - 1,000 Head - - - -			- - - - Million Pounds - - - -			Percent
Iowa	215	206	208	953	930	936	101
Minnesota	527	500	480	2,279	2,111	2,023	96
Nebraska	77	69	66	319	273	290	106
North Dakota	47	44	38	160	154	140	91
South Dakota	101	98	95	409	393	336	85
Wisconsin	1,333	1,280	1,267	5,627	5,377	5,390	100
United States	9,203	9,105	9,148	40,644	40,818	41,511	102

1/ Includes dry cows, excludes heifers not yet fresh. 2/ Excludes milk sucked by calves.

TURKEY REPORT

SOUTH DAKOTA: In 2002, 4.8 million turkeys were raised in South Dakota. Production decreased slightly, with 100,000 (2 percent) fewer turkeys raised than in 2001.

UNITED STATES: Turkeys raised in the United States during 2002 totaled 272.4 million birds, up fractionally from the 272.1 million raised in 2001. North Carolina ranked first

in the number raised with 45.5 million, followed by Minnesota with 44.0 million, Arkansas with 29.5 million, Missouri with 25.5 million, Virginia with 20.0 million, California with 17.7 million, and Indiana with 13.0 million. These states accounted for 72 percent of the turkeys produced in the United States during 2002.

TURKEYS RAISED, SELECTED STATES, 2001 & 2002, AND INTENTIONS TO RAISE, 2003

State	2001	2002	Intentions 2003	2003 as % of 2002
	- - - - - 1,000 Head - - - - -			Percent
Iowa	7,100	6,800	7,000	103
Minnesota	44,000	44,000	45,000	102
North Dakota	1,600	1,900	2,100	111
South Dakota	4,900	4,800	5,200	108
United States	272,059	272,429	265,450	97

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COLD STORAGE

STOCKS IN COLD STORAGE, UNITED STATES

Commodity	December 31,	November 30,	December 31,	December 2002 as % of	
	2001	2002	2002	December 2001	November 2002
	----- Thousand Pounds -----			----- Percent -----	
Butter	55,915	135,632	157,460	282	116
Cheese, total natural	660,041	697,063	733,429	111	105
Eggs, frozen	13,710	11,199	13,686	100	122
Fruits, frozen	1,106,334	1,120,259	1,047,420	95	93
Fruit juices, frozen	1,871,496	1,748,180	1,934,044	103	111
Meat, total red	946,805	997,688	1,014,693	107	102
Beef, total frozen	460,737	512,567	527,386	114	103
Pork, total frozen	464,959	463,942	468,947	101	101
Poultry, total frozen	967,207	1,142,313	1,112,424	115	97
Chicken	719,689	800,423	772,153	107	96
Turkey	240,524	334,339	333,866	139	100
Vegetables, total frozen	2,137,489	2,235,192	2,089,527	98	93
Potatoes, total frozen	1,239,757	1,214,375	1,126,748	91	93

Data for this report are collected from public and private refrigerated warehouses storing commodities for 30 days or more. Stocks space owned or leased by the Armed Forces are excluded. Also excluded are stocks in space maintained by wholesalers, jobbers, distributors, chain stores, locker plants, meat packers, and processors whose inventories turn over more than once per month.

CATTLE AND CALF INVENTORY, UNITED STATES AND CANADA

All cattle and calves in the U. S. and Canada combined totaled 109.5 million head on January 1, 2003, 1 percent below a year earlier. All cows and heifers that have calved, at 47.8 million head, were down slightly from a year ago.

Canada and NASS to release the number of cattle and calves by class and calf crop for both countries within one publication. This information was requested by the U.S. cattle industry to provide producers additional information about potential beef supplies. U.S. inventory numbers were previously released on January 31, 2003.

This publication is a result of a joint effort by Statistics

CATTLE AND CALVES, NUMBER BY CLASS AND CALF CROP, U.S. AND CANADA, JANUARY 1, 2001-2003 1/

Year	All Cattle & Calves		Beef Cows		Milk Cows		All Other Cattle		Calf Crop 2/	
	U.S.	Canada	U.S.	Canada	U.S.	Canada	U.S.	Canada	U.S.	Canada
	----- 1,000 Head -----									
2001	97,277	13,608	33,397	4,602	9,183	1,091	54,697	7,916	38,631	5,500
2002	96,704	13,762	33,118	4,636	9,112	1,084	54,475	8,043	38,280	5,656
2003	96,106	13,372	32,947	4,616	9,152	1,075	54,007	7,680	38,193	5,623

1/ Totals may not add due to rounding. 2/ Previous year.

Source: National Agricultural Statistics Service, USA; and Livestock and Animal Products Section, Statistics Canada.

CATTLE ON FEED

NUMBER OF FEEDLOTS AND FED CATTLE MARKETED, SOUTH DAKOTA, 1999-2002

Year	Feedlot Capacity											
	Under 1,000		1,000 - 1,999		2,000 - 3,999		4,000 - 7,999		Over 8,000 1/		Total	
	Lots	Cattle Marketed	Lots	Cattle Marketed	Lots	Cattle Marketed	Lots	Cattle Marketed	Lots	Cattle Marketed	Lots	Cattle Marketed
	No.	1,000 hd.	No.	1,000 hd.	No.	1,000 hd.	No.	1,000 hd.	No.	1,000 hd.	No.	1,000 hd.
1999	3,200	270	54	65	43	95	19	95	7	111	3,323	636
2000	3,300	240	50	62	43	96	21	111	6	115	3,420	624
2001	3,200	230	59	72	44	106	18	100	7	112	3,328	620
2002	3,100	250	63	90	46	120	20	108	7	104	3,236	672

1/ Lots and marketings from larger size groups are combined to avoid disclosing individual operations.

CATTLE ON FEED

SOUTH DAKOTA: South Dakota's 1,000+ capacity feedlots reported 215,000 **cattle on feed** for the slaughter market on February 1. The February 1 number is up 15,000 head from a year ago and up 10,000 head from January.

Placements during January totaled 53,000 head, up 7,000 head from a year earlier and up 15,000 head from December.

Marketings of fed cattle during January totaled 42,000 head, up 4,000 head from last year and up 15,000 head from December.

Other disappearance during January totaled 1,000 head, down 2,000 head from last year but unchanged from December.

South Dakota's less than 1,000 head capacity feedlots reported 160,000 cattle on feed for January 1, 2003. This is unchanged from 2002. There were 3,236 total feedlots in South Dakota in 2002, 92 lots below 2001.

UNITED STATES: Cattle and calves on feed for slaughter market in the United States for feedlots with capacity of 1,000 or more head totaled 10.7 million head on February 1, 2003. The inventory was 8 percent below February 1, 2002, and 11 percent below February 1, 2001.

Placements in feedlots during January totaled 2.14 million, 2 percent below 2002 and 6 percent below 2001. Net placements were 2.06 million. During January, placements of cattle and calves weighing less than 600 pounds were 433,000, 600-699 pounds were 587,000, 700-799 pounds were 706,000, and 800 pounds and greater were 409,000.

Marketings of fed cattle during January totaled 1.97 million, down 5 percent from 2002 and down 4 percent from 2001.

Other disappearance totaled 75,000 during January, 16 percent below 2002 and 4 percent below 2001.

CATTLE ON FEED (1,000+ CAPACITY FEEDLOTS), SOUTH DAKOTA & UNITED STATES, FEBRUARY 1, 2002 & 2003

Item	South Dakota			United States		
	2002	2003	2003 as % of 2002	2002	2003	2003 as % of 2002
	- 1,000 Head -		Percent	- 1,000 Head -		Percent
On feed, January 1	195	205	105	11,565	10,593 *	92
Placed on feed during January	46	53	115	2,179	2,135	98
Fed cattle marketed during January	38	42	111	2,083	1,970	95
Other disappearance during January 1/	3	1	33	89	75	84
On feed, February 1	200	215	108	11,572	10,683	92

1/ Includes death loss, movement from feedlots to pasture, and shipments to other feedlots for further feeding. * Revised.

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