



United States Department of Agriculture
National Agricultural Statistics Service



Cattle Inventory
July 1, 2018

Executive Briefing

Survey Overview

	July Cattle
Data collection period	June 30 – July 13
Sample size	16,151
Collection methods	Mail, telephone, internet, face-to-face interview
Primary data items	Total inventory, inventory by class, calf crop, and cattle on feed



U.S. Cattle Inventory July 1



Items	2017 (1,000 head)	2018 (1,000 head)	%PY
All cattle and calves	102,200	103,200	101
All cows and heifers that have calved	41,600	41,900	101
Beef cows	32,200	32,500	101
Milk cows	9,400	9,400	100
All heifers 500 pounds and over	16,200	16,300	101
For beef cow replacement	4,700	4,600	98
For milk cow replacement	4,200	4,200	100
Other heifers	7,300	7,500	103
Steers 500 pounds and over	14,500	14,500	100
Bulls 500 pounds and over	2,000	2,100	105
Calves under 500 pounds	27,900	28,400	102
Calf crop – annual	35,808.2	36,500	102
All cattle on feed	12,800	13,300	104



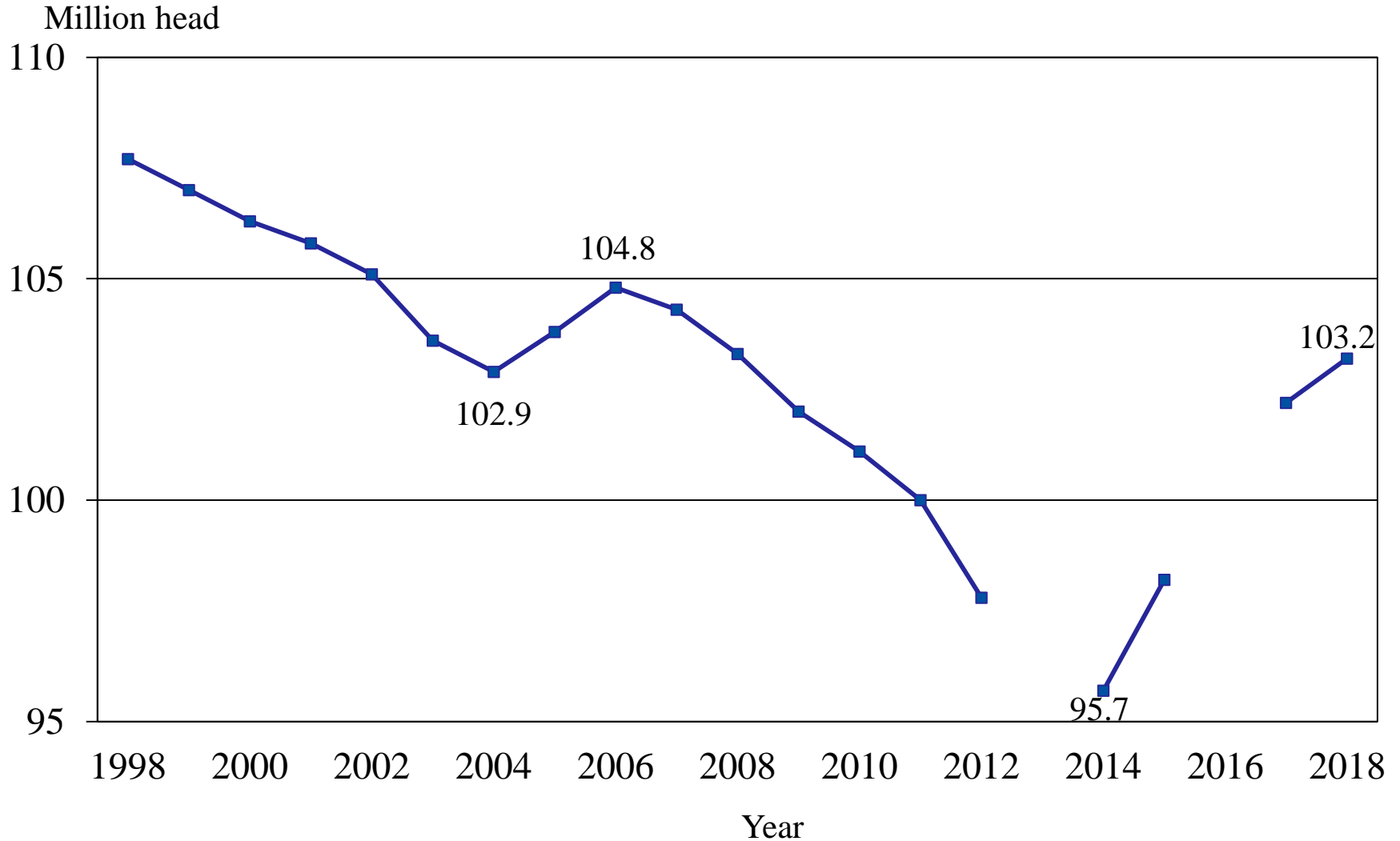
U.S. Calf Crop



Period	2017		Preliminary 2018	
	(1,000 head)	Percent of total	(1,000 head)	Percent of total
January 1 – June 30	26,000.0	72.6	26,600.0	72.9
July 1 – December 31	9,808.2	27.4	9,900.0	27.1
Total	35,808.2		36,500.0	

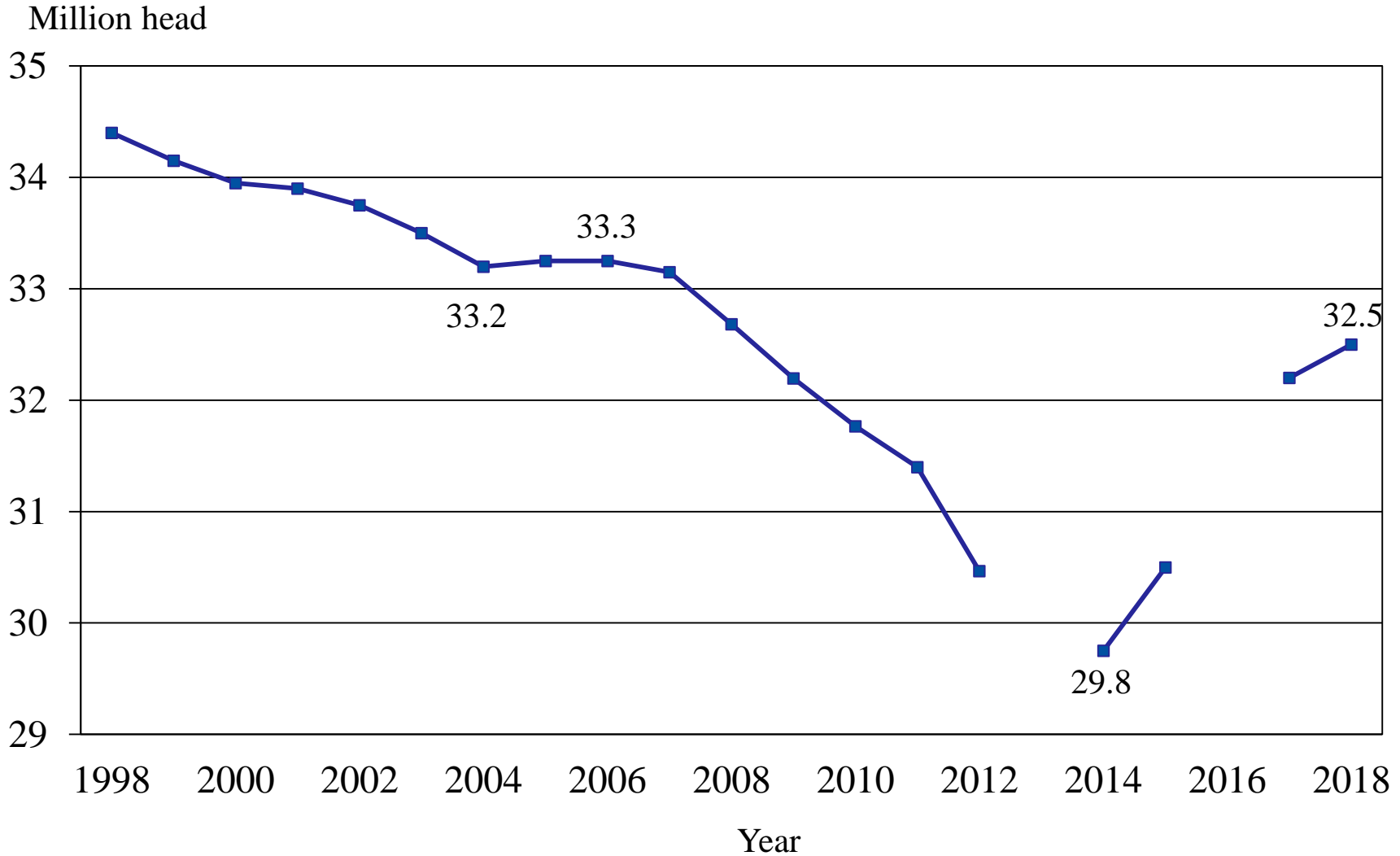
U.S. All Cattle and Calves

July 1, 1998 - 2018



U.S. Beef Cows

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U.S. Cattle on Feed on July 1



Item	2017 (1,000 head)	2018 (1,000 head)	% PY
Capacity of 1,000 head or more	10,821	11,282	104
Percent of total	84.5%	84.8%	
Capacity of less than 1,000 head	1,979	2,018	102
Percent of total	15.5%	15.2%	
All cattle on feed	12,800	13,300	104



U.S. Feeder Cattle Supply on July 1



Item	2017 (1,000 head)	2018 (1,000 head)	% PY
Calves under 500 pounds	27,900	28,400	102
Steers and other heifers 500 pounds and over	21,800	22,000	101
Total supply	49,700	50,400	101
All cattle on feed	12,800	13,300	104
Feeder cattle supply	36,900	37,100	101



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August 1	Cotton System Fats & Oils Flour Milling Grain Crushings Honey Bee Colonies
August 2	Farm Production and Expenditures Land Values
August 10	Crop Production
August 20	Milk Production
August 23	Livestock Slaughter
August 24	Cattle on Feed
August 28	U.S. and Canadian Cattle U.S. and Canadian Hogs



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