



# Pacific Region Livestock Review

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### U.S. CATTLE ON FEED DOWN 1 PERCENT

Cattle and calves on feed for slaughter market in the U.S. for feedlots with capacity of 1,000 or more head totaled 10.8 million head on March 1, 2014. The inventory was 1 percent below March 1, 2013.

Placements in feedlots during February totaled 1.65 million, 15 percent above 2013. Net placements were 1.58 million head. During February, placements of cattle and calves weighing less than 600 pounds were 390 thousand, 600-699 pounds were 330 thousand, 700-799 pounds were 415 thousand, and 800 pounds and greater were 515 thousand.

Marketings of fed cattle during February totaled 1.55 million, 3 percent below 2013. Marketings for February are the lowest for the month since the data series began in 1996.

Other disappearance totaled 71.0 thousand during February, 18 percent above 2013.

### CALIFORNIA CATTLE ON FEED

Cattle and calves on feed for slaughter in California feedlots totaled 500 thousand head on March 1, 2014, 4 percent lower than last month, and 4 percent higher than March 2013. During February, placements of 38.0 thousand head were 24 percent below the previous year. Marketings of 55.0 thousand head were 28 percent above February 2013. Other disappearance totaled 3.0 thousand head.

### CATTLE AND CALVES ON FEED IN 1,000+ CAPACITY FEEDLOTS IN SELECTED STATES AND UNITED STATES

State	Number On Feed February 1 1/			Placed During February		Marketed During February	
	2013	2014	2014/2013	2013	2014	2013	2014
	1,000 Head		Percent	1,000 Head			
Arizona	275	272	99	23	28	27	27
California	480	520	108	50	38	43	55
Colorado	1,010	970	96	155	135	165	155
Idaho	225	215	96	34	37	33	41
Iowa	640	660	103	61	86	68	74
Kansas	2,110	2,050	97	285	335	335	315
Minnesota	---	137	---	12	11	15	12
Nebraska	2,470	2,460	100	340	430	370	375
Oklahoma	325	265	82	37	43	55	36
South Dakota	225	240	107	45	39	39	36
Texas	2,620	2,440	93	335	410	390	360
Washington	234	206	88	35	30	34	36
Other States	459	325	71	26	28	29	27
<b>UNITED STATES</b>	<b>11,073</b>	<b>10,760</b>	<b>97</b>	<b>1,438</b>	<b>1,650</b>	<b>1,603</b>	<b>1,549</b>
State	Other Disappearance During February 2/			Number On Feed March 1 1/		2014	
	2012	2013		2013	2014	2013	
	1,000 Head			Percent			
Arizona	1	1		270	272	101	
California	2	3		480	500	104	
Colorado	10	10		990	940	95	
Idaho	1	1		225	210	93	
Iowa	3	2		630	670	106	
Kansas	10	10		2,050	2,060	100	
Minnesota	1	1		132	135	102	
Nebraska	10	15		2,430	2,500	103	
Oklahoma	2	2		305	270	89	
South Dakota	1	3		230	240	104	
Texas	15	20		2,550	2,470	97	
Washington	2	2		233	198	85	
Other States 4/	2	1		320	325	102	
<b>UNITED STATES</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>71</b>		<b>10,845</b>	<b>10,790</b>	<b>99</b>	

1/ Cattle and calves on feed are animals being fed for slaughter market on grain or other concentrates and are expected to produce a carcass that will grade select or better.

2/ Data unavailable

3/ Includes death losses, movement from feedlot to pastures and shipments to other feedlots for further feeding.

**MARKETING-YEAR AVERAGE PRICES RECEIVED BY FARMERS**

Commodity	Unit	California		Hawaii		Nevada		United States	
		2012	2013	2012	2013	2012	2013	2012	2013
		Dollars							
Hogs	Cwt.	---	---	---	---	---	---	64.20	67.20
Cows 1/	Cwt.	---	---	---	---	---	---	81.70	82.30
Steers & Heifers	Cwt.	---	---	---	---	---	---	123.00	126.00
Calves	Cwt.	---	---	---	---	---	---	172.00	181.00
Milk Cows 2/	Head	1,330.00	1,200.00	1,530.00	1,500.00	1,290.00	1,280.00	1,430.00	1,380.00

1/ Beef cows and cull dairy cows sold for slaughter.

2/ Calendar year average.

**FARM PRICES: AVERAGE PRICE RECEIVED BY FARMERS, CALIFORNIA AND U.S. 1/**

Commodity	Unit	California			United States		
		January 2013	December 2013	Jan. 15, 2014	January 2013	December 2013	Jan. 15, 2014
		Dollars					
Hogs 2/ 3/	Cwt.	---	---	---	64.50	61.20	63.30
Cows 2/ 4/	Cwt.	---	---	---	81.80	88.30	93.60
Steers and Heifers 2/	Cwt.	---	---	---	125	140	145
Calves 2/	Cwt.	---	---	---	170	208	208
Milk Cows 2/ 5/	Head	1,200.00	---	1,300.00	1,370.00	---	1,440.00
All Milk, Wholesale 2/	Cwt.	18.01	22.42	23.30	19.50	23.50	24.70

1/ The estimated prices in the table represent composite average prices received by farmers and are averages for all grades, classes, and methods of sale of each commodity for the State and U.S. as a whole.

2/ Previous month revised to monthly average.

3/ Prices include barrows, gilts, and sows.

4/ Beef cows and cull dairy cows sold for slaughter.

5/ Animals sold for dairy herd replacement only. Prices published January, April, July and October.

**HAY PRICES 1/**

Commodity	Unit	Alfalfa hay			Other Hay		
		February 2013	January 2014	February 2014	February 2013	January 2014	February 2014
		Dollars					
Arizona	Tons	200.00	200.00	205.00	210.00	200.00	205.00
California 2/	Tons	212.00	203.00	227.00	187.00	180.00	193.00
Idaho	Tons	200.00	190.00	200.00	150.00	170.00	170.00
Nevada	Tons	205.00	204.00	213.00	163.00	187.00	187.00
Oregon	Tons	220.00	200.00	210.00	212.00	170.00	160.00
Utah	Tons	184.00	175.00	180.00	148.00	145.00	145.00
UNITED STATES	Tons	218.00	185.00	188.00	151.00	130.00	129.00

1/ Current month hay prices are preliminary.

2/ Previous month revised to monthly average.

**CALIFORNIA HONEY PRODUCTION  
DOWN 6 PERCENT, HAWAII UP 44 PERCENT**

California's 2013 honey production, at 10.9 million pounds, was 6 percent lower than 2012. Honey producing colonies totaled 330 thousand, unchanged from the previous year. The yield per colony averaged 33 pounds, compared with 35 pounds per colony in 2012. Hawaii's 2013 honey production, at 1.08 million pounds, was 44 percent higher than 2012. Honey producing colonies totaled 13 thousand, up 30 percent from the previous year. The yield per colony averaged 83 pounds, compared with 75 pounds per colony in 2012.

**U.S. HONEY PRODUCTION UP 5 PERCENT**

Honey production in 2013 from producers with five or more colonies totaled 149 million pounds, up 5 percent from 2012. There were 2.64 million colonies producing honey in 2013, up 4 percent from 2012. Yield per colony averaged 56.6 pounds, up 1 percent from the 56.0 pounds in 2012. Colonies which produced honey in more than one State were counted in each

State where the honey was produced. Therefore, at the U.S. level yield per colony may be understated, but total production would not be impacted. Colonies were not included if honey was not harvested. Producer honey stocks were 38.2 million pounds on December 15, 2013, up 20 percent from a year earlier. Stocks held by producers exclude those held under the commodity loan program.

**RECORD HIGH U.S. HONEY PRICES**

Honey prices increased to a record high during 2013 to 212.1 cents per pound, up 6 percent from 199.2 cents per pound in 2012. U.S. and State level prices reflect the portions of honey sold through cooperatives, private, and retail channels. Prices for each color class are derived by weighting the quantities sold for each marketing channel. Prices for the 2012 crop reflect honey sold in 2012 and 2013. Some 2012 crop honey was sold in 2013, which caused some revisions to the 2012 crop prices.

**HONEY PRODUCTION FOR TOP FIVE STATES AND U.S. 1/**

State	Number of Colonies 2/		Yield Per Colony		Production		Average Price Per Pound 3/		Value of Production 4/	
	2012	2013	2012	2013	2012	2013	2012	2013	2012	2013
	1,000 Colonies		Pounds		1,000 Pounds		Cents		\$1,000	
California	330	330	35	33	11,550	10,890	194	210	22,407	22,869
Florida	193	220	64	61	12,352	13,420	184	204	22,728	27,377
Montana	145	159	52	94	7,540	14,946	195	208	14,703	31,088
N. Dakota	480	480	69	69	33,120	33,120	192	204	63,590	67,565
S. Dakota	260	265	63	56	16,380	14,840	195	206	31,941	30,570
UNITED STATES 5/	2,539	2,640	56.0	56.6	142,296	149,499	199.2	212.1	283,454	317,087

1/ For producers with five or more colonies. Revised 2012 data.

2/ Honey producing colonies are the maximum number of colonies from which honey was taken during the year. It is possible to take honey from colonies which did not survive the entire year.

3/ Prices based on expanded sales.

4/ Value of production is equal to production multiplied by average price per pound.

5/ Due to rounding, total colonies multiplied by total yield may not exactly equal production.



**PACIFIC REGION CATTLE AND CALF INVENTORY**

All cattle and calves in California as of January 1, 2014 totaled 5.25 million head, 1 percent below the previous year. Beef cows, at 600 thousand head, were 2 percent below the previous year, and milk cows remained unchanged at 1.78 million head. All heifers weighing more than 500 pounds were estimated at 1.09 million head, 2 percent below the previous year. Steers 500 pounds and over totaled 640 thousand head, 3 percent above last year. Bulls in the same weight category totaled 70.0 thousand head, unchanged from last year. Calves weighing less than 500 pounds, at 1.07 million head, were four percent below a year ago. Hawaii cattle inventory was 130 thousand head, 2 percent less than last year. Nevada cattle inventory totaled 455 thousand head, 1 percent less than in 2013.

**JANUARY 1 U.S. CATTLE INVENTORY DOWN 2 PERCENT**

All cattle and calves in the U.S. as of January 1, 2014 totaled 87.7 million head, 2 percent below the 89.3 million on January 1, 2013. This is the lowest January 1 inventory of all cattle and calves since the 82.1 million on hand in 1951.

All cows and heifers that have calved, at 38.3 million, were down 1 percent from the 38.5 million on January 1, 2013. This is the lowest January 1 inventory of all cows and heifers that have calved since the 36.8 million head in 1941.

- Beef cows, at 29.0 million, were down 1 percent from January 1, 2013.
- Milk cows, at 9.2 million, unchanged from January 1, 2013.

Other class estimates on January 1, 2014 and the change from January 1, 2013, are as follows:

- All heifers 500 pounds and over, 18.8 million, down 2 percent.
- Beef replacement heifers, 5.5 million, up 2 percent.
- Milk replacement heifers, 4.5 million, unchanged.
- Other heifers, 8.7 million, down 5 percent.
- Steers weighing 500 pounds and over, 15.4 million, down 3 percent.
- Bulls weighing 500 pounds and over, 2.0 million, down 1 percent.
- Calves under 500 pounds, 13.3 million, down 4 percent.
- Cattle and calves on feed for slaughter in all feedlots, 12.7 million, down 5 percent.
- The combined total of calves under 500 pounds, and other heifers and steers over 500 pounds outside of feedlots was 24.7 million, down 3 percent.

**ALL CATTLE AND CALVES  
TWELVE SELECTED STATES AND U.S. AS OF JANUARY 1**

State	2013	2014	<u>2014</u> 2013
	1,000 Head		Percent
Arizona	900	920	102
California	5,300	5,250	99
Colorado	2,600	2,480	95
Idaho	2,370	2,190	92
Iowa	3,850	3,700	96
Kansas	5,850	5,800	99
Nebraska	6,300	6,150	98
New Mexico	1,340	1,290	96
Oklahoma	4,200	4,300	102
South Dakota	3,850	3,650	95
Texas	11,300	10,900	96
Washington	1,150	1,100	96
UNITED STATES	89,300	87,730	98

**U.S. CALF CROP DOWN 1 PERCENT**

The 2013 calf crop was estimated at 33.9 million head, down 1 percent from 2012. This is the smallest calf crop since the 33.7 million born during 1949. Calves born during the first half of 2013 are estimated at 24.7 million, down 1 percent from 2012.

**NUMBER OF LICENSED DAIRY OPERATIONS  
IN SELECTED STATES AND U.S. 1/**

State	2012	2013
	Number	
California	1,605	1,515
Indiana	1,570	1,315
Iowa	1,580	1,425
Michigan	2,130	2,030
Minnesota	4,125	3,865
New York	5,150	5,030
Ohio	3,060	2,930
Pennsylvania	7,140	7,200
Wisconsin	11,490	10,860
UNITED STATES	49,281	46,960

1/ Average number of dairy farms licensed to sell milk, based on counts collected from State and other regulatory agencies.

**CATTLE AND CALVES BY CLASSES FOR PACIFIC REGION, UNITED STATES, AND CANADA JANUARY 1, 2013-14 1/**

Class	California 2/			Hawaii 2/			Nevada 2/			United States 2/			Canada 3/		
	2013	2014	2014/ 2013	2013	2014	2014/ 2013	2013	2014	2014/ 2013	2013	2014	2014/ 2013	2013	2014	2014/ 2013
	Thousands		Percent	Thousands		Percent	Thousands		Percent	Thousands		Percent	Thousands		Percent
All Cattle and Calves	5,300.0	5,250.0	99	132.0	130.0	98	460.0	455.0	99	89,299.6	89,300.0	100	12,305.0	12,215.0	99
All Cows:	2,390.0	2,380.0	100	72.0	71.0	99	260.0	255.0	98	38,515.2	38,251.0	99	4,895.7	4,864.1	99
Beef	610.0	600.0	98	69.9	68.8	98	231.0	226.0	98	29,297.3	29,042.4	99	3,935.2	3,905.0	99
Milk	1,780.0	1,780.0	100	2.1	2.2	105	98.0	29.0	30	9,217.9	9,208.6	100	960.5	959.1	100
Heifers 500 Lbs.	1,110.0	1,090.0	98	16.0	14.0	88	75.0	77.0	103	19,133.9	18,751.4	98	1,967.4	1,952.4	99
Beef Replacement	110.0	110.0	100	10.0	9.0	90	36.0	36.0	100	5,380.6	5,470.8	102	542.0	542.3	100
Milk Replacement	780.0	750.0	96	2.0	1.0	50	9.0	9.0	100	4,550.7	4,539.2	100	451.2	446.2	99
Other Heifers	220.0	230.0	105	4.0	4.0	100	30.0	32.0	107	9,202.6	8,741.4	95	974.2	963.9	99
Steers 500 Lbs.	620.0	640.0	103	7.0	7.0	100	46.0	43.0	93	15,812.7	15,414.9	97	1,248.6	1,241.8	99
Bulls 500 Lbs.	70.0	70.0	100	4.0	4.0	100	13.0	13.0	100	2,055.8	2,034.8	99	210.8	214.0	102
Calves Less Than 500 Lbs.	1,110.0	1,070.0	96	33.0	34.0	103	66.0	67.0	102	13,782.0	13,277.9	96	3,982.5	3,942.7	99
Calf Crop 4/	2,100.0	2,010.0	96	61.0	60.0	98	205.0	210.0	102	34,279.0	33,930.0	99	4,462.6	4,489.7	101

1/ Totals may not add due to rounding.

2/ Source: National Agricultural Statistics Service.

3/ Source: Livestock and Animal Products Section, Statistics, Canada.

4/ January-December calf crop.

## CALIFORNIA, NEVADA, AND HAWAII COMMERCIAL SLAUGHTER

California's production of red meat during February 2014 totaled 129.5 million pounds (dressed weight), 15 percent lower than the previous month, and 1 percent lower than February 2013. This figure includes slaughter in Federally-inspected and State-inspected plants, but excludes slaughter done on farms. In February 2014, the average live weight of cattle slaughtered in California was 1,319 pounds, calves 94 pounds, sheep & lambs 142 pounds, and hogs 246 pounds.

In Nevada, 100 thousand pounds of red meat was produced in February 2014, and 700 thousand pounds was produced in Hawaii.

### U.S. COMMERCIAL RED MEAT PRODUCTION DOWN SLIGHTLY FROM LAST YEAR

Commercial red meat production for the United States totaled 3.65 billion pounds in February, down 1 percent from the 3.67 billion pounds produced in February 2013.

Beef production, at 1.79 billion pounds, was 5 percent below the previous year. Cattle slaughter totaled 2.24 million head, down 5 percent from February 2013. The average live weight was up 10 pounds from the previous year, at 1,330 pounds.

Veal production totaled 8.2 million pounds, 9 percent below February a year ago. Calf slaughter totaled 52.2 thousand head, down 12 percent from February 2013. The average live weight was up 9 pounds from last year, at 267 pounds.

Pork production totaled 1.84 billion pounds, up 4 percent from the previous year. Hog slaughter totaled 8.67 million head, up 1 percent from February 2013. The average live weight was up 6 pounds from the previous year, at 283 pounds.

Lamb and mutton production, at 11.6 million pounds, was up 1 percent from February 2013. Sheep slaughter totaled 168 thousand head, 4 percent above last year. The average live weight was 138 pounds, down 4 pounds from February a year ago.

January to February 2014 commercial red meat production was 7.9 billion pounds, down 1 percent from 2013. Accumulated beef production was down 5 percent from last year, veal was down 10 percent, pork was up 2 percent from last year, and lamb and mutton production was up slightly.

February 2013 contained 20 weekdays (including 1 holiday) and 4 Saturdays.

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### COMMERCIAL SLAUGHTER, FEBRUARY 2013-14 1/

Species and Location	Number Slaughtered		Total Live Weight		Average Live Weight	
	2013	2014	2013	2014	2013	2014
	1,000 Head		1,000 Pounds		Pounds	
<b>CATTLE</b>						
California	130.3	128.7	168,443	168,742	1,301	1,319
Hawaii	0.8	0.8	901	955	1,114	1,131
Nevada	1.0	0.1	96	85	1,023	1,048
U.S.	2,358.1	2,244.9	3,105,695	2,979,783	1,320	1,330
<b>CALVES</b>						
California	14.4	12.6	1,516	1,182	106	94
Hawaii	(Y)	(D)	(X)	(D)	(X)	(D)
Nevada	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
U.S.	59.6	52.2	15,319	13,886	258	267
<b>SHEEP &amp; LAMBS</b>						
California	24.6	22.6	3,405	3,214	139	142
Hawaii	(Y)	0.1	(X)	9	(X)	136
Nevada	(Y)	(Y)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)
U.S.	162.3	168.2	23,066	23,195	142	138
<b>HOGS</b>						
California	182.9	173.0	44,834	42,464	245	246
Hawaii	1.0	0.9	257	212	246	249
Nevada	(Y)	(Y)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)
U.S.	8,591.2	8,668.2	2,374,893	2,452,930	277	283

RED MEAT	February 2013	January 2014	February 2014	Mar 14 Mar 13	Mar 14 Jan 14
	Million Pounds			Percent	
	California	130.8	153.2	129.5	99
Hawaii	0.7	0.8	0.7	101	(Y)
Nevada	0.1	0.1	0.1	90	(Y)
U.S.	3,672.4	4,249.0	3,653.1	99	86

1/ Farm slaughter excluded.

(Y) Less than level of precision shown

### HOG AND PIG INVENTORY, CANADA AND UNITED STATES 1/2/

Type	Canada January 1 Inventory 3/			United States December 1 Inventory 4/		
	2013	2014	2013/2012	2012	2013	2013/2012
	1,000 Head					
All Hogs & Pigs	12,610	12,745	101	66,374	65,940	99
Kept for Breeding	1,211	1,215	100	5,819	5,757	99
Market	11,399	11,530	101	60,555	60,183	99
Sows Farrowed 5/	1,320	1,270	96	2,888	2,882	100
Pig Crop 5/	14,207	13,597	96	29,319	29,298	100

1/ Totals may not add due to rounding.

2/ Includes Boars.

3/ Source: Livestock and Animal Products Section, Statistics Canada.

4/ Source: National Agricultural Statistics Service

5/ Canada farrowings and pig crop are annual, U.S. is quarterly.

**TROUT SALES OF FISH 12" OR LONGER, CALIFORNIA AND UNITED STATES, 2012-13 1/**

State	Number Of Fish		Live Weight				Average Price		Total Sales	
			Average Per Fish		Total		Per Pound			
	2012	2013	2012	2013	2012	2013	2012	2013	2012	2013
	1,000 Fish		Pounds		1,000 Pounds		Dollars		\$1,000	
California	1,120	(D)	1.2	(D)	1,370	(D)	3.13	(D)	4,288	(D)
U.S.	41,700	40,970	1.3	1.4	55,529	56,269	1.55	1.61	86,043	90,371

1/ Revised 2012 data.

(D) Withheld to avoid disclosing data for individual operations