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UNITED STATES CATTLE ON FEED UP 3 PERCENT

Cattle and calves on feed for the slaughter market in the United States for feedlots with capacity of 1,000 or more head totaled 10.0 million head on July 1, 2015. The inventory was 3 percent above August 1, 2014.

Placements in feedlots during July totaled 1.55 million, 1 percent below 2014. Net placements were 1.49 million head. During July, placements of cattle and calves weighing less than 600 pounds were 365,000 head, 600-699 pounds were 235,000 head, 700-799 pounds were 327,000, and 800 pounds and greater were 620,000. Placements are the lowest for July since the series began in 1996.

Marketings of fed cattle during July totaled 1.73 million head, 3 percent below 2014. Marketings are the lowest for July since the series began in 1996.

Other disappearance totaled 56,000 during July, 11 percent below 2014

CALIFORNIA CATTLE ON FEED

Cattle and calves on feed for slaughter in California feedlots totaled 455,000 on August 1, 2015, down 1 percent from last month and 8 percent higher than July 2014. During July, placements of 41,000 up 5 percent from the previous year. Marketings of 41,000 were 13 percent below July 2014. Other disappearance totaled 5,000 head.

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

State	Number On Feed July 1 1/			Placed During July		Marketed During July	
	2014	2015	2015/2014	2014	2015	2014	2015
	1,000 Head			Percent		1,000 Head	
Arizona	272	240	88	23	23	26	22
California	435	460	106	39	41	47	41
Colorado	850	830	98	90	90	145	125
Idaho	180	225	125	37	37	41	41
Iowa	620	640	103	56	71	74	80
Kansas	1,900	1,940	102	400	395	390	395
Minnesota	121	141	117	10	11	15	18
Nebraska	2,240	2,280	102	375	390	465	455
Oklahoma	255	260	102	32	38	46	47
South Dakota	195	230	118	20	17	39	34
Texas	2,490	2,480	100	410	365	415	395
Washington	175	215	123	36	34	40	38
Other States	310	295	95	31	35	44	34
UNITED STATES	10,043	10,236	102	1,559	1,547	1,787	1,725

State	Other Disappearance During July 2/		Number On Feed August 1 1/		2015
	2014	2015	2014	2015	2014
	1,000 Head		Percent		Percent
Arizona	7	2	262	239	91
California	7	5	420	455	108
Colorado	5	5	790	790	100
Idaho	1	1	175	220	126
Iowa	2	1	600	630	105
Kansas	10	10	1,900	1,930	102
Minnesota	1	1	115	133	116
Nebraska	10	15	2,140	2,200	103
Oklahoma	1	1	240	250	104
South Dakota	1	3	175	210	120
Texas	15	10	2,470	2,440	99
Washington	1	1	170	210	124
Other States	2	1	295	295	100
UNITED STATES	63	56	9,752	10,002	103

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

PACIFIC REGION - COMMERCIAL SLAUGHTER

California's production of red meat during July 2015 totaled 109.0 million pounds (dressed weight), 1 percent above the previous month and 1 percent higher than July 2014. This figure includes slaughter in Federally-inspected and state-inspected plants, but excludes slaughter done on farms.

In June 2015, the average live weight of cattle slaughtered in California was 1,365 pounds, calves 106 pounds, sheep & lambs 150 pounds, and hogs 247 pounds.

In Nevada, 100,000 pounds of red meat were produced in July 2015, and 800,000 pounds were produced in Hawaii.

U.S. RED MEAT PRODUCTION DOWN FROM LAST YEAR

Commercial red meat production for the United States totaled 4.04 billion pounds in July, up 3 percent from the 3.91 billion pounds produced in July 2014.

Lamb and mutton production, at 12.9 million pounds, was down 7 percent from July 2014. Sheep slaughter totaled 187,100 head, 11 percent below last year. The average live weight was 138 pounds, up 6 pounds from July a year ago.

Beef production, at 2.05 billion pounds, was 2 percent below the previous year. Cattle slaughter totaled 2.49 million head, down 4 percent from July 2014. The average live weight was up 26 pounds from the previous year, at 1,346 pounds.

January to July 2015 commercial red meat production was 27.8 billion pounds, up 1 percent from 2014. Accumulated beef production was down 4 percent from last year, veal was down 18 percent, pork was up 7 percent from last year, and lamb and mutton production was down 4 percent.

Veal production totaled 6.9 million pounds, 11 percent below July a year ago. Calf slaughter totaled 36,500 head, down 25 percent from July 2014. The average live weight was up 47 pounds from last year, at 322 pounds.

July 2014 contained 23 weekdays (including 1 holiday) and 4 Saturdays.

July 2015 contained 23 weekdays (including 1 holiday) and 4 Saturdays.

Pork production totaled 1.97 billion pounds, up 10 percent from the previous year. Hog slaughter totaled 9.40 million head, up 11 percent from July 2014. The average live weight was down 3 pounds from the previous year, at 202 pounds.

COMMERCIAL SLAUGHTER, JULY 2014-15 1/

Species and Location	Number Slaughtered		Total Live Weight		Average Live Weight	
	2014	2015	2014	2015	2014	2015
	1,000 Head		1,000 Pounds		Pounds	
CATTLE						
California	95.2	96.7	123,924	130,828	1,314	1,365
Hawaii	0.9	0.9	976	946	1,129	1,111
Nevada	0.1	0.1	153	131	1,047	1,072
U.S. Total	2,601.7	2,492.2	3,426,784	3,347,550	1,320	1,346
CALVES						
California	10.7	7.7	1,031	795	98	106
Hawaii	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Nevada	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
U.S. Total	48.4	36.5	13,223	11,688	275	322
SHEEP & LAMBS						
California	24.7	24.1	3,370	3,601	137	150
Hawaii	0.1	0.1	11	16	128	135
Nevada	0.1	0.2	17	23	129	121
U.S. Total	210.4	187.1	27,753	25,783	132	138
HOGS						
California	196.7	188.0	49,973	46,480	254	247
Hawaii	1.2	1.1	294	282	255	262
Nevada	0.1	0.2	33	40	257	257
U.S. Total	8,459.9	9,400.5	2,395,776	2,627,636	283	280

RED MEAT	July 2014	June 2015	July 2015	Jul 15 Jul 14
	Million Pounds			Percent
California	107.8	108.0	109.0	101
Hawaii	0.8	0.7	0.8	97
Nevada	0.1	0.1	0.1	97
U.S.	3,908.9	4,017.4	4,038.5	103

1/ Farm slaughter excluded.

(D) Withheld to avoid disclosing data for individual operations.

(X) Not applicable.

(Y) Less than level of precision shown.

CATTLE AND CALVES BY CLASSES, CANADA AND UNITED STATES, JULY 1, 2014-15 1/

Class	Canada 2/			United States 3/		
	2014	2015	<u>2015</u> 2014	2014 4/	2015	<u>2015</u> 2014
	Thousands		Percent	Thousands		Percent
All Cattle & Calves	13,290	13,005	98	96,300	98,400	102
All Cows:	4,876	4,724	97	39,000	39,800	102
Beef	3,927	3,792	97	29,750	30,500	103
Milk	949	932	98	9,250	9,300	101
Heifers 500 Lbs. + 4/	2,284	2,246	98	15,600	15,900	102
Beef Replacement	616	613	99	4,600	4,600	107
Milk Replacement	452	438	97	4,100	4,200	102
Other Heifers	1,216	1,196	98	6,900	6,800	99
Steers 500 Lbs. + 4/	1,623	1,688	104	13,700	14,100	103
Bulls 500 Lbs. + 4/	225	221	98	1,900	1,900	100
Calves Less Than 500 Lbs.	4,283	4,125	96	26,100	26,700	102
Calf Crop 6/	4,606	---	---	33,900	34,300	

1/ Totals may not add due to rounding.

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

3/ Source: National Agricultural Statistics Service.

4/ For Canada, one year and over with the exception of calves, which are under one year.

5/ January to December calf crop.

HOG AND PIG INVENTORY, CANADA AND UNITED STATES 2014-15 1/ 2/

Item	Canada July 1 Inventory 3/			United States June 1 Inventory 4/		
	2014	2015	<u>2015</u> 2014	2014	2015	<u>2015</u> 2014
	1,000 Head		Percent	1,000 Head		Percent
All Hogs & Pigs	13,075	13,225	101	61,568	66,900	109
Kept for Breeding	1,216	1,226	101	5,855	5,926	101
Market	11,859	11,999	101	56,713	60,975	108
Sows Farrowed	1,249	1,278	102	2,810	2,850	101
Pig Crop	13,466	14,079	105	27,496	29,563	108

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

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

Commodity	Unit	California			UNITED STATES		
		June 2014	May 2015	June 2015	June 2014	May 2015	June 2015
		Dollars					
Hogs 2/	Cwt.	---	---	---	84.80	58.90	59.90
Cows 3/	Cwt.	---	---	---	106.00	114.00	113.00
Steers and Heifers	Cwt.	---	---	---	148.00	161.00	156.00
Calves	Cwt.	---	---	---	249.00	288.00	292.00
Milk Cows 4/	Head	---	---	---	--	--	--
All Milk, Wholesale 5/	Cwt.	21.91	15.12	15.72	23.20	16.70	16.90

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/ Prices include barrows, gilts, and sows.

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

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

5/ Before deductions for hauling. Includes quality, quantity, and other premiums. Excludes hauling subsidies.

6/ June 2015 Fat test percent: all milk; 3.63.

PACIFIC REGION - MILK PRODUCTION

California milk producers produced 3.41 billion pounds of milk in July 2015. This was up slightly from June 2015 and 3 percent below July 2014.

Monthly milk per cow averaged 1,915 pounds, 5 pounds more than June 2015.

MILK PRODUCTION, CALIFORNIA AND UNITED STATES

Month	CALIFORNIA 1/						Total Milk		UNITED STATES 1/ 2/					
	Milk Cows 3/		Milk Per Cow 4/		Milk Production 4/		Receipts 5/		Milk Cows 3/		Milk Per Cow 4/		Milk Production 4/	
	2014	2015	2014	2015	2014	2015	2014	2015	2014	2015	2014	2015	2014	2015
	1,000 Head		Pounds		Million Pounds		Million Pounds		1,000 Head		Pounds		Million Pounds	
Jan.	1,781	1,779	2,035	1,985	3,624	3,531	3,623	3,528	8,516	8,620	1,901	1,919	16,186	16,544
Feb.	1,780	1,779	1,910	1,845	3,400	3,282	3,396	3,281	8,516	8,620	1,749	1,756	14,892	15,139
Mar.	1,781	1,779	2,140	2,080	3,811	3,700	3,806	3,698	8,530	8,622	1,957	1,961	16,690	16,907
Apr.	1,780	1,779	2,065	2,065	3,676	3,602	3,671	3,602	8,547	8,626	1,912	1,928	16,344	16,633
May	1,779	1,779	2,110	2,050	3,754	3,654	3,750	3,649	8,558	8,630	1,979	1,992	16,934	17,187
June	1,779	1,778	1,995	1,910	3,549	3,396	3,544	3,393	8,572	8,628	1,895	1,895	16,241	16,354
July	1,779	1,778	1,980	1,915	3,522	3,405	3,521	3,402	8,583	8,630	1,909	1,921	16,381	16,581
Aug.	1,779		1,940		3,451		3,449		8,585		1,885		16,184	
Sept.	1,779		1,850		3,291		3,291		8,593		1,806		15,519	
Oct.	1,779		1,930		3,433		3,432		8,594		1,864		16,017	
Nov.	1,780		1,885		3,355		3,352		8,598		1,806		15,527	
Dec.	1,780		1,950		3,471		3,471		8,611		1,888		16,256	

1/ Revised 2015 data.

2/ Twenty-three state total.

3/ Includes dry cows, but excludes heifers not yet fresh.

4/ Excludes milk sucked by calves.

5/ Milk receipts are from the California Department of Food and Agriculture's Dairy Marketing and Milk Pooling branches. Excludes on-farm usage.

HAY PRICES 1/

Commodity	Unit	Alfalfa hay			Other Hay		
		June 2014	May 2015	June 2015	June 2014	May 2015	June 2015
		Dollars					
Arizona	Tons	240.00	200.00	160.00	230.00	200.00	175.00
California 2/	Tons	280.00	215.00	205.00	215.00	140.00	150.00
Idaho	Tons	220.00	165.00	185.00	190.00	150.00	160.00
Nevada	Tons	240.00	200.00	185.00	200.00	190.00	175.00
Oregon	Tons	230.00	205.00	210.00	210.00	175.00	180.00
Utah	Tons	170.00	175.00	175.00	140.00	140.00	140.00
UNITED STATES	Tons	222.00	192.00	178.00	139.00	134.00	127.00

1/ Current month hay prices are preliminary.

2/ Previous month revised to monthly average. California's June 2014 prices are for the full month.