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This report contains the results from the *2018 January Cattle and Sheep and Goat Reports*. The data are also posted on our web site at <https://www.nass.usda.gov/ar>. Thanks to all who responded to the questionnaires and interviews for these surveys.

**Arkansas January 1 All Cattle Inventory Up 1 Percent from Last Year
Milk Cow Inventory Unchanged from 2017**

Cattle: All cattle and calves in Arkansas as of January 1, 2018, totaled 1.76 million head, were up 1 percent from January 1, 2017 estimate. The calf crop for the full year of 2017 was 790,000 head, up 1 percent from last year. All cows and heifers that have calved, at 930,000 head, were up 1 percent from January 1, 2017; beef cows, at 924,000 head, were up 1 percent; and milk cows, at 6,000 head, were unchanged from 2017. All heifers weighing 500 pounds and over were down 2 percent at 235,000 head. Steers were unchanged at 110,000 head; bulls were unchanged at 60,000 head, and calves weighing less than 500 pounds were up 1 percent at 425,000 head.

Goats: On January 1, 2018, Arkansas meat and other goat inventory totaled 33,000 head, down 8 percent from the previous year. The January 1, 2018, Arkansas milk goat inventory totaled 4,000 head, down 11 percent from 2017.

Cattle Inventory by Class and Calf Crop - Arkansas and United States: January 1, 2017 and 2018

Class ¹	Arkansas			United States		
	2017 (1,000 head)	2018 (1,000 head)	Percent of previous year (percent)	2017 (1,000 head)	2018 (1,000 head)	Percent of previous year (percent)
All Cattle and Calves	1,750.0	1,760.0	101	93,704.6	94,399.0	101
All Cows and Heifers that have calved	920.0	930.0	101	40,559.2	41,122.6	101
Beef Cows	914.0	924.0	101	31,213.2	31,723.0	102
Milk Cows	6.0	6.0	100	9,346.0	9,399.6	101
All Heifers 500 pounds and over	240.0	235.0	98	20,132.0	20,244.8	101
Beef Replacement Heifers	173.0	160.0	92	6,368.2	6,131.2	96
Milk Replacement Heifers	3.0	4.0	133	4,754.0	4,781.3	101
Other Heifers	64.0	71.0	111	9,009.8	9,332.3	104
Steers 500 Pounds and Over	110.0	110.0	100	16,383.5	16,352.2	100
Bulls 500 Pounds and Over	60.0	60.0	100	2,243.6	2,252.2	100
Calves Under 500 Pounds	420.0	425.0	101	14,386.3	14,427.2	100
Cattle and Calves on Feed ²	(D)	(D)	(X)	13,067.0	14,006.4	107
	2016 (1,000 head)	2017 (1,000 head)	Percent of previous year (percent)	2016 (1,000 head)	2017 (1,000 head)	Percent of previous year (percent)
Calf Crop During Year	780.0	790.0	101	35,092.7	35,808.2	102

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

(X) Not applicable.

¹ Totals may not add due to rounding.

² Cattle and calves on feed are steers and heifers being fed a ration of grain, silage, hay, and/or protein supplement for slaughter market that are expected to produce a carcass that will grade select or better. Cattle and calves on feed are included in the cattle inventory estimates by classes.

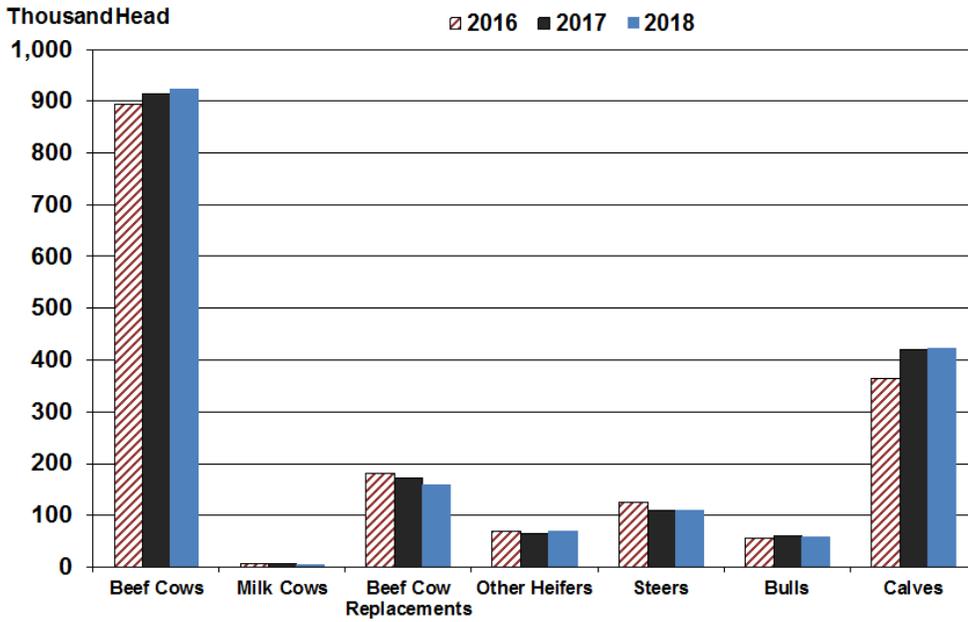
Goats and Sheep Inventory - Arkansas and United States: January 1, 2017 and 2018

Animal & Class	Arkansas			United States		
	2017 (1,000 head)	2018 (1,000 head)	Percent of previous year (percent)	2017 (1,000 head)	2018 (1,000 head)	Percent of previous year (percent)
All Goats	(D)	(D)	(X)	2,640.0	2,620.0	99
Angora Goats	(D)	(D)	(X)	152.0	142.0	93
Meat and Other Goats	36.0	33.0	92	2,115.0	2,098.0	99
Milk Goats	4.5	4.0	89	373.0	380.0	102
Sheep	(D)	(D)	(X)	5,250.0	5,230.0	100

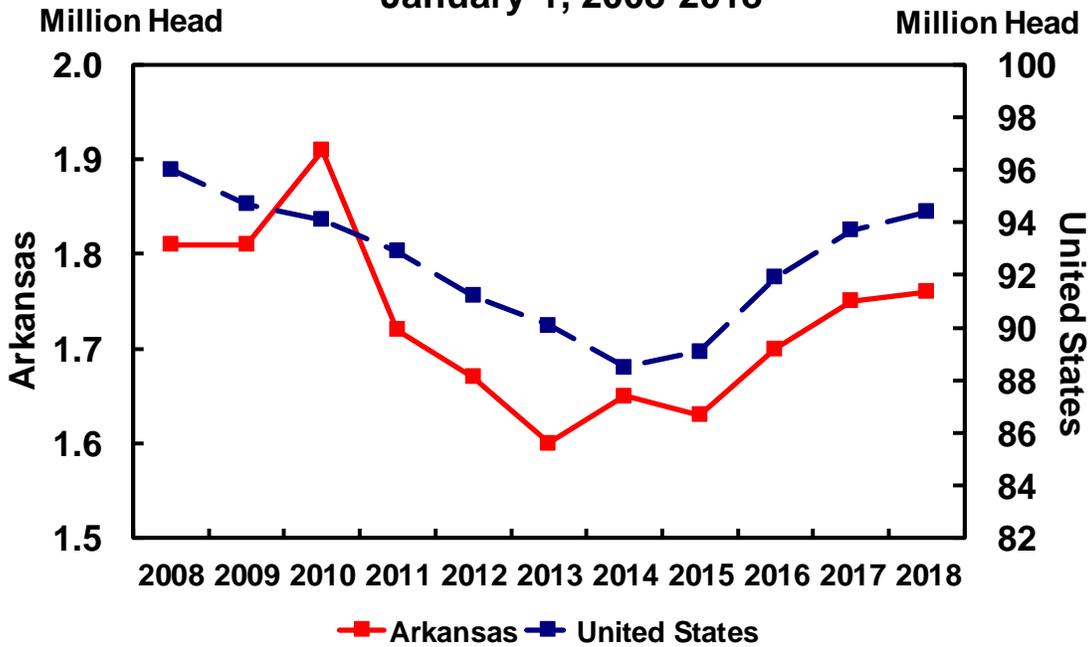
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Cattle Inventory by Class - Arkansas: January 1, 2016-2018



Cattle Inventory - Arkansas and United States: January 1, 2008-2018







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