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Marketings of fed cattle during May totaled 2.03 million, 9 percent below 2003 and 7 percent below 2002.

Other disappearance totaled 79,000 during May, 22 percent above 2003 and 3 percent above 2002.

### U. S. CATTLE ON FEED 1,000+ CAPACITY FEEDLOTS

Cattle and calves on feed for slaughter market in the United States for feedlots with capacity of 1,000 or more head totaled 10.62 million head on June 1, 2004. The inventory was 1 percent above June 1, 2003 but 3 percent below June 1, 2002.

Placements in feedlots during May totaled 2.36 million, 2 percent above 2003 and 4 percent above 2002. Net placements were 2.28 million. During May, placements of cattle and calves weighing less than 600 pounds were 495,000, 600-699 pounds were 486,000, 700-799 pounds were 772,000, and 800 pounds and greater were 610,000.

### CATTLE ON FEED: U.S. Number Placed on Feed, by weight groups, 1,000+ Capacity Feedlots, May 2003, April and May 2004

Month	Less than 600 lbs	600-699 lbs	700-799 lbs	800+ lbs	Total
<i>1,000 head</i>					
May 2003	408	367	749	783	2,307
Apr. 2004	*315	302	*566	*415	*1,598
May 2004	495	486	772	610	2,363

\*Revised

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

State	Number on feed May 1			Placed during May			Marketed during May			Other disappearance during May			Number on feed June 1		
	2003	2004	2004-03	2003	2004	2004-03	2003	2004	2004-03	2003	2004	2004-03	2003	2004	2004-03
	<i>1,000 head</i>		<i>Percent</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>		<i>Percent</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>		<i>Percent</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>		<i>Percent</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>		<i>Percent</i>
AZ	269	295	110	38	29	76	39	28	72	2	2	100	266	294	111
CA	470	500	106	83	91	110	66	63	95	2	8	400	485	520	107
CO	1,000	940	94	205	265	129	205	180	88	10	15	150	990	1,010	102
ID	275	250	91	53	74	140	67	67	100	1	2	200	260	255	98
IA	370	415	112	48	50	104	70	63	90	3	2	67	345	400	116
KS	2,270	2,240	99	550	495	90	530	465	88	20	20	100	2,270	2,250	99
NE	2,080	2,100	101	360	390	108	500	470	94	10	10	100	1,930	2,010	104
NM	101	105	104	30	28	93	20	12	60	1	2	200	110	119	108
OK	330	310	94	98	92	94	67	70	104	1	2	200	360	330	92
SD	210	200	95	34	28	82	44	37	84	2	3	150	198	188	95
TX	2,680	2,560	96	730	740	101	520	480	92	10	10	100	2,880	2,810	98
WA	170	160	94	30	35	117	39	39	100	1	1	100	160	155	97
Oth. Sts.	310	285	92	48	46	96	71	54	76	2	2	100	285	275	96
U.S.	10,535	10,360	98	2,307	2,363	102	2,238	2,028	91	65	79	122	10,539	10,616	101

### AVERAGE PRICES, NEBRASKA, DOLLARS PER CWT

Week ended	Slaughter steers				Slaughter heifers			
	Choice 1150-1500 lbs				Choice 1000-1300 lbs			
	2003		2004		2003		2004	
May 29	79.87		85.41		79.94		85.24	
June 05	80.14		90.40		80.29		90.38	
June 12	77.41		91.14		77.25		90.65	

## CHICKENS AND EGGS

### FLORIDA

Table eggs sold in mid-June 2004 averaged 53.0 cents, up 1.0 cent from mid-May. Table egg production in Florida during May was 251 million eggs, down two percent from the previous month.

### UNITED STATES

U.S. egg production totaled 7.50 billion during May 2004, up 2 percent from last year. Production included 6.39 billion table eggs, and 1.11 billion hatching eggs, of which 1.05 billion were broiler-type and 59.0 million were egg-type. The total number of layers during May 2004 averaged 342 million, up 2 percent from a year earlier. May egg production per 100 layers was 2,192 eggs, up 1 percent from May 2003. May 2004 contained 21 weekdays, 5 Saturdays and 1 holiday compared to May 2003 which contained 22 weekdays, 5 Saturdays and 1 holiday.

All layers in the U.S. on June 1, 2004, totaled 343 million, up 2 percent from a year ago. The 343 million layers consisted of 283 million layers producing table or commercial type eggs, 57.4 million layers producing broiler-type hatching eggs, and 2.41 million layers producing egg-type hatching eggs. Rate of lay per day on June 1, 2004, averaged 70.3 eggs per 100 layers, up 1 percent from a year ago.

Laying flocks in the 30 major egg producing States produced 7.00 billion eggs during May 2004, up 2 percent from a year ago. The average number of layers during May, at 319 million, was up 2 percent from a year ago.

## MID-MONTH TABLE EGG PRICES RECEIVED BY FLORIDA EGG PRODUCERS.

Month	Cents per dozen	
	2003	2004
January	55.0	81.0
February	56.0	81.0
March	51.0	101.0
April	52.0	67.0
May	41.0	52.0
June	50.0	53.0
July	51.0	
August	57.0	
September	63.0	
October	72.0	
November	83.0	
December	75.0	

### FLORIDA: Layers on hand first of month, percent molting and molted

	June 2003	Apr 2004	May 2004	June 2004
Total layers on hand: Thous.	10,753	11,456	11,376	11,355
Percent of layers:				
Being molted	6.0	2.0	6.0	7.5
Molt completed	27.5	29.5	31.0	28.0

## LAYERS AND EGG PRODUCTION, MAY 2004, PRODUCTION YEAR-TO-DATE EGG PRODUCTION FOR SELECTED STATES

Selected States	Average layers on hand	Eggs per 100 layers	Egg production				Layers	
			Total	Table	Hatching	Year to date <sup>1/</sup>	Being molted	Molt completed
	<i>Thousand</i>		<i>Millions</i>				<i>Percent</i>	
Alabama	9,334	1,907	178	43	135	1,041	1.5	2.0
Arkansas	15,395	1,949	300	101	199	1,694	3.5	8.5
California	20,274	2,205	447			2,692	5.5	29.0
<b>Florida</b>	<b>11,376</b>	<b>2,294</b>	<b>261</b>	<b>251</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>1,538</b>	<b>7.5</b>	<b>28.0</b>
Georgia	20,106	2,069	416	242	174	2,519	5.5	16.5
Indiana	23,397	2,282	534	521	13	3,092	4.0	32.5
Iowa	43,567	2,220	967			5,567	3.5	37.5
Maine	4,010	2,364	95			550	0.0	0.0
Maryland	3,082	2,401	74	12	2	430	16.0	12.0
Michigan	7,298	2,357	172			982	5.5	30.5
Minnesota	10,731	2,311	248	240	8	1,477	3.0	26.0
Mississippi	6,969	1,923	134	39	95	798	4.0	10.0
Missouri	6,848	2,205	151			897	3.5	18.0
Nebraska	11,610	2,291	266	266		1,588	1.0	20.0
New York	3,918	2,450	96			575	1.5	2.5
North Carolina	11,030	1,967	217	81	136	1,263	2.0	7.5
Ohio	28,327	2,199	623			3,637	4.5	26.0
Pennsylvania	24,082	2,300	554	537	17	3,263	4.5	16.0
South Carolina	5,226	2,028	106	87	19	667	5.5	30.5
Texas	18,319	2,222	407			2,423	5.5	22.0
Virginia	3,327	1,894	63	27	36	379	9.0	11.5
Washington	4,912	2,382	117			657	6.5	46.0
Other States	48,947	2,176	497	400	97	4,084	8.8	23.0
United States	342,085	2,192	7,499	6,386	1,113	44,174	4.8	23.3

<sup>1/</sup> Production year begins December 1.

## HATCHERY PRODUCTION

### FLORIDA

The May hatch of broiler-type chicks, at 5,021,000 was ten percent below a year earlier. Broiler-type eggs in incubators on June 1, at 4,169,000, were 20 percent below a year ago.

Egg-type hatch during May at 602,000 chicks was 12 percent below last year. Egg-type eggs in incubators on June 1, at 518,000 were 21 percent below a year ago.

### UNITED STATES

The May 2004 hatch of broiler-type chicks, at 810 million, was up 2 percent from May of the previous year. There were 660 million eggs in incubators on June 1, 2004, up 1 percent from a year earlier.

Leading breeders placed 7.5 million broiler-type pullet chicks for future domestic hatchery supply flocks during May 2004, up 2 percent from May 2003.

Egg-type chicks hatched during May totaled 38.6 million, up 3 percent from May 2003. Eggs in incubators totaled 34.4 million on June 1, 2004, up 2 percent from a year ago.

Domestic placements of egg-type pullet chicks for future hatchery supply flocks by leading breeders totaled 255,000 during May 2004, down 12 percent from May 2003.

### HATCHERY PRODUCTION, UNITED STATES

Item	2003	2004	2004 % of 2003
<i>-- Thousands --</i>			
<b>EGG-TYPE:</b>			
Eggs in incubators: Jun 1	33,634	34,395	102
Chicks hatched during May	37,631	38,631	103
Pullets hatched during May for intended placements in hatchery supply flocks	289	255	88
7-18 months earlier <sup>1/</sup>	2,980	3,047	102
<b>BROILER-TYPE:</b>			
Eggs in incubators: Jun 1	652,394	660,095	101
Chicks hatched during May	792,813	809,725	102
Pullets hatched during May for intended placements in hatchery supply flocks	7,323	7,492	102
7-15 months earlier <sup>2/</sup>	62,659	61,941	99

<sup>1/</sup> 2004 includes pullet chicks hatched November 2002 through October 2003.

<sup>2/</sup> 2004 includes pullet chicks hatched February 2003 through October 2003.

## MILK PRODUCTION

### FLORIDA

Florida dairy farms produced 206 million pounds of milk during May 2004, up four percent from the previous May. Production per cow of 1,490 pounds was eight percent above last year. Milk cow numbers on Florida dairy farms in May totaled 138,000, three percent below last year.

### UNITED STATES

Milk production in the 20 major States during May totaled 13.0 billion pounds, down 0.1 percent from May 2003. April revised production, at 12.6 billion pounds, was down 0.8 percent from April 2003. The April revision represented an increase of 4 million pounds from last month's preliminary production estimate.

Production per cow in the 20 major States averaged 1,684 pounds for May, 13 pounds above May 2003.

The number of milk cows on farms in the 20 major States was 7.72 million head, 71,000 head less than May 2003, and 5,000 head less than April 2004.

### MILK COWS AND PRODUCTION, FLORIDA AND U.S.

Month and year	Milk cows	Monthly milk production	
		Per cow	Monthly Total
	<i>Thous.</i>	<i>Lbs.</i>	<i>Mil. Lbs.</i>
<b>FLORIDA:</b>			
May 2003	143	1,385	198
April 2004	138	1,480	204
May 2004	138	1,490	206
<b>20 MAJOR STATES:</b>			
May 2003	7,787	1,671	13,013
April 2004	7,721	1,630	12,588
May 2004	7,716	1,684	12,994
<b>UNITED STATES:</b>			
May 2003	9,104	1,648	15,003
April 2004	8,991	1,609	14,469
May 2004	8,982	1,663	14,940

### MILK PRODUCTION BY QUARTERS, UNITED STATES

Month	Milk cows <sup>1/</sup>		Milk per cow <sup>2/</sup>		Milk production	
	2003	2004	2003	2004	2003	2004
	<i>Thousand</i>		<i>Pounds</i>		<i>Mil. Lbs.</i>	
Jan-Mar	9,144	8,991	4,710	4,750	43,069	42,710
Apr-Jun	9,109		4,827		43,965	
Jul-Sep	9,073		4,601		41,746	
Oct-Dec	9,011		4,609		41,532	
Annual Total	9,084		18,749		170,312	

<sup>1/</sup> Dry cows. Excludes heifers not yet fresh.

<sup>2/</sup> Excludes milk fed to calves.

## LIVESTOCK SLAUGHTER

Commercial red meat output in Florida for May 2004 was 4.1 million pounds, 27 percent below the same month last year.

Commercial production of red meat in the United States for May at 3.60 billion pounds, was nine percent below 2003.

### Commercial slaughter and red meat production, Florida and United States

Source and kind	May 2003	April 2004	May 2004	Year to date 2003	Year to date 2004
<b>FLORIDA</b>					
Cattle slaughtered (1000 head) <sup>1/</sup>	8	7	6	41	33
HOGS:					
Head slaughtered (1,000 head)	7	8	7	41	40
Total liveweight (1,000 pounds)	1,304	1,381	1,184	7,380	6,890
SHEEP AND LAMBS:					
Head slaughtered (1,000 head)	0.3	0.3	0.2	13.3	11.2
Total liveweight (1,000 pounds)	19	18	13	142	84
Red meat production (million pounds)	5.6	4.8	4.1	28.1	22.9
<b>UNITED STATES</b>					
CATTLE:					
Head slaughtered (1,000 head)	3,248	2,699	2,836	14,565	13,407
Total liveweight (million pounds)	3,922	3,238	3,416	17,984	16,350
Average liveweight (pounds)	1,208	1,200	1,204	1,235	1,220
Beef production (million pounds)	2,360	1,957	2,070	10,793	9,861
CALVES:					
Head slaughtered (1,000 head)	76	71	65	417	363
Total liveweight (million pounds)	26	23	23	136	121
Average liveweight (pounds)	343	329	355	327	332
Veal production (million pounds)	16	14	14	82	72
HOGS:					
Head slaughtered (1,000 head)	7,816	8,652	7,579	40,812	41,945
Total liveweight (million pounds)	2,091	2,315	2,014	10,914	11,221
Average liveweight (pounds)	267	268	266	268	268
Pork production (million pounds)	1,551	1,725	1,500	8,109	8,355
SHEEP AND LAMBS:					
Head slaughtered (1,000 head)	222	* 256	189	1,248	1,184
Total liveweight (1,000 pounds)	31	35	26	168	166
LAMB AND MUTTON:					
Head slaughtered (1,000 head)	15	17	13	84	83
Red meat production (million pounds)	3,942	3,713	3,597	19,068	18,372

<sup>1/</sup> Does not include calf slaughter data.

\* Revised.