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Cattle and calves on feed for slaughter market in the United States for feedlots with capacity of 1,000 or more head totaled 11.5 million head on November 1, 2005. The inventory was 1 percent above November 1, 2004 and 4 percent above November 1, 2003.

Placements in feedlots during October totaled 2.80 million, 3 percent above 2004 and 1 percent above 2003. Net placements were 2.74 million head. During October, placements of cattle and calves weighing less than 600 pounds were 880,000 head, 600-699 pounds were 790,000 head, 700-799 pounds were 600,000 head, and 800 pounds and greater were 525,000 head.

Marketings of fed cattle during October totaled 1.74 million, 3 percent below 2004 and 6 percent below 2003. This is the second lowest fed cattle marketings for the month of October since the series began in 1996.

Other disappearance totaled 58,000 head during October, 12 percent below 2004 and 43 percent below 2003.

**CATTLE ON FEED: U.S. Number Placed on Feed, by weight
Groups, 1,000+ Capacity Feedlots, October 2004, September and October 2005**

Month		Less than 600 lbs	600-699 lbs	700-799 lbs	800+ lbs	Total
1,000 head						
October	2004	912	764	529	496	2,701
September	2005	565	505	550	735	2,355
October	2005	880	790	600	525	2,795

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

State	Number on feed October 1		Placed during October 1		Marketed during October		Other disappearance during October		Number on feed November 1	
	2004	2005	2004	2005	2004	2005	2004	2005	2004	2005
1,000 head										
AZ	298	318	48	35	21	27	4	1	321	325
CA	520	535	70	64	59	50	6	4	525	545
CO	1,020	900	260	290	185	155	5	5	1,090	1,030
ID	275	270	78	76	47	55	1	1	305	290
IA	375	410	125	131	68	65	2	1	430	475
KS	2,220	2,250	570	580	375	400	15	20	2,400	2,410
NE	1,940	1,940	600	660	325	310	5	10	2,210	2,280
NM	136	136	29	22	29	16	2	1	134	141
OK	340	335	87	79	64	53	3	1	360	360
SD	143	130	65	68	38	35	1	2	169	161
TX	2,770	2,830	650	670	520	520	20	10	2,880	2,970
WA	180	153	43	34	37	23	1	1	185	163
Oth. Sts.	285	275	76	86	35	35	1	1	325	325
U.S.	10,502	10,482	2,701	2,795	1,803	1,744	66	58	11,334	11,475

AVERAGE PRICES, NEBRASKA, DOLLARS PER CWT

Week ended	Slaughter steers Choice 1150-1500 lbs				Slaughter heifers Choice 1000-1300 lbs	
	2004		2005		2004	2005
	October 29	84.62	86.99	85.24	87.17	
November 05	81.33	89.04	81.81	88.38		
November 12	80.71	90.96	82.25	91.65		



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CHICKENS AND EGGS

FLORIDA

Table eggs averaged 51.0 cents per dozen sold in mid-November up 15.0 cents from last month. Table egg production in Florida during October was 262 million eggs, eight percent above the previous month.

UNITED STATES

U.S. egg production totaled 7.70 billion during October 2005, up one percent from last year. Production included 6.60 billion table eggs, and 1.10 billion hatching eggs, of which 1.04 billion were broiler-type and 60 million were egg-type. The number of layers during October 2005 averaged 344 million, down slightly from a year earlier. October egg production per 100 layers was 2,239 eggs, up one percent from October 2004.

All layers in the U.S. on November 1, 2005, totaled 345 million, down slightly from a year ago. The 345 million layers consisted of 287 million layers producing table or market type eggs, 55.3 million layers producing broiler-type hatching eggs, and 2.46 million layers producing egg-type hatching eggs. Rate of lay per day on November 1, 2005, averaged 72.4 eggs per 100 layers, up one percent from November 1, 2004.

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

Month	Cents per dozen	
	2004	2005
January	81.0	40.0
February	81.0	36.0
March	101.0	33.0
April	67.0	30.0
May	52.0	27.0
June	53.0	25.0
July	46.0	34.0
August	40.0	29.0
September	34.0	50.0
October	36.0	36.0
November	46.0	51.0
December	53.0	

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

	Nov 2004	Sep 2005	Oct 2005	Nov 2005
Total layers on hand: Thous.	10,583	11,354	11,405	11,647
Percent of layers: Being molted	3.5	5.0	5.0	6.5
Molt completed	21.0	30.0	28.0	31.5

**LAYERS AND EGG PRODUCTION, OCTOBER 2005, 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 ^{1/}	Being molted	Molt completed
	<i>Thousand</i>		<i>Millions</i>				<i>Percent</i>	
Alabama	9,120	1,897	173	39	134	1,903	1.5	7.0
Arkansas	14,790	2,008	297	106	191	3,121	1.0	11.0
California	19,629	2,216	435			4,850	3.5	36.0
Florida	11,526	2,343	270	262	8	2,728	6.5	31.5
Georgia	19,081	2,170	414	237	177	4,469	2.0	15.0
Indiana	23,788	2,299	547	535	12	5,720	2.0	29.5
Iowa	49,351	2,286	1,128			23,924	3.5	37.0
Maine	4,019	2,065	83			574	0.0	0.0
Maryland	2,600	2,385	62	60	2	736	7.0	40.0
Michigan	7,770	2,342	182			1,949	1.5	25.0
Minnesota	11,243	2,313	260	252	8	2,728	0.5	26.5
Mississippi	6,871	1,994	137	40	97	1,496	2.0	9.0
Missouri	6,849	2,292	157			1,761	0.0	22.0
Nebraska	11,923	2,273	271	271	0	2,961	9.0	26.5
New York	4,105	2,412	99			1,092	3.0	8.5
North Carolina	10,832	2,031	220	85	135	2,362	1.5	8.5
Ohio	27,856	2,269	632			6,682	4.5	16.0
Pennsylvania	23,758	2,319	551	535	16	6,066	2.0	21.0
South Carolina	5,037	2,204	111	90	21	1,180	14.5	14.5
Texas	17,790	2,254	401			4,360	0.5	25.0
Virginia	3,394	2,121	72	34	38	746	0.0	15.5
Washington	5,024	2,229	112			1,244	4.0	41.0
Other States	47,687	2,271	476	382	94	5,218	4.3	27.5
United States	344,043	2,239	7,703	6,599	1,104	82,448	3.1	24.2

^{1/} Production year begins December 1.

HATCHERY PRODUCTION

FLORIDA

The October hatch of broiler-type chicks, at 5,109,000 was four percent above a year earlier. Broiler-type eggs in incubators on November 1, at 4,141,000 were two percent above a year ago.

Egg-type hatch during October at 685,000 chicks was 32 percent above last year. Egg-type eggs in incubators on November 1 at 737,000, were six percent below a year ago.

UNITED STATES

Broiler-type chicks hatched during October 2005 totaled 776 million, up 3 percent from October 2004. Eggs in incubators totaled 624 million on November 1, 2005, up 3 percent from a year earlier.

Leading breeders placed 6.94 million broiler-type pullet chicks for future domestic hatchery supply flocks during October 2005, up 8 percent from October 2004.

Egg-type chicks hatched during October 2005 totaled 35.4 million, up one percent from October 2004. Eggs in incubators totaled 33.1 million on November 1, 2005, down 11 percent from a year ago.

Domestic placements of egg-type pullet chicks for future hatchery supply flocks by leading breeders totaled 189,000 during October 2005, down 29 percent from October 2004.

HATCHERY PRODUCTION, UNITED STATES

Item	2004	2005	2005 % of 2004
-- Thousands --			
EGG-TYPE:			
Eggs in incubators: Nov 1	37,354	33,081	89
Chicks hatched during Oct	34,866	35,367	101
Pullets hatched during Oct for intended placements in hatchery supply flocks	268	189	71
7-18 months earlier ^{1/}	3,254	2,864	88
BROILER-TYPE:			
Eggs in incubators: Nov 1	607,801	623,938	103
Chicks hatched during Oct	756,895	776,333	103
Pullets hatched during Oct for intended placements in hatchery supply flocks	6,457	6,944	108
7-15 months earlier ^{2/}	62,180	62,894	101

^{1/}2005 includes pullet chicks hatched April 2004 through March 2005.

^{2/}2005 includes pullet chicks hatched July 2004 through March 2005.

MILK PRODUCTION

FLORIDA

Florida dairy farms produced 159 million pounds of milk during October 2005, one percent below the production in the previous October. Production per cow of 1,175 pounds was one percent above last year. Milk cows on Florida dairy farms in October totaled 135,000, one percent below last year.

UNITED STATES

Milk production in the 23 major States during October totaled 13.4 billion pounds, up 4.1 percent from October 2004. September revised production, at 13.0 billion pounds, was up 4.7 percent from September 2004. The September revision represented a decrease of 27 million pounds or 0.2 percent from last month's preliminary production estimate.

Production per cow in the 23 major States averaged 1,636 pounds for October, 53 pounds above October 2004.

The number of milk cows on farms in the 23 major States was 8.16 million head, 58,000 head more than October 2004, and 4,000 head more than September 2005.

MILK COWS AND PRODUCTION, FLORIDA AND U.S.

Month and year	Milk cows	Monthly milk production	
		Per cow	Monthly Total
	Thous.	Lbs.	Mil. Lbs.
FLORIDA:			
October 2004	137	1,165	160
September 2005	134	1,100	147
October 2005	135	1,175	159
23 MAJOR STATES:			
October 2004	8,103	1,583	12,824
September 2005	8,157	1,594	13,005
October 2005	8,161	1,636	13,353
UNITED STATES:			
October 2004	9,023	1,559	14,070
September 2005	9,057	1,571	14,203
October 2005	9,059	1,617	14,651

MILK PRODUCTION BY QUARTERS, UNITED STATES

Month	Milk cows ^{1/}		Milk per cow ^{2/}		Milk Production	
	2004	2005	2004	2005	2004	2005
	Thousand		Pounds		Mil. Lbs.	
Jan-Mar	8,993	8,996	4,755	4,807	42,759	43,242
Apr-Jun	9,001	9,034	4,869	5,054	43,824	45,660
Jul-Sep	9,027	9,054	4,679	4,859	42,239	43,997
Oct-Dec	9,019		4,655		41,983	
Annual Total	9,010		18,957		170,805	

^{1/}Includes dry cows. Excludes heifers not yet fresh.

^{2/}Excludes milk fed to calves.

LIVESTOCK SLAUGHTER

Commercial red meat output in Florida for October 2005 was 4.5 million pounds, four percent below the same month last year. Commercial production of red meat in the United States for October at 3.93 billion pounds, was slightly above 2004.

COMMERCIAL SLAUGHTER AND RED MEAT PRODUCTION, FLORIDA AND UNITED STATES

Source and kind	October 2004	September 2005	October 2005	Year to date 2004	Year to date 2005
FLORIDA					
HOGS:					
Head slaughtered (1,000 head)	9	9	7	81	78
Total liveweight (1,000 pounds)	1,542	1,636	1,141	13,632	14,510
SHEEP AND LAMBS:					
Head slaughtered (1,000 head)	0.2	0.2	0.3	2.0	2.2
Total liveweight (1,000 pounds)	12	14	22	130	138
Red meat production (million pounds)	4.7	4.8	4.5	45.1	70.1
UNITED STATES					
CATTLE:					
Head slaughtered (1,000 head)	2,746	2,778	2,678	27,496	27,046
Total liveweight (million pounds)	3,479	3,543	3,428	33,933	32,866
Average liveweight (pounds)	1,267	1,276	1,280	1,235	1,252
Beef production (million pounds)	2,114	2,161	2,081	20,564	20,564
CALVES:					
Head slaughtered (1,000 head)	63	61	56	701	618
Total liveweight (million pounds)	21	22	21	234	217
Average liveweight (pounds)	330	363	371	329	350
Veal production (million pounds)	12	13	13	138	130
HOGS:					
Head slaughtered (1,000 head)	8,970	8,870	9,117	85,241	85,189
Total liveweight (million pounds)	2,396	2,349	2,450	22,670	22,830
Average liveweight (pounds)	267	265	269	266	268
Pork production (million pounds)	1,779	1,743	1,816	16,854	16,973
SHEEP AND LAMBS:					
Head slaughtered (1,000 head)	241	231	229	2,355	2,246
Total liveweight (1,000 pounds)	32	31	31	319	310
LAMB AND MUTTON:					
	16	16	16	160	155
Red meat production (million pounds)	3,921	3,933	3,925	37,718	37,822