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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 10.8 million head on June 1, 2008. The inventory was four percent below June 1, 2007 and three percent below June 1, 2006.

Placements in feedlots during May totaled 1.90 million, 12 percent below 2007 and slightly below 2006. Net placements were 1.82 million head. During May, placements of cattle and calves weighing less than 600 pounds were 340,000, 600-699 pounds were 350,000, 700-799 pounds were 564,000, and 800 pounds and greater were 645,000.

Marketings of fed cattle during May totaled 2.14 million, three percent above 2007 but one percent below 2006. Other disappearance totaled 80,000 during May, 19 percent below 2007 and 30 percent below 2006.

### CATTLE ON FEED: U.S. Cattle Placed on Feed, by Weight Groups, 1,000+ Capacity Feedlots, May 2007, April and May 2008

Month and Year		Less than 600 lbs	600-699 lbs	700-799 lbs	800+ lbs	Total
<i>1,000 head</i>						
May	2007	420	374	645	720	2,159
April	2008	315	278	428	515	1,536
May	2008	340	350	564	645	1,899

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

State	Number on feed May 1		Placed during May 1		Marketed during May		Other disappearance during May		Number on feed June 1	
	2007	2008	2007	2008	2007	2008	2007	2008	2007	2008
<i>1,000 head</i>										
AZ	340	370	36	34	32	38	4	1	340	365
CA	550	520	73	80	65	71	3	4	555	525
CO	1,020	950	175	150	155	170	20	10	1,020	920
ID	235	225	43	28	42	36	6	2	230	215
IA	530	530	54	58	63	65	1	3	520	520
KS	2,350	2,290	465	410	500	490	25	20	2,290	2,190
NE	2,420	2,380	390	370	500	480	20	20	2,290	2,250
NM	118	150	34	23	23	23	1	1	128	149
OK	335	305	71	76	65	75	1	1	340	305
SD	230	220	34	34	45	46	4	3	215	205
TX	2,680	2,690	710	560	510	550	10	10	2,870	2,690
WA	154	155	29	29	33	38	1	1	149	145
Oth. Sts.	335	350	45	47	52	58	3	4	325	335
U.S.	11,297	11,135	2,159	1,899	2,085	2,140	99	80	11,272	10,814

## CHICKENS AND EGGS

### FLORIDA

Table egg production in Florida during May was 222 million eggs, four percent above the previous month. Total egg production was 230 million eggs compared to 221 million eggs the previous month.

### UNITED STATES

U.S. egg production totaled 7.57 billion during May 2008, down one percent from last year. Production included 6.43 billion table eggs, and 1.15 billion hatching eggs, of which 1.08 billion were broiler-type and 68 million were egg-type. The total number of layers during May 2008 averaged 340 million, down one percent from last year. May egg production per 100 layers was 2,226 eggs, unchanged from May 2007.

All layers in the U.S. on June 1, 2008, totaled 340 million, down slightly from last year. The 340 million layers consisted of 280 million layers producing table or market type eggs, 57.0 million layers producing broiler-type hatching eggs, and 2.79 million layers producing egg-type hatching eggs. Rate of lay per day on June 1, 2008, averaged 71.7 eggs per 100 layers, down one percent from June 1, 2007.

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

Month	Cents per dozen	
	2007	2008
January	75.0	134.0
February	68.0	130.0
March	70.0	135.0
April	55.0	97.0
May	65.0	68.0
June	49.0	
July	79.0	
August	73.0	
September	97.0	
October	85.0	
November	100.0	
December	137.0	

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

	June 2007	Apr 2008	May 2008	June 2008
Total layers on hand: Thous.	10,434	10,485	10,434	10,343
Percent of layers: Being molted	8.5	7.5	8.5	7.0
Molt completed	28.0	32.5	30.0	31.0

### LAYERS AND EGG PRODUCTION, MAY 2008, PRODUCTION YEAR-TO-DATE, EGG PRODUCTION FOR SELECTED STATES AND UNITED 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	9,502	1,926	183	30	153	1,084	1.5	3.5
Arkansas	14,036	1,952	274	84	190	1,615	1.0	9.0
California	20,114	2,148	432			2,480	7.5	28.0
<b>Florida</b>	<b>10,389</b>	<b>2,214</b>	<b>230</b>	<b>222</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>1,427</b>	<b>7.0</b>	<b>31.0</b>
Georgia	18,685	2,050	383	198	185	2,366	2.5	10.0
Indiana	24,251	2,284	554	542	12	3,282	3.5	35.5
Iowa	53,681	2,291	1,230	1,214	16	7,157	3.0	32.0
Maine	3,947	2,280	90			534	0.0	0.0
Maryland	2,536	2,169	55	53	2	342	4.0	19.0
Michigan	9,167	2,367	217			1,310	6.0	18.0
Minnesota	10,192	2,325	237	228	9	1,397	3.0	28.5
Mississippi	6,257	1,998	125	34	91	749	1.0	10.0
Missouri	6,818	2,317	158			943	0.5	18.0
Nebraska	9,608	2,456	236	236	0	1,407	2.0	2.0
New York	4,005	2,497	100			579	1.0	6.0
North Carolina	12,587	2,089	263	122	141	1,565	1.0	8.5
Ohio	26,092	2,250	587			3,577	8.0	14.0
Pennsylvania	21,525	2,420	521	501	20	3,120	2.0	11.0
South Carolina	4,485	2,140	96	74	22	569	3.5	20.5
Texas	18,413	2,200	405			2,492	2.0	24.5
Virginia	3,237	2,008	65	30	35	375	2.5	18.5
Washington	5,564	2,390	133			758	4.5	31.5
Other States	45,228	2,151	494	362	132	3,541	4.1	22.1
United States	342,469	2,226	7,574	6,429	1,145	45,205	3.5	20.7

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

## HATCHERY PRODUCTION

### FLORIDA

The May hatch of broiler-type chicks, at 4,949,000, was three percent below a year earlier. Broiler-type eggs in incubators on June 1, at 4,023,000, was slightly above a year ago.

### UNITED STATES

Broiler-type chicks hatched during May 2008 totaled 824 million, down one percent from May 2007. Eggs in incubators totaled 674 million on June 1, 2008, down one percent from a year earlier.

Leading breeders placed 7.96 million broiler-type pullet chicks for future domestic hatchery supply flocks during May 2008, down one percent from May 2007.

Egg-type chicks hatched during May 2008 totaled 42.7 million, up 12 percent from May 2007. Eggs in incubators totaled 37.6 million on June 1, 2008, down two percent from a year ago.

Domestic placements of egg-type pullet chicks for future hatchery supply flocks by leading breeders totaled 233 thousand during May 2008, up 22 percent from May 2007.

#### HATCHERY PRODUCTION, UNITED STATES

Item	2007	2008	2008 % of 2007
	-- Thousands --		
<b>EGG-TYPE</b>			
Eggs in incubators: June 1	38,550	37,595	98
Chicks hatched during May	38,080	42,724	112
Pullets hatched during May for intended placements in hatchery supply flocks 7-18 months earlier <sup>1/</sup>	191	233	122
	2,889	2,867	99
<b>BROILER-TYPE</b>			
Eggs in incubators: June 1	680,099	674,213	99
Chicks hatched during May	835,773	823,718	99
Pullets hatched during May for intended placements in hatchery supply flocks 7-15 months earlier <sup>2/</sup>	8,083	7,962	99
	64,259	65,522	102

<sup>1/</sup>2008 includes pullet chicks hatched Nov 2006 through Oct 2007.

<sup>2/</sup>2008 includes pullet chicks hatched Feb 2007 through Oct 2007.

## MILK PRODUCTION

### FLORIDA

Florida dairy farms produced 192 million pounds of milk during May 2008, down seven percent from the previous May. Production per cow in May of 1,565 pounds was three percent below last year. Milk cow numbers on Florida dairy farms in May totaled 123,000, four percent below last year.

### UNITED STATES

Milk production in the 23 major States during May totaled 15.4 billion pounds, up 3.4 percent from May 2007. April revised production at 14.8 billion pounds, was up 2.6 percent from April 2007. The April revision represented an increase of six million pounds from last month's preliminary production estimate.

Production per cow in the 23 major States averaged 1,816 pounds for May, 25 pounds above May 2007.

The number of milk cows on farms in the 23 major States was 8.46 million head, 162,000 head more than May 2007, and 12,000 head more than April 2008.

#### 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 2007	128	1,615	207
April 2008	123	1,540	189
May 2008	123	1,565	192
<b>23 MAJOR STATES</b>			
May 2007	8,298	1,791	14,860
April 2008	8,448	1,757	14,839
May 2008	8,460	1,816	15,361
<b>UNITED STATES</b>			
May 2007	9,138	1,771	16,180
April 2008	9,270	1,738	16,113
May 2008	9,281	1,796	16,667

#### MILK PRODUCTION BY QUARTERS, UNITED STATES

Month	Milk cows <sup>1/</sup>		Milk per cow <sup>2/</sup>		Milk Production	
	2007	2008	2007	2008	2007	2008
	<i>Thousand</i>		<i>Pounds</i>		<i>Mil. Lbs.</i>	
Jan-Mar	9,138	9,250	5,040	5,140	46,058	47,542
Apr-Jun	9,138		5,189		47,419	
Jul-Sep	9,159		5,034		46,110	
Oct-Dec	9,198		5,003		46,015	
Annual Total	9,158		20,267		185,602	

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

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

## LIVESTOCK SLAUGHTER

Commercial red meat production in Florida for May 2008 was 8.9 million pounds, 13 percent above the same month last year. Commercial production of red meat in the United States for May, at 4.22 billion pounds was four percent above 2007.

### COMMERCIAL SLAUGHTER AND RED MEAT PRODUCTION, FLORIDA AND UNITED STATES

Source and kind	May 2007	April 2008	May 2008	Year to date 2007	Year to date 2008
<b>FLORIDA</b>					
HOGS:					
Head slaughtered (1,000 head)	8	7	7	36	37
Total liveweight (1,000 pounds)	1,120	1,000	959	5,364	5,112
SHEEP AND LAMBS:					
Head slaughtered (1,000 head)	0.2	0.3	0.2	1.0	0.9
Total liveweight (1,000 pounds)	13	19	14	57	59
Red meat production (million pounds)	7.9	8.0	8.9	34.9	39.4
<b>UNITED STATES</b>					
CATTLE:					
Head slaughtered (1,000 head)	3,051	2,960	3,140	13,905	14,369
Total liveweight (million pounds)	3,748	3,714	3,917	17,430	18,215
Average liveweight (pounds)	1,232	1,259	1,251	1,257	1,272
Beef production (million pounds)	2,285	2,255	2,380	10,536	11,009
CALVES:					
Head slaughtered (1,000 head)	59	73	71	328	355
Total liveweight (million pounds)	20	20	19	107	96
Average liveweight (pounds)	349	278	275	329	274
Veal production (million pounds)	12	12	12	64	57
HOGS:					
Head slaughtered (1,000 head)	8,762	9,995	9,063	43,914	48,655
Total liveweight (million pounds)	2,353	2,690	2,426	11,842	13,143
Average liveweight (pounds)	269	269	268	270	270
Pork production (million pounds)	1,763	2,015	1,816	8,870	9,855
SHEEP AND LAMBS:					
Head slaughtered (1,000 head)	219	221	206	1,136	1,083
Total liveweight (1,000 pounds)	31	31	30	159	153
Lamb and Mutton	16	15	15	80	76
Red meat production (million pounds)	4,076	4,297	4,222	19,549	20,996