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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 11.1 million head on November 1, 2009. The inventory was one percent above November 1, 2008.

Placements in feedlots during October totaled 2.47 million, one percent above 2008. During October, placements of cattle and calves weighing less than 600 pounds were 615,000, 600-699 pounds were 645,000, 700-799 pounds were 579,000, and 800 pounds and greater were 635,000. Marketings of fed cattle during October totaled 1.76 million, three percent below 2008. Other disappearance totaled 59,000 head during October, 12 percent below 2008.

Cattle On Feed, Number Placed on Feed by Weight Groups, 1,000+ Capacity Feedlots—United States

| Month | Year | Less than 600 lbs (1,000 head) | 600-699 lbs (1,000 head) | 700-799 lbs (1,000 head) | 800+ lbs (1,000 head) | Total (1,000 head) |
|----------------|------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------|
| October..... | 2008 | 700 | 615 | 543 | 580 | 2,438 |
| September..... | 2009 | 490 | 450 | 593 | 855 | 2,388 |
| October..... | 2009 | 615 | 645 | 579 | 635 | 2,474 |

Cattle and Calves on Feed, 1,000+ Capacity Feedlots, by State and United States

| State | Number on feed October 1 | | Placed during October | | Marketed during October | | Other disappearance during October | | Number on feed November 1 | |
|---------------------------------|-----------------------------|----------------------|--------------------------|----------------------|----------------------------|----------------------|---------------------------------------|----------------------|------------------------------|----------------------|
| | 2008 (1,000 head) | 2009 (1,000 head) | 2008 (1,000 head) | 2009 (1,000 head) | 2008 (1,000 head) | 2009 (1,000 head) | 2008 (1,000 head) | 2009 (1,000 head) | 2008 (1,000 head) | 2009 (1,000 head) |
| Arizona..... | 360 | 275 | 31 | 29 | 28 | 24 | 1 | 1 | 362 | 279 |
| California..... | 505 | 465 | 54 | 57 | 57 | 50 | 2 | 2 | 500 | 470 |
| Colorado..... | 870 | 960 | 245 | 245 | 150 | 160 | 5 | 5 | 960 | 1,040 |
| Idaho..... | 195 | 205 | 55 | 50 | 39 | 44 | 1 | 1 | 210 | 210 |
| Iowa..... | 475 | 520 | 104 | 123 | 93 | 100 | 1 | 3 | 485 | 540 |
| Kansas..... | 2,160 | 2,220 | 450 | 465 | 360 | 340 | 20 | 15 | 2,230 | 2,330 |
| Nebraska..... | 2,110 | 2,170 | 590 | 620 | 375 | 380 | 15 | 10 | 2,310 | 2,400 |
| New Mexico..... | 173 | (D) | 17 | (D) | 17 | (D) | 1 | (D) | 172 | (D) |
| Oklahoma..... | 315 | 355 | 75 | 83 | 68 | 60 | 2 | 3 | 320 | 375 |
| South Dakota..... | 175 | 195 | 70 | 65 | 43 | 54 | 2 | 1 | 200 | 205 |
| Texas..... | 2,590 | 2,600 | 630 | 610 | 495 | 465 | 15 | 15 | 2,710 | 2,730 |
| Washington..... | 157 | 147 | 38 | 38 | 31 | 29 | 1 | 1 | 163 | 155 |
| Other States ¹ | 330 | 362 | 79 | 89 | 58 | 49 | 1 | 2 | 350 | 400 |
| United States..... | 10,415 | 10,474 | 2,438 | 2,474 | 1,814 | 1,755 | 67 | 59 | 10,972 | 11,134 |

D Withheld to avoid disclosing data for individual operations.

¹ Other States include: Arizona, Colorado, Connecticut, Delaware, Hawaii, Idaho, Illinois, Kansas, Kentucky, Louisiana, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New Mexico, Oklahoma, Oregon, Rhode Island, South Dakota, Tennessee, Utah, Vermont, West Virginia, Wisconsin.

Chicken and Eggs

Florida

Table egg production in Florida during October 2009 was 230 million eggs, seven percent above the previous month. Total egg production was 235 million eggs compared to 219 million eggs the previous month.

United States

U.S. egg production totaled 7.69 billion during October 2009, up one percent from last year. Production included 6.63 billion table eggs, and 1.06 billion hatching eggs, of which 990 million were broiler-type and 70 million were egg-type. The total number of layers during October 2009 averaged 336 million, up slightly from last year. October egg production per 100 layers was 2,292 eggs, up one percent from October 2008.

All layers in the U.S. on November 1, 2009, totaled 337 million, up slightly from last year. The 337 million layers consisted of 281 million layers producing table or market type eggs, 52.3 million layers producing broiler-type hatching eggs, and 2.90 million layers producing egg-type hatching eggs. Rate of lay per day on November 1, 2009, averaged 74.3 eggs per 100 layers, up one percent from November 1, 2008.

Mid-month Table Egg Prices Received by Florida Egg Producers.

| Month | Cents per dozen | |
|-----------------|-----------------|------|
| | 2008 | 2009 |
| January | 134.0 | 90.0 |
| February | 130.0 | 65.0 |
| March | 135.0 | 63.0 |
| April | 97.0 | 85.0 |
| May | 68.0 | 46.0 |
| June | 88.0 | 43.0 |
| July | 68.0 | 50.0 |
| August | 78.0 | 59.0 |
| September | 90.0 | 59.0 |
| October | 83.0 | 62.0 |
| November | 89.0 | |
| December | 85.0 | |

Percent of All Layers in Florida Being Molted and Molt Completed

| | November 2008 | October 2009 | November 2009 |
|-----------------------------------|---------------|--------------|---------------|
| Being molted ¹ | 4.0 | 4.5 | 1.5 |
| Molt completed ¹ | 37.0 | 33.0 | 34.5 |

¹ As of first of month.

Layers and Egg Production for Selected States and United States: October 2009

| Selected States | Average layers on hand (1,000) | Eggs per 100 layers (number) | Egg production | | | | Layers ¹ | |
|----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|------------------------|---|---------------------------|-----------------------------|
| | | | Total (millions) | Table (millions) | Hatching (millions) | Year to date ¹ (millions) | Being molted (percent) | Molt Completed (percent) |
| Alabama | 9,184 | 1,949 | 179 | 30 | 149 | 1,932 | 1.0 | 8.0 |
| Arkansas | 11,966 | 2,039 | 244 | 83 | 161 | 2,700 | 0.5 | 13.0 |
| California | 19,180 | 2,336 | 448 | | | 4,855 | 4.0 | 33.5 |
| Florida | 9,721 | 2,417 | 235 | 230 | 5 | 2,432 | 1.5 | 34.5 |
| Georgia | 17,163 | 2,197 | 377 | 209 | 168 | 4,090 | 2.0 | 14.5 |
| Indiana | 23,198 | 2,354 | 546 | 533 | 13 | 5,921 | 2.0 | 31.5 |
| Iowa | 54,200 | 2,292 | 1,242 | 1,228 | 14 | 13,259 | 3.5 | 31.5 |
| Maine | 3,630 | 2,314 | 84 | | | 834 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Maryland | 2,173 | 2,117 | 46 | 44 | 2 | 505 | 4.5 | 6.5 |
| Michigan | 10,423 | 2,322 | 242 | | | 2,556 | 1.5 | 18.5 |
| Minnesota | 10,294 | 2,312 | 238 | 230 | 8 | 2,538 | 2.5 | 29.0 |
| Mississippi | 5,603 | 2,088 | 117 | 35 | 82 | 1,320 | 0.0 | 12.0 |
| Missouri | 7,112 | 2,292 | 163 | | | 1,816 | 4.0 | 19.0 |
| Nebraska | 9,520 | 2,447 | 233 | 233 | | 2,526 | 0.0 | 4.0 |
| New York | 4,066 | 2,484 | 101 | | | 1,094 | 1.0 | 7.0 |
| North Carolina | 12,680 | 2,082 | 264 | 137 | 127 | 2,881 | 0.0 | 9.5 |
| Ohio | 27,071 | 2,364 | 640 | | | 6,743 | 3.0 | 19.5 |
| Pennsylvania | 22,849 | 2,451 | 560 | 541 | 19 | 5,941 | 1.0 | 14.0 |
| South Carolina | 4,686 | 2,155 | 101 | 78 | 23 | 1,031 | 2.0 | 21.5 |
| Texas | 17,389 | 2,323 | 404 | | | 4,370 | 1.5 | 18.5 |
| Virginia | 3,215 | 2,146 | 69 | 33 | 36 | 674 | 0.0 | 18.5 |
| Washington | 6,226 | 2,377 | 148 | | | 1,557 | 3.0 | 37.0 |
| Other States ² | 44,125 | 2,291 | 1,011 | 606 | 133 | 11,125 | 2.8 | 21.8 |
| United States ³ | 335,674 | 2,292 | 7,692 | 6,633 | 1,060 | 82,700 | 2.2 | 21.8 |

¹ As of November 1, 2009.

² Other States include: Arizona, Colorado, Connecticut, Delaware, Hawaii, Idaho, Illinois, Kansas, Kentucky, Louisiana, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New Mexico, Oklahoma, Oregon, Rhode Island, South Dakota, Tennessee, Utah, Vermont, West Virginia, Wisconsin.

³ Production year begins June 1.

Hatchery Production

Florida

The October hatch of broiler-type chicks, at 4.35 million, was six percent below a year earlier. Broiler-type eggs in incubators on November 1, at 3.56 million, was seven percent below a year ago.

United States

Broiler-type chicks hatched during October 2009 totaled 729 million, down two percent from October 2008. Eggs in incubators totaled 577 million on November 1, 2009, down one percent from a year earlier.

Leading breeders placed 7.02 million broiler-type pullet chicks for future domestic hatchery supply flocks during October 2009, down slightly from October 2008.

Egg-type chicks hatched during October 2009 totaled 37.4 million, down seven percent from October 2008.

Eggs in incubators totaled 34.8 million on November 1, 2009, up three percent from a year ago.

Domestic placements of egg-type pullet chicks for future hatchery supply flocks by leading breeders totaled 241 thousand during October 2009, down 12 percent from October 2008.

Hatchery Production - United States

| Item | 2008 | 2009 | 2009 % of 2008 |
|--|---------|---------|----------------------|
| | (1,000) | (1,000) | |
| Egg-Type | | | |
| Eggs in incubators: Oct 1 | 33,806 | 34,774 | 103 |
| Chicks hatched during October | 40,198 | 37,406 | 93 |
| Pullets hatched during October for intended placements in hatchery supply flocks | 273 | 241 | 88 |
| 7-18 months earlier ¹ | 2,950 | 3,017 | 102 |
| Broiler-Type | | | |
| Eggs in incubators: Oct 1 | 585,110 | 576,843 | 99 |
| Chicks hatched during October | 740,964 | 728,909 | 98 |
| Pullets hatched during October for intended placements in hatchery supply flocks | 7,042 | 7,017 | 100 |
| 7-15 months earlier ² | 65,234 | 62,823 | 96 |

¹ 2009 includes pullet chicks hatched April 2008 through March 2009.

² 2009 includes pullet chicks hatched July 2008 through March 2009.

Milk Production

Florida dairy farms produced 142 million pounds of milk during October 2009, three percent below the previous October. Production per cow in October of 1,260 pounds was three percent above October of last year. Milk cow numbers on Florida dairy farms in October totaled 113,000, five percent below last year.

United States

Milk production in the 23 major States during October totaled 14.3 billion pounds, down 1.1 percent from October 2008. September revised production at 14.0 billion pounds, was down 0.5 percent from September 2008. The September revision represented an increase of 16 million pounds or 0.1 percent from last month's preliminary production estimate. Production per cow in the 23 major States averaged 1,721 pounds for October, 21 pounds above October 2008. The number of milk cows on farms in the 23 major States was 8.32 million head, 196,000 head less than October 2008, and 22,000 head less than September 2009.

Milk Cows and Production - Florida and United States

| Month and year * | Milk Cows ¹ | Monthly milk Production ² | |
|------------------------|------------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| | | Per cow (pounds) | Monthly Total (million pounds) |
| Florida | (1,000) | | |
| October 2008 | 119 | 1,225 | 146 |
| September 2009 | 114 | 1,180 | 135 |
| October 2009 | 113 | 1,260 | 142 |
| 23 Major States | | | |
| October 2008 | 8,512 | 1,700 | 14,469 |
| September 2009 | 8,338 | 1,675 | 13,965 |
| October 2009 | 8,316 | 1,721 | 14,313 |
| United States | | | |
| October 2008 | 9,324 | 1,675 | 15,615 |
| September 2009 | 9,122 | 1,649 | 15,042 |
| October 2009 | 9,098 | 1,697 | 15,440 |

* September 2009 Revised.

¹ Includes dry cows. Excludes heifers not yet fresh.

² Excludes milk fed to calves.

Milk Production by Quarters - United States

| Month | Milk cows ¹ | | Milk per cow ² | | Milk Production ² | |
|----------------------|------------------------|---------|---------------------------|----------|------------------------------|------------------|
| | 2008 | 2009 | 2008 | 2009 | 2008 | 2009 |
| | (1,000) | (1,000) | (pounds) | (pounds) | (million pounds) | (million pounds) |
| January-March | 9,286 | 9,295 | 5,127 | 5,096 | 47,610 | 47,363 |
| April-June | 9,315 | 9,260 | 5,236 | 5,278 | 48,774 | 48,874 |
| July-September.... | 9,330 | 9,158 | 5,025 | 5,107 | 46,881 | 46,774 |
| October-December.... | 9,330 | | 5,008 | | 46,727 | |
| Annual Total | 9,315 | | 20,396 | | 189,992 | |

¹ Includes dry cows. Excludes heifers not yet fresh.

² Excludes milk fed to calves.

Livestock Slaughter

Commercial red meat production in Florida for October 2009 was 9.9 million pounds, six percent above the same month last year. Commercial production of red meat in the United States for October, at 4.39 billion pounds was three percent below 2009.

Commercial Slaughter and Red Meat Production - Florida and United States

| Source and kind | October 2008 | September 2009 | October 2009 | Year to date 2008 | Year to date 2009 |
|---|--------------|----------------|--------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| Florida | | | | | |
| Hogs: | | | | | |
| Head slaughtered 1,000 head | 6.2 | 8.5 | 8.3 | 71.0 | 65.9 |
| Total liveweight 1,000 pounds | 936 | 1,039 | 1,103 | 9,342 | 9,427 |
| Sheep and Lambs: | | | | | |
| Head slaughtered 1,000 head | 0.3 | 0.4 | 0.2 | 2.5 | 3.2 |
| Total liveweight (1,000 pounds | 15 | 21 | 10 | 148 | 163 |
| Red meat production million pounds ¹ | 9.3 | 8.7 | 9.9 | 84.3 | 85.7 |
| United States | | | | | |
| Cattle: | | | | | |
| Head slaughtered 1,000 head | 2,989.1 | *2,814.6 | 2,885.6 | 29,177.0 | 27,981.2 |
| Total liveweight million pounds | 3,882 | 3,677 | 3,772 | 37,160 | 36,042 |
| Average liveweight pounds | 1,303 | 1,311 | 1,312 | 1,278 | 1,292 |
| Beef production million pounds | 2,340.9 | *2,234.1 | 2,275.4 | 22,519.8 | 21,813.8 |
| Calves: | | | | | |
| Head slaughtered 1,000 head | 95.6 | 81.2 | 83.6 | 781.3 | 770.3 |
| Total liveweight million pounds | 23 | 20 | 21 | 201 | 192 |
| Average liveweight pounds | 244 | 244 | 249 | 261 | 251 |
| Veal production million pounds | 13.5 | 11.7 | 12.2 | 118.5 | 113.4 |
| Hogs: | | | | | |
| Head slaughtered 1,000 head | 10,746.1 | 9,935.6 | 10,319.4 | 96,984.0 | 94,290.0 |
| Total liveweight million pounds | 2,893 | 2,679 | 2,800 | 25,934 | 25,488 |
| Average liveweight pounds | 269 | 270 | 272 | 268 | 271 |
| Pork production million pounds | 2,159.9 | 2,001.3 | 2,089.1 | 19,408.6 | 19,086.1 |
| Sheep and Lambs: | | | | | |
| Head slaughtered 1,000 head | 225.3 | 225.4 | 218.8 | 2,132.2 | 2,062.8 |
| Total liveweight million pounds | 30 | 29 | 29 | 291 | 287 |
| Lamb and Mutton million pounds | 15.0 | 14.8 | 14.3 | 145.6 | 140.7 |
| Red meat production million pounds ¹ | 4,529.3 | *4,261.9 | 4,391.1 | 42,192.5 | 41,154.1 |

* Revised.

¹ Includes total beef, veal, pork, lamb, and mutton.