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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 11.3 million head on December 1, 2009. The inventory was one percent below December 1, 2008.

Placements in feedlots during November totaled 1.85 million, eight percent below 2008. For the month of November, placements were the second lowest since the series began in 1996. Net placements were 1.78 million head. During November, placements of cattle and calves weighing less than 600 pounds were 510,000, 600-699 pounds were 565,000, and 700-799 pounds were 395,000 and 800 pounds and greater were 375,000. Marketings of fed cattle during November totaled 1.63 million, four percent above 2008. For the month of November, fed cattle marketings were the third lowest since the series began in 1996. Other disappearance totaled 66,000 during November, one percent below 2008.

Cattle Placed on Feed by Weight Group, 1,000+ Capacity Feedlots, by Month - United States

Month		Less than 600 lbs	600-699 lbs	700-799 lbs	800+ lbs	Total
		(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)
November	2008.....	565	630	451	370	2,016
October	2009.....	615	645	579	635	2,474
November	2009.....	510	565	395	375	1,845

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

State	Number on feed November 1		Placed during November		Marketed during November		Other disappearance during November		Number on feed December 1	
	2008	2009	2008	2009	2008	2009	2008	2009	2008	2009
	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)
Arizona	362	279	26	26	28	22	1	1	359	282
California	500	470	48	50	50	53	3	2	495	465
Colorado	960	1,040	185	165	130	140	5	5	1,010	1,060
Idaho	210	210	65	45	49	39	1	1	225	215
Iowa	485	540	92	108	75	85	2	3	500	560
Kansas	2,230	2,330	405	355	310	340	15	15	2,310	2,330
Nebraska	2,310	2,400	440	400	355	380	15	10	2,380	2,410
New Mexico	172	(D)	21	(D)	23	(D)	2	(D)	168	(D)
Oklahoma	320	375	69	57	52	53	2	4	335	375
South Dakota	200	205	57	67	35	35	2	2	220	235
Texas	2,710	2,730	510	455	395	405	15	20	2,810	2,760
Washington	163	155	36	47	29	29	1	1	169	172
Other States ¹	350	400	62	70	44	50	3	2	365	418
United States....	10,972	11,134	2,016	1,845	1,575	1,631	67	66	11,346	11,282

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

¹ Includes unpublished New Mexico totals for 2009.

Chickens and Eggs

Florida

Table egg production in Florida during November 2009 was 233 million eggs, one percent above the previous month. Total egg production was 238 million eggs compared to 235 million eggs the previous month.

United States

U.S. egg production totaled 7.55 billion during November 2009, up one percent from last year. Production included 6.52 billion table eggs, and 1.03 billion hatching eggs, of which 960 million were broiler-type and 67 million were egg-type. The total number of layers during November 2009 averaged 337 million, down slightly from last year. November egg production per 100 layers was 2,238 eggs, up one percent from November 2008.

All layers in the U.S. on December 1, 2009 totaled 339 million, down slightly from last year. The 339 million layers consisted of 282 million layers producing table or market type eggs, 53.2 million layers producing broiler-type hatching eggs, and 2.90 million layers producing egg-type hatching eggs. Rate of lay per day on December 1, 2009, averaged 74.8 eggs per 100 layers, up one percent from December 1, 2008.

Layers and Eggs-Selected States and United States: November 2009

Selected States	Avg. layers on hand (1,000)	Egg production (millions)	Rate of lay per 100 layers
Alabama.....	9,059	171	62.9
Arkansas.....	12,158	239	65.5
California.....	19,391	447	76.8
Florida.....	9,968	238	79.6
Georgia.....	17,629	379	71.7
Indiana.....	23,456	539	76.6
Iowa.....	54,061	1,208	74.5
Maine.....	3,711	82	73.7
Maryland.....	2,251	49	72.6
Michigan.....	10,328	234	75.5
Minnesota.....	10,359	235	75.6
Mississippi.....	5,885	118	66.8
Missouri.....	6,950	158	75.8
Nebraska.....	9,416	223	78.9
New York.....	4,084	98	80.0
North Carolina.....	13,017	269	68.9
Ohio.....	27,558	624	75.5
Pennsylvania.....	23,096	555	80.1
South Carolina.....	4,581	97	70.6
Texas.....	17,169	389	75.5
Virginia.....	3,244	68	69.9
Washington.....	6,238	147	78.6
Other States	45,951	1,031	74.8
United States.....	337,309	7,549	74.8

Hogs and Pigs

Florida inventory of all hogs and pigs was estimated at 20,000 head on December 1, 2009, unchanged from a year earlier. Breeding inventory at 5,000 head remained the same as last year's total. Market hog inventory of 15,000 head was unchanged from the previous year. The pig crop for December 2008 through November 2009 totaled 54,000 down 2,000 head from the previous year.

United States

U.S. inventory of all hogs and pigs on December 1, 2009 was 65.8 million head. This was down two percent from December 1, 2008 and down two percent from September 1, 2009.

Breeding inventory, at 5.85 million head, was down three percent from last year and down slightly from the previous quarter. Market hog inventory, at 60.0 million head, was down two percent from last year and down two percent from last quarter.

The September-November 2009 pig crop, at 28.8 million head, was up slightly from 2008 but down two percent from 2007. Sows farrowing during this period totaled 2.97 million head, down two percent from 2008 and down six percent from 2007. Sows farrowed during this quarter represented 51 percent of the breeding herd. The average pigs saved per litter was 9.70 for the September-November 2009 period, compared to 9.50 last year.

Hogs and Pigs Inventory Number, Sows Farrowing and Pig Crop - United States

Item	2008 (1,000 head)	2009 (1,000 head)	2009 as % of 2008
December 1 Inventory			
All hogs and pigs.....	67,148	65,807	98
Kept for breeding.....	6,062	5,850	97
Market.....	61,087	59,957	98
Market hogs and pigs by weight groups.....			
Under 50 pounds ³	19,428	19,085	98
50 - 119 pounds ³	17,396	17,062	98
120 - 179 pounds.....	12,731	12,529	98
180 pounds and over.....	11,533	11,282	98
Sows farrowing:			
December-February ¹	3,071	3,011	98
March-May ²	3,052	3,018	99
December-May ¹	6,123	6,029	98
June-August.....	3,075	2,965	96
September-November.....	3,028	2,974	98
June-November.....	6,103	5,939	97
Pig crop:			
December-February ¹	28,388	28,552	101
March-May ²	28,631	29,012	101
December-May ¹	57,019	57,564	101
June-August.....	29,240	28,777	98

¹ December preceding year.

² Intentions for 2010.

³ The market weight group under 60 pounds has been changed to under 50 pounds. The market weight group 60-119 pounds has been changed to 50-119 pounds. The 120-179 pounds and 180 pounds and over weight groups remain the same.

Hatchery Production

Florida

The November hatch of broiler-type chicks, at 4.39 million, was slightly above a year earlier. Broiler-type eggs in incubators on December 1, at 3.85 million, was one percent above a year ago.

United States

Broiler-type chicks hatched during November 2009 totaled 704 million, down slightly from November 2008. Eggs in incubators totaled 625 million on December 1, 2009, down one percent from a year earlier.

Leading breeders placed 7.26 million broiler-type pullet chicks for future domestic hatchery supply flocks during November 2009, up three percent from November 2008.

Egg-type chicks hatched during November 2009 totaled 34.9 million, up two percent from November 2008. Eggs in incubators totaled 39.0 million on December 1, 2009, up 12 percent from a year ago.

Domestic placements of egg-type pullet chicks for future hatchery supply flocks by leading breeders totaled 290 thousand during November 2009, down nine percent from November 2008.

Hatchery production - United States

Item	2008	2009	2009 as % of 2008
	(1,000)	(1,000)	
Egg Type			
Eggs in incubators: Dec 1	34,949	39,025	112
Chicks hatched during Nov	34,187	34,897	102
Chicks hatched Jan thru Nov	430,151	422,675	98
Pullets hatched during Nov for intended placements in hatchery supply flocks	317	290	91
7-18 months earlier ¹	2,940	3,060	104
BROILER-TYPE			
Eggs in incubators Dec 1	629,840	625,039	99
Chicks hatched during Nov	705,312	704,208	100
Chicks hatched Jan thru Nov	8,676,613	8,307,770	96
Pullets hatched during Nov for intended placements in hatchery supply flocks	7,026	7,262	103
7-15 months earlier ¹	65,719	62,519	95

¹ 2009 includes pullet chicks hatched May 2008 through Apr 2009.

² 2009 includes pullet chicks hatched Aug 2008 through Apr 2009.

Milk Production

Florida

Florida dairy farms produced 147 million pounds of milk during November 2009, six percent below the previous November. Production per cow in November of 1,300 pounds was two percent below November of last year. Milk cow numbers on Florida dairy farms in November totaled 113 thousand, five percent below last year.

United States

Milk production in the 23 major States during November totaled 14.0 billion pounds, down 1.0 percent from November 2008. October revised production at 14.3 billion pounds, was down 1.2 percent from October 2008. The October revision represented a decrease of 12 million pounds or 0.1 percent from last month's preliminary production estimate.

Production per cow in the 23 major States averaged 1,679 pounds for November, 25 pounds above November 2008.

The number of milk cows on farms in the 23 major States was 8.31 million head, 209,000 head less than November 2008, and 6,000 head less than October 2009.

Milk Cows and Production - Florida and United States

Month and year	Milk cows	Monthly milk production	
		Per cow	Monthly Total
	(1,000)	(pounds)	(million pounds)
FLORIDA			
November 2008	119	1,320	157
October 2009	113	1,230	139
November 2009	113	1,300	147
23 MAJOR STATES			
November 2008	8,519	1,654	14,089
October 2009	8,316	1,720	14,301
November 2009	8,310	1,679	13,955
UNITED STATES			
November 2008	9,333	1,630	15,212
October 2009	9,098	1,696	15,426
November 2009	9,091	1,657	15,060

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)
Jan-Mar	9,286	9,295	5,127	5,096	47,610	47,363
Apr-Jun	9,315	9,260	5,236	5,278	48,774	48,874
Jul-Sep	9,330	9,158	5,025	5,107	46,881	46,774
Oct-Dec	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 output in Florida for November 2009 was 8.2 million pounds, eight percent above the November 2008. Commercial production of red meat in the United States for November at 3.96 billion pounds was two percent above November 2008.

Commercial Slaughter and Red Meat Production - Florida and United States

Source and kind	November 2008	October 2009	November 2009	Year to date 2008	Year to date 2009
FLORIDA					
Hogs:					
Head slaughtered (1,000 head)	5.7	8.3	8.5	76.7	74.4
Total liveweight (1,000 pounds)	856	1,103	1,223	10,198	10,650
Sheep and Lambs:					
Head slaughtered (1,000 head).....	0.3	0.2	0.3	2.8	3.5
Total liveweight (1,000 pounds)	16	10	22	164	185
Red meat production (million pounds ¹)	7.6	9.9	8.2	91.9	93.9
UNITED STATES					
Cattle:					
Head slaughtered (1,000 head)	2,516.3	2,885.6	2,599.3	31,693.4	30,580.5
Total liveweight (million pounds)	3,265	3,772	3,363	40,425	39,405
Average liveweight (pounds)	1,302	1,312	1,298	1,280	1,293
Beef production (million pounds).....	1,959.3	*2,275.3	2,015.3	24,478.4	23,829.0
Calves:					
Head slaughtered (1,000 head).....	81.1	83.6	81.2	862.4	851.5
Total liveweight (million pounds)	19	21	20	220	212
Average liveweight (pounds).....	240	249	246	259	251
Veal production (million pounds).....	11.3	12.2	11.8	129.8	125.2
Hogs:					
Head slaughtered (1,000 head).....	9,323.1	10,319.4	9,460.5	106,307.0	103,750.6
Total liveweight (million pounds)	2,524	2,800	2,573	28,458	28,061
Average liveweight (pounds).....	271	272	272	268	271
Pork production (million pounds).....	1,886.1	2,089.1	1,921.4	21,295.0	21,007.6
Sheep and Lambs:					
Head slaughtered (1,000 head).....	192.5	218.8	219.2	2,324.6	2,282.0
Total liveweight (million pounds)	26	29	29	317	316
Lamb and Mutton (million pounds)	12.8	14.3	14.4	158.4	155.0
Red meat production (million pounds ¹)	3,869.5	*4,391.0	3,962.8	46,061.5	45,116.9

*Revised.

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