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### Cattle on Feed

Cattle and calves on feed for slaughter market in the United States for feedlots with capacity of 1,000 or more head totaled 11.2 million head on May 1, 2011. The inventory was seven percent above May 1, 2010.

Placements in feedlots during April totaled 1.80 million head, ten percent above 2010. This is the second highest placements for the month of April since the series began in 1996. Net placements were 1.74 million head. During April, placements of cattle and calves weighing less than 600 pounds were 450,000 head, 600-699 pounds were 310,000 head, 700-799 pounds were 490,000 head, and 800 pounds and greater were 545,000 head. Marketings of fed cattle during April totaled 1.81 million head, three percent below 2010. Other disappearance totaled 59,000 head during April, 35 percent below 2010. This is the lowest other disappearance for the month of April since the series began in 1996.

### Cattle Placed on Feed by Weight Group, 1,000+ Capacity Feedlots, by Month - 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)
April.....	2010	365	305	469	495	1,634
March.....	2011	380	360	589	585	1,914
April.....	2011	450	310	490	545	1,795

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

State	Number on feed April 1		Placed during April		Marketed during April		Other disappearance during April		Number on feed May 1	
	2010 (1,000 head)	2011 (1,000 head)	2010 (1,000 head)	2011 (1,000 head)	2010 (1,000 head)	2011 (1,000 head)	2010 (1,000 head)	2011 (1,000 head)	2010 (1,000 head)	2011 (1,000 head)
Arizona.....	278	276	16	25	24	18	2	1	268	282
California.....	415	450	54	57	54	55	5	2	410	450
Colorado .....	930	1,090	170	165	145	150	15	5	940	1,100
Idaho .....	205	220	27	34	21	23	1	1	210	230
Iowa .....	600	650	76	69	72	76	4	3	600	640
Kansas .....	2,240	2,190	315	380	405	385	20	15	2,130	2,170
Nebraska.....	2,290	2,380	400	370	435	370	15	10	2,240	2,370
Oklahoma.....	340	355	57	76	70	74	2	2	325	355
South Dakota	235	265	39	31	38	39	1	2	235	255
Texas .....	2,640	2,780	400	510	510	530	20	10	2,510	2,750
Washington...	171	211	29	28	24	33	1	1	175	205
Other States..	398	404	51	50	59	54	5	7	385	393
United States.	10,742	11,271	1,634	1,795	1,857	1,807	91	59	10,428	11,200

## Layers and Eggs

### Florida

Table egg production in Florida during April 2011 was 208 million eggs, three percent below the previous month. Total egg production was 214 million eggs compared to 220 million eggs the previous month.

### United States

U.S. egg production totaled 7.61 billion during April 2011, up slightly from last year. Production included 6.56 billion table eggs, and 1.06 billion hatching eggs, of which 987 million were broiler-type and 70 million were egg-type. The total number of layers during April 2011 averaged 340 million, down slightly from last year. April egg production per 100 layers was 2,236 eggs, up one percent from April 2010.

All layers in the U.S. on May 1, 2011 totaled 339 million, down slightly from last year. The 339 million layers consisted of 281 million layers producing table or market type eggs, 54.7 million layers producing broiler-type hatching eggs, and 2.93 million layers producing egg-type hatching eggs. Rate of lay per day on May 1, 2011, averaged 74.3 eggs per 100 layers, up two percent from May 1, 2010.

## Hatchery Production

### Florida

The April hatch of broiler-type chicks, at 4.89 million, was six percent above a year earlier. Broiler-type eggs in incubators on May 1, 2011, at 3.93 million, was five percent below a year ago.

### United States

Broiler-type chicks hatched during April 2011 totaled 780 million, up two percent from April 2010. Eggs in incubators totaled 649 million on May 1, 2011, up one percent from a year earlier. Leading breeders placed 6.90 million broiler-type pullet chicks for future domestic hatchery supply flocks during April 2011, up one percent from April 2010.

Egg-type chicks hatched during April 2011 totaled 43.4 million, down nine percent from April 2010. Eggs in incubators totaled 40.8 million on May 1, 2011, down two percent from a year ago. Domestic placements of egg-type pullet chicks for future hatchery supply flocks by leading breeders totaled 287 thousand during April 2011, up 24 percent from April 2010.

## Milk Production

### Florida

Florida dairy farms produced 207 million pounds of milk during April 2011, two percent above the previous April. Production per cow in April of 1,750 pounds was one percent below April of last year. Milk cow numbers on Florida dairy farms in April totaled 118 thousand, four percent above April of last year.

### United States

Milk production in the 23 major States during April totaled 15.5 billion pounds, up 1.7 percent from April 2010. March revised production at 15.8 billion pounds, was up 2.4 percent from March 2010. The March revision represented a decrease of six million pounds or less than 0.1 percent from last month's preliminary production estimate. Production per cow in the 23 major States averaged 1,834 pounds for April, nine pounds above April 2010. The number of milk cows on farms in the 23 major States was 8.43 million head, 97,000 head more than April 2010, and 8,000 head more than March 2011.

## Layers and Egg Production for Selected States and United States: April 2011

Selected States	Average layers on hand	Egg production	Eggs per 100 for all layers
	(1,000)	(millions)	(number)
Alabama.....	9,650	178	1,845
Arkansas.....	12,005	235	1,958
California.....	19,659	455	2,314
Colorado.....	3,987	91	2,282
Connecticut.....	2,289	53	2,315
Florida.....	9,569	214	2,336
Georgia.....	16,979	359	2,114
Hawaii.....	( NA )	(NA)	(NA)
Illinois.....	4,515	97	2,148
Indiana.....	23,568	551	2,338
Iowa.....	53,160	1,191	2,240
Maine.....	3,595	84	2,337
Maryland.....	2,231	53	2,376
Michigan.....	10,496	258	2,458
Minnesota.....	10,350	236	2,280
Mississippi.....	6,060	122	2,013
Missouri.....	7,397	170	2,298
Nebraska.....	9,321	226	2,425
New York.....	4,065	98	2,411
North Carolina.....	13,330	264	1,980
Ohio.....	27,422	621	2,265
Oregon.....	2,244	57	2,540
Pennsylvania.....	25,618	614	2,397
South Carolina.....	4,363	95	2,177
South Dakota.....	2,371	55	2,320
Texas.....	18,097	400	2,210
Utah.....	3,450	82	2,377
Virginia.....	2,904	57	1,963
Washington.....	6,652	162	2,435
Wisconsin.....	4,548	100	2,199
Other States <sup>1</sup> .....	20,573	434	2,110
United States.....	340,468	7,612	2,236

NA Not available.

<sup>1</sup> Includes data for States not listed in this table.

## Hatchery production - United States

Item	2010	2011	2011 as % of 2010
	(1,000)	(1,000)	
<b>Egg Type</b>			
Eggs in incubators: May 1.....	41,692	40,782	98
Chicks hatched during April.....	47,558	43,429	91
Chicks hatched January through April.....	170,509	166,105	97
Pullets hatched during April for intended placements:			
Hatchery supply flocks.....	232	287	124
Cumulative potential placements 7-18 months earlier <sup>1</sup> .....	3,318	3,161	95
<b>Broiler-Type</b>			
Eggs in incubators May 1.....	644,848	649,093	101
Chicks hatched during April.....	768,296	779,859	102
Chicks hatched January through April.....	3,031,716	3,063,663	101
Pullets hatched during April for intended placements:			
Hatchery supply flocks.....	6,825	6,904	101
Cumulative potential placements 7-15 months earlier <sup>2</sup> .....	62,672	63,751	102

<sup>1</sup> 2011 includes pullet chicks hatched October 2009 through September 2010.

<sup>2</sup> 2011 includes pullet chicks hatched January 2010 through September 2010

*Total U.S. broiler-type chicks hatched were up two percent while egg-type chicks hatched were down nine percent from a year ago. Egg production was up slightly from a year ago.*

## Milk Production by Quarters - United States

Month	Milk cows <sup>1</sup>		Milk per cow <sup>2</sup>		Milk Production <sup>2</sup>	
	2010	2011	2010	2011	2010	2011
	(1,000)	(1,000)	(pounds)	(pounds)	(million pounds)	(million pounds)
January-March.....	9,093	9,164	5,212	5,284	47,392	48,426
April-June.....	9,119		5,462		49,809	
July-September.....	9,126		5,267		48,070	
October-December.....	9,130		5,208		47,548	
Annual Total.....	9,117		21,149		192,819	

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

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

*Compared to a year ago, milk production in the 23 major States increased 1.7 percent and the number of milk cows increased 97,000 head.*

## Milk Cows and Production - Florida and United States

Month and year	Milk Cows <sup>1</sup>	Monthly milk Production <sup>2</sup>	
		Per cow	Monthly Total
	(1,000)	(pounds)	(million pounds)
<b>Florida</b>			
April 2010.....	114	1,770	202
March 2011.....	118	1,860	219
April 2011.....	118	1,750	207
<b>23 Major States</b>			
April 2010.....	8,337	1,825	15,213
March 2011.....	8,426	1,870	15,757
April 2011.....	8,434	1,834	15,468
<b>United States</b>			
April 2010.....	9,108	1,802	16,416
March 2011.....	9,178	1,849	16,973
April 2011.....	9,186	1,814	16,662

<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 April 2011 was 9.6 million pounds, five percent below last month and the same as last year. Commercial red meat production for the United States totaled 3.87 billion pounds in April 2011 down four percent from 4.01 billion pounds produced in April 2010.

### Commercial Slaughter and Red Meat Production - Florida and United States

Source and kind	April 2010	March 2011	April 2011	Year to date 2010	Year to date 2011
<b>FLORIDA</b>					
Hogs:					
Head slaughtered ..... 1,000 head	5.4	6.3	6.6	23.8	23.5
Total liveweight ..... 1,000 pounds	793	918	911	3,485	3,332
Red meat production <sup>1</sup> ..... million pounds	9.6	10.1	9.6	36.8	37.1
<b>UNITED STATES</b>					
Cattle:					
Head slaughtered ..... 1,000 head	2,846.0	2,959.2	2,722.0	11,009.8	11,038.8
Total liveweight ..... million pounds	3,553	3,762	3,409	13,986	14,076
Average liveweight ..... pounds	1,253	1,276	1,257	1,275	1,280
Beef production ..... million pounds	2,139.3	2,266.3	2,054.9	8,387.3	8,466.0
Calves:					
Head slaughtered ..... 1,000 head	68.5	72.9	58.9	305.3	272.4
Total liveweight ..... million pounds	19	20	17	76	73
Average liveweight ..... pounds	275	283	296	254	276
Veal production ..... million pounds	11.1	12.1	10.2	45.6	43.6
Hogs:					
Head slaughtered ..... 1,000 head	9,056.2	9,873.0	8,630.6	36,686.1	36,116.8
Total liveweight ..... million pounds	2,467	2,740	2,390	9,956	10,019
Average liveweight ..... pounds	273	278	277	272	278
Pork production ..... million pounds	1,849.1	2,054.6	1,791.0	7,456.4	7,510.7
Sheep and Lambs:					
Head slaughtered ..... 1,000 head	190.2	193.9	206.7	818.8	716.8
Total liveweight ..... million pounds	26	28	29	111	101
Lamb and Mutton ..... million pounds	12.9	14.1	14.3	55.8	50.5
Red meat production <sup>1</sup> ..... million pounds	4,012.4	4,347.0	3,870.4	15,945.1	16,070.8

<sup>1</sup>Includes total beef, veal, pork, lamb, and mutton.