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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 10.7 million head on August 1, 2012. The inventory was one percent above August 1, 2011.

Placements in feedlots during July totaled 1.92 million, 10 percent above 2011. Net placements were 1.86 million head. During July, placements of cattle and calves weighing less than 600 pounds were 500,000, 600-699 pounds were 325,000, 700-799 pounds were 470,000, and 800 pounds and greater were 627,000. Marketings of fed cattle during July totaled 1.91 million, slightly below 2011. Other disappearance totaled 63,000 during July, 11 percent above 2011.

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)
July.....	2011	620	400	495	620	2,135
June.....	2012	460	320	390	494	1,664
July.....	2012	500	325	470	627	1,922

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

State	Number on feed July		Placed during July		Marketed during July		Other disappearance during July		Number on feed August 1	
	2011	2012	2011	2012	2011	2012	2011	2012	2011	2012
	(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.....	287	279	24	22	23	26	1	1	287	274
California.....	470	480	62	52	48	54	4	3	480	475
Colorado.....	1,000	970	170	155	195	180	5	5	970	940
Idaho.....	215	200	24	35	41	44	3	1	195	190
Iowa.....	590	620	55	52	93	70	2	2	550	600
Kansas.....	2,030	2,050	580	540	420	415	10	15	2,180	2,160
Nebraska.....	2,020	2,270	390	410	415	440	15	10	1,980	2,230
Oklahoma.....	350	320	86	68	74	66	2	2	360	320
South Dakota	210	210	22	20	35	39	2	1	195	190
Texas.....	2,690	2,670	630	475	470	475	20	20	2,830	2,650
Washington...	192	210	42	40	41	39	3	1	190	210
Other States ¹	379	431	50	53	63	65	4	2	362	417
United States.	10,433	10,710	2,135	1,922	1,918	1,913	71	63	10,579	10,656

¹ Other States include: Illinois, Minnesota, New Mexico, Oregon, and Wyoming.

Layers and Eggs

Florida

Table egg production in Florida during July 2012 was 187 million eggs, three percent above the previous month. Total egg production was 192 million eggs compared to 187 million eggs the previous month.

United States

United States egg production totaled 7.73 billion during July 2012, down slightly from last year. Production included 6.68 billion table eggs, and 1.05 billion hatching eggs, of which 983 million were broiler-type and 68 million were egg-type. The total number of layers during July 2012 averaged 335 million, down slightly from last year. July egg production per 100 layers was 2,307 eggs, up slightly from July 2011.

All layers in the United States on August 1, 2012 totaled 334 million, down slightly from last year. The 334 million layers consisted of 281 million layers producing table or market type eggs, 50.6 million layers producing broiler-type hatching eggs, and 2.78 million layers producing egg-type hatching eggs. Rate of lay per day on August 1, 2012, averaged 74.8 eggs per 100 layers, up one percent from August 1, 2011

Hatchery Production

Florida

The July hatch of broiler-type chicks, at 4.91 million, was one percent below last year. Eggs in incubators on August 1, 2012, were 4.05 million, one percent below a year ago.

United States

Broiler-type chicks hatched during July 2012 totaled 763 million, down one percent from July 2011. Eggs in incubators totaled 611 million on August 1, 2012, up slightly from a year earlier. Leading breeders placed 6.07 million broiler-type pullet chicks for future domestic hatchery supply flocks during June 2012, down six percent from 2011.

Egg-type chicks hatched during June 2012 totaled 34.0 million, down eight percent from July 2011. Eggs in incubators totaled 38.6 million on August 1, 2012, up four percent from a year ago. Domestic placements of egg-type pullet chicks for future hatchery supply flocks by leading breeders totaled 262 thousand during July 2012, up 12 percent from July 2011.

Milk Production

Florida

Florida dairy farms produced 187 million pounds of milk during July 2012, 6 million pounds above the previous July. Production per cow in July of 1,520 pounds was the same as July of last year. Milk cow numbers on Florida dairy farms in July totaled 123,000, three percent above July of last year.

United States

Milk production in the 23 major States during July totaled 15.5 billion pounds, up 0.8 percent from July 2011. June revised production at 15.5 billion pounds, was up 1.1 percent from June 2011. The June revision represented an increase of 2 million pounds or less than 0.1 percent from last month's preliminary production estimate. Production per cow in the 23 major States averaged 1,826 pounds for July, 6 pounds above July 2011. The number of milk cows on farms in the 23 major States was 8.50 million head, 41,000 head more than July 2011, but 7,000 head less than June 2012.

Layers and Egg Production for Selected States and United States: July 2012

Selected States	Average layers on hand	Egg production	Eggs per 100 for all layers
	(1,000)	(millions)	(number)
Alabama.....	9,092	183	2,013
Arkansas.....	12,203	261	2,139
California.....	19,556	460	2,352
Colorado.....	4,201	106	2,523
Connecticut.....	2,335	57	2,441
Florida.....	8,372	192	2,293
Georgia.....	16,752	358	2,137
Illinois.....	4,358	101	2,318
Indiana.....	24,207	560	2,313
Iowa.....	51,752	1,216	2,350
Maine.....	3,507	83	2,367
Maryland.....	2,225	53	2,382
Michigan.....	11,645	292	2,508
Minnesota.....	10,232	241	2,355
Mississippi.....	5,719	120	2,098
Missouri.....	6,937	162	2,335
Nebraska.....	9,122	228	2,499
New York.....	4,373	110	2,515
North Carolina.....	12,678	252	1,988
Ohio.....	26,809	614	2,290
Oregon.....	2,185	57	2,609
Pennsylvania.....	23,533	590	2,507
South Carolina.....	4,268	95	2,226
South Dakota.....	2,072	52	2,510
Texas.....	18,656	423	2,267
Utah.....	3,641	86	2,362
Virginia.....	2,986	62	2,076
Washington.....	6,716	159	2,367
Wisconsin.....	4,969	118	2,375
Other States ¹	19,817	435	2,195
United States.....	334,918	7,726	2,307

¹ Includes data for States not listed in this table.

Hatchery production - United States

Item	2011	2012	2012 as % of 2011
	(1,000)	(1,000)	
Egg-Type			
Eggs in incubators: August 1.....	37,007	38,633	104
Chicks hatched during July.....	36,950	34,041	92
Chicks hatched January through July.....	283,386	276,632	98
Pullets hatched during July for intended placements:			
Hatchery supply flocks.....	234	262	112
Cumulative potential placements 7-18 months earlier ¹	2,981	3,067	103
Broiler-Type			
Eggs in incubators August 1.....	608,371	610,695	100
Chicks hatched during July.....	768,432	762,749	99
Chicks hatched January through July.....	5,400,953	5,265,606	97
Pullets hatched during July for intended placements:			
Hatchery supply flocks.....	6,444	6,071	94
Cumulative potential placements 7-15 months earlier ²	64,656	61,927	96

¹ 2012 includes pullet chicks hatched January 2011 through December 2011.

² 2012 includes pullet chicks hatched April 2011 through December 2011

U.S. broiler-type chicks hatched in July were 763 million, down one percent; while egg-type chicks hatched were down eight percent from a year ago. July egg production at 7.73 billion was down slightly from a year ago.

Milk Production by Quarters - United States

Month	Milk cows ¹		Milk per cow ²		Milk Production ²	
	2011	2012	2011	2012	2011	2012
	(1,000)	(1,000)	(pounds)	(pounds)	(million pounds)	(million pounds)
January-March.....	9,168	9,254	5,286	5,513	48,459	51,017
April-June.....	9,191	9,257	5,489	5,562	50,448	51,484
July-September.....	9,200		5,292		48,684	
October-December.....	9,216		5,279		48,654	
Annual Total.....	9,194		21,345		196,245	

¹ Includes dry cows. Excludes heifers not yet fresh.

² Excludes milk fed to calves.

Florida dairy farms produced 187 million pounds of milk during July 2012. This was 6 million pounds less than a year earlier.

Milk Cows and Production – Florida, Selected States and United States

Month and year	Milk Cows ¹	Monthly milk Production ²	
		Per cow	Monthly Total
	(1,000)	(pounds)	(million pounds)
Florida			
July 2011.....	119	1,520	181
June 2012.....	123	1,620	199
July 2012.....	123	1,520	187
23 Selected States			
July 2011.....	8,459	1,820	15,395
June 2012.....	8,507	1,827	15,545
July 2012.....	8,500	1,826	15,520
United States			
July 2011.....	9,198	1,792	16,479
June 2012.....	9,239	1,805	16,672
July 2012.....	9,227	1,799	16,600

¹ Includes dry cows. Excludes heifers not yet fresh.

² Excludes milk fed to calves.

Livestock Slaughter

Florida

Commercial red meat production in Florida for July 2012 was 9.5 million pounds, eight percent above last month, and two percent above last year.

United States

Commercial red meat production for the United States totaled 3.94 billion pounds in July, up four percent from the 3.79 billion pounds produced in July 2011.

Beef and Veal Production: Beef production, at 2.20 billion pounds, was three percent above the previous year. Cattle slaughter totaled 2.79 million head, up one percent from July 2011. The average live weight was up 23 pounds from the previous year, at 1,295 pounds. Veal production totaled 9.5 million pounds, six percent below July a year ago. Calf slaughter totaled 67,500 head, down eight percent from July 2011.

Pork production totaled 1.72 billion pounds, up five percent from the previous year. Hog slaughter totaled 8.57 million head, up five percent from July 2011. The average liveweight was up one pound from the previous year, at 269 pounds.

Lamb and mutton production, at 12.5 million pounds, was up 14 percent from July 2011. Sheep slaughter totaled 178,600 head, nine percent above last year. The average liveweight was 140 pounds.

Commercial Slaughter and Red Meat Production - Florida and United States

Source and kind	July 2011	June 2012	July 2012	Year to date 2011	Year to date 2012
Florida					
Calf:					
Head slaughtered1,000 head	(D)	0.1	0.1	(D)	0.6
Total liveweight 1,000 pounds	(D)	30	29	(D)	59
Hogs:					
Head slaughtered1,000 head	9.1	6.4	6.6	49.5	38.9
Total liveweight 1,000 pounds	1,028	766	752	6,568	5,207
Sheep and Lambs:					
Head slaughtered1,000 head	0.1	0.2	0.3	1.1	1.5
Total liveweight 1,000 pounds	6	14	21	69	100
Red meat production ¹million pounds	9.3	8.8	9.5	66.0	64.8
United States					
Cattle:					
Head slaughtered1,000 head	2,764.5	2,866.2	2,792.0	19,718.4	19,130.4
Total liveweightmillion pounds	3,504	3,691	3,610	24,996	24,688
Average liveweightpounds	1,272	1,290	1,295	1,272	1,293
Beef productionmillion pounds	2,134.1	2,252.4	2,200.8	15,103.0	14,958.0
Calves:					
Head slaughtered1,000 head	73.4	56.0	67.5	479.8	426.4
Total liveweightmillion pounds	17	15	16	126	117
Average liveweightpounds	245	270	241	271	274
Veal productionmillion pounds	10.1	8.9	9.5	75.2	68.9
Hogs:					
Head slaughtered1,000 head	8,157.8	8,548.2	8,566.1	61,750.9	63,329.3
Total liveweightmillion pounds	2,186	2,338	2,299	16,990	17,488
Average liveweightpounds	268	274	269	275	276
Pork productionmillion pounds	1,637.1	1,750.4	1,721.8	12,726.3	13,098.4
Sheep and Lambs:					
Head slaughtered1,000 head	164.6	168.9	178.6	1,246.4	1,229.5
Total liveweightmillion pounds	22	25	25	117	126
Lamb and Muttonmillion pounds	10.9	12.4	12.5	87.0	90.0
Red meat production ¹million pounds	3,792.3	4,023.9	3,944.5	27,991.5	28,215.4

D Withheld to avoid disclosing data for individual operations.

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