



# Southern Region News Release

## Cattle Inventory

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### US Cattle Inventory Up 1 Percent

All cattle and calves in the United States as of January 1, 2015 totaled 89.8 million head, 1 percent above the 88.5 million on January 1, 2014. All cows and heifers that have calved, at 39.0 million, were up 2 percent from the 38.3 million on January 1, 2014. Beef cows, at 29.7 million, were up 2 percent from January 1, 2014. Milk cows, at 9.3 million, were up 1 percent from January 1, 2014. Alabama all cattle and calves totaled 1.22 million head, a decrease of 4 percent from January 1, 2014. Florida inventory, up 2 percent from last year, totaled 1.70 million head. All cattle and calves in Georgia and South Carolina are unchanged from last year with inventories at 1.04 million and 335,000 head, respectively.

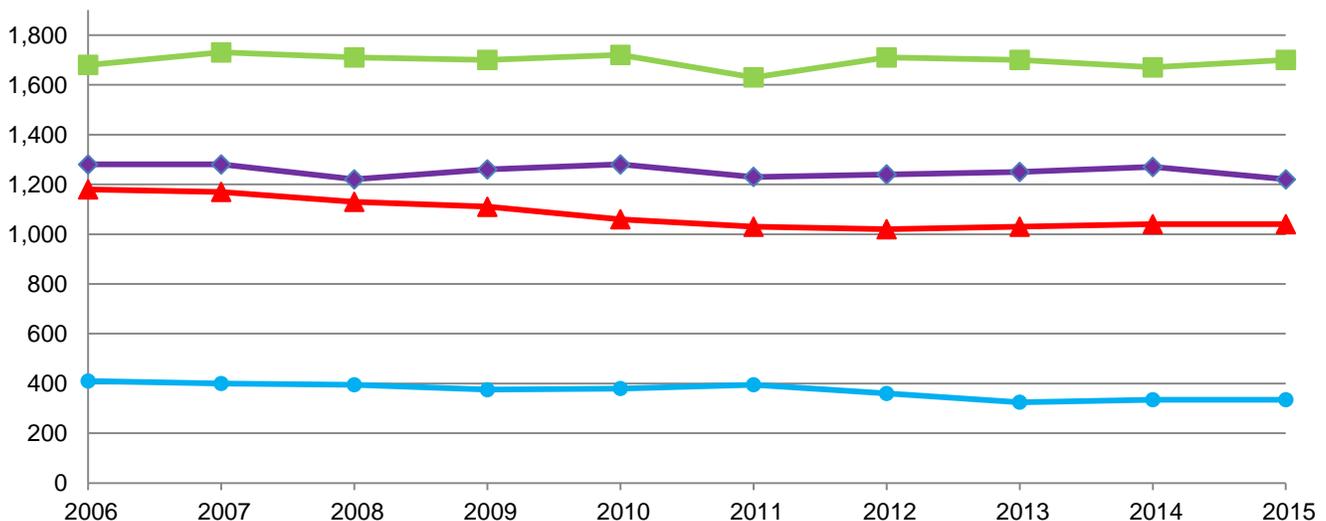
### Cattle and Calves — States and United States: January 1, 2014 and 2015

| State               | Cattle and calves |              |                          |
|---------------------|-------------------|--------------|--------------------------|
|                     | 2014              | 2015         | Percent of previous year |
|                     | (1,000 head)      | (1,000 head) | (percent)                |
| Alabama .....       | 1,270.0           | 1,220.0      | 96                       |
| Florida .....       | 1,670.0           | 1,700.0      | 102                      |
| Georgia.....        | 1,040.0           | 1,040.0      | 100                      |
| South Carolina..... | 335.0             | 335.0        | 100                      |
| United States.....  | 88,526.0          | 89,800.0     | 101                      |

Source: USDA National Agricultural Statistics Service - *Cattle*, January 2015

### Southern Region All Cattle Inventory

1,000 Head



Alabama Florida Georgia South Carolina

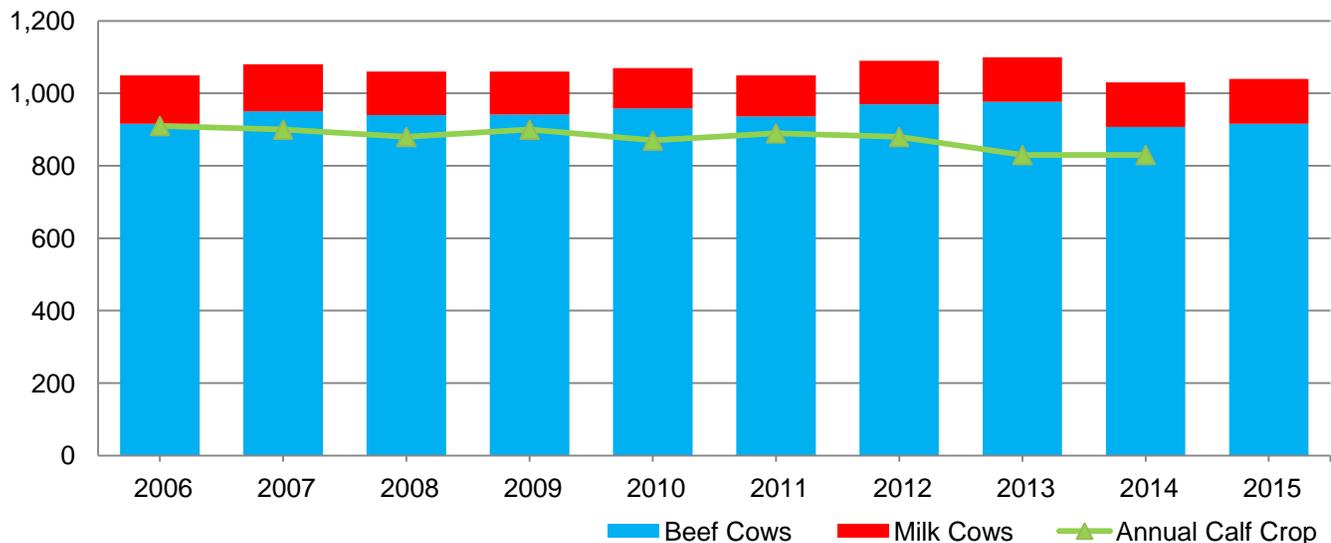
## All Cows by Type — States and United States: January 1, 2014 and 2015

| State               | All cows     |              |                          | Beef cows    |              |                          | Milk cows    |              |                          |
|---------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------------------|
|                     | 2014         | 2015         | Percent of previous year | 2014         | 2015         | Percent of previous year | 2014         | 2015         | Percent of previous year |
|                     | (1,000 head) | (1,000 head) | (percent)                | (1,000 head) | (1,000 head) | (percent)                | (1,000 head) | (1,000 head) | (percent)                |
| Alabama.....        | 690.0        | 680.0        | 99                       | 681.0        | 672.0        | 99                       | 9.0          | 8.0          | 89                       |
| Florida.....        | 1,030.0      | 1,040.0      | 101                      | 907.0        | 916.0        | 101                      | 123.0        | 124.0        | 101                      |
| Georgia.....        | 580.0        | 570.0        | 98                       | 500.0        | 489.0        | 98                       | 80.0         | 81.0         | 101                      |
| South Carolina ...  | 185.0        | 185.0        | 100                      | 169.0        | 170.0        | 101                      | 16.0         | 15.0         | 94                       |
| United States ..... | 38,293.0     | 39,000.0     | 102                      | 29,085.4     | 29,693.1     | 102                      | 9,207.6      | 9,306.9      | 101                      |

Source: USDA National Agricultural Statistics Service - *Cattle*, January 2015

## Florida Cow Inventory and Calf Crop

1,000 Head



## Heifers 500 Pounds and Over by Type — States and United States: January 1, 2014 and 2015

| State               | Beef replacements |              |                          | Milk replacements |              |                          | Other heifers |              |                          |
|---------------------|-------------------|--------------|--------------------------|-------------------|--------------|--------------------------|---------------|--------------|--------------------------|
|                     | 2014              | 2015         | Percent of previous year | 2014              | 2015         | Percent of previous year | 2014          | 2015         | Percent of previous year |
|                     | (1,000 head)      | (1,000 head) | (percent)                | (1,000 head)      | (1,000 head) | (percent)                | (1,000 head)  | (1,000 head) | (percent)                |
| Alabama.....        | 110.0             | 110.0        | 100                      | 4.0               | 3.0          | 75                       | 31.0          | 32.0         | 103                      |
| Florida.....        | 115.0             | 125.0        | 109                      | 35.0              | 35.0         | 100                      | 30.0          | 35.0         | 117                      |
| Georgia.....        | 82.0              | 83.0         | 101                      | 25.0              | 25.0         | 100                      | 29.0          | 34.0         | 117                      |
| South Carolina ...  | 30.0              | 30.0         | 100                      | 6.0               | 5.0          | 83                       | 12.0          | 12.0         | 100                      |
| United States ..... | 5,551.3           | 5,777.4      | 104                      | 4,548.7           | 4,615.4      | 101                      | 8,869.4       | 8,847.4      | 100                      |

Source: USDA National Agricultural Statistics Service - *Cattle*, January 2015

## Steers, Bulls, and Calves — States and United States: January 1, 2014 and 2015

| State               | Steers 500 pounds and over |              |                          | Bull 500 pounds and over |              |                          | Calves under 500 pounds |              |                          |
|---------------------|----------------------------|--------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|--------------|--------------------------|
|                     | 2014                       | 2015         | Percent of previous year | 2014                     | 2015         | Percent of previous year | 2014                    | 2015         | Percent of previous year |
|                     | (1,000 head)               | (1,000 head) | (percent)                | (1,000 head)             | (1,000 head) | (percent)                | (1,000 head)            | (1,000 head) | (percent)                |
| Alabama.....        | 60.0                       | 50.0         | 83                       | 50.0                     | 45.0         | 90                       | 325.0                   | 300.0        | 92                       |
| Florida.....        | 25.0                       | 30.0         | 120                      | 60.0                     | 60.0         | 100                      | 375.0                   | 375.0        | 100                      |
| Georgia.....        | 36.0                       | 45.0         | 125                      | 28.0                     | 28.0         | 100                      | 260.0                   | 255.0        | 98                       |
| South Carolina ...  | 12.0                       | 9.0          | 75                       | 14.0                     | 14.0         | 100                      | 76.0                    | 80.0         | 105                      |
| United States ..... | 15,667.9                   | 15,778.5     | 101                      | 2,037.8                  | 2,104.4      | 103                      | 13,557.9                | 13,676.9     | 101                      |

Source: USDA National Agricultural Statistics Service - *Cattle*, January 2015