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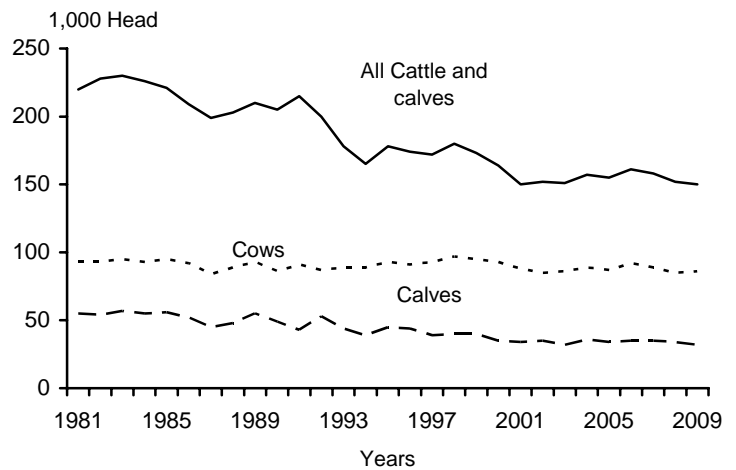
January 1 Cattle Inventory Down 1 Percent

All cattle and calves on Hawaii's ranches as of January 1, 2009 were estimated at 150,000 head, down 1 percent or 2,000 head from January 1, 2008.

All cows and heifers that have calved, at 86,000 head, were up 1 percent from January 1, 2008. **Beef cows** made up 56 percent of the total herd at 84,400 head, up 2 percent from a year ago. **Milk cows** totaled 1,600 head on January 1, 2009, down 30 percent from a year earlier. Another commercial dairy closed during 2008 which left the State with 2 commercial dairies at the end of the year.

Heifers weighing 500 pounds or more totaled 19,000 head on January 1, 2009, down 5 percent from January 1, 2008. The number of **beef cow replacements** (heifers weighing 500 pounds or more) declined 7 percent, or 1,000 head, to 13,000 head on January 1, 2009.

January 1 Cattle Inventory
State of Hawaii, 1981-2009



CATTLE AND CALVES: January 1 inventory by sex class and weight, State of Hawaii, 2005-2009

Year	All cattle and calves	All cows and heifers that have calved			Heifers 500 pounds and over				Steers 500 lbs. and over	Bulls 500 lbs. and over	Steers, heifers, and bulls under 500 lbs.
		Total	Beef cows	Milk cows	Total	Beef cow replacements	Milk cow replacements	Other			
1,000 head											
2005	155	87	81.3	5.7	22	15	2	5	7	5	34
2006	161	92	87.4	4.6	22	15	2	5	7	5	35
2007	158	89	85.2	3.8	21	15	1	5	8	5	35
2008	152	85	82.7	2.3	20	14	1	5	8	5	34
2009	150	86	84.4	1.6	19	13	1	5	8	5	32

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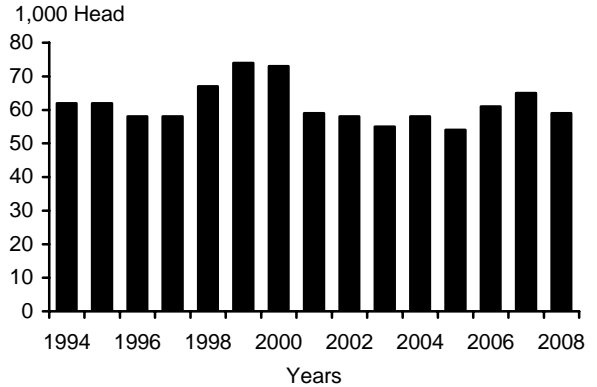
Cattle Marketings Down 9 Percent

Total **cattle marketings** during 2008 is estimated at 59,000 head, down 9 percent from 2007. **Farm slaughter** remained steady at 1,000 head for 2008. All **cattle and calf deaths** totaled 7,000 head in 2008, 2,000 head more than 2007 as drought conditions took a toll on animals.

2008 Calf Crop Matches 2007

The 2008 calf crop was estimated at 65,000 head, identical to the calf crop in 2007 and 2006.

**Cattle and Calf Marketings
State of Hawaii, 1994-2008**



CATTLE AND CALVES: Inventory and disposition, State of Hawaii, 2004-2008

Year	Inventory beginning January 1	Calf crop	Inshipments	Marketings	Farm slaughter	Deaths	Inventory January 1 following year
<i>1,000 head</i>							
2004	156	63	*	58	1	5	155
2005	155	66	*	54	1	5	161
2006	161	65	*	61	1	6	158
2007	158	65	*	65	1	5	152
2008	152	65	*	59	1	7	150

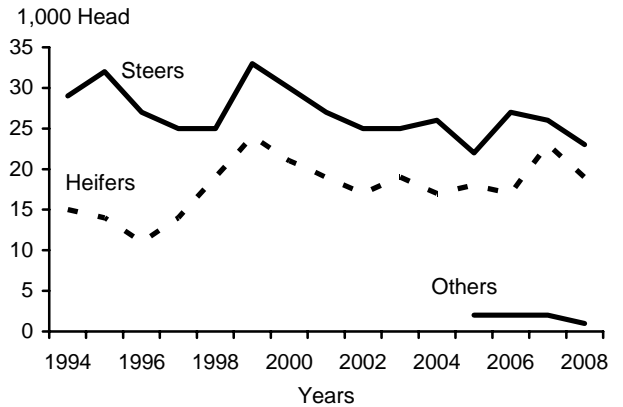
* = Less than 500.

Exports Down After Two Years Of Increases

Exports of cattle and calves totaled 43,000 head in 2008, down 16 percent from 2007. **Calves** (animals weighing less than 500 pounds) accounted for the bulk of exports at 41,000 head, or 95 percent of the 2008 total.

When 2008 exports are classified by sex, **steers** accounted for 53 percent of the total or 23,000 head. Exports of **heifers** totaled 19,000 head in 2008, down 17 percent from 2007. Exports of **other cattle**, mainly **bulls and cows**, totaled 1,000 head in 2008.

**Cattle and Calf Exports by Sex Class
State of Hawaii, 1994-2008**



CATTLE AND CALVES: Exports, State of Hawaii, 2004-2008

Year	Total	By Weight Category		By Sex Class		
		Cattle ¹	Calves ²	Steers	Heifers	Others
<i>1,000 head</i>						
2004	43	9	34	26	17	NA
2005	42	3	39	22	18	2
2006	46	5	41	27	17	2
2007	51	4	47	26	23	2
2008	43	2	41	23	19	1

NA = Not available. ¹ 500 pounds or more. ² 499 pounds or less.

U.S. Cattle Inventory

Released February 1, 2008, by the National Agricultural Statistics Service (NASS), Agricultural Statistics Board, U.S. Department of Agriculture.

January 1 Cattle Inventory Down 2 Percent

All cattle and calves in the United States as of January 1, 2009, totaled 94.5 million head, 2 percent below the 96.0 million on January 1, 2008.

All cows and heifers that have calved, at 41.0 million, were down 2 percent from the 41.7 million on January 1, 2008.

- **Beef cows**, at 31.7 million, were down 2 percent from January 1, 2008.
- **Milk cows**, at 9.33 million, were up 1 percent from January 1, 2008.

Other class estimates on January 1, 2009, and the change from January 1, 2008, are as follows:

- **All heifers** 500 pounds and over, 19.6 million, down 1 percent.
- **Beef replacement heifers**, 5.53 million, down 2 percent.
- **Milk replacement heifers**, 4.41 million, down slightly.
- **Other heifers**, 9.65 million, down 1 percent.
- **Steers** weighing 500 pounds and over, 16.8 million, down 2 percent.
- **Bulls** weighing 500 pounds and over, 2.18 million, down 1 percent.
- **Calves under 500 pounds**, 14.9 million, down 1 percent.
- **Cattle and calves on feed** for slaughter in all feedlots, 13.9 million, down 7 percent.
- The combined total of **calves under 500 pounds, and other heifers and steers over 500 pounds** outside of feedlots was 27.5 million, up 1 percent.

Calf Crop Down 2 Percent

The 2008 calf crop was estimated at 36.1 million head, down 2 percent from 2007. Calves born during the first half of the year are estimated at 26.3 million, down 1 percent from 2007.

Cattle and Calves: Number of Class and Calf Crop, United States, January 1, 2008-2009¹

Class	2008	2009	2009 as % of 2008
	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>Percent</i>
Cattle and Calves	96,035	94,491	98
Cows and Heifers That Have Calved	41,692	41,005	98
Beef Cows	32,435	31,671	98
Milk Cows	9,257	9,333	101
Heifers 500 Pounds and Over	19,854	19,586	99
For Beef Cow Replacement	5,647	5,526	98
Expected to Calve ²	3,414	3,357	98
For Milk Cow Replacement	4,415	4,410	100
Expected to Calve ²	2,923	2,909	100
Other Heifers	9,793	9,650	99
Steers 500 Pounds and Over	17,163	16,774	98
Bulls 500 Pounds and Over	2,207	2,184	99
Calves Under 500 Pounds	15,118	14,943	99
Cattle on Feed	14,827	13,851	93
	2007	2008	2008 as % of 2007
Calf Crop	36,759	36,113	98

¹ Totals may not add due to rounding. ² Replacement heifers expected to calve during the year.

U.S. Livestock Outlook

Except from Livestock, Dairy, and Poultry Outlook, LDP-M-176, February 17, 2009.

Beef/cattle: Continuing high levels of commercial cow slaughter, despite lower January 1 cattle inventories, imply reduced calf crops in 2009 and 2010. Negative cattle feeding margins since early 2007 will continue into 2009. These and other factors have implications for beef production into at least 2011.

Beef/cattle trade: Beef exports in 2008 were 32 percent above 2007 totals, primarily due to strong export markets in the middle of the year. Beef imports fell for the fourth straight year, 17 percent below 2007 imports. Global economic conditions will remain a strong factor in the outlook for both imports and exports in 2009.

Dairy: Milk production is forecast to decline slightly as yields increase but herd size contracts. A much lower export forecast increases domestic supplies and weakens prices. Domestic commercial use could rise fractionally as lower prices boost sales.