



News Release

Indiana Cattle Inventory

All cattle and calves in Indiana as of January 1, 2020 were 840,000 head, down 5 percent from last year, according to Greg Matli, State Statistician of the USDA, NASS, Indiana Field Office. Indiana highlights from the January 1 report follow:

- Beef cow numbers decreased 5 percent to 194,000 head. Beef replacement heifers decreased 9 percent to 41,000 head.
- Milk cows decreased 3 percent to 176,000 head. Heifers for milk cow replacement decreased 13 percent to 70,000 head.
- The 2019 calf crop was 335,000 head, down 4 percent from 2018.

Nationally, all cattle and calves in the United States as of January 1, 2020 totaled 94.4 million head, slightly below the 94.8 million head on January 1, 2019. All cows and heifers that have calved, at 40.7 million head, were 1 percent below the 41.0 million head on January 1, 2019. Beef cows, at 31.3 million head, were down 1 percent from a year ago. Milk cows, at 9.33 million head, were down slightly from the previous year. All heifers 500 pounds and over as of January 1, 2020 totaled 20.1 million head, slightly below the 20.2 million head on January 1, 2019. Beef replacement heifers, at 5.77 million head, were down 2 percent from a year ago. Milk replacement heifers, at 4.64 million head, were down 1 percent from the previous year. Other heifers, at 9.71 million head, were 1 percent above a year earlier.

Cattle Inventory by Class – Indiana and United States: January 1, 2019 and 2020

Class	Indiana		United States	
	2019 <i>(1,000 head)</i>	2020 <i>(1,000 head)</i>	2019 <i>(1,000 head)</i>	2020 <i>(1,000 head)</i>
All cattle and calves	880	840	94,805	94,413
Cows	385	370	41,044	40,651
Beef	204	194	31,691	31,317
Milk	181	176	9,353	9,335
Replacement heifers	175	156	20,210	20,114
Beef	45	41	5,885	5,772
Milk	80	70	4,702	4,637
Other	50	45	9,624	9,706
Steers 500 pounds and over	115	113	16,758	16,671
Bulls 500 pounds and over	17	16	2,253	2,237
Calves under 500 pounds	188	185	14,540	14,739
Cattle on feed	100	105	14,368	14,668

Totals may not add due to rounding.

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