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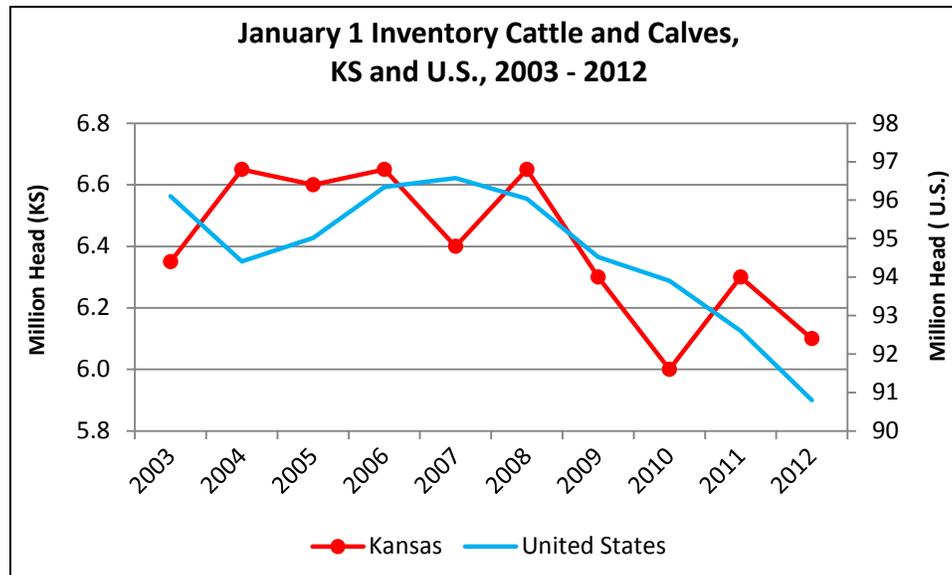
All cattle and calves held on Kansas farms and ranches on January 1, 2012 totaled 6.10 million head, down 3 percent from the January 1, 2011 level. **All cows and heifers** that have calved, at 1.55 million head, were down 3 percent from a year earlier. **Beef cow** inventory was estimated at 1.43 million head, 3 percent below a year ago. **Milk cows**, at 123,000 head, were up 1 percent from January 1, 2011. **Bulls over 500 pounds** totaled 90,000 head, unchanged from last year. **Beef replacement heifers**, at 250,000 head, were up 2 percent from the previous year. **Milk replacement heifers**, at 85,000 head, were unchanged from last year.

Other heifers over 500 pounds, at 1.55 million head, decreased 3 percent from last year's 1.60 million head. **Steers over 500 pounds**, at 1.93 million head, were down 3 percent from the previous year's number. As of January 1, 2012 **all cattle and calves on feed** for slaughter in all feedlots were 2.37 million head, 1 percent less than the previous January. **Calves under 500 pounds** totaled 645,000 head, 7 percent less than the January 1, 2011 figure of 690,000 head. This was the lowest Kansas calf inventory since 1938. The 2011 **calf crop**, at 1.42 million head, was unchanged from 2010.

U.S. January Cattle Inventory Down 2 Percent

All cattle and calves in the United States as of January 1, 2012 totaled 90.8 million head, 2 percent below the 92.7 million on January 1, 2011. This is the lowest January 1 inventory of all cattle and calves since the 88.1 million on hand in 1952. **All cows and heifers** that have calved, at 39.1 million, were down 2 percent from the 40.0 million on January 1, 2011. **Beef cows** at 29.9 million, were down 3 percent from January 1, 2011. **Milk cows** at 9.2 million, were up 1 percent from January 1, 2011. **Other class estimates** on January 1, 2012 and the change from January 1, 2011, are as follows: **All heifers 500 pounds and over**, 19.4 million, down 1 percent. **Beef replacement heifers**, 5.2 million, up 1 percent. **Milk replacement heifers**, 4.5 million, down 1

percent. **Other heifers**, 9.6 million, down 2 percent. **Steers weighing 500 pounds and over**, 16.1 million, down 2 percent. **Bulls weighing 500 pounds and over**, 2.1 million, down 5 percent. **Calves under 500 pounds**, 14.1 million, down 3 percent. **Cattle and calves on feed** for slaughter in all feedlots, 14.1 million, up 1 percent. The combined total of calves under 500 pounds, and other heifers and steers over 500 pounds outside of feedlots was 25.7 million, down 4 percent. **The 2011 calf crop** was estimated at 35.3 million head, down 1 percent from 2010. This is the smallest calf crop since the 34.9 million born during 1950. Calves born during the first half of 2011 are estimated at 25.7 million, down 1 percent from 2010.





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**Cattle and Calves: Number by Class and Calf Crop
Kansas and United States, January 1, 2010 - 2012**

Class	2010	2011	2012	% of 2011
	1,000 Head			Percent
KANSAS				
Cattle and Calves	6,000.0	6,300.0	6,100.0	97
Cows & Heifers That Have Calved	1,550.0	1,600.0	1,550.0	97
Beef Cows	1,434.0	1,478.0	1,427.0	97
Milk Cows	116.0	122.0	123.0	101
Heifers 500 Pounds and Over				
For Beef Cow Replacement	240.0	245.0	250.0	102
For Milk Cow Replacement	80.0	85.0	85.0	100
Other Heifers	1,470.0	1,600.0	1,550.0	97
Steers 500 Pounds and Over	1,890.0	1,990.0	1,930.0	97
Bulls 500 Pounds and Over	90.0	90.0	90.0	100
Calves Under 500 Pounds	680.0	690.0	645.0	93
Calf Crop ²	1,420.0	1,420.0		100
Cattle on Feed	2,370.0	2,400.0	2,370.0	99
UNITED STATES				
Cattle and Calves	93,881.2	92,682.4	90,768.5	98
Cows & Heifers That Have Calved	40,456.4	39,999.2	39,112.4	98
Beef Cows	31,370.9	30,849.6	29,882.9	97
Milk Cows	9,085.5	9,149.6	9,229.5	101
Heifers 500 Pounds and Over	19,745.8	19,575.8	19,387.8	99
For Beef Cow Replacement	5,451.0	5,138.6	5,211.6	101
Expected to Calve ¹	3,410.5	3,164.0	3,201.3	101
For Milk Cow Replacement	4,526.2	4,568.2	4,527.0	99
Expected to Calve ¹	2,954.1	3,056.3	3,029.9	99
Other Heifers	9,768.6	9,869.0	9,649.2	98
Steers 500 Pounds and Over	16,510.4	16,397.0	16,071.5	98
Bulls 500 Pounds and Over	2,190.1	2,155.1	2,052.0	95
Calves Under 500 Pounds	14,978.5	14,555.3	14,144.8	97
Calf Crop ²	35,694.8	35,313.2		99
Cattle on Feed	13,642.2	14,012.9	14,121.4	101

¹ Replacement heifers expected to calve during the year. ² Percent calculated by comparing the 2011 to the 2010 calf crop.

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http://www.nass.usda.gov/Statistics_by_State/Kansas/Publications/Livestock/Cattle/index.asp

For the latest beef and other livestock charts provided by Dr. Glynn Tonsor, Extension Ag Economist with KSU-Research & Extension Service, please go to www.agmanager.info/livestock/marketing/graphs. Links to the latest newsletter and radio comments can also be found from this website.

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