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Dear Cattle Feeders:

Information contained herein is the result of mail, phone and personal interview surveys conducted during the past few weeks. Special recognition and appreciation are extended to all producers and agribusinesses who provided data making these reports possible.

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Number of Cattle on Feed, Placements, Marketings, and Other Disappearance on 1,000+ Capacity Feedlots by Month - States and United States: 2011-2012

State	July 1 Number on Feed ¹			June Placements			June Marketings			June Other Disappearance ²		
	2011	2012	<u>2012</u> 2011	2011	2012	<u>2012</u> 2011	2011	2012	<u>2012</u> 2011	2011	2012	<u>2012</u> 2011
	1,000 Head		Percent	1,000 Head		Percent	1,000 Head		Percent	1,000 Head		Percent
Arizona	287	279	97	25	28	112	27	30	111	1	1	100
California	470	480	102	70	49	70	58	56	97	2	3	150
Colorado	1,000	970	97	105	125	119	175	170	97	10	5	50
Idaho	215	200	93	34	34	100	47	43	91	2	1	50
Iowa	590	620	105	64	61	95	80	77	96	4	4	100
Kansas	2,030	2,050	101	390	390	100	460	415	90	10	15	150
Nebraska	2,020	2,270	112	310	385	124	465	465	100	15	10	67
Oklahoma	350	320	91	62	53	85	65	51	78	2	2	100
South Dakota	210	210	100	31	28	90	46	47	102	10	1	10
Texas	2,690	2,670	99	500	420	84	560	500	89	10	20	200
Washington	192	210	109	41	36	88	39	45	115	3	1	33
Other States	379	431	114	63	55	87	70	66	94	3	3	100
United States	10,433	10,710	103	1,695	1,664	98	2,092	1,965	94	72	66	92

¹ Cattle and calves on feed are animals for slaughter market being fed a ration of grain or other concentrates and are expected to produce a carcass that will grade select or better. ² Includes death loss, movement from feedlots to pasture, and shipments to other feedlots for further feeding.

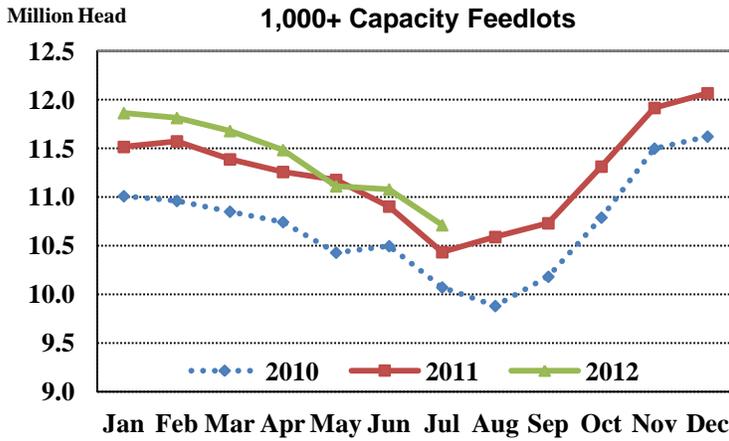
Source: USDA NASS Cattle on Feed, July 20, 2012

Number of Cattle Placed on Feed by Weight Group on 1,000+ Capacity Feedlots by Month - States and United States: 2011-2012

State	During June									
	Under 600		600-699		700-799		800 Plus		Total	
	2011	2012	2011	2012	2011	2012	2011	2012	2011	2012
	1,000 Head									
Colorado	20	25	25	20	30	40	30	40	105	125
Kansas	75	95	95	80	120	110	100	105	390	390
Nebraska	50	70	60	70	70	90	130	155	310	385
Texas	210	180	130	100	120	75	40	65	500	420
Other States	105	90	70	50	80	75	135	129	390	344
United States	460	460	380	320	420	390	435	494	1,695	1,664

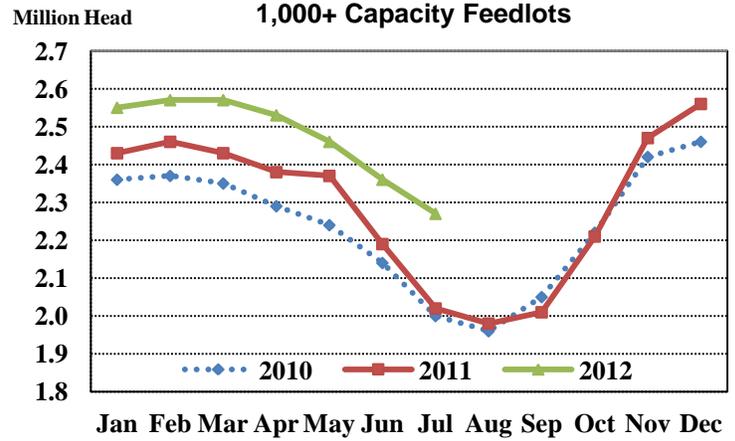
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**United States Cattle on Feed
1,000+ Capacity Feedlots**



Source: USDA NASS Nebraska Field Office

**Nebraska Cattle on Feed
1,000+ Capacity Feedlots**



Source: USDA NASS Nebraska Field Office

Federally Inspected Red Meat Production - United States

(Totals, accumulated totals and percentages based on unrounded data)

Type	Jun 2011	May 2012	Jun 2012	Jun 2012 as % of		Jan - Jun		
				Jun 2011	May 2012	2011	2012	2012 as % of 2011
	<i>Million Pounds</i>	<i>Million Pounds</i>	<i>Million Pounds</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Million Pounds</i>	<i>Million Pounds</i>	<i>Percent</i>
Beef	2,347.1	2,206.4	2,225.9	95	101	12,802.5	12,592.5	98
Veal	11.0	10.1	8.7	79	86	63.5	58.0	91
Pork	1,807.1	1,913.9	1,738.5	96	91	11,013.5	11,300.9	103
Lamb & mutton	11.8	12.9	11.8	99	91	72.5	73.9	102
Total Red Meat	4,177.0	4,143.3	3,984.9	95	96	23,952.1	24,025.3	100

Source: USDA NASS Livestock Slaughter, July 20, 2012

Livestock Slaughtered Under Federal Inspection, By Class - United States

(Data may not add to totals due to rounding)

Class	Jun 2011	May 2012	Jun 2012	Jan - Jun		Jun 2011	May 2012	Jun 2012	Jan - Jun	
				2011	2012				2011	2012
	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>Percent of Total</i>								
Cattle										
Steers	1,596	1,489	1,504	8,248	8,018	52.2	52.5	53.2	49.4	49.9
Heifers	878	786	774	4,991	4,713	28.7	27.7	27.4	29.9	29.3
All cows	538	514	501	3,168	3,087	17.6	18.1	17.7	19.0	19.2
Dairy cows	219	251	229	1,458	1,523	7.2	8.9	8.1	8.7	9.5
Other cows	319	263	272	1,710	1,563	10.4	9.3	9.6	10.2	9.7
Bulls	47	47	47	287	266	1.5	1.6	1.7	1.7	1.7
Total	3,058	2,836	2,826	16,694	16,083	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Calves and vealers	71	58	55	400	353	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Hogs										
Barrows and gilts	8,570	8,931	8,209	51,533	52,727	96.7	97.0	96.8	96.9	97.0
Sows	268	252	243	1,469	1,451	3.0	2.7	2.9	2.8	2.7
Boars	28	29	29	164	168	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3
Total	8,866	9,212	8,481	53,166	54,346	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Sheep										
Mature sheep	16	11	10	70	57	9.4	6.5	6.4	7.0	5.8
Lambs and yearlings	152	154	145	935	917	90.6	93.5	93.6	93.0	94.2
Total	168	164	155	1,005	973	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0

Source: USDA NASS Livestock Slaughter, July 20, 2012

U.S. July 1 Cattle Inventory Down 2 Percent

All cattle and calves in the United States as of July 1, 2012, totaled 97.8 million head, 2 percent below the 100.0 million on July 1, 2011, according to the USDA National Agricultural Statistics Service. This is the lowest all cattle and calves inventory for July 1 since the series began in 1973.

U.S. Calf Crop Down 2 Percent

The 2012 calf crop is expected to be 34.5 million, down 2 percent from 2011. Calves born during the first half of the year are estimated at 25.1 million, down 2 percent from 2011.

Cattle and Calves: Number by Class and Calf Crop, United States, July 1, 2011-2012

Class	2011	2012	2012 as % of 2011
	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>Percent</i>
Cattle and calves	100,000.0	97,800.0	98
Cows and heifers that have calved	40,600.0	39,700.0	98
Beef cows	31,400.0	30,500.0	97
Milk cows	9,200.0	9,200.0	100
Heifers 500 pounds and over	16,000.0	15,700.0	98
For beef cow replacement	4,200.0	4,200.0	100
For milk cow replacement	4,200.0	4,100.0	98
Other heifers	7,600.0	7,400.0	97
Steers 500 pounds and over	14,200.0	14,000.0	99
Bulls 500 pounds and over	2,000.0	1,900.0	95
Calves under 500 pounds	27,200.0	26,500.0	97
Calf crop	35,313.2	34,500.0	98
Cattle on Feed	12,200.0	12,300.0	101

Source: USDA NASS Cattle, July 20, 2012

Feeder Cattle Supply: United States July 1, 2012

Item	2011	2012	2012 as % of 2011
	<i>1,000 Head</i>		<i>Percent</i>
<u>Cattle Inventory</u>			
Calves <500 lbs.	27,200	26,500	97
Steers & Heifers >500 lbs.	21,800	21,400	98
Total Supply	49,000	47,900	98
<u>U.S. Cattle on Feed</u>			
Cattle on Feed	12,200	12,300	101
<u>Supply Outside Feedlots</u>			
Total Supply	36,800	35,600	97

Source: USDA NASS Cattle, July 20, 2012

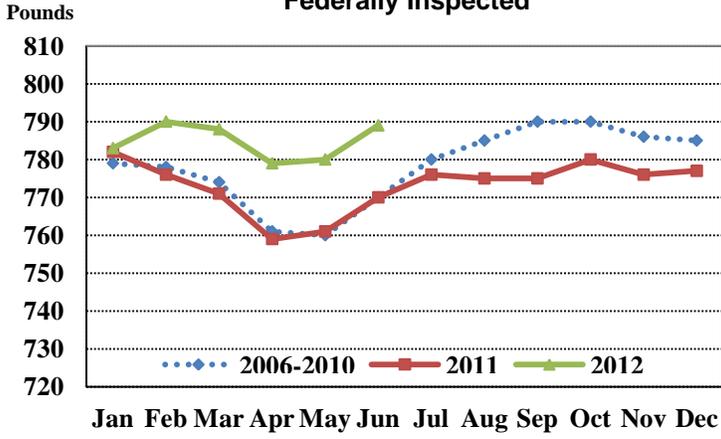
F.I. Cattle Slaughter: United States January - June

Item	2011	2012	2012 as % of 2011
	<i>1,000 Head</i>		<i>Percent</i>
Steers	8,248	8,018	97
Heifers	4,991	4,713	94
Dairy Cows	1,458	1,523	104
Other Cows	1,710	1,563	91
Bulls	287	266	93
Total	16,694	16,083	96

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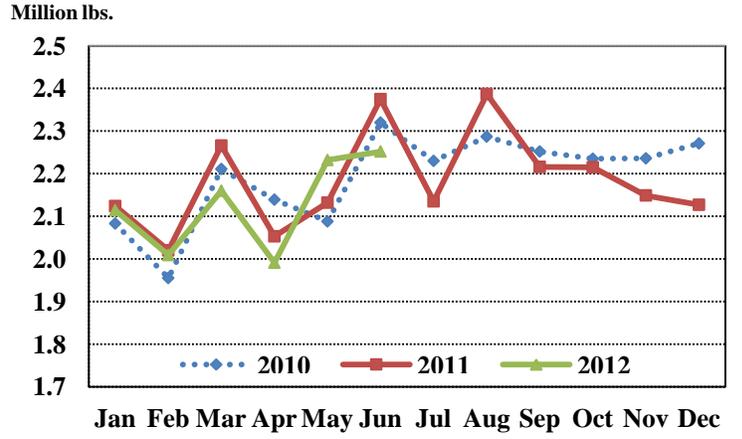
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U.S. Cattle Carcass Weights Federally Inspected



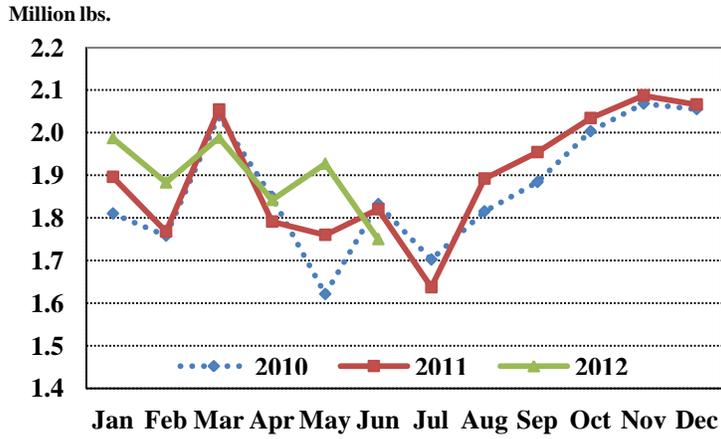
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U.S. Commercial Beef Production



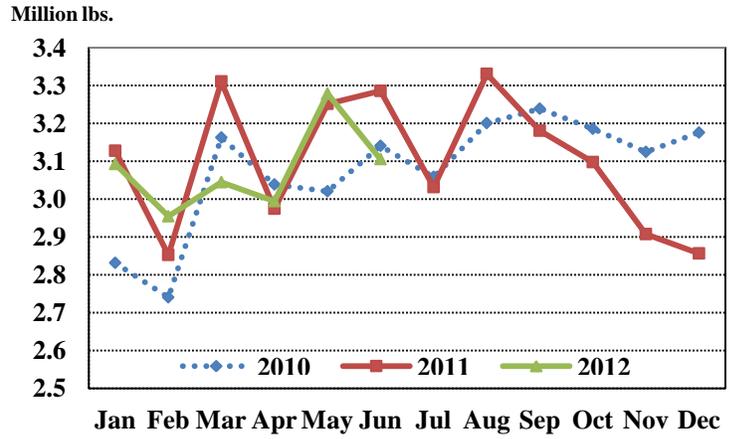
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U.S. Commercial Pork Production



Source: USDA NASS Nebraska Field Office

U.S. Certified Broiler Slaughter



Source: USDA NASS Nebraska Field Office

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