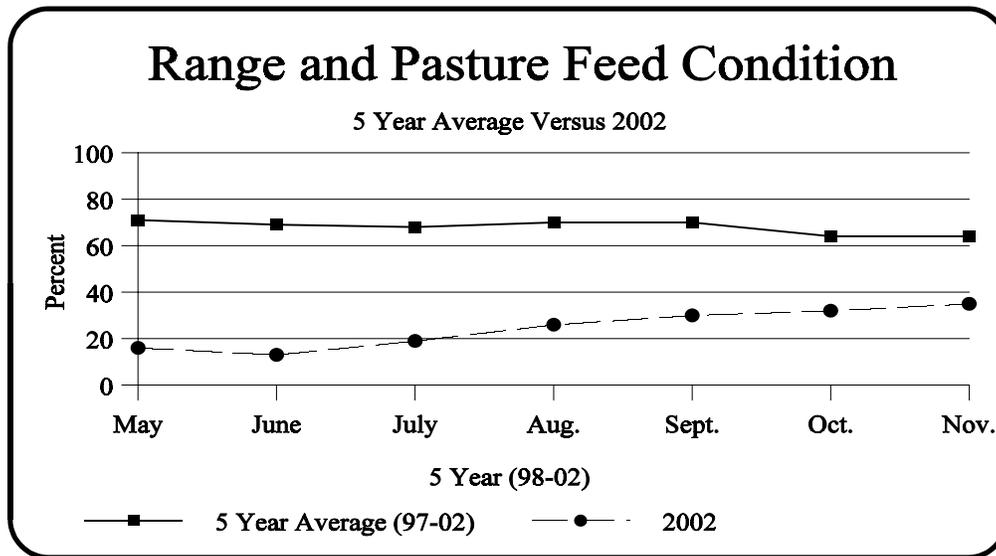


Cattle and Calves: Number on Feed by County^{1/}

County	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003
Curry	51,000	51,000	43,000	44,000	41,000	44,000
Union	60,000	51,000	57,000	56,000	56,000	59,000
Other Counties ^{2/}	12,000	16,000	16,000	15,000	11,000	16,000
STATE	123,000	118,000	116,000	115,000	108,000	119,000

^{1/}Includes only those animals on full feed for the slaughter market as of January 1.

^{2/}Other counties include Luna, San Juan, and Valencia counties.



Range and Pasture Feed Condition^{1/}

Year	May	June	July	August	September	October	November
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1990	56	47	33	46	74	77	77
1995 ^{2/}	37	49	49	56	52	62	60
1998	83	63	54	62	68	63	68
1999	60	73	84	94	95	91	83
2000	47	53	54	49	41	28	33
2001	71	62	53	56	50	48	43
2002	16	13	19	26	30	32	35

^{1/}Range and pasture feed condition is expressed as a percentage. 100 percent represents the normal growth and vitality one would expect if there had been no damage from unfavorable weather, insects, pests, etc. Good to excellent, 80 and over; poor to fair, 65-79; very poor, 50-64; severe drought, 35-49; extreme drought, under 35.

^{2/}Beginning in 1995, represents the percentage of range and pasture feed rated fair or better.