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US Cattle Inventory Up 1 Percent

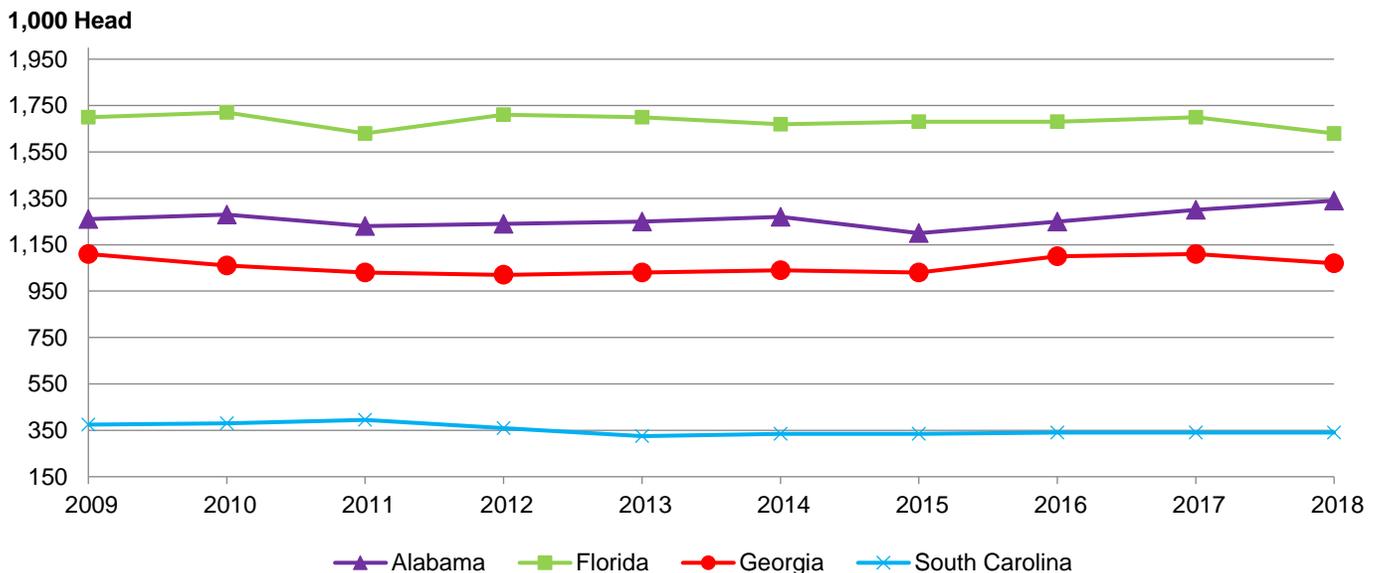
All cattle and calves in the United States, as of January 1, 2018, totaled 94.4 million head, 1 percent above the 93.7 million head on January 1, 2017. All cows and heifers that have calved, at 41.1 million head, were 1 percent above the 40.6 million head on January 1, 2017. Beef cows, at 31.7 million head, were up 2 percent from a year ago. Milk cows, at 9.40 million head, were up 1 percent from the previous year. Alabama all cattle and calves totaled 1.34 million head, an increase of 3 percent from January 1, 2017. Florida inventory, down 4 percent from last year, totaled 1.63 million head. All cattle and calves in Georgia totaled 1.07 million, down 4 percent from the previous year. South Carolina inventory is unchanged from last year at 340,000 head.

Cattle and Calves — States and United States: January 1, 2017 and 2018

State	Cattle and calves		
	2017	2018	Percent of previous year
	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(percent)
Alabama	1,300.0	1,340.0	103
Florida	1,700.0	1,630.0	96
Georgia.....	1,110.0	1,070.0	96
South Carolina.....	340.0	340.0	100
United States	93,704.6	94,399.0	101

Source: USDA National Agricultural Statistics Service - *Cattle*, January 2018

Southern Region All Cattle Inventory: 2009 - 2018



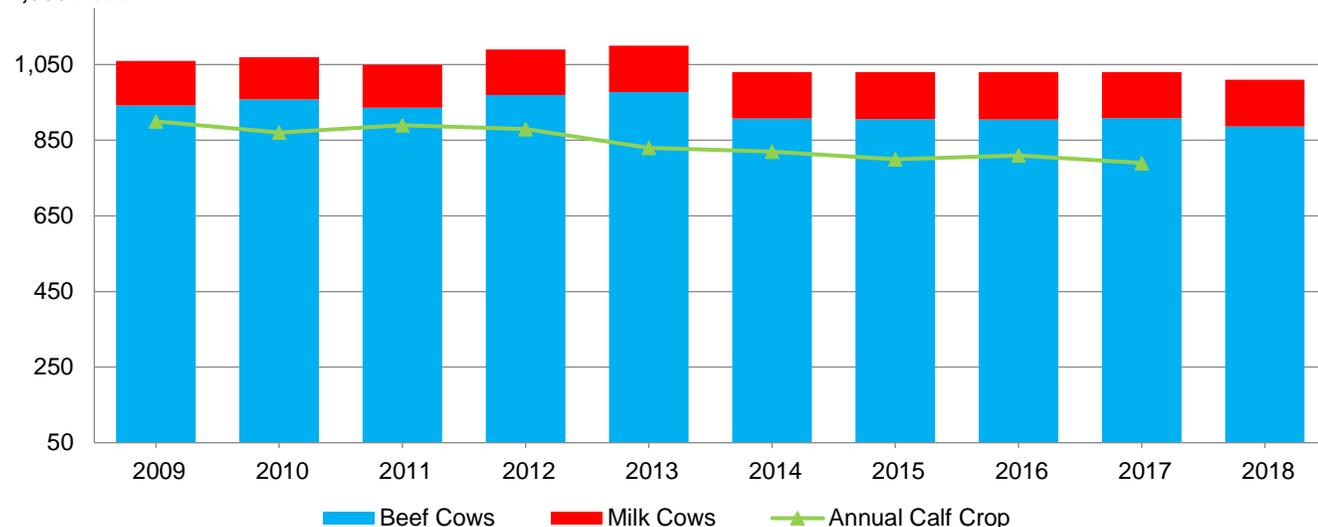
All Cows by Type — States and United States: January 1, 2017 and 2018

State	All cows			Beef cows			Milk cows		
	2017	2018	Percent of previous year	2017	2018	Percent of previous year	2017	2018	Percent of previous year
	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(percent)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(percent)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(percent)
Alabama.....	700.0	720.0	103	693.0	714.0	103	7.0	6.0	86
Florida.....	1,030.0	1,010.0	98	908.0	886.0	98	122.0	124.0	102
Georgia.....	580.0	570.0	98	497.0	485.0	98	83.0	85.0	102
South Carolina ...	185.0	189.0	102	170.0	174.0	102	15.0	15.0	100
United States	40,559.2	41,122.6	101	31,213.2	31,723.0	102	9,346.0	9,399.6	101

Source: USDA National Agricultural Statistics Service - *Cattle*, January 2018

Florida Cow Inventory and Calf Crop

1,000 Head



Heifers 500 Pounds and Over by Type — States and United States: January 1, 2017 and 2018

State	Beef replacements			Milk replacements			Other heifers		
	2017	2018	Percent of previous year	2017	2018	Percent of previous year	2017	2018	Percent of previous year
	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(percent)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(percent)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(percent)
Alabama.....	120.0	125.0	104	4.0	3.0	75	36.0	37.0	103
Florida.....	125.0	115.0	92	35.0	40.0	114	30.0	30.0	100
Georgia.....	110.0	95.0	86	30.0	25.0	83	50.0	35.0	70
South Carolina ...	33.0	28.0	85	7.0	6.0	86	10.0	9.0	90
United States	6,368.2	6,131.2	96	4,754.0	4,781.3	101	9,009.8	9,332.3	104

Source: USDA National Agricultural Statistics Service - *Cattle*, January 2018

Steers, Bulls, and Calves — States and United States: January 1, 2017 and 2018

State	Steers 500 pounds and over			Bull 500 pounds and over			Calves under 500 pounds		
	2017	2018	Percent of previous year	2017	2018	Percent of previous year	2017	2018	Percent of previous year
	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(percent)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(percent)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(percent)
Alabama.....	50.0	40.0	80	50.0	50.0	100	340.0	365.0	107
Florida.....	30.0	20.0	67	60.0	55.0	92	390.0	360.0	92
Georgia.....	37.0	35.0	95	33.0	35.0	106	270.0	275.0	102
South Carolina ...	8.0	10.0	125	15.0	16.0	107	82.0	82.0	100
United States	16,383.5	16,352.2	100	2,243.6	2,252.2	100	14,386.3	14,427.2	100

Source: USDA National Agricultural Statistics Service - *Cattle*, January 2018