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All cattle and calves in the United States as of January 1, 2014 totaled 87.7 million head, 2 percent below the 89.3 million on January 1, 2013. This is the lowest January 1 inventory of all cattle and calves since the 82.1 million on hand in 1951. All cows and heifers that have calved, at 38.3 million, were down 1 percent from the 38.5 million on January 1, 2013. This is the lowest January 1 inventory of all cows and heifers that have calved since the 36.8 million head in 1941.

Milk production in the United States during the October - December quarter totaled 49.3 billion pounds, up 0.4 percent from the October - December quarter last year. The average number of milk cows in the United States during the quarter was 9.21 million head, 3,000 head more than the same period last year.

All goat inventory in the United States on January 1, 2014, totaled 2.76 million head, down 2 percent from 2013. Breeding goat inventory totaled 2.26 million head, down 3 percent from 2013. Does one year old and older, at 1.69 million head, were 3 percent below last year's number. Market goats and kids totaled 500 thousand head, up 2 percent from a year ago.

Cattle and Calves - States and United States: January 1, 2013 and 2014

State	Cattle and calves		
	2013 (1,000 head)	2014 (1,000 head)	Percent of previous year (percent)
Alabama	1,220.0	1,240.0	102
Florida	1,660.0	1,620.0	98
Georgia	1,020.0	1,000.0	98
South Carolina.....	355.0	360.0	101
United States.....	89,299.6	87,730.0	98

Source: USDA National Agricultural Statistics Service - *Cattle*, January 2014

Milk Cows and Production - States and United States: Preliminary October - December 2012 and 2013

State	Milk cows ¹			Milk production ²		
	2012 (1,000 head)	2013 (1,000 head)	Percent of previous year (percent)	2012 (million pounds)	2013 (million pounds)	Percent of previous year (percent)
Alabama	9.0	9.0	100	29.0	28.0	97
Florida	122.0	123.0	101	531.0	557.0	105
Georgia	80.0	80.0	100	359.0	368.0	103
South Carolina.....	15.5	15.5	100	65.0	64.0	99
United States.....	9,203.0	9,206.0	100	49,096.0	49,303.0	100

¹ Excludes dry cow. Excludes heifers not yet fresh.

² Excludes milk sucked by calves.

Source: USDA National Agricultural Statistics Service - *Milk Production*, January 2014

All Cows by Type - States and United States: January 1, 2013 and 2014

State	All cows			Beef cows			Milk cows		
	2013	2014	Percent of previous year	2013	2014	Percent of previous year	2013	2014	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	660.0	680.0	103	651.0	671.0	103	9.0	9.0	100
Florida	1,030.0	1,000.0	97	908.0	877.0	97	122.0	123.0	101
Georgia	570.0	560.0	98	490.0	480.0	98	80.0	80.0	100
South Carolina	190.0	190.0	100	174.0	174.0	100	16.0	16.0	100
United States	38,515.2	38,251.0	99	29,297.3	29,042.4	99	9,217.9	9,208.6	100

Source: USDA National Agricultural Statistics Service - *Cattle*, January 2014

Heifers 500 Pounds and Over by Type - States and United States: January 1, 2013 and 2014

State	Beef replacements			Milk replacement			Other heifers		
	2013	2014	Percent of previous year	2013	2014	Percent of previous year	2013	2014	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	105.0	105.0	100	4.0	4.0	100	31.0	31.0	100
Florida	115.0	110.0	96	35.0	35.0	100	25.0	25.0	100
Georgia	74.0	76.0	103	28.0	25.0	89	28.0	29.0	104
South Carolina	35.0	37.0	106	7.0	6.0	86	12.0	13.0	108
United States...	5,380.6	5,470.8	102	4,550.7	4,539.2	100	9,202.6	8,741.4	95

Source: USDA National Agricultural Statistics Service - *Cattle*, January 2014

Steers, Bulls, and Calves - States and United States: January 1, 2013 and 2014

State	Steers 500 pounds and over			Bull 500 pounds and over			Calves under 500 pounds		
	2013	2014	Percent of previous year	2013	2014	Percent of previous year	2013	2014	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	55.0	110	50.0	50.0	100	320.0	315.0	98
Florida	20.0	25.0	125	55.0	60.0	109	380.0	365.0	96
Georgia	39.0	34.0	87	26.0	26.0	100	255.0	250.0	98
South Carolina	10.0	11.0	110	15.0	15.0	100	86.0	88.0	102
United States	15,812.7	15,414.9	98	2,055.8	2,034.8	99	13,782.0	13,277.9	96

Source: USDA National Agricultural Statistics Service - *Cattle*, January 2014

Goat Inventory by Type - States and United States: January 1, 2013 and 2014

State	Milk goats			Meat and other goats		
	2013	2014	Percent of previous year	2013	2014	Percent of previous year
	(head)	(head)	(percent)	(head)	(head)	(percent)
Alabama	3,500	3,500	100	42,000	49,000	117
Florida	6,100	6,200	102	54,000	52,000	96
Georgia	3,500	4,000	114	64,200	57,500	90
South Carolina...	3,100	3,100	100	43,000	41,000	95
United States	360,000	355,000	99	2,315,000	2,275,000	98

Source: USDA National Agricultural Statistics Service - *Sheep and Goats*, January 2014