



# News Release

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## **SOUTH DAKOTA JANUARY 1 CATTLE INVENTORY UNCHANGED**

SIoux FALLS, SD, January 30, 2015 – **All cattle and calves** in South Dakota as of January 1, 2015 totaled 3.70 million head, unchanged from January 1, 2014, according to the USDA’s National Agricultural Statistics Service.

**All cows and heifers that had calved** totaled 1.73 million head, unchanged from last year.

**Beef cows** totaled 1.63 million head, down slightly from last year.

**Milk cows** totaled 98,000 head, up 3 percent from January 1, 2014.

**All heifers 500 pounds and over** totaled 940,000 head, up 7 percent from last year.

**Steers** weighing 500 pounds and over totaled 680,000 head, down 1 percent from last year.

**Bulls** weighing 500 pounds and over totaled 100,000 head, up 5 percent from last year.

**Calves** under 500 pounds totaled 250,000 head, down 18 percent from January 1, 2014.

**All cattle on feed** fed for slaughter in South Dakota feedlots totaled 410,000 head, up 3 percent from the previous year.

The **2014 calf crop** totaled 1.62 million head, down 4 percent from 2013.

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