

Livestock Summary

Cattle Inventory Up 2 Percent

The inventory of all cattle and calves on hand January 1, 2006, was 97.1 million head, up 2 percent from the previous year. All inventory classes increased from a year earlier. Beef and milk replacement heifers posted the largest increase, up 4 percent from the previous year. The 2005 calf crop of 37.8 million head was up 1 percent from a year earlier. The number of operations with cattle during 2005 was 982,510, down 1 percent from 2004.

On January 1, 2006, the inventory of cattle on feed in the U.S. totaled 14.1 million head, up 3 percent from the previous year. For feedlots with a capacity of 1,000 or more head, inventories increased 4 percent over last year. With an inventory of 11.8 million head, these feedlots account for 84 percent of the U.S. total. Fed cattle marketings from these feedlots totaled 22.2 million head.

Commercial beef production for 2005 totaled 24.7 billion pounds, up 1 percent from the previous year.

Milk Production Up 3.5 Percent

U.S. milk production increased 3.5 percent to 177 billion pounds in 2005. Milk cow numbers were up fractionally, while production per cow increased 3 percent from a year ago. The number of operations with milk cows during 2005 fell to 78,295, down 4 percent from a year earlier. The number of operations with fewer than 500 head declined, while those with 500 or more head increased. Operations with 500 or more head continued to increase their share of production.

Hog Inventory Up Slightly

The inventory of all hogs and pigs on December 1, 2005 was 61.3 million head, up 1 percent from the previous year. The inventory of breeding animals was up 1 percent from 2004. Sows farrowed was unchanged from the previous year and the pig crop during 2005 was up 1 percent from 2004. The average pigs saved per litter increased 1 percent during 2005 to 9.01 compared with 8.94 a year earlier. The number of operations with hogs has fallen steadily since 1980, and was down to 67,330 operations in 2005. The share of inventory held by larger operations remained steady; in 2005 the 7,598 operations with 2,000 or more hogs held 79 percent of the inventory, compared to 7,443 operations with 79 percent of the inventory a year earlier. Commercial pork production totaled 20.7 billion pounds in 2005, up 1 percent from the previous year. The number of head slaughtered was up slightly from 2004 while the average dressed weight per animal was up two pounds.

Sheep Inventory Up 2 Percent

The inventory of all sheep and lambs on hand January 1, 2006, was 6.23 million head, up 2 percent from the previous year. Breeding inventory was up 2 percent overall. Rams one year old and older were up 3 percent, ewes one year old and older were up 2 percent and replacement lambs were up 2 percent. Market sheep and lambs totaled 1.59 million head on January 1, 2006, down 1 percent from the previous year.

The 2005 lamb crop at 4.13 million head, was up 1 percent from 2004. The 2005 lambing rate was 115 lambs per 100 ewes, up 2 percent from 2004. Shorn wool production in the US totaled 37.2 million pounds in 2005, down 1 percent from 2004. The number of sheep and lambs shorn in 2005 was 5.07 million head, slightly below the previous year.

December 1 Chicken Inventory Down Slightly

The number of chickens on December 1, 2005 (excluding commercial broilers) was 453 million, down slightly from last year. Layers, at 348 million, were up 1 percent from the previous year. The 96.6 million pullets were down 5 percent from the 101 million on hand December 1, 2004. All chickens were valued at \$1.13 billion on December 1, 2005, up 1 percent from a year earlier. Average value increased from \$2.48 per bird on December 1, 2004, to \$2.50 per bird on December 1, 2005.

Egg production during the year ending November 30, 2005 totaled a record high 90.0 billion eggs, up 1 percent from the 89.1 billion eggs in 2004. Layer numbers during 2005 averaged 344 million, up slightly from the year earlier. The annual average production per layer on hand in 2005 was 262 eggs, up slightly from the 2004 average of 261.

Poultry Production

The combined value of production from broilers, eggs, and turkeys plus the value of sales from other chickens in 2005 was \$28.2 billion, down 2 percent from the \$28.9 billion in 2004. Of the combined total, 74 percent was from broilers, 14 percent from eggs, 11 percent from turkeys, and less than 1 percent from other chickens.

The value of broilers produced during 2005 was \$20.9 billion, up 2 percent from 2004. The number of broilers produced was 8.87 billion in 2005, up 1 percent from 2004. The total live weight of broilers produced in 2005 was 47.9 billion pounds, up 5 percent from 2004. The 2005 average price per pound on a live weight equivalent basis was 43.6 cents per pound, compared with 44.6 cents in 2004.

The value of turkeys produced during 2005 was \$3.23 billion, up 6 percent from \$3.05 billion the previous year. Turkey production in 2005 totaled 7.21 billion pounds live weight, down 1 percent compared with 7.28 billion pounds in 2004. The average price received by producers during 2005 was 44.9 cents per pound, compared with 42.0 cents in 2004.

Trout and Catfish Sales Increase

The total value of all sales, both fish and eggs, received by trout growers in the 20 selected States totaled 74.2 million dollars during 2005, an increase of 4 percent from the 71.0 million dollars received in 2004. Growers in the 20 selected states sold a total of 59.7 million pounds of trout measuring 12 inches or longer in 2005, up 4 percent from the previous year.

Catfish growers in the 11 selected states had sales of 482 million dollars during 2005, up slightly from the 2004 total of 480 million dollars. Sales of foodsize fish totaled 450 million dollars, down slightly from the previous year. Sales of stockers totaled 5.99 million dollars, down 4 percent from 2004. Catfish water acres decreased 2 percent from January 1, 2005 to 170 thousand acres on January 1, 2006.

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U.S. Agricultural Exports

Year	Livestock (calendar year)			
	Red Meat		Poultry	
	Beef	Pork	Broilers	Turkeys
	<i>million pounds</i>	<i>million pounds</i>	<i>million pounds</i>	<i>million pounds</i>
2002	2,447	1,611	4,807	439
2003	2,519	1,717	4,920	484
2004	460	2,181	4,784	442
2005	644	2,658	5,211	580
2006 ¹	975	2,755	5,405	600

¹ Forecast. World Agricultural Outlook Board (202) 720-9805.

Meat Consumption

Year	Consumption per Capita, Retail Weight Basis						
	Broilers	Beef	Pork	Turkeys	Veal	Lamb and Mutton	Total ¹
	<i>pounds</i>	<i>pounds</i>	<i>pounds</i>	<i>pounds</i>	<i>pounds</i>	<i>pounds</i>	<i>pounds</i>
2001	76.7	66.3	50.3	17.5	0.6	1.1	213.7
2002	80.6	67.7	51.5	17.7	0.6	1.2	220.8
2003	81.6	64.9	51.8	17.4	0.6	1.1	218.9
2004	84.3	66.1	51.3	17.0	0.5	1.1	221.3
2005	85.6	65.4	49.8	16.7	0.5	1.1	220.4

¹ Total includes other chicken. World Agricultural Outlook Board (202) 720-9805.

Cattle and Calves: January 1 Inventory and Calf Crop ¹

Year	Total Cattle	Cows			Bulls	Heifers			Steers 500+ lbs.	Calves <500 lbs.	Calf Crop
		Total	Beef	Milk		Beef	Milk	Other			
	<i>thousand head</i>	<i>thousand head</i>	<i>thousand head</i>	<i>thousand head</i>	<i>thousand head</i>	<i>thousand head</i>	<i>thousand head</i>	<i>thousand head</i>	<i>thousand head</i>	<i>thousand head</i>	<i>thousand head</i>
2002	96,723	42,239	33,134	9,106	2,244	5,571	4,055	10,057	16,804	15,753	38,300
2003	96,100	42,125	32,983	9,142	2,248	5,624	4,114	9,891	16,554	15,545	38,224
2004	94,888	41,851	32,861	8,990	2,206	5,518	4,020	9,806	16,277	15,210	37,903
2005	95,438	41,920	32,915	9,005	2,219	5,691	4,118	9,763	16,476	15,250	37,505
2006	97,102	42,311	33,253	9,058	2,263	5,905	4,278	9,795	16,923	15,626	37,780

¹ Numbers may not add due to rounding. NASS, Livestock Branch, (202) 720-3570.

Cattle and Calves: Marketings, Price, and Cash Receipts

Year	Marketings ¹		Average Price		Cash Receipts ²
	Cattle	Calves	Cattle	Calves	
	<i>thousand head</i>	<i>thousand head</i>	<i>dollars/cwt</i>	<i>dollars/cwt</i>	<i>million dollars</i>
2001	47,102	9,183	71.30	106.00	40,541
2002	46,804	9,296	66.50	96.40	38,095
2003	47,686	9,613	79.70	102.00	45,092
2004	45,049	9,116	85.80	119.00	47,507
2005	43,798	8,918	89.70	135.00	49,209

¹ Includes custom slaughter for use on farm where produced and state outshipments but excludes interfarm sales within the state. ² Receipts from marketings and sale of farm slaughter. NASS, Livestock Branch, (202) 720-3570.

Cattle and Calves: Top 10 States

State Rank	January 1, 2006 Inventory		2005 Cash Receipts ¹	
	State	Head	State	Dollars
		<i>thousand</i>		<i>million</i>
1	Texas	14,100	Texas	7,580
2	Kansas	6,650	Nebraska	6,458
3	Nebraska	6,550	Kansas	6,089
4	California	5,500	Colorado	3,138
5	Oklahoma	5,450	Oklahoma	2,697
6	Missouri	4,550	Iowa	2,425
7	Iowa	3,800	South Dakota	1,845
8	South Dakota	3,750	California	1,740
9	Wisconsin	3,400	Missouri	1,195
10	Colorado	2,650	Montana	1,105

¹ Receipts from marketings and sale of farm slaughter. NASS, Livestock Branch, (202) 720-3570.

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Cattle and Calves: Operations and Inventory by Size Group

Year	Total	Number and Percent by Size Group (head) ¹				
		1-49	50-99	100-499	500-999	1,000+
Number of Operations ²		<i>number</i>	<i>number</i>	<i>number</i>	<i>number</i>	<i>number</i>
2001	1,049,170	653,950	178,870	187,890	18,665	9,795
2002	1,036,430	647,450	174,990	185,840	18,315	9,835
2003	1,013,570	633,200	170,370	182,240	17,970	9,790
2004	989,460	618,750	163,750	178,530	18,445	9,985
2005	982,510	612,100	163,780	177,510	18,870	10,250
Cattle & Calves Inventory ³		<i>percent</i>	<i>percent</i>	<i>percent</i>	<i>percent</i>	<i>percent</i>
2001	97,298	11.5	12.4	36.2	12.4	27.5
2002	96,723	11.7	12.1	36.0	12.4	27.8
2003	96,100	11.8	12.0	35.9	12.3	28.0
2004	94,888	11.3	11.6	35.4	12.7	29.0
2005	95,438	11.0	11.6	35.0	12.9	29.5

¹ Percent reflect average distributions of various probability surveys conducted during the year. ² An operation is any place with at least one head at any time during the year. ³ January 1 Inventory. NASS, Livestock Branch, (202) 720-3570.

Cattle and Calves: Commercial Slaughter

Year	Slaughter ¹		Average Live Weight		Average Dressed Weight ²		Meat Production	
	Cattle	Calves	Cattle	Calves	Cattle	Calves	Beef	Veal
	<i>thousand head</i>	<i>thousand head</i>	<i>pounds</i>	<i>pounds</i>	<i>pounds</i>	<i>pounds</i>	<i>million pounds</i>	<i>million pounds</i>
2001	36,583	1,768	1,169	343	702	211	26,213	204
2002	35,735	1,045	1,251	326	765	190	27,193	205
2003	35,493	1,001	1,231	318	746	194	26,349	201
2004	32,728	879	1,240	330	756	201	24,649	176
2005	32,388	770	1,256	353	769	216	24,784	165

¹ Excludes farm slaughter. ² Federally inspected slaughter. NASS, Livestock Branch, (202) 720-3570.

Cattle on Feed: Inventory and Marketings by State

State ¹	Jan 1, 2006 Inventory ²	2005 Marketings	State ¹	Jan 1, 2006 Inventory ²	2005 Marketings
	<i>thousand head</i>	<i>thousand head</i>		<i>thousand head</i>	<i>thousand head</i>
Arizona	334	345	South Dakota	205	403
California	550	707	Texas	2,920	5,755
Colorado	1,080	1,985	Washington	152	377
Idaho	275	616			
Iowa	510	780			
Kansas	2,500	5,280	All Other		
Nebraska	2,430	4,420	States	335	564
New Mexico	143	213			
Oklahoma	370	727	Total U.S.	11,804	22,172

¹ 1000+ capacity feedlots. ² Cattle and calves on feed are animals for slaughter market being fed a ration of grain or concentrates and are expected to produce a carcass that will grade select or better. NASS, Livestock Branch, (202) 720-3570.

Cattle on Feed: Feedlots, Inventory, and Marketings, United States

	Counts by Size Group (head)					
	1,000- 1,999	2,000- 3,999	4,000- 7,999	8,000- 15,999	16,000- 31,999	32,000+
Number of Feedlots ¹	855	547	350	184	137	126
January 1, 2006 Inventory ²	<i>thousand head</i> 506	<i>thousand head</i> 777	<i>thousand head</i> 1,009	<i>thousand head</i> 1,363	<i>thousand head</i> 2,438	<i>thousand head</i> 5,711
Marketings ³	811	1,307	1,780	2,609	4,574	11,091

¹ Number of lots operating at any time during 2005. ² Cattle and calves on feed are animals for slaughter market being fed a ration of grain or concentrates and are expected to produce a carcass that will grade select or better.

³ Marketed during calendar year 2005. NASS, Livestock Branch, (202) 720-3570.

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Beef Cows: Operations and Inventory by Size Group

Year	Total	Number and Percent by Size Group ¹			
		1- 49	50 - 99	100 - 499	500+
		<i>head</i>	<i>head</i>	<i>head</i>	<i>head</i>
Number of Operations ²					
2001	814,520	639,150	98,890	70,890	5,590
2002	808,110	633,660	98,330	70,705	5,415
2003	792,050	620,050	96,255	70,425	5,320
2004	774,930	601,950	95,650	72,020	5,310
2005	770,170	596,950	95,040	72,785	5,395
		<i>percent</i>	<i>percent</i>	<i>percent</i>	<i>percent</i>
Beef Cow Inventory ³					
2001	33,398	29.0	19.1	37.0	14.9
2002	33,134	29.0	19.2	37.3	14.5
2003	32,983	29.1	19.0	37.5	14.4
2004	32,861	28.1	19.1	38.3	14.5
2005	32,915	27.9	19.0	38.5	14.6

¹ Percent reflect average distributions of various probability surveys conducted during the year. ² An operation is any place with at least one head of beef cows at any time during the year. Included in operations with cattle. ³ January 1 Inventory. NASS, Livestock Branch, (202) 720-3570.

Milk Cows: Operations and Inventory by Size Group

Year	Total	Operations and Percent by Size Group ¹					
		1-29	30-49	50-99	100-199	200-499	500+
		<i>head</i>	<i>head</i>	<i>head</i>	<i>head</i>	<i>head</i>	<i>head</i>
Number of Operation ²							
2001	97,460	28,320	19,910	29,005	12,255	5,175	2,795
2002	91,240	26,355	18,035	27,395	11,555	4,990	2,910
2003	86,360	25,045	16,805	25,800	10,980	4,765	2,965
2004	81,520	23,810	15,500	24,055	10,445	4,700	3,010
2005	78,295	22,490	14,885	23,135	10,055	4,660	3,070
		<i>percent</i>	<i>percent</i>	<i>percent</i>	<i>percent</i>	<i>percent</i>	<i>percent</i>
Milk Cow Inventory ³							
2001	9,172	2.7	8.0	20.8	17.2	16.3	35.0
2002	9,106	2.4	7.4	19.6	16.4	15.9	38.3
2003	9,142	2.3	6.9	18.8	15.7	15.4	40.9
2004	8,990	2.1	6.6	17.8	15.1	15.5	42.9
2005	9,005	2.0	6.4	17.1	14.6	15.4	44.5

¹ Percent reflect average distributions of various probability surveys conducted during the year. ² An operation is any place with at least one head at any time during the year. ³ Average number during year, excluding heifers not yet fresh. NASS, Livestock Branch, (202) 720-3570.

Milk Cows: Inventory, Production, Price, and Value of Production

Year	Milk Cow Inventory ¹	Milk Production ²		Average Price	Value of Production ³
		Per Cow	Total		
	<i>thousand head</i>	<i>pounds</i>	<i>million pounds</i>	<i>dollars/cwt</i>	<i>million dollars</i>
2001	9,103	18,162	165,332	15.04	24,869
2002	9,139	18,608	170,063	12.18	20,720
2003	9,083	18,760	170,394	12.55	21,381
2004	9,012	18,967	170,934	16.13	27,568
2005	9,041	19,576	176,989	15.20	26,904

¹ Average number during year, excluding heifers not yet fresh. ² Excludes milk sucked by calves. ³ Includes value of milk fed to calves. NASS, Livestock Branch, (202) 720-3570.

Hogs and Pigs: December 1 Inventory and Pig Crop

Year	Total	Breeding	Market	Sows Farrowed ¹	Pigs per Litter ¹	Pig Crop ¹
	<i>thousand head</i>	<i>thousand head</i>	<i>thousand head</i>	<i>thousand head</i>		<i>thousand head</i>
2001	59,722	6,201	53,521	11,385	8.84	100,617
2002	59,554	6,058	53,496	11,492	8.85	101,678
2003	60,444	6,009	54,434	11,429	8.88	101,490
2004	60,975	5,969	55,005	11,498	8.94	102,780
2005	61,327	6,011	55,316	11,523	9.01	103,858

¹ December of preceding year through November. Record Inventory: 83.7 million head December 1, 1944. NASS, Livestock Branch, (202) 720-3570.

Hogs and Pigs: Marketings, Price, and Cash Receipts

Year	Marketings ¹	Average Price	Cash Receipts ²
	<i>thousand head</i>	<i>dollars/cwt</i>	<i>million dollars</i>
2001	119,272	44.40	12,395
2002	124,013	33.40	9,602
2003	124,383	37.20	10,656
2004	127,563	49.30	14,333
2005	129,056	50.20	15,037

¹ Includes custom slaughter for use on farms where produced and state outshipments but excludes interfarm sales within the state. ² Receipts from marketings and sale of farm slaughter, includes allowance for higher average price of state inshipments and outshipments of feeder pigs. NASS, Livestock Branch, (202) 720-3570.

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Hogs and Pigs: Commercial Slaughter

Year	Slaughter ¹	Average Live Weight	Average Dressed Weight ²	Pork Production
	<i>thousand head</i>	<i>pounds</i>	<i>pounds</i>	<i>million pounds</i>
2001	97,962	264	197	19,161
2002	100,263	265	197	19,685
2003	100,931	266	199	19,967
2004	103,463	267	199	20,531
2005	103,582	269	201	20,706

¹ Excludes farm slaughter. ² Federally inspected only. NASS, Livestock Branch, (202) 720-3570.

Hogs and Pigs: Operations and Inventory

Year	Total	Number and Percent by Size of Operation (head) ¹					
		1-99	100-499	500-999	1,000-1,999	2,000-4,999	5,000+
		<i>number</i>	<i>number</i>	<i>number</i>	<i>number</i>	<i>number</i>	<i>number</i>
Number of Operations ²							
2001	81,220	47,790	14,260	6,711	5,315	4,944	2,200
2002	76,250	45,640	12,261	6,234	5,031	4,811	2,273
2003	73,720	44,490	11,530	5,687	4,877	4,871	2,265
2004	69,500	42,095	10,358	5,155	4,449	5,137	2,306
2005	67,330	40,614	10,116	4,743	4,259	5,237	2,361
		<i>percent</i>	<i>percent</i>	<i>percent</i>	<i>percent</i>	<i>percent</i>	<i>percent</i>
Hogs and Pigs Inventory ^{2,3}							
2001	59,722	1.0	5.5	7.5	12.0	23.0	51.0
2002	59,554	1.0	5.0	6.5	12.0	22.5	53.0
2003	60,444	1.0	4.5	6.5	11.0	24.0	53.0
2004	60,975	1.0	4.0	6.0	10.0	26.0	53.0
2005	61,327	1.0	4.0	6.0	10.0	26.0	53.0

¹ Percent average distributions of various probability surveys conducted during the year. ² December 1 Inventory. ³ An operation is any place having one or more hog or pig at any time during the year. NASS, Livestock Branch, (202) 720-3570.

Hogs and Pigs: Pigs per Litter

Year and Quarter	All Operations	Number of Pigs per Litter by Size of Operation					
		1-99	100-499	500-999	1,000-1,999	2,000-4,999	5,000+
		<i>head</i>	<i>head</i>	<i>head</i>	<i>head</i>	<i>head</i>	<i>head</i>
2001 Dec-Feb	8.72	7.50	7.80	8.10	8.50	8.60	8.90
Mar-May	8.89	7.60	8.20	8.40	8.60	8.90	9.00
Jun-Aug	8.89	7.40	7.90	8.20	8.70	8.90	9.00
Sep-Nov	8.85	7.50	8.10	8.20	8.70	8.90	9.00
2002 Dec-Feb	8.77	7.30	7.80	8.30	8.60	8.70	8.90
Mar-May	8.84	7.70	8.10	8.40	8.70	8.80	8.90
Jun-Aug	8.92	7.70	7.80	8.40	8.80	8.80	9.00
Sep-Nov	8.86	7.50	8.20	8.50	8.60	8.80	9.00
2003 Dec-Feb	8.81	7.60	8.00	8.20	8.70	8.80	8.90
Mar-May	8.88	7.60	8.00	8.40	8.70	8.70	9.00
Jun-Aug	8.90	7.60	8.00	8.40	8.60	8.70	9.00
Sep-Nov	8.93	7.40	7.80	8.30	8.60	8.70	9.10
2004 Dec-Feb	8.85	7.60	7.90	8.20	8.60	8.70	9.00
Mar-May	8.93	7.70	7.90	8.30	8.70	8.90	9.00
Jun-Aug	9.01	7.50	7.80	8.30	8.80	8.90	9.10
Sep-Nov	8.96	7.50	7.70	8.20	8.80	8.90	9.10
2005 Dec-Feb	8.94	7.50	7.80	8.30	8.80	8.90	9.00
Mar-May	9.02	7.50	7.90	8.30	8.80	9.00	9.10
Jun-Aug	9.06	7.60	7.90	8.70	8.80	9.00	9.10
Sep-Nov	9.03	7.50	8.00	8.50	8.70	9.00	9.10

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Sheep and Lambs: January 1 Inventory and Lamb Crop

Year	Total	Ewes 1+ Years	Rams 1+ Years	Replace- ment Lambs	Market Lambs	Market Sheep	Lamb Crop ¹
	<i>thousand head</i>	<i>thousand head</i>	<i>thousand head</i>	<i>thousand head</i>	<i>thousand head</i>	<i>thousand head</i>	<i>thousand head</i>
2002	6,623	3,939	201	732	1,679	73	4,355
2003	6,321	3,773	194	703	1,583	68	4,140
2004	6,105	3,610	188	702	1,540	66	4,096
2005	6,135	3,573	190	771	1,528	74	4,125
2006	6,230	3,657	196	786	1,515	76	

¹ Lamb crop is defined as lambs born in the Native States and lambs docked or branded in the Western States. Record Inventory: 56.2 million head on January 1, 1867. NASS, Livestock Branch, (202) 720-3570.

Sheep and Lambs: Marketings, Price, and Cash Receipts

Year	Marketings ¹		Average Price		Cash Receipts ²
	Sheep	Lambs	Sheep	Lambs	
	<i>thousand head</i>	<i>thousand head</i>	<i>dollars/cwt</i>	<i>dollars/cwt</i>	<i>million dollars</i>
2000	811	4,875	34.30	79.80	476
2001	740	4,838	34.60	66.90	403
2002	855	4,794	28.20	74.10	429
2003	828	4,387	34.90	94.40	508
2004	695	4,201	38.80	101.00	521

¹ Includes custom slaughter for use on farm where produced and State outshipments but excludes interfarm sales within the State. ² Receipts from marketings and sale of farm slaughter. NASS, Livestock Branch, (202) 720-3570.

Sheep and Lambs: Commercial Slaughter

Year	Slaughter ¹	Average Live Weight	Average Dressed Weight ²	Lamb and Mutton Production
	<i>thousand head</i>	<i>pounds</i>	<i>thousand pounds</i>	<i>million pounds</i>
2001	3,222	140	70	228
2002	3,286	133	68	222
2003	2,979	134	68	203
2004	2,839	136	69	199
2005	2,698	138	70	191

¹ Excludes farm slaughter. ² Federally inspected only. NASS, Livestock Branch, (202) 720-3570.

Sheep and Lambs: Wool Production and Value

Year	Sheep Shorn	Weight per Fleece	Shorn Wool Production	Average Price	Value of Production
	<i>thousand head</i>	<i>pounds</i>	<i>thousand pounds</i>	<i>dollars/pounds</i>	<i>thousand dollars</i>
2001	5,596	7.5	42,156	0.35	14,841
2002	5,462	7.5	41,078	0.53	21,689
2003	5,074	7.5	38,299	0.73	28,126
2004	5,073	7.4	37,622	0.80	29,921
2005	5,072	7.3	37,232	0.71	26,272

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Breeding Sheep: Survey Percent by Size Group ¹

Year	Total	Operations and Inventory Percents by Size Groups			
		1 - 99	100 - 499	500- 4,999	5,000+
Number of Operations ²		<i>percent ¹</i>	<i>percent ¹</i>	<i>percent ¹</i>	<i>percent ¹</i>
2002	68,150	91.1	7.3	1.5	0.1
2003	67,720	91.8	6.7	1.4	0.1
2004	67,580	92.2	6.3	1.4	0.1
2005	68,280	92.0	6.5	1.4	0.1
2006		90.8	7.6	1.5	0.1
Jan 1 Breeding Inventory		<i>percent</i>	<i>percent</i>	<i>percent</i>	<i>percent</i>
2002	4,871	30.1	23.5	32.4	14.0
2003	4,670	29.9	23.8	33.1	13.2
2004	4,499	31.7	22.0	33.0	13.3
2005	4,533	30.3	22.0	33.5	14.2
2006	4,639	28.7	24.0	33.8	13.5

¹ Percent distribution according to end-of-year surveys. ² An operation is any place with at least one head at any time during the year. NASS, Livestock Branch, (202) 720-3570.

Goats: Number by Type, January 1

Year	Angora	Milk	Meat	Total
	<i>head</i>	<i>head</i>	<i>head</i>	<i>head</i>
2005	280,000	285,000	2,150,000	2,715,000
2006	278,000	288,000	2,260,000	2,826,000

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Livestock

Honey: Number of Colonies, Yield, Production, Stocks, Price, and Value ¹

Year	Honey Producing Colonies	Yield per Colony	Production	Stocks Dec 15 ²	Average Price per Pound	Value of Production
	<i>thousand</i>	<i>pounds</i>	<i>thousand pounds</i>	<i>thousand pounds</i>	<i>cents</i>	<i>thousand dollars</i>
2001	2,550	73.0	186,051	64,901	71.5	132,989
2002	2,574	66.7	171,718	39,393	132.7	228,338
2003	2,599	69.9	181,727	40,785	138.7	253,106
2004	2,556	71.8	183,582	61,222	106.9	196,259
2005	2,410	72.5	174,643	62,406	90.4	157,795

¹ For producers with 5 or more colonies. ² Stocks held by producers. Does not include stocks under loan. NASS, Livestock Branch, (202) 720-3570.

Broilers: Production, Price, and Value

Year	Production ¹		Average Price ²	Value of Production
	Head	Pounds		
	<i>thousand</i>	<i>thousand</i>	<i>dollars/pound</i>	<i>thousand dollars</i>
2001	8,389,770	42,452,400	0.393	16,696,089
2002	8,591,080	44,058,700	0.305	13,437,345
2003	8,492,850	43,958,200	0.346	15,214,947
2004	8,740,650	45,796,250	0.446	20,446,086
2005	8,870,350	47,908,100	0.436	20,901,936

¹ Excludes states producing fewer than 500,000 broilers. ² Liveweight equivalent price. NASS, Livestock Branch, (202) 720-3570.

Layers: Egg Production, Price, and Value

Year ¹	Avg. Number of Layers	Eggs per Layer ²	Egg Production	Average Price ³	Value of Production
	<i>thousand</i>		<i>thousand</i>	<i>dollars/dozen</i>	<i>thousand dollars</i>
2001	336,330	256	86,093	0.622	4,460,701
2002	339,293	257	87,252	0.589	4,284,930
2003	338,393	259	87,473	0.732	5,333,014
2004	341,956	261	89,091	0.714	5,299,185
2005	343,501	262	89,960	0.539	4,042,282

¹ Estimates cover December 1 of previous year through November 30. ² Total egg production divided by average number of layers on hand. ³ Average of all eggs sold, including hatching eggs. NASS, Livestock Branch, (202) 720-3570.

Chickens: Inventory and Value ¹

Year (Dec 1)	Inventory Number				Average Price per Head	Inventory Value
	Layers	Pullets	Other Chickens	Total		
	<i>thousand head</i>	<i>thousand head</i>	<i>thousand head</i>	<i>thousand head</i>	<i>dollars</i>	<i>thousand dollars</i>
2001	340,317	95,656	8,126	444,099	2.41	1,069,335
2002	340,209	95,289	8,353	443,851	2.38	1,055,316
2003	340,979	100,346	8,439	449,764	2.48	1,116,273
2004	343,922	101,429	8,248	453,599	2.48	1,122,923
2005	347,917	96,610	8,289	452,816	2.50	1,133,558

¹ Excludes commercial broilers. NASS, Livestock Branch, (202) 720-3570.

Turkeys: Production, Price, and Value

Year	Production		Average Price ²	Value of Production
	Head ¹	Pounds		
	<i>thousand</i>	<i>thousand</i>	<i>dollars/pound</i>	<i>thousand dollars</i>
2001	272,660	7,173,111	0.390	2,796,821
2002	275,477	7,494,861	0.365	2,732,481
2003	274,048	7,487,293	0.361	2,699,673
2004	263,207	7,278,413	0.420	3,054,329
2005	256,270	7,206,560	0.449	3,232,576

¹ Based on turkeys placed September 1 of previous year through August 31 of year indicated. ² Liveweight equivalent price. NASS, Livestock Branch, (202) 720-3570.

Catfish and Trout: Operations, Catfish Water Acres, and Grower Sales

Year	Number of Operations		Catfish Water Acres Jan 1	Total Sales ¹	
	Catfish	Trout		Catfish	Trout
			<i>acres</i>	<i>thousand dollars</i>	<i>thousand dollars</i>
2002	1,236	606	196,760	411,413	69,935
2003	1,161	545	187,200	425,024	64,046
2004	1,147	592	177,790	480,175	71,045
2005	1,158	601	173,590	482,125	74,191
2006	1,035		170,370		

¹ Catfish total includes broodfish for breeding and previously used for breeding, and fingerlings and fry. Trout total includes fingerlings and eggs. NASS, Livestock Branch, (202) 720-3570.