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Arizona Cattle on Feed Up 12 Percent

On June 1, 2005, **Arizona** had 329,000 head of cattle on feed for the slaughter market, up 12 percent from a year ago. Placements last month totaled 32,000 head, 10 percent more than a year ago. During May, 29,000 head were marketed, 1,000 head less than the previous May.

On June 1, 2005, **California** had 515,000 head of cattle on feed for the slaughter market, a decrease of 5,000 head from June 1, 2004. May placements totaled 82,000 head, down 9,000 head from May 2004. May marketings totaled 62,000 head, a decrease of 1,000 head from last May.

Cattle and calves on feed for slaughter market in the **United States** for feedlots with capacity of 1,000 or more head totaled 10.77 million head on June 1, 2005. The inventory was 1 percent above June 1, 2004 and 2 percent above June 1, 2003.

Placements in feedlots during May totaled 2.22 million, 6 percent below 2004 and 4 percent below 2003. Net placements were 2.13 million. During May, placements of cattle and calves weighing less than 600 pounds were 435,000, 600-699 pounds were 390,000, 700-799 pounds were 663,000, and 800 pounds and greater were 735,000.

Marketings of fed cattle during May totaled 2.0 million, 1 percent below 2004 and 11 percent below 2003.

Other disappearance totaled 96,000 during May, 22 percent above 2004 and 48 percent above 2003.

Cattle on Feed: Number on Feed, Number Placed on Feed, Number Marketed, and Other Disappearance, 1,000+ Capacity Feedlots, by Month, State, and United States 2004-2005

State	Number on Feed 1/					Placements During May			Marketings During May			Other Disappearance During May 2/		
	Jun 1, 2004	May 1, 2005	Jun 1, 2005			2004	2005	2005 as % of 2004	2004	2005	2005 as % of 2004	2004	2005	2005 as % of 2004
			Number	as % of 2004	as % of Apr									
	1,000 Head		Percent			1,000 Head		Percent	1,000 Head		Percent	1,000 Head		Percent
AZ	294	328	329	112	100	29	32	110	28	29	104	2	2	100
CA	520	500	515	99	103	91	82	90	63	62	98	8	5	63
CO	1,010	970	970	96	100	270	165	61	185	150	81	15	15	100
ID	255	240	245	96	102	74	61	82	67	54	81	2	2	100
IA	400	455	435	109	96	50	55	110	63	73	116	2	2	100
KS	2,250	2,260	2,280	101	101	495	510	103	465	465	100	20	25	125
NE	2,010	2,190	2,050	102	94	390	360	92	470	480	102	10	20	200
NM	118	114	127	108	111	27	30	111	12	16	133	2	1	50
OK	330	305	325	98	107	92	86	93	70	64	91	2	2	100
SD	188	200	186	99	93	28	28	100	37	38	103	3	4	133
TX	2,810	2,630	2,890	103	110	740	750	101	480	480	100	10	10	100
WA	170	147	137	81	93	38	26	68	42	34	81	1	2	200
Other Sts	285	300	280	98	93	46	38	83	44	52	118	2	6	300
US	10,640	10,639	10,769	101	101	2,370	2,223	94	2,026	1,997	99	79	96	122

1/ Cattle and calves on feed are animals for slaughter market being fed a ration of grain or other concentrates and are expected to produce a carcass that will grade select or better.

2/ Includes death loss, movement from feedlots to pasture, and shipments to other feedlots for further feeding.

May Milk Production Up 4.4 Percent

Milk production in the 23 major States during May totaled 14.2 billion pounds, up 4.4 percent from May 2004. April revised production, at 13.6 billion pounds, was up 3.4 percent from April 2004. The April revision represented an increase of 0.3 percent or 35 million pounds from last month's preliminary production estimate.

Production per cow in the 23 major States averaged 1,754 pounds for May, 62 pounds above May 2004.

The number of milk cows on farms in the 23 major States was 8.12 million head, 54,000 head more than May 2004, and 9,000 head more than April 2005.

Milk Cows and Production: By State, May 2004-2005

State	Milk Cows 1/		Milk Per Cow 2/		Milk Production 2/		Change From 2004
	2004	2005	2004	2005	2004	2005	
	<i>1,000 Head</i>		<i>Pounds</i>		<i>Million Pounds</i>		<i>Percent</i>
AZ	155	163	2,095	2,090	325	341	4.9
CA	1,720	1,754	1,830	1,875	3,148	3,289	4.5
CO	102	104	1,830	1,950	187	203	8.6
FL	139	138	1,525	1,580	212	218	2.8
ID	417	445	1,850	1,920	771	854	10.8
IL	108	104	1,620	1,660	175	173	-1.1
IN	149	155	1,800	1,800	268	279	4.1
IA	195	186	1,760	1,820	343	339	-1.2
KS	114	112	1,710	1,815	195	203	4.1
KY	110	107	1,190	1,195	131	128	-2.3
MI	301	310	1,795	1,900	540	589	9.1
MN	460	455	1,555	1,610	715	733	2.5
MO	124	119	1,380	1,390	171	165	-3.5
NM	327	323	1,810	1,880	592	607	2.5
NY	655	646	1,580	1,665	1,035	1,076	4.0
OH	263	270	1,540	1,570	405	424	4.7
OR	120	121	1,665	1,680	200	203	1.5
PA	557	565	1,605	1,675	894	946	5.8
TX	317	320	1,720	1,830	545	586	7.5
VT	145	144	1,545	1,650	224	238	6.3
VA	105	105	1,455	1,550	153	163	6.5
WA	239	239	1,985	2,060	474	492	3.8
WI	1,242	1,233	1,560	1,615	1,938	1,991	2.7
23-State Total	8,064	8,118	1,692	1,754	13,641	14,240	4.4

1/ Includes dry cows, excludes heifers not yet fresh.

2/ Excludes milk sucked by calves.

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Red Meat Production Up From Previous Month and Year

Commercial red meat production for the United States totaled 3.71 billion pounds in May, up 3 percent from the 3.60 billion pounds produced in May 2004.

Beef production, at 2.07 billion pounds, was slightly above the previous year. Cattle slaughter totaled 2.79 million head, down 2 percent from May 2004. The average live weight was up 20 pounds from the previous year, at 1,224 pounds.

Veal production totaled 13.2 million pounds, 4 percent below May a year ago. Calf slaughter totaled 58,500 head, down 10 percent from May 2004. The average live weight was 22 pounds above last year, at 376 pounds.

Pork production totaled 1.61 billion pounds, up 7 percent from the previous year. Hog kill totaled 8.03 million head, 6 percent above May 2004. The average live weight was 4 pounds above the previous year, at 270 pounds.

Lamb and mutton production, at 14.8 million pounds, was up 14 percent from May 2004. Sheep slaughter totaled 208,000 head, 10 percent above last year. The average live weight was 143 pounds, up 5 pounds from May a year ago.

January to May 2005 commercial red meat production was 18.3 billion pounds, down slightly from 2004. Accumulated beef production was down 2 percent from last year, veal was down 10 percent, pork was up 1 percent from last year, and lamb and mutton production was down 4 percent.

Commercial Red Meat Production: Arizona and United States 1/

Class	May 2004	Apr 2005	May 2005	May 2005 as % of	
				May 2004	Apr 2005
<i>Million Pounds</i>			<i>Percent</i>		
Arizona 2/					
Total Red Meat	28.9	27.5	28.7	99	104
<i>Million Pounds</i>			<i>Percent</i>		
United States					
Beef	2,070	*1,889	2,075	100	110
Veal	13.7	13.0	13.2	96	102
Pork	1,500	1,704	1,611	107	95
Lamb and	13.1	15.5	14.8	114	95
Total Red Meat	3,597	*3,622	3,714	103	103

* Revised

1/ Based on packers' dressed weights and excludes farm slaughter.

2/ Breakdown by class not available, includes total beef, veal, pork, lamb, and mutton.

Commercial Livestock Slaughter: United States, January-May 2005 1/

Species	United States 2/		
	January - May		
	Number	Total	Average
	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>Million Pounds</i>	<i>Pounds</i>
Cattle 3/	12,944.6	9,691.0	1,239
Calves 3/	317.5	64.9	342
Hogs	42,003.2	8,451.0	270
Sheep and Lamb	1,132.7	79.4	140

1/ Includes slaughter under Federal inspection and other Commercial slaughter, excludes farm slaughter.

2/ Accumulated totals and average liveweights based on unrounded data.

3/ Based on packers' dressed weights and excludes farm slaughter.

U.S. Hog Inventory Up Slightly

U.S. inventory of all hogs and pigs on June 1, 2005 was 60.8 million head. This was up slightly from June 1, 2004, and up 2 percent from March 1, 2005.

Breeding inventory, at 5.98 million head, was up 1 percent from both June 1, 2004 and last quarter. Market hog inventory, at 54.8 million head, was up slightly from last year, and up 2 percent from last quarter.

The March - May 2005 U.S. pig crop, at 25.9 million head, was up 1 percent from both 2004 and 2003. Sows farrowing during this period totaled 2.87 million head, unchanged from last year. The sows farrowed during this quarter represented 48 percent of the breeding herd. The average pigs saved per litter was 9.02 for the March - May 2005 period, compared to 8.93 last year. Pigs saved per litter by size of operation ranged from 7.50 for operations with 1-99 hogs to 9.10 for operations with more than 5,000 hogs and pigs.

U.S. hog producers intend to have 2.90 million sows farrow during the June-August 2005 quarter, virtually unchanged from the actual farrowings during the same period in 2004, but down one-half of one percent from 2003. Intended farrowings for September-November 2005, at 2.88 million sows, are unchanged from the same period in 2004, but up 1 percent from 2003.

The total number of hogs under contract, owned by operations with over 5,000 head, but raised by contractees, accounted for 40 percent of the total U.S. hog inventory, up from 38 percent last year.

Revisions

All inventory and pig crop estimates for June 2004 through March 2005 were reviewed using final pig crop, official slaughter, death loss, and updated import and export data. Based on the findings of this review, an adjustment of less than one-half of one percent was made to the December 1, 2004 total inventory. The September-November 2004 pig crop was adjusted by one percent.

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June Farm Prices Received Index Unchanged From Last Month

The preliminary All Farm Products Index of Prices Received by Farmers in June, at 120, based on 1990-92=100, is unchanged from May. The Crop Index is up 2 points (1.7 percent), but the Livestock Index decreased 3 points (2.5 percent). Producers received higher commodity prices for lettuce, soybeans, broccoli, grapefruit, and potatoes. Lower prices were received for cattle, hogs, strawberries, dairy products, and tomatoes. The overall index is also affected by the seasonal change based on a 3-year average mix of commodities a

producer sells. Increased average marketings of wheat, grapes, hay, and cantaloup offset decreased marketings of tomatoes, oranges, sweet corn, and strawberries.

Preliminary All Farm Products Index is down 8 points (6.3 percent) from June 2004. The Food Commodities Index, at 123, decreased 1 point (0.8 percent) from last month and 8 points (6.1 percent) from June 2004.

Prices Paid Index Unchanged

The June Index of Prices Paid for Commodities and Services, Interest, Taxes, and Farm Wage Rates (PPITW) is 139 percent of the 1990-92 average. The index is unchanged from May but 4 points (3.0 percent) above June 2004. Lower prices in June for feeder pigs,

LP gas, hay and forages, and feed supplements offset higher prices for diesel fuel, feeder cattle, complete feeds, and nitrogen fertilizers.

Prices Received By Farmers: Arizona and United States, June 2004 and 2005 and May 2005

Commodity	Unit	ARIZONA			UNITED STATES		
		June 2004	May 2005	June 2005	June 2004	May 2005	June 2005
		Entire Month	Entire Month	Mid-Month	Entire Month	Entire Month	Mid-Month
Upland Cotton 1/	¢ Lb				59.9	42.2	40.7
Durum Wheat 2/	\$ Ton	---	---	---	146.70	119.00	120.70
All Hay Baled 3/	\$ Ton	104.00	130.00	130.00	95.20	107.00	102.00
Alfalfa Hay Baled 3/	\$ Ton	106.00	130.00	130.00	102.00	116.00	112.00
Other Hay Baled 3/	\$ Ton	95.00	125.00	125.00	76.90	76.10	73.60
Grapefruit 4/	\$ Box		24.10	2/	20.00	28.40	30.40
Oranges 4/	\$ Box		10.50	5.60	19.00	19.50	19.20
Cows 5/	\$ Cwt	51.90	60.60	58.30	53.70	58.50	57.30
Steers and Heifers	\$ Cwt	105.00	109.00	106.00	93.80	96.40	93.10
Beef Cattle 6/	\$ Cwt	104.00	109.00	106.00	89.80	92.40	89.50
Calves	\$ Cwt	119.00	130.00	124.00	125.00	141.00	140.00
All Milk 7/	\$ Cwt	18.30	14.40	14.10	18.20	14.80	14.60

1/ Price not published to avoid disclosure of individual firms.

2/ Not available for Arizona.

3/ Mid-month.

4/ F.O.B. packed fresh Arizona box weights: Grapefruit 67 lbs., Oranges 75 lbs., Lemons 76 lbs., Tangerines 75 lbs.

5/ Beef cows and cull dairy cows sold for slaughter.

6/ "Cows" and "steers and heifers" combined.

7/ Before deductions for hauling. Includes quality, quantity, and other premiums. Excludes hauling subsidies.

Index Summary Table

INDEX 1990-92 = 100	2004		2005	
	May	June	May	June
Prices Received	129	128	120	120
Prices Paid	135	135	139	139
Ratio 1/	96	95	86	86

1/ Ratio of index of prices received by farmers to index of prices paid by farmers.