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## Arizona Cattle on Feed Inventory Up 7 Percent From Last Year

On June 1, 2008, Arizona had 365,000 head of cattle on feed for the slaughter market, up 25,000 head from a year ago but down 5,000 head from last month. Placements totaled 34,000 head during May, 2,000 head less than a year ago. During May, 38,000 head were marketed, up 6,000 head from last year.

On June 1, 2008, California had 525,000 head of cattle on feed for the slaughter market, down 30,000 head from last year but up 5,000 head from last month. Placements totaled 80,000 head during May, up 7,000 head from last year. During May, 71,000 head were marketed, up 6,000 head from last year.

Cattle and calves on feed for slaughter market in the United States for feedlots with capacity of 1,000 or more head totaled 10.8 million

head on June 1, 2008. The inventory was 4 percent below June 1, 2007 and 3 percent below June 1, 2006.

Placements in feedlots during May totaled 1.90 million, 12 percent below 2007 and slightly below 2006. Net placements were 1.82 million head. During May, placements of cattle and calves weighing less than 600 pounds were 340,000, 600-699 pounds were 350,000, 700-799 pounds were 564,000, and 800 pounds and greater were 645,000.

Marketings of fed cattle during May totaled 2.14 million, 3 percent above 2007 but 1 percent below 2006.

Other disappearance totaled 80,000 during May, 19 percent below 2007 and 30 percent below 2006.

## Cattle on Feed: Number on Feed, Number Placed on Feed, Number Marketed, and Other Disappearance, 1000+ Capacity Feedlots, By Month, State, and United States 2007-2008

State	Number on Feed 1/					Number Placed on Feed			Number Marketed			Other Disappearance		
	June 1, 2007	May 1, 2008	June 1, 2008			During May			During May			During May 2/		
			Number	as % of 2007	as % of May	2007	2008	2008 as % of 2007	2007	2008	2008 as % of 2007	2007	2008	2008 as % of 2007
	1,000 Head		Percent			1,000 Head		Percent	1,000 Head		Percent	1,000 Head		Percent
AZ	340	370	365	107	99	36	34	94	32	38	119	4	1	25
CA	555	520	525	95	101	73	80	110	65	71	109	3	4	133
CO	1,020	950	920	90	97	175	150	86	155	170	110	20	10	50
ID	230	225	215	93	96	43	28	65	42	36	86	6	2	33
IA	520	530	520	100	98	54	58	107	63	65	103	1	3	300
KS	2,290	2,290	2,190	96	96	465	410	88	500	490	98	25	20	80
NE	2,290	2,380	2,250	98	95	390	370	95	500	480	96	20	20	100
NM	128	150	149	116	99	34	23	68	23	23	100	1	1	100
OK	340	305	305	90	100	71	76	107	65	75	115	1	1	100
SD	215	220	205	95	93	34	34	100	45	46	102	4	3	75
TX	2,870	2,690	2,690	94	100	710	560	79	510	550	108	10	10	100
WA	149	155	145	97	94	29	29	100	33	38	115	1	1	100
Other Sts	325	350	335	103	96	45	47	104	52	58	112	3	4	133
US	11,272	11,135	10,814	96	97	2,159	1,899	88	2,085	2,140	103	99	80	81

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 losses, movement from feedlots to pasture, and shipments to other feedlots for further feeding.

## May Milk Production Up 3.4 Percent

**Milk production** in the 23 major States during May totaled 15.4 billion pounds, up 3.4 percent from May 2007. April revised production at 14.8 billion pounds, was up 2.6 percent from April 2007. The April revision represented an increase of 6 million pounds from last month's preliminary production estimate.

**Production per cow** in the 23 major States averaged 1,816 pounds for May, 25 pounds above May 2007.

**The number of milk cows** on farms in the 23 major States was 8.46 million head, 162,000 head more than May 2007, and 12,000 head more than April 2008.

### Milk Cows and Production: By State, May 2007-2008

State	Milk Cows 1/		Milk Per Cow 2/		Milk Production 2/		Percent change from 2007
	2007	2008	2007	2008	2007	2008	
	<i>1,000 Head</i>		<i>Pounds</i>		<i>Million Pounds</i>		<i>Percent</i>
<b>AZ</b>	<b>182</b>	<b>186</b>	<b>2,105</b>	<b>2,165</b>	<b>383</b>	<b>403</b>	<b>5.2</b>
CA	1,806	1,848	1,925	1,935	3,477	3,576	2.8
CO	116	127	1,990	1,990	231	253	9.5
FL	128	123	1,615	1,565	207	192	-7.2
ID	506	550	1,930	1,940	977	1,067	9.2
IL	103	102	1,670	1,665	172	170	-1.2
IN	167	168	1,740	1,730	291	291	
IA	212	216	1,775	1,720	376	372	-1.1
KS	109	110	1,710	1,875	186	206	10.8
KY	91	92	1,250	1,210	114	111	-2.6
MI	332	347	1,935	1,900	642	659	2.6
MN	458	463	1,660	1,635	760	757	-0.4
MO	114	111	1,380	1,365	157	152	-3.2
NM	341	343	1,870	2,040	638	700	9.7
NY	626	626	1,690	1,770	1,058	1,108	4.7
OH	276	282	1,640	1,650	453	465	2.6
OR	115	113	1,710	1,620	197	183	-7.1
PA	549	548	1,720	1,720	944	943	-0.1
TX	347	372	1,870	1,995	649	742	14.3
VT	140	140	1,555	1,600	218	224	2.8
VA	100	98	1,570	1,570	157	154	-1.9
WA	233	244	2,025	2,025	472	494	4.7
WI	1,247	1,251	1,685	1,710	2,101	2,139	1.8
<b>23-State Total</b>	<b>8,298</b>	<b>8,460</b>	<b>1,791</b>	<b>1,816</b>	<b>14,860</b>	<b>15,361</b>	<b>3.4</b>

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

2/ Excludes milk sucked by calves.

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## Red Meat Production at Record High for May

Commercial red meat production for the United States totaled 4.22 billion pounds in May, up 4 percent from the 4.08 billion pounds produced in May 2007.

Beef production, at 2.38 billion pounds, was 4 percent above the previous year. Cattle slaughter totaled 3.14 million head, up 3 percent from May 2007. The average live weight was up 19 pounds from the previous year, at 1,251 pounds.

Veal production totaled 11.5 million pounds, 7 percent below May a year ago. Calf slaughter totaled 71,100 head, up 21 percent from May 2007. The average live weight was down 74 pounds from last year, at 275 pounds.

Pork production totaled 1.82 billion pounds, up 3 percent from the previous year. Hog kill totaled 9.06 million head, up 3 percent from May 2007. The average live weight was down 1 pound from the previous year, at 268 pounds.

Lamb and mutton production, at 15.0 million pounds, was down 3 percent from May 2007. Sheep slaughter totaled 206,400 head, 6 percent below last year. The average live weight was 146 pounds, up 4 pounds from May a year ago.

January to May 2008 commercial red meat production was 21.0 billion pounds, up 7 percent from 2007. Accumulated beef production was up 4 percent from last year, veal was down 11 percent, pork was up 11 percent from last year, and lamb and mutton production was down 4 percent.

### Commercial Red Meat Production: By Arizona and United States 1/

Class	May 2007	April 2008	May 2008	May 2008 as % of 2/	
				May 2007	April 2008
<b>Arizona 3/ Total Red Meat</b>	<b>33,100</b>	<b>36,800</b>	<b>36,600</b>	<b>111</b>	<b>99</b>
	<i>1,000 Pounds</i>			<i>Percent</i>	
<b>United States</b>	<i>Million Pounds</i>			<i>Percent</i>	
Beef	2,285.1	2,254.5	2,380.3	104	106
Veal	12.3	11.9	11.5	93	96
Pork	1,762.6	2,015.3	1,815.6	103	90
Lamb and Mutton	15.5	15.3	15.0	97	98
<b>Total Red Meat</b>	<b>4,075.5</b>	<b>4,297.0</b>	<b>4,222.3</b>	<b>104</b>	<b>98</b>

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

2/ Percentages based on unrounded data.

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

### Commercial Livestock Slaughter: Arizona and U.S., January - May 2008 1/

Species	Arizona			United States		
	January - May			January - May		
	Number Slaughtered	Total Live Weight	Average Live Weight	Number Slaughtered	Total Live Weight	Average Live Weight
Cattle	1,000 Head	1,000 Pounds	Pounds	1,000 Head	1,000 Pounds	Pounds
Hogs	<b>221.9</b>	<b>310,194</b>	<b>1,404</b>	14,368.8	18,216,142	1,272
	<b>1.4</b>	<b>278</b>	<b>212</b>	48,654.3	13,143,462	270

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

## U.S. Hog Inventory Up 6 Percent

U.S. inventory of all hogs and pigs on June 1, 2008 was 67.7 million head. This was up 6 percent from June 1, 2007, and up 1 percent from March 1, 2008.

Breeding inventory, at 6.07 million head, was down 1 percent from last year, and down 1 percent from the previous quarter. Market hog inventory, at 61.6 million head, was up 7 percent from last year, and up 1 percent from last quarter.

The March-May 2008 pig crop, at 29.0 million head, was up 4 percent from 2007 and up 9 percent from 2006. Sows farrowing during this period totaled 3.09 million head, up 2 percent from 2007 and up 6 percent from 2006. The sows farrowed during this quarter represented 51 percent of the breeding herd. The average pigs saved per litter was 9.38 for the March-May 2008 period, compared to 9.20 last year. Pigs saved per litter by size of operation ranged from 7.70 to 9.40.

U.S. hog producers intend to have 3.07 million sows farrow during the June-August 2008 quarter, down 2 percent from the actual

farrowings during the same period in 2007, but up 5 percent from 2006. Intended farrowings for September-November 2008, at 3.05 million sows, are down 4 percent from 2007 but up 3 percent from 2006.

The total number of hogs under contract owned by operations with over 5,000 head, but raised by contractees, accounted for 41 percent of the total U.S. hog inventory, up from 39 percent last year.

### Revisions

All inventory and pig crop estimates for June 2007 through March 2008 were reviewed using final pig crop, official slaughter, death loss, and updated import and export data. Based on the findings of this review, adjustments of slightly less than two percent were made to the December 2007 and March 2008 total inventory along with an adjustment of less than three percent to September-November 2007 pig crop. Adjustments of less than one percent were made to June-August 2007 pig crop, December 2007-February 2008 pig crop, and September 2007 total inventory.

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### June Farm Prices Received Index Jumped 11 Points From Last Month

The preliminary All Farm Products Index of Prices Received by Farmers in June, at 162 percent, based on 1990-92=100, increased 11 points (7.3 percent) from May. The Crop Index is up 19 points (11 percent) and the Livestock Index increased 3 points (2.2 percent). Producers received higher prices for corn, soybeans, milk, and lettuce and lower prices for strawberries, cantaloups, and wheat. In addition to prices, the overall index is also affected by the seasonal change based on a 3-year average mix of commodities producers sell.

Increased monthly marketings of wheat, hay, grapes, and cantaloups offset decreased marketings of tomatoes, oranges, strawberries, and sweet corn.

The preliminary All Farm Products Index is up 25 points (18 percent) from June 2007. The Food Commodities Index, at 157, increased 10 points (6.8 percent) from last month and increased 19 points (14 percent) from June 2007.

### Prices Paid Index Up 3 Points

The June Index of Prices Paid for Commodities and Services, Interest, Taxes, and Farm Wage Rates (PPITW) is 189 percent of the 1990-92 average. The index is up 3 points (1.6 percent) from May

and 28 points (17 percent) above June 2007. Higher prices in June for feed grains, diesel fuel, feed concentrates, and mixed fertilizers offset lower prices for hay & forages and feeder pigs.

### Prices Received by Farmers: Arizona and United States, June 2007 and 2008 and May 2008

Commodity	Unit	Arizona			United States		
		June 2007 Entire Month	May 2008 Entire Month	June 2008 Mid-Month	June 2007 Entire Month	May 2008 Entire Month	June 2008 Mid-Month
Upland Cotton	¢ Lb	1/	1/	1/	45.40	60.50	59.20
Durum Wheat 2/	\$ Ton	---	---	---	183.00	450.00	403.30
Alfalfa Hay Baled 3/	\$ Ton	151.00	185.00	190.00	137.00	177.00	172.00
Cows 4/	\$ Cwt	51.00	54.00	54.00	50.10	53.90	53.80
Steers and Heifers	\$ Cwt	95.00	95.00	96.00	93.20	95.90	95.90
Beef Cattle 5/	\$ Cwt	84.40	82.70	83.40	88.80	91.10	91.60
Calves	\$ Cwt	109.00	111.00	108.00	124.00	119.00	120.00
All Milk 6/	\$ Cwt	20.40	17.20	18.60	20.20	18.40	19.40

1/ Prices not published to avoid disclosure of individual operations or insufficient sales.

2/ Not available for Arizona.

3/ Mid-month.

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

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

6/ Preliminary; before deductions for hauling. Includes quality, quantity, and other premiums. Excludes hauling subsidies.

### United States Price Index Summary Table

Index 1990-92 = 100	2007		2008	
	May	June	May	June
Prices Received	136	137	151	162
Prices Paid	161	161	186	189
Ratio 1/	84	85	81	86

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