
Livestock Summary

Cattle Inventory Down 1 Percent

The inventory of all cattle and calves on hand January 1, 2003, was 96.1 million head, down 1 percent from the previous year. Inventory classes posting declines from a year earlier included beef cows, steers 500 pounds and over, other heifers, and calves. Milk cows and bulls were up slightly from a year ago. Beef and milk replacement heifers were each up 1 percent. Other heifers posted the largest decline at 98 percent of the previous year. The 2002 calf crop of 38.2 million head was down slightly from a year earlier. The lower inventory continues the downward trend in the cattle cycle. The reduced numbers of cows and calves indicate that this pattern should continue, however as replacement heifers increase, the annual rate of inventory decline should slow. The number of operations with cattle during 2002 was 1.03 million, down 2 percent from 2001.

On January 1, 2003, the inventory of cattle on feed in the U.S. totaled 12.9 million head, down 7 percent from the previous year. For feedlots with a capacity of 1,000 or more head, inventories decreased 8 percent. With an inventory of 10.6 million head, these feedlots account for 82 percent of the U.S. total. Fed cattle marketings from these feedlots totaled 23.6 million head.

Commercial beef production for 2002 totaled 27.1 billion pounds, up 4 percent from the previous year.

Milk Production Increased 3 Percent

U.S. milk production increased 3 percent to 170 billion pounds in 2002. Milk cow numbers were up fractionally, while production per cow increased 2 percent from a year ago. The number of operations with milk cows during 2002 fell to 91,990, down 6 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 Down 1 Percent

The inventory of all hogs and pigs on December 1, 2002 was 58.9 million head, down 1 percent from the previous year. The inventory of breeding animals was down 3 percent from 2001. Sows farrowed and the pig crop during 2002 were both down 2 percent from a year earlier. The average pigs saved per litter increased slightly during 2002 to 8.83 compared with 8.82 a year earlier. The number of operations with hogs has fallen steadily since 1980, and was down to 75,350 operations in 2002. The share of inventory held by larger operations continues to increase; in 2002 the 7,222 operations with 2,000 or more hogs held 75 percent of the inventory, compared to 6,993 operations with 74 percent of the inventory a year earlier. Commercial pork production totaled 19.7 billion pounds in 2002, up 3 percent from the previous year. The number of head slaughtered was up 2 percent from 2001 while the average dressed weight per animal was unchanged.

December 1 Chicken Inventory Up 1 Percent

The number of chickens on December 1, 2002, (excluding commercial broilers) was 439 million, down 1 percent from last year. Layers, at 337 million, were down slightly from the previous year. The 93.4 million pullets were down 1 percent from the 94.8 million on hand December 1, 2001. All chickens were valued at \$1.045 billion on December 1, 2002, down 2 percent from a year earlier. Average value decreased from \$2.42 to \$2.38 per bird.

Egg production during the year ending November 30, 2002, was 86.7 billion eggs, up 1 percent from the 85.7 billion eggs in 2001. Layer numbers during 2002 averaged 337 million, up 1 percent from the year earlier. The annual average production per layer on hand in 2002 was 257 eggs, up from the 2001 average of 256.

Poultry Production

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The combined value of production from broilers, eggs, and turkeys plus the value of sales from chickens in 2002 was \$20.4 billion, down 15 percent from the \$24.0 billion in 2001. Of the combined total, 66 percent was from broilers, 21 percent from eggs, 13 percent from turkeys, and less than 1 percent from other chickens. The value of broilers produced during 2002 was \$13.4 billion, down 20 percent from 2001. The number of broilers produced has increased each year for the past 27 years; the 8.59 billion produced in 2002 was up 2 percent from 2001. The total live weight of broilers produced in 2002 was 44.1 billion pounds, up 4 percent from 2001. The 2002 average price per pound on a liveweight equivalent basis was 30.5 cents per pound, down 22 percent from 39.3 cents in 2001 and the lowest broiler price since 1987.

The value of turkeys produced during 2002 was \$2.70 billion, down 3 percent from \$2.79 billion the previous year. Turkey production totaled 7.41 billion pounds live weight, compared with 7.15 billion pounds in 2001. The average price received by producers during 2002 was 36.5 cents per pound, compared with 39.0 cents in 2001.

Trout and Catfish Sales Decrease

The total value of all sales, both fish and eggs, received by trout growers in the 20 selected States totaled 69.6 million dollars during 2002, a decrease of 9 percent from the 76.2 million dollars received in 2001. Growers in the 20 selected states sold a total of 54.5 million pounds of trout measuring 12 inches or longer in 2002, down 4 percent from the previous year.

Catfish growers in the 13 selected states had sales of 410 million dollars during 2002, down 8 percent from the 2001 total of 444 million dollars. Sales of foodsize fish totaled 379 million dollars, down 8 percent from the previous year. Sales of stockers totaled 12.6 million dollars, up 50 percent from 2001. Catfish water acres decreased 5 percent from January 1, 2002 to 187 thousand acres on January 1, 2003.

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>
1996	1,878	970	4,420	438
1997	2,136	1,044	4,403	606
1998	2,171	1,230	4,361	446
1999	2,412	1,277	4,585	378
2000	2,468	1,287	4,918	445
2001	2,269	1,560	5,555	487
2002	2,500	1,619	4,865	456
2003 1/	2,565	1,645	5,250	490

1/ Forecast. NASS, WAOB, & ERS (Information Hotline 1-800-727-9540).

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>
1997	71.4	65.7	47.9	17.3	1.0	1.1	204.9
1998	72.1	66.7	56.5	17.7	0.8	1.2	210.3
1999	76.3	67.5	52.7	17.6	0.7	1.1	216.5
2000	76.9	67.7	51.2	17.4	0.7	1.1	216.1
2001	76.6	66.2	50.2	17.5	0.6	1.1	213.3
2002	80.1	67.4	56.3	17.5	0.6	1.2	219.5

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

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Cattle and Calves: January 1 Inventory

Year	Cattle Inventory 1/										Calf Crop
	Total Cattle	Cows			Bulls	Heifers			Steers 500+ lbs.	Calves <500 lbs.	
		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>
1998	99,744	43,084	33,885	9,199	2,270	5,764	3,986	10,051	17,189	17,401	38,961
1999	99,115	42,878	33,745	9,133	2,281	5,535	4,069	10,170	16,891	17,290	38,812
2000	98,198	42,759	33,569	9,190	2,293	5,503	4,000	10,147	16,682	16,815	38,796
2001	97,277	42,580	33,397	9,183	2,274	5,588	4,057	10,131	16,441	16,206	38,631
2002	96,704	42,229	33,118	9,112	2,244	5,561	4,060	10,057	16,790	15,763	38,280
2003	96,106	42,099	32,947	9,152	2,253	5,608	4,104	9,890	16,590	15,563	38,193

1/ Totals may not add due to rounding. Calf crop refers to the previous year. 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>
1998	47,227	9,729	59.60	78.80	33,415
1999	48,373	9,855	63.40	87.70	36,530
2000	48,702	10,002	68.60	104.00	40,711
2001	46,659	9,603	71.30	106.00	40,442
2002	46,287	9,747	66.50	96.40	37,968

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, 2003 Inventory		2002 Cash Receipts 1/	
	State	Head	State	Dollars
		<i>thousand</i>		<i>million</i>
1	Texas	14,000	Texas	5,863
2	Kansas	6,350	Nebraska	4,959
3	Nebraska	6,200	Kansas	4,810
4	Oklahoma	5,400	Colorado	2,805
5	California	5,250	Oklahoma	1,872
6	Missouri	4,500	Iowa	1,765
7	South Dakota	3,700	South Dakota	1,494
8	Iowa	3,600	California	1,229
9	Wisconsin	3,300	Idaho	976
10	Colorado	2,650	Minnesota	866

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

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+
		<i>number</i>	<i>number</i>	<i>number</i>	<i>number</i>	<i>number</i>
Number of Operations 2/						
1997	1,148,050	715,040	200,550	205,390	17,750	9,320
1998	1,115,650	695,400	194,510	198,515	17,845	9,380
1999	1,096,550	685,600	186,430	197,040	18,095	9,385
2000	1,077,560	671,350	185,540	192,320	18,625	9,725
2001	1,049,910	653,750	179,070	188,580	18,720	9,790
2002	1,032,670	642,850	174,750	186,930	18,365	9,775
		<i>percent</i>	<i>percent</i>	<i>percent</i>	<i>percent</i>	<i>percent</i>
January 1 Inventory						
1997	101,656	12.5	13.5	38.1	11.4	24.5
1998	99,744	12.4	13.0	37.0	11.7	25.9
1999	99,115	12.2	12.8	37.1	12.0	25.9
2000	98,198	11.7	12.8	36.5	12.3	26.7
2001	97,277	11.5	12.4	36.2	12.4	27.5
2002	96,704	11.7	12.2	36.2	12.4	27.5

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. 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>
1997	36,318	1,575	1,173	338	706	208	25,384	323
1998	35,465	1,458	1,203	285	730	174	25,653	251
1999	36,150	1,282	1,210	291	736	176	26,385	224
2000	36,246	1,132	1,219	316	745	192	26,776	215
2001	35,370	1,007	1,221	320	744	196	26,108	194
2002	35,735	1,045	1,251	312	765	190	27,091	196

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

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Cattle on Feed: Inventory and Marketings by State

State 1/	Jan 1, 2003 Inventory 2/	2002 Marketings	State 1/	Jan 1, 2003 Inventory 2/	2002 Marketings
	<i>thousand head</i>	<i>thousand head</i>		<i>thousand head</i>	<i>thousand head</i>
Arizona	289	341	South Dakota	205	422
California	490	671	Texas	2,630	5,980
Colorado	1,020	2,470	Washington	185	508
Idaho	295	728			
Iowa	355	712			
Kansas	2,200	5,495	All Other		
Nebraska	2,140	4,610	States	335	755
New Mexico	119	177			
Oklahoma	330	770	Total U.S.	10,593	23,639

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/	850	542	344	191	141	121
January 1, 2003 Inventory 2/	<i>thousand head</i>	<i>thousand head</i>	<i>thousand head</i>	<i>thousand head</i>	<i>thousand head</i>	<i>thousand head</i>
	429	686	959	1,213	2,172	5,134
Marketings 3/	899	1,361	2,051	2,832	4,905	11,591

1/ Number of lots operating at any time during the 2002. 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 2002. NASS, Livestock Branch, (202) 720-3570.

Beef Cows: Operations and Inventory by Size Group

Year	Total	Number and Percent by Size Group (head) 1/			
		1 - 49	50 - 99	100 - 499	500+
		<i>number</i>	<i>number</i>	<i>number</i>	<i>number</i>
Number of Operations 2/					
1997	872,840	692,400	104,230	70,665	5,545
1998	855,460	678,350	101,400	70,285	5,425
1999	844,170	666,750	101,250	70,765	5,405
2000	830,670	654,050	100,240	70,865	5,515
2001	813,650	637,900	99,320	70,890	5,540
2002	805,080	630,300	98,650	70,740	5,390
		<i>percent</i>	<i>percent</i>	<i>percent</i>	<i>percent</i>
January 1 Inventory					
1997	34,458	30.4	19.4	35.9	14.3
1998	33,885	30.4	18.9	36.1	14.6
1999	33,745	29.9	19.1	36.6	14.4
2000	33,569	29.3	19.2	36.7	14.8
2001	33,397	28.9	19.2	37.0	14.9
2002	33,118	29.0	19.2	37.5	14.3

1/ Percents reflect average distribution 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. NASS, Livestock Branch, (202) 720-3570.

Milk Cows: Operations and Inventory by Size Group

Year	Total	Operations and Percent by Size Group (head) 1/						
		1-29	30-49	50-99	100-199	200+	200-499	500+
		<i>number</i>	<i>number</i>	<i>number</i>	<i>number</i>	<i>number</i>	<i>number</i>	<i>number</i>
Number of Operation 2/								
1997	123,700	39,070	27,285	35,850	14,040	7,455	5,119	2,336
1998	117,180	36,200	25,485	34,017	13,908		5,155	2,415
1999	111,000	32,920	24,055	32,935	13,250		5,290	2,550
2000	105,170	30,810	22,110	31,360	12,865		5,350	2,675
2001	97,510	28,125	19,870	29,195	12,335		5,195	2,790
2002	91,990	25,680	18,525	27,865	11,860		5,155	2,905
		<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
Milk Cow Inventory 3/								
1997	9,252	3.5	11.5	26.0	20.0	39.0	14.6	24.4
1998	9,154	3.5	10.5	24.2	19.3		15.5	27.0
1999	9,156	3.1	10.1	23.2	18.4		16.3	28.9
2000	9,206	2.9	9.1	22.0	18.0		16.7	31.3
2001	9,114	2.6	8.1	20.9	17.4		16.4	34.6
2002	9,141	2.3	7.5	20.1	16.7		16.1	37.3

1/ Percents reflect average distribution 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

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>
1997	9,252	16,871	156,091	13.36	21,126
1998	9,154	17,189	157,348	15.46	24,332
1999	9,156	17,772	162,716	14.38	23,400
2000	9,206	18,201	167,559	12.40	20,771
2001	9,114	18,159	165,497	15.04	24,894
2002	9,141	18,571	169,758	12.19	20,688

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.

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Hogs and Pigs: Inventory and Pig Crop

Year	Hogs and Pigs Inventory, Dec 1			Sows Farrowed 1/	Pigs per Litter 1/	Pig Crop 1/
	Total	Breeding	Market			
	<i>thousand head</i>	<i>thousand head</i>	<i>thousand head</i>	<i>thousand head</i>		<i>thousand head</i>
1997	61,158	6,957	54,200	11,479	8.68	99,584
1998	62,206	6,682	55,523	12,061	8.71	105,005
1999	59,342	6,234	53,109	11,641	8.79	102,354
2000	59,138	6,270	52,868	11,410	8.83	100,748
2001	59,804	6,209	53,594	11,386	8.83	100,503
2002	58,943	6,012	52,931	11,429	8.82	100,758

1/ December of preceding year through November. **Record Inventory: 83.7 million head December 1, 1944.**
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Hogs and Pigs: Top 10 States

State Rank	Dec 1, 2002 Inventory 1/		2002 Cash Receipts	
	State	Head	State	Dollars
		<i>thousand</i>		<i>million</i>
1	Iowa	15,300	Iowa	3,132
2	North Carolina	9,600	North Carolina	1,710
3	Minnesota	5,900	Minnesota	1,417
4	Illinois	4,050	Illinois	920
5	Indiana	3,150	Nebraska	711
6	Missouri	2,950	Indiana	693
7	Nebraska	2,900	Missouri	586
8	Oklahoma	2,490	Oklahoma	520
9	Kansas	1,530	Ohio	350
10	Ohio	1,440	Kansas	322

1/ Receipts from marketings and sale of farm slaughter, includes allowance for higher average price of state outshipments of feeder pigs. 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>
1997	104,301	52.90	13,054
1998	117,240	34.40	9,444
1999	121,137	30.30	8,622
2000	118,541	42.30	11,803
2001	119,262	44.30	12,427
2002	123,677	33.40	9,626

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.

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>
1997	91,960	256	189	17,245
1998	101,029	256	189	18,981
1999	101,544	259	191	19,278
2000	97,976	262	194	18,929
2001	97,962	265	197	19,161
2002	100,263	265	197	19,685

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

Hogs and Pigs: Operations and Inventory by Size Group

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/							
1997	122,160	69,460	28,095	11,670	6,755	4,355	1,825
1998	113,830	61,670	27,315	11,350	6,825	4,765	1,905
1999	98,610	52,880	22,810	9,255	6,500	5,110	2,055
2000	86,360	48,210	17,755	7,630	5,850	4,825	2,090
2001	80,880	46,012	15,405	7,201	5,469	4,794	2,199
2002	75,350	42,725	13,479	6,489	5,435	4,964	2,258
		<i>percent</i>	<i>percent</i>	<i>percent</i>	<i>percent</i>	<i>percent</i>	<i>percent</i>
December 1 Inventory 2/							
1997	61,158	2.0	11.0	12.0	14.5	14.5	40.0
1998	62,206	2.0	9.5	11.0	14.0	21.5	42.0
1999	59,342	1.5	8.0	9.0	13.0	22.0	46.5
2000	59,138	1.0	6.0	8.0	13.0	21.5	50.5
2001	59,804	1.0	5.5	7.5	12.0	22.0	52.0
2002	58,943	1.0	5.0	7.0	12.0	22.0	53.0

1/ Percent average distributions of various probability surveys conducted during the year. 2/ Operation: a place with at least one head at any time during the year prior to December 1. NASS, Livestock Branch, (202) 720-3570.

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Hogs and Pigs: Pigs per Litter

Year and Quarter	All Operations	Number of Pigs per Litter by Size of Operation (head)					
		1-99	100-499	500-999	1,000-1,999	2,000-4,999	5,000+
1997 Dec-Feb	8.63	7.20	7.70	8.10	8.40	8.60	8.90
Mar-May	8.67	7.60	7.90	8.20	8.40	8.60	9.00
Jun-Aug	8.72	7.50	7.90	8.20	8.50	8.70	9.00
Sep-Nov	8.67	7.40	8.10	8.40	8.60	8.80	9.00
1998 Dec-Feb	8.70	7.10	7.90	8.30	8.50	8.80	8.90
Mar-May	8.75	7.40	8.10	8.40	8.50	8.80	9.00
Jun-Aug	8.72	7.30	8.10	8.40	8.60	8.80	8.90
Sep-Nov	8.65	7.70	8.00	8.20	8.50	8.70	8.90
1999 Dec-Feb	8.73	7.60	8.10	8.20	8.40	8.70	8.90
Mar-May	8.80	7.80	8.10	8.30	8.70	8.70	9.00
Jun-Aug	8.86	7.80	7.90	8.30	8.50	8.90	9.00
Sep-Nov	8.78	7.40	8.40	8.40	8.70	8.80	8.90
2000 Dec-Feb	8.76	7.50	7.90	8.20	8.50	8.70	8.90
Mar-May	8.86	7.80	7.90	8.30	8.60	8.80	9.00
Jun-Aug	8.84	7.40	7.90	8.30	8.60	8.80	9.00
Sep-Nov	8.85	7.60	8.10	8.40	8.70	8.80	9.00
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	8.87	7.40	7.90	8.20	8.70	8.90	9.00
Sep-Nov	8.82	7.50	8.10	8.20	8.70	8.80	9.00
2002 Dec-Feb	8.74	7.30	7.80	8.30	8.60	8.70	8.90
Mar-May	8.82	7.70	8.10	8.30	8.70	8.70	8.90
Jun-Aug	8.87	7.60	7.80	8.30	8.70	8.80	9.00
Sep-Nov	8.83	7.50	8.20	8.40	8.60	8.70	9.00

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Sheep and Lambs: Sheep Inventory and Lamb Crop

Year	January 1 Sheep Inventory						
	Total	Ewes 1+ Years	Rams 1+ Years	Replacement 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>
1998	7,825	4,570	203	839	2,123	91	5,356
1999	7,215	4,322	203	774	1,834	83	5,007
2000	7,032	4,229	206	730	1,788	81	4,733
2001	6,965	4,091	201	675	1,922	77	4,622
2002	6,685	3,980	200	734	1,700	72	4,495
2003	6,350	3,789	192	702	1,595	73	4,360

1/ Lamb crop refers to the previous year and is defined as Lambs born in the Eastern States and docked or branded in the Western States. NASS, Livestock Branch, (202) 720-3570.

Sheep and Lambs: Top 10 States

State Rank	January 1, 2003 Inventory		2002 Cash Receipts 1/	
	State	Head	State	Dollars
		<i>thousand</i>		<i>million</i>
1	Texas	1,050	California	95,694
2	California	790	Colorado	50,388
3	Wyoming	460	Texas	44,643
4	South Dakota	380	South Dakota	25,942
5	Colorado	370	Wyoming	24,024
6	Utah	320	Iowa	22,777
7	Montana	300	Montana	21,283
8	Idaho	260	Utah	17,818
9	Iowa	250	Idaho	17,360
10	Oregon	235	Minnesota	11,918

1/ Receipts from marketings and sale of farm slaughter. 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>
1997	1,015	5,676	37.90	90.30	635
1998	992	5,505	30.60	72.30	485
1999	790	5,208	31.10	74.50	469
2000	788	4,827	34.30	79.80	470
2001	711	4,795	34.60	66.90	398
2002	869	4,810	28.20	74.10	431

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.

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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>pounds</i>	<i>million pounds</i>
1997	3,907	133	67	257
1998	3,804	132	66	249
1999	3,701	133	67	243
2000	3,460	135	68	232
2001	3,222	140	70	228
2002	3,286	133	68	222

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

Sheep and Lambs: Wool Production and Value

Year	Sheep Shorn 1/	Weight per Fleece	Shorn Wool Production	Average Price 2/	Value of Production
	<i>thousand head</i>	<i>pounds</i>	<i>thousand pounds</i>	<i>dollars/pounds</i>	<i>thousand dollars</i>
1997	6,960	7.7	53,578	0.84	44,909
1998	6,428	7.7	49,255	0.60	29,415
1999	6,158	7.6	46,592	0.38	17,860
2000	6,135	7.6	46,446	0.33	15,377
2001	5,689	7.6	43,016	0.36	15,311
2002	5,453	7.5	41,150	0.53	21,792

1/ Includes shearing at commercial feedlots. 2/ Weighted by sales. NASS, Livestock Branch, (202) 720-3570.

Sheep: Breeding Operations and Inventory by Size Group

Year	Total	Operations and Inventory Percents by Size Groups			
		1 - 99	100 - 499	500- 4,999	5,000+
		<i>percent</i> ¹	<i>percent</i> ¹	<i>percent</i> ¹	<i>percent</i> ¹
Number of Operations 2/					
1997	72,680	91.9	6.2	1.8	0.1
1998	68,550	90.8	6.8	2.3	0.1
1999	66,800	90.6	7.3	2.0	0.1
2000	66,100	91.2	7.2	1.6	0.1
2001	65,120	90.8	7.5	1.6	0.1
2002	64,170	91.1	7.3	1.5	0.1
2003		91.8	6.7	1.4	0.1
Jan 1 Breeding Inventory		<i>percent</i>	<i>percent</i>	<i>percent</i>	<i>percent</i>
1997	5,919	25.7	20.3	40.0	14.0
1998	5,611	25.5	19.2	42.6	12.7
1999	5,299	25.9	20.4	39.0	14.7
2000	5,164	27.9	22.0	35.2	14.8
2001	4,967	28.8	23.8	33.7	13.7
2002	4,913	30.1	23.5	32.4	14.0
2003	4,682	29.9	23.8	33.1	13.2

1/ Percents reflect average distribution from annual survey. 2/ An operation is any place with at least one head at any time during the year. Published in January for previous year. NASS, Livestock Branch, (202) 720-3570.

**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>
1997	2,631	74.7	196,536	70,696	75.2	147,795
1998	2,633	83.7	220,316	80,808	65.5	147,254
1999	2,688	76.4	205,250	79,375	60.1	126,075
2000	2,620	84.1	220,339	85,328	59.7	132,742
2001	2,506	74.0	185,461	64,556	70.4	132,225
2002	2,524	67.8	171,140	39,047	128.6	221,638

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>million</i>	<i>million</i>	<i>dollars/pound</i>	<i>million dollars</i>
1997	7,764,200	37,540,750	0.377	14,158,926
1998	7,934,280	38,533,600	0.393	15,144,551
1999	8,146,010	40,829,800	0.371	15,128,840
2000	8,284,000	41,623,100	0.336	13,988,434
2001	8,389,090	42,445,800	0.393	16,693,515
2002	8,590,180	44,050,400	0.305	13,434,771

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	Value of Production
	<i>thousand</i>		<i>thousand</i>	<i>dollars/dozen</i>	<i>thousand dollars</i>
1997	303,604	255	77,532	0.703	4,539,929
1998	312,191	256	79,754	0.668	4,439,446
1999	322,354	257	82,715	0.622	4,287,164
2000	327,985	257	84,386	0.618	4,345,382
2001	335,012	256	88,745	0.622	4,446,312
2002	337,202	257	86,698	0.590	4,262,662

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

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Chickens: Inventory and Value

Year (Dec 1)	Inventory Number 1/				Average Price per Head	Inventory Value
	Layers 2/	Pullets 3/	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>
1997	312,137	90,344	7,549	410,030	2.72	1,113,183
1998	321,718	95,645	7,682	425,045	2.68	1,141,001
1999	329,320	97,362	9,661	436,343	2.65	1,154,898
2000	332,410	94,558	8,088	435,056	2.44	1,060,964
2001	338,628	94,755	8,126	441,509	2.42	1,068,851
2002	337,213	93,385	8,350	438,948	2.38	1,045,222

1/ Excludes commercial broilers. 2/ Pullets 20 weeks old or older plus layers one year old or older. 3/ Pullets less than 20 weeks old. 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>
1997	301,251	7,225,059	0.399	2,884,377
1998	285,204	7,050,944	0.380	2,679,301
1999	270,494	6,886,406	0.408	2,809,874
2000	269,969	6,942,809	0.407	2,822,736
2001	272,059	7,154,781	0.390	2,790,317
2002	272,429	7,406,050	0.365	2,700,333

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 on January 1		Catfish Water Acres Jan 1	Total Sales 1/	
	Catfish	Trout		Catfish	Trout
			<i>acres</i>	<i>thousand dollars</i>	<i>thousand dollars</i>
1997	1,319		177,460	426,827	
1998	1,243		171,130	475,309	73,978
1999	1,279	714	180,865	489,291	76,506
2000	1,252	690	187,330	501,400	75,373
2001	1,277	662	195,820	443,681	76,241
2002	1,236	637	196,760	409,828	69,597
2003	1,155	606	186,745		

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.