



United States and Canadian Cattle and Sheep

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United States and Canadian Cattle Inventory Down 2 Percent

All cattle and calves in the United States and Canada combined totaled 99.9 million head on January 1, 2014, down 2 percent from the 101.6 million on January 1, 2013. All cows and heifers that have calved, at 43.1 million head, were down 1 percent from a year ago.

All cattle and calves in the United States as of January 1, 2014, totaled 87.7 million head, 2 percent below the 89.3 million on January 1, 2013. All cows and heifers that have calved, at 38.3 million head, were down 1 percent from a year ago.

All cattle and calves in Canada as of January 1, 2014, totaled 12.2 million head, down 1 percent from the 12.3 million on January 1, 2013. All cows and heifers that have calved, at 4.86 million, were down 1 percent from a year ago.

United States and Canadian Sheep Inventory Down 2 Percent

All sheep and lambs in the United States and Canada combined totaled 6.10 million head on January 1, 2014, down 2 percent from the 6.24 million on January 1, 2013. Breeding sheep, at 4.55 million head, were down 2 percent from a year ago and market sheep and lambs, at 1.55 million head, down from last year's 1.58 million head.

All sheep and lambs in the United States as of January 1, 2014, totaled 5.21 million head, 2 percent below the 5.34 million head on January 1, 2013. Breeding sheep, at 3.88 million head, were down 2 percent from a year ago, while market sheep and lambs, at 1.33 million head, and were down 2 percent from last year.

All sheep and lambs in Canada as of January 1, 2014, totaled 893 thousand head, down 1 percent from last year's number of 902 thousand. Breeding sheep, at 673 thousand head, were down 1 percent from last year. Market sheep and lambs, at 220 thousand head, were down 1 percent from a year ago.

Cattle and Calf Inventory by Class and Calf Crop – United States and Canada: January 1, 2009-2012

Class	2009	2010	2011	2012
	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)
Cattle and calves	107,551.0	106,551.2	104,837.4	103,013.5
Cows and heifers that have calved	46,531.2	45,648.6	45,010.3	44,335.8
Beef cows	36,232.8	35,596.9	34,895.1	34,147.9
Milk cows	10,298.4	10,051.7	10,115.2	10,187.9
All other cattle	61,019.8	60,902.6	59,827.1	58,677.7
Calf crop ¹	40,827.0	40,452.6	39,953.1	38,741.6

¹ January to December calf crop.

Source: National Agricultural Statistics Service and Livestock and Animal Products Section, Statistics Canada.

Cattle and Calf Inventory by Class and Calf Crop – United States and Canada: January 1, 2013 and 2014

[Blank data cells indicate estimation period has not yet begun]

Class	2013	2014	2014 as percent of 2013
	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(percent)
Cattle and calves	101,604.6	99,945.0	98
Cows and heifers that have calved	43,410.9	43,115.1	99
Beef cows	33,232.5	32,947.4	99
Milk cows	10,178.4	10,167.7	100
All other cattle	58,193.7	56,829.9	98
Calf crop ¹	38,419.7		(X)

(X) Not applicable.

¹ January to December calf crop.

Source: National Agricultural Statistics Service and Livestock and Animal Products Section, Statistics Canada.

Cattle and Calf Inventory by Class and Calf Crop – United States: January 1, 2009-2012

Class	2009	2010	2011	2012
	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)
Cattle and calves	94,521.0	93,881.2	92,682.4	90,768.5
Cows and heifers that have calved	41,044.6	40,456.4	39,999.2	39,387.4
Beef cows	31,711.8	31,370.9	30,849.6	30,157.9
Milk cows	9,332.8	9,085.5	9,149.6	9,229.5
Heifers 500 pounds and over	19,575.5	19,745.8	19,575.8	19,337.8
For beef cow replacement	5,531.2	5,451.0	5,138.6	5,261.6
For milk cow replacement	4,409.5	4,526.2	4,568.2	4,622.0
Other heifers	9,634.8	9,768.6	9,869.0	9,454.2
Steers 500 pounds and over	16,769.1	16,510.4	16,397.0	15,832.5
Bulls 500 pounds and over	2,184.1	2,190.1	2,155.1	2,096.0
Calves under 500 pounds	14,947.7	14,978.5	14,555.3	14,114.8
Calf crop ¹	35,939.0	35,694.8	35,313.2	34,279.0

¹ January to December calf crop.

Source: National Agricultural Statistics Service.

Cattle and Calf Inventory by Class and Calf Crop – United States: January 1, 2013 and 2014

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Class	2013	2014	2014 as percent of 2013
	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(percent)
Cattle and calves	89,299.6	87,730.0	98
Cows and heifers that have calved	38,515.2	38,251.0	99
Beef cows	29,297.3	29,042.4	99
Milk cows	9,217.9	9,208.6	100
Heifers 500 pounds and over	19,133.9	18,751.4	98
For beef cow replacement	5,380.6	5,470.8	102
For milk cow replacement	4,550.7	4,539.2	100
Other heifers	9,202.6	8,741.4	95
Steers 500 pounds and over	15,812.7	15,414.9	97
Bulls 500 pounds and over	2,055.8	2,034.8	99
Calves under 500 pounds	13,782.0	13,277.9	96
Calf crop ¹	33,930.0		(X)

(X) Not applicable.

¹ January to December calf crop.

Source: National Agricultural Statistics Service.

Cattle and Calf Inventory by Class and Calf Crop – Canada: January 1, 2009-2012

Class	2009	2010	2011	2012
	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)
Cattle and calves	13,030.0	12,670.0	12,155.0	12,245.0
Cows and heifers that have calved	5,486.6	5,192.2	5,011.1	4,948.4
Beef cows	4,521.0	4,226.0	4,045.5	3,990.0
Milk cows	965.6	966.2	965.6	958.4
Heifers 1 year and over	1,888.2	1,953.8	1,896.0	1,948.1
For beef cow replacement	520.8	505.2	510.0	521.4
For milk cow replacement	464.7	465.1	466.3	456.9
Other heifers	902.7	983.5	919.7	969.8
Steers 1 year and over	1,151.4	1,263.8	1,203.4	1,282.6
Bulls 1 year and over	239.6	226.0	214.3	213.2
Calves under 1 year	4,264.2	4,034.2	3,830.2	3,852.7
Calf crop ¹	4,888.0	4,757.8	4,639.9	4,462.6

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Source: Livestock and Animal Products Section, Statistics Canada.

Cattle and Calf Inventory by Class and Calf Crop – Canada: January 1, 2013 and 2014

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Class	2013	2014	2014 as percent of 2013
	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(percent)
Cattle and calves	12,305.0	12,215.0	99
Cows and heifers that have calved	4,895.7	4,864.1	99
Beef cows	3,935.2	3,905.0	99
Milk cows	960.5	959.1	100
Heifers 1 year and over	1,967.4	1,952.4	99
For beef cow replacement	542.0	542.3	100
For milk cow replacement	451.2	446.2	99
Other heifers	974.2	963.9	99
Steers 1 year and over	1,248.6	1,241.8	99
Bulls 1 year and over	210.8	214.0	102
Calves under 1 year	3,982.5	3,942.7	99
Calf crop ¹	4,489.7		(X)

(X) Not applicable.

¹ January to December calf crop.

Source: Livestock and Animal Products Section, Statistics Canada.

**Sheep and Lamb Inventory by Class and Lamb Crop – United States and Canada:
January 1, 2009-2012**

Class	2009	2010	2011	2012
	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)
All sheep and lambs	6,590.6	6,475.3	6,359.9	6,251.5
Breeding sheep and lambs	4,892.3	4,826.9	4,745.5	4,665.0
Replacement lambs - under one year old	725.7	730.5	747.0	745.4
Ewes - one year old and older	3,945.2	3,875.7	3,782.2	3,722.7
Rams - one year old and older	221.4	220.7	216.3	196.9
Market sheep and lambs	1,698.3	1,648.4	1,614.4	1,586.5
Market sheep ¹	81.0	80.0	80.0	84.0
Market lambs ²	1,617.3	1,568.4	1,534.4	1,502.5
Lamb crop ³	4,533.1	4,405.7	4,336.0	4,279.0

¹ United States market sheep only.

² Canada market lambs include small amounts of market sheep.

³ January to December lamb crop.

Source: National Agricultural Statistics Service and Statistics Canada, Livestock and Animal Products Section.

**Sheep and Lamb Inventory by Class and Lamb Crop – United States and Canada:
January 1, 2013 and 2014**

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Class	2013	2014	2014 as percent of 2013
	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(percent)
All sheep and lambs	6,236.6	6,103.0	98
Breeding sheep and lambs	4,655.3	4,553.0	98
Replacement lambs - under one year old	750.6	723.7	96
Ewes - one year old and older	3,702.6	3,627.6	98
Rams - one year old and older	202.1	201.7	100
Market sheep and lambs	1,581.3	1,550.0	98
Market sheep ¹	75.0	80.0	107
Market lambs ²	1,506.3	1,470.0	98
Lamb crop ³	4,195.0		(X)

(X) Not applicable.

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³ January to December lamb crop.

Source: National Agricultural Statistics Service and Statistics Canada, Livestock and Animal Products Section.

Sheep and Lamb Inventory by Class and Lamb Crop – United States: January 1, 2009-2012

Class	2009	2010	2011	2012
	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)
All sheep and lambs	5,747.0	5,620.0	5,480.0	5,365.0
Breeding sheep and lambs	4,247.0	4,185.0	4,080.0	3,995.0
Replacement lambs - under one year old	646.5	655.0	665.0	660.0
Ewes - one year old and older	3,405.0	3,335.0	3,225.0	3,165.0
Rams - one year old and older	195.5	195.0	190.0	170.0
Market sheep and lambs	1,500.0	1,435.0	1,400.0	1,370.0
Market sheep	81.0	80.0	80.0	84.0
Market lambs	1,419.0	1,355.0	1,320.0	1,286.0
Lamb crop ¹	3,690.0	3,570.0	3,510.0	3,450.0

¹ January to December lamb crop.

Source: National Agricultural Statistics Service.

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Class	2013	2014	2014 as percent of 2013
	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(percent)
All sheep and lambs	5,335.0	5,210.0	98
Breeding sheep and lambs	3,975.0	3,880.0	98
Replacement lambs - under one year old	660.0	635.0	96
Ewes - one year old and older	3,140.0	3,070.0	98
Rams - one year old and older	175.0	175.0	100
Market sheep and lambs	1,360.0	1,330.0	98
Market sheep	75.0	80.0	107
Market lambs	1,285.0	1,250.0	97
Lamb crop ¹	3,370.0		(X)

(X) Not applicable.

¹ January to December lamb crop.

Source: National Agricultural Statistics Service.

Sheep and Lamb Inventory by Class and Lamb Crop – Canada: January 1, 2009-2012

Class	2009	2010	2011	2012
	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)
All sheep and lambs	843.6	855.3	879.9	886.5
Breeding sheep and lambs	645.3	641.9	665.5	670.0
Replacement lambs - under one year old	79.2	75.5	82.0	85.4
Ewes - one year old and older	540.2	540.7	557.2	557.7
Rams - one year old and older	25.9	25.7	26.3	26.9
Market sheep and lambs	198.3	213.4	214.4	216.5
Lamb crop ¹	843.1	835.7	826.0	829.0

¹ January to December lamb crop.

Source: Statistics Canada, Livestock and Animal Products Section.

Sheep and Lamb Inventory by Class and Lamb Crop – Canada: January 1, 2013 and 2014

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Class	2013	2014	2014 as percent of 2013
	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(percent)
All sheep and lambs	901.6	893.0	99
Breeding sheep and lambs	680.3	673.0	99
Replacement lambs - under one year old	90.6	88.7	98
Ewes - one year old and older	562.6	557.6	99
Rams - one year old and older	27.1	26.7	99
Market sheep and lambs	221.3	220.0	99
Lamb crop ¹	825.0		(X)

(X) Not applicable.

¹ January to December lamb crop.

Source: Statistics Canada, Livestock and Animal Products Section.

This publication is a result of a joint effort by Statistics Canada and NASS to release the number of cattle and calves by class and calf crop for both countries within one publication. This information was requested by the United States cattle industry to provide producers additional information about potential beef, mutton and lamb supplies. United States inventory numbers were previously released on January 27, 2012.

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