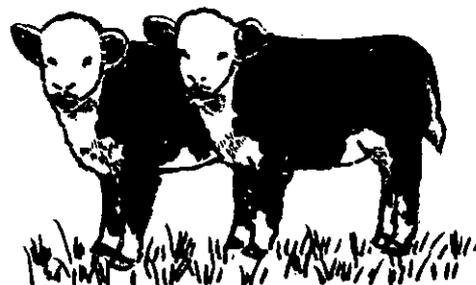


# CALF CROP



1968

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## CALF CROP UP 1 PERCENT

The 1968 calf crop for the United States is estimated at 44,102,000 head, according to the Crop Reporting Board. This is 1 percent more than the 43,765,000 head born a year earlier.

The number of cows and heifers 2 years old and older on farms January 1, 1968 is estimated at 50,049,000 head, slightly higher than the 49,883,000 head on farms January 1, 1967.

The number of calves born during 1968 expressed as a percentage of cows and heifers 2 years old and older on hand the first of the year is estimated at 88 percent, the same as a year earlier. This percentage is not strictly a calving rate because the January 1 inventory of cows and heifers 2 years old and older does not include all heifers that calve during the year and includes some cows and heifers that died or were slaughtered before calving.

## NORTH CENTRAL STATES

The calf crop in the North Central States totaled 17,035,000 head, slightly below the 17,123,000 calves born a year earlier. The East North Central States are down 2 percent while the West North Central States are up slightly.

## SOUTHERN STATES UP 2 PERCENT

The 1968 calf crop in the Southern States is estimated at 16,398,000 head, 2 percent above 1967. The South Atlantic and South Central States are each up 2 percent from 1967. Texas, the leading cattle State, shows a 1 percent larger calf crop.

## WESTERN STATES UP 1 PERCENT

The calf crop in the 11 Western States at 8,244,000 head is up 1 percent from the previous year. Colorado and Utah, each with 5 percent more calves born than a year earlier, had the largest percentage increases.

## NORTH ATLANTIC STATES DOWN 3 PERCENT

The number of calves born in the North Atlantic States declined 3 percent to 2,349,000 head. Every State in this region shows a smaller calf crop than a year earlier.

Calf crop, 1966-68

State	Cows and heifers 2 yrs. & older January 1			Calves born as percent of cows and heifers 2+ January 1		Calves born			
	1966	1967	1968	1967	1968	1966	1967	1968	1968 as % of 1967
	head	head	head	Percent	Percent	head	head	head	Percent
Maine	92	89	87	85	84	75	76	73	96
N. H.	50	48	46	85	84	42	41	39	95
Vt.	249	244	240	84	83	209	205	199	97
Mass.	88	86	82	81	83	72	70	68	97
R. I.	12	11	10	82	79	9.0	9.0	7.9	88
Conn.	84	83	80	79	81	70	66	65	98
N. Y.	1,311	1,246	1,226	84	83	1,088	1,047	1,018	97
N. J.	113	103	97	81	80	89	83	78	94
Pa.	988	950	921	86	87	850	817	801	98
Ohio	890	870	862	88	85	765	766	732	96
Ind.	773	738	719	89	89	673	657	640	97
Ill.	1,248	1,168	1,160	89	90	1,086	1,040	1,044	100
Mich.	750	680	641	85	86	622	578	551	95
Wis.	2,449	2,384	2,355	91	91	2,180	2,169	2,143	99
Minn.	1,776	1,717	1,699	89	87	1,527	1,528	1,478	97
Iowa	2,044	2,025	1,990	94	94	1,901	1,904	1,871	98
Mo.	2,115	2,151	2,208	92	91	1,925	1,979	2,009	103
N. Dak.	1,207	1,182	1,139	90	91	1,062	1,064	1,036	97
S. Dak.	1,830	1,871	1,863	93	95	1,702	1,740	1,770	102
Nebr.	2,149	2,107	2,142	92	92	1,924	1,938	1,960	101
Kans.	1,906	1,893	1,916	93	94	1,677	1,760	1,801	102
Del.	24	21	21	76	77	18	16	16	100
Md.	248	242	240	86	87	211	208	209	100
Va.	735	726	730	84	86	610	610	628	103
W. Va.	282	265	260	87	90	240	231	234	101
N. C.	530	542	541	82	82	429	444	444	100
S. C.	321	320	319	84	85	263	269	271	101
Ga.	935	917	942	82	82	739	752	772	103
Fla.	1,089	1,089	1,060	69	73	806	751	774	104
Ky.	1,292	1,315	1,377	92	91	1,176	1,210	1,253	104
Tenn.	1,274	1,260	1,249	85	87	1,070	1,071	1,087	101
Ala.	1,042	1,007	1,029	84	84	834	846	864	102
Miss.	1,439	1,414	1,449	82	83	1,166	1,159	1,203	104
Ark.	925	945	959	84	85	768	794	815	103
La.	1,184	1,125	1,089	80	83	924	900	904	100
Okla.	2,173	2,115	2,171	89	91	1,869	1,882	1,976	105
Texas	5,589	5,670	5,754	86	86	4,695	4,876	4,948	101
Mont.	1,511	1,536	1,576	91	91	1,375	1,398	1,434	102
Idaho	699	684	706	92	93	629	629	657	104
Wyo.	719	694	734	91	88	640	632	646	102
Colo.	1,043	1,071	1,107	92	93	970	985	1,030	105
N. Mex.	750	737	736	88	86	645	649	633	98
Ariz.	417	446	431	79	80	354	352	345	98
Utah	395	393	400	90	93	348	354	372	105
Nev.	320	320	320	80	82	259	256	262	102
Wash.	585	594	594	89	89	521	529	529	100
Oreg.	813	798	811	90	89	724	718	722	101
Calif.	1,853	1,884	1,852	87	87	1,617	1,630	1,614	99
48 States	50,311	49,776	49,940	88	88	43,448	43,688	44,026	101
Alaska	4.6	4.4	4.4	86	82	4.0	3.8	3.6	95
Hawaii	105	103	105	71	69	74	73	72	99
U. S.	50,420	49,883	50,049	88	88	43,526	43,765	44,102	101

1/ Not strictly a calving rate. Figure represents calves born expressed as percentage of the number of cows and heifers 2 years old and over on farms and ranches January 1.