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Arizona Cattle on Feed Inventory Down 18 Percent From Last Year

On June 1, 2009, Arizona had 301,000 head of cattle on feed for the slaughter market, down 64,000 head from a year ago and down 10,000 head from last month. Placements totaled 26,000 head during May, a decrease of 8,000 head from a year ago. During May, the number of head marketed was 35,000, a decrease of 3,000 head from last year.

On June 1, 2009, California had 470,000 head of cattle on feed for the slaughter market, down 55,000 head from last year but up 20,000 head from last month. Placements totaled 74,000 head during May, a decrease of 6,000 head from May 2008. Marketings of fed cattle totaled 52,000 head, a decrease of 19,000 head from a year ago.

Cattle and calves on feed for slaughter market in the United States for feedlots with capacity of 1,000 or more head totaled 10.4 million head on June 1, 2009. The inventory was 4 percent below June 1, 2008.

Placements in feedlots during May totaled 1.64 million, 14 percent below 2008. Net placements were 1.54 million head. This is the second lowest placements for the month of May since the series began in 1996. During May, placements of cattle and calves weighing less than 600 pounds were 395,000, 600-699 pounds were 305,000, 700-799 pounds were 433,000, and 800 pounds and greater were 505,000.

Marketings of fed cattle during May totaled 1.95 million, 9 percent below 2008. This is the lowest fed cattle marketings for the month of May since the series began in 1996.

Other disappearance totaled 101,000 during May, 26 percent above 2008.

Cattle on Feed: Number on Feed, Number Placed on Feed, Number Marketed, and Other Disappearance, 1000+ Capacity Feedlots, By Month, State, and United States 2008-2009

State	Number on Feed 1/					Number Placed on Feed			Number Marketed			Other Disappearance		
	June 1, 2008	May 1, 2009	June 1, 2009			During May			During May			During May 2/		
			Number	as % of 2008	as % of May	2008	2009	2009 as % of 2008	2008	2009	2009 as % of 2008	2008	2009	2009 as % of 2008
	1,000 Head		Percent		Percent	1,000 Head	Percent		1,000 Head	Percent	1,000 Head	Percent		
AZ	365	311	301	82	97	34	26	76	38	35	92	1	1	100
CA	525	450	470	90	104	80	74	93	71	52	73	4	2	50
CO	920	1,010	980	107	97	150	140	93	170	145	85	10	25	250
ID	215	210	205	95	98	28	35	125	36	39	108	2	1	50
IA	520	540	530	102	98	58	60	103	65	68	105	3	2	67
KS	2,190	2,180	2,080	95	95	410	345	84	490	425	87	20	20	100
NE	2,250	2,270	2,110	94	93	370	310	84	480	450	94	20	20	100
NM	150	120	105	70	88	24	16	67	23	28	122	1	3	300
OK	305	315	310	102	98	76	67	88	75	71	95	1	1	100
SD	205	230	220	107	96	34	40	118	46	44	96	3	6	200
TX	2,690	2,680	2,610	97	97	560	455	81	550	510	93	10	15	150
WA	145	161	156	108	97	29	31	107	38	35	92	1	1	100
Other Sts	335	345	330	99	96	47	39	83	58	50	86	4	4	100
US	10,815	10,822	10,407	96	96	1,900	1,638	86	2,140	1,952	91	80	101	126

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 0.2 Percent

Milk production in the 23 major States during May totaled 15.5 billion pounds, up 0.2 percent from May 2008. April revised production at 14.9 billion pounds, was up 0.1 percent from April 2008. The April revision represented an increase of 10 million pounds or 0.1 percent from last month's preliminary production estimate.

Production per cow in the 23 major States averaged 1,828 pounds for May, 9 pounds above May 2008.

The number of milk cows on farms in the 23 major States was 8.47 million head, 25,000 head less than May 2008, and 10,000 head less than April 2009.

Milk Cows and Production: By State, May 2008-2009

State	Milk Cows 1/		Milk Per Cow 2/		Milk Production 2/		Percent change from 2008
	2008	2009	2008	2009	2008	2009	
	<i>1,000 Head</i>		<i>Pounds</i>		<i>Million Pounds</i>		<i>Percent</i>
AZ	186	184	2,165	2,055	403	378	-6.2
CA	1,847	1,816	1,940	1,935	3,583	3,514	-1.9
CO	127	128	1,990	2,020	253	259	2.4
FL	120	117	1,625	1,700	195	199	2.1
ID	550	551	1,930	1,900	1,062	1,047	-1.4
IL	102	102	1,665	1,670	170	170	
IN	168	168	1,730	1,765	291	297	2.1
IA	216	215	1,740	1,785	376	384	2.1
KS	115	120	1,790	1,835	206	220	6.8
MI	350	357	1,935	1,955	677	698	3.1
MN	463	468	1,645	1,675	762	784	2.9
MO	111	110	1,365	1,330	152	146	-3.9
NM	342	332	2,040	2,145	698	712	2.0
NY	626	621	1,770	1,770	1,108	1,099	-0.8
OH	282	278	1,660	1,670	468	464	-0.9
OR	113	114	1,745	1,755	197	200	1.5
PA	548	547	1,720	1,710	943	935	-0.8
TX	412	430	1,800	1,835	742	789	6.3
UT	85	84	1,800	1,805	153	152	-0.7
VT	140	136	1,600	1,595	224	217	-3.1
VA	98	96	1,580	1,595	155	153	-1.3
WA	244	241	2,025	2,020	494	487	-1.4
WI	1,251	1,256	1,710	1,735	2,139	2,179	1.9
23-State Total	8,496	8,471	1,819	1,828	15,451	15,483	0.2

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

2/ Excludes milk sucked by calves.

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May Red Meat Production Down From Last Year

Commercial red meat production for the United States totaled 3.92 billion pounds in May, down 7 percent from the 4.22 billion pounds produced in May 2008.

Beef production, at 2.18 billion pounds, was 8 percent below the previous year. Cattle slaughter totaled 2.85 million head, down 9 percent from May 2008. The average live weight was up 13 pounds from the previous year, at 1,264 pounds.

Veal production totaled 10.3 million pounds, 11 percent below May a year ago. Calf slaughter totaled 65,100 head, down 8 percent from May 2008. The average live weight was down 7 pounds from last year, at 268 pounds.

Pork production totaled 1.72 billion pounds, down 5 percent from the previous year. Hog kill totaled 8.45 million head, down 7 percent

from May 2008. The average live weight was up 3 pounds from the previous year, at 271 pounds.

Lamb and mutton production, at 13.0 million pounds, was down 13 percent from May 2008. Sheep slaughter totaled 184,700 head, 11 percent below last year. The average live weight was 141 pounds, down 5 pounds from May a year ago.

January to May 2009 commercial red meat production was 20.1 billion pounds, down 4 percent from 2008. Accumulated beef production was down 4 percent from last year, veal was down 1 percent, pork was down 4 percent from last year, and lamb and mutton production was down 7 percent.

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

Class	May 2008	April 2009	May 2009	May 2009 as % of 2/	
				May 2008	April 2009
Arizona 3/	<i>1,000 Pounds</i>			<i>Percent</i>	
Total Red Meat	36,600	30,600	30,400	83	99
United States	<i>Million Pounds</i>			<i>Percent</i>	
Beef	2,380.1	2,133.1	2,179.7	92	102
Veal	11.5	11.2	10.3	89	92
Pork	1,815.5	1,924.1	1,716.3	95	89
Lamb and Mutton	15.0	15.5	13.0	87	84
Total Red Meat	4,222.0	4,083.9	3,919.3	93	96

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 2009 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	212.6	275,189	1,299	13,597.7	17,502,517	1,292
	0.7	174	259	46,370.4	12,594,104	272

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

U.S. Hog Inventory Down 2 Percent

U.S. inventory of all hogs and pigs on June 1, 2009 was 66.1 million head. This was down 2 percent from June 1, 2008 but up 1 percent from March 1, 2009.

Breeding inventory, at 5.97 million head, was down 3 percent from last year and down slightly from the previous quarter. Market hog inventory, at 60.1 million head, was down 2 percent from last year but up 1 percent from last quarter.

The March-May 2009 pig crop, at 28.5 million head, was down slightly from 2008 but up 2 percent from 2007. Sows farrowing during this period totaled 2.97 million head, down 3 percent from 2008 and down 2 percent from 2007. The sows farrowed during this quarter represented 50 percent of the breeding herd. The average pigs saved per litter was a record high 9.61 for the March-May 2009 period, compared to 9.38 last year. Pigs saved per litter by size of operation ranged from 7.40 for operations with 1-99 hogs and pigs to 9.70 for operations with more than 5,000 hogs and pigs.

U.S. hog producers intend to have 2.97 million sows farrow during the June-August 2009 quarter, down 3 percent from the actual farrowings during the same period in 2008 and down 5 percent from 2007. Intended farrowings for September-November 2009, at 2.96 million sows, are down 2 percent from 2008 and down 7 percent from 2007.

The total number of hogs under contract owned by operations with over 5,000 head, but raised by contractees, accounted for 46 percent of the total U.S. hog inventory, up from 41 percent last year.

Revisions

All inventory and pig crop estimates for June 2008 through March 2009 were reviewed using slaughter, death loss and current import and export data. Based on this review, adjustments of less than one percent were made to the December 2008 total inventory and March 2009 total inventory. An adjustment of less than one and a half percent was made to the September-November 2008 pig crop.

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June Farm Prices Received Index Advanced 5 Points

The preliminary All Farm Products Index of Prices Received by Farmers in June, at 135 percent, based on 1990-92=100, increased 5 points (3.8 percent) from May. The Crop Index is up 12 points (8.0 percent) but the Livestock Index decreased 1 point (0.9 percent). Producers received higher prices for tomatoes, soybeans, broilers, and cantaloups and lower prices for cattle, strawberries, milk, and hay. 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, grapes, hay, and cantaloups offset decreased marketings of tomatoes, oranges, strawberries, and sweet corn.

The preliminary All Farm Products Index is down 23 points (15 percent) from June 2008. The Food Commodities Index, at 133, increased 7 points (5.6 percent) from last month but decreased 22 points (14 percent) from June 2008.

Prices Paid Index Up 1 Point

The June Index of Prices Paid for Commodities and Services, Interest, Taxes, and Farm Wage Rates (PPITW) is 179 percent of the 1990-92 average. The index is up 1 point (0.6 percent) from May but 8 points (4.3 percent) below June 2008. Higher prices in June for

diesel, complete feeds, gasoline, and LP gas more than offset lower prices for feeder pigs, feeder cattle, hay & forages, and mixed fertilizer.

Prices Received by Farmers: Arizona and United States, June 2008 and 2009 and May 2009

Commodity	Unit	Arizona			United States		
		June 2008 Entire Month	May 2009 Entire Month	June 2009 Mid-Month	June 2008 Entire Month	May 2009 Entire Month	June 2009 Mid-Month
Upland Cotton	¢ Lb	1/	1/	1/	64.0	46.40	44.40
Durum Wheat 2/	\$ Ton	---	---	---	282.70	235.00	237.70
Alfalfa Hay Baled 3/	\$ Ton	190.00	150.00	125.00	172.00	138.00	128.00
Cows 4/	\$ Cwt	55.00	49.00	45.00	54.40	49.10	45.50
Steers and Heifers	\$ Cwt	97.00	86.00	85.00	96.50	87.80	85.40
Beef Cattle 5/	\$ Cwt	82.30	66.80	64.20	91.90	83.20	80.80
Calves	\$ Cwt	102.00	108.00	101.00	118.00	112.00	111.00
All Milk 6/	\$ Cwt	18.70	11.00	10.90	19.30	11.60	11.40

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	2008		2009	
	May	June	May	June
Prices Received	152	158	130	135
Prices Paid	184	187	178	179
Ratio 1/	83	84	73	75

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