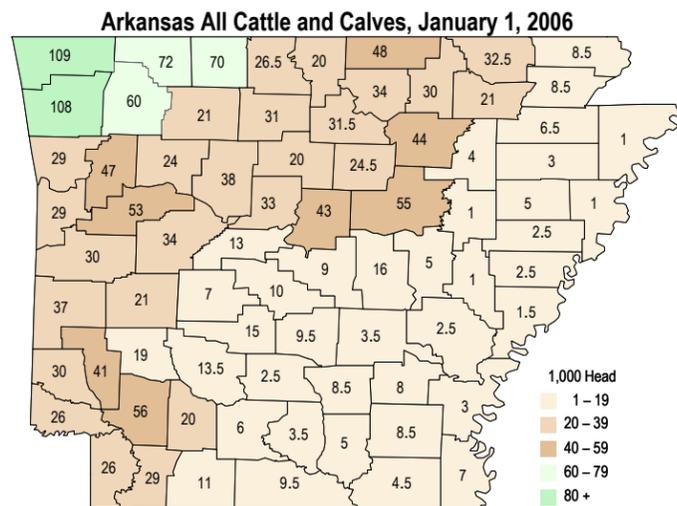


Did you know?

- Arkansas ranked 16 among the states in total number of cattle and calves on January 1, 2006.
- Arkansas ranked 13 among the states in total number of beef cows on January 1, 2006.
- Arkansas cattle and calf producers received more than \$640 million in cash receipts from farm marketings and sale of farm slaughter in 2005.
- Arkansas cash receipts in 2005 from the sale of cattle and calves were more than \$377 million greater than 1996 cash receipts.



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This report contains the results from our cattle and milk production surveys conducted throughout the year. The data also are posted on our Web site at the Internet address shown on the bottom of this page, and in more detailed U.S. statistics at www.nass.usda.gov. The United States Department of Agriculture, National Agricultural Statistics Service, Arkansas Field Office, appreciates the cooperation of all the producers and buyers who responded to USDA National Agricultural Statistics Service surveys used in the production of this report. Thank you.

Arkansas Cattle and Milk Production with U.S. Highlights, January 1, 2006 and 2005

Arkansas Milk Production, Disposition and Income

Year	Milk Cows on Farms ¹ (1,000)	Milk Production ²		Cash Receipts Marketings (1,000 dollars)	Value of Milk and Products Consumed ³ (1,000 dollars)	Gross Producer Income from Dairy Products ⁴ (1,000 dollars)
		Per Cow (pounds)	Total (million pounds)			
1996	56	12,054	675	105,600	800	106,400
1997	53	11,981	635	90,045	580	90,625
1998	45	12,000	540	82,212	468	82,680
1999	42	12,381	520	77,000	770	77,770
2000	39	12,436	485	64,192	408	64,600
2001	35	12,343	432	67,459	483	67,942
2002	32	12,281	393	50,820	396	51,216
2003	29	12,207	354	46,018	399	46,417
2004	24	13,458	323	51,345	489	51,834
2005	22	13,500	297	44,506	462	44,968
10-Year Avg.	38	12,464	465	67,920	526	68,446

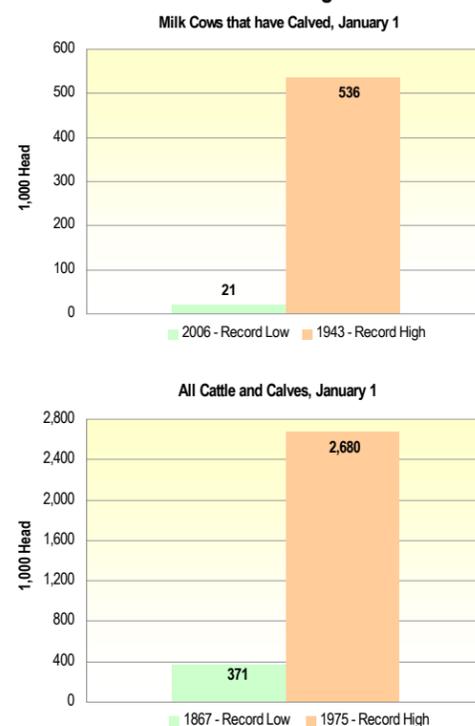
¹ Average number of milk cows during year, excluding heifers not yet fresh.

² Excludes milk nursed by calves.

³ Value of milk, cream, and butter consumed in farm households where produced; value at average returns per 100 pounds of milk in combined marketings of milk and cream.

⁴ Cash receipts from marketings of milk and cream plus value of milk and products used for home consumption.

Arkansas Record Highs and Lows



As of January 1, 2006, all cattle and calves in Arkansas totaled 1.75 million head, down 110,000 head from January 1, 2005. The U.S. cattle and calves total, at 97.1 million head, was 2 percent above the January 1, 2005, inventory; Arkansas had 2 percent of the 2006 U.S. total. All cows and heifers that had calved as of January 1, 2006, at 940,000 head, were 50,000 head below the previous year at that same time. Beef cows that had calved, and beef heifer replacements, made up the largest part of the Arkansas cattle and calves total, with 1.09 million head. The 2005 total calf crop was 820,000 head, a 30,000-head reduction from the 2004 calf crop. Total cash receipts from 2005 farm marketings and sale of farm slaughter totaled \$640 million, compared with \$573 million in 2004.

The average number of milk cows in Arkansas during 2005 was 22,000 head, compared with a 24,000-head average in 2004. These cows produced 297 million pounds in 2005 for total cash receipts of \$44.5 million to Arkansas milk producers. Milk cows in Arkansas averaged 13,500 pounds of milk per year in 2005, a 42-pound increase from the previous year.

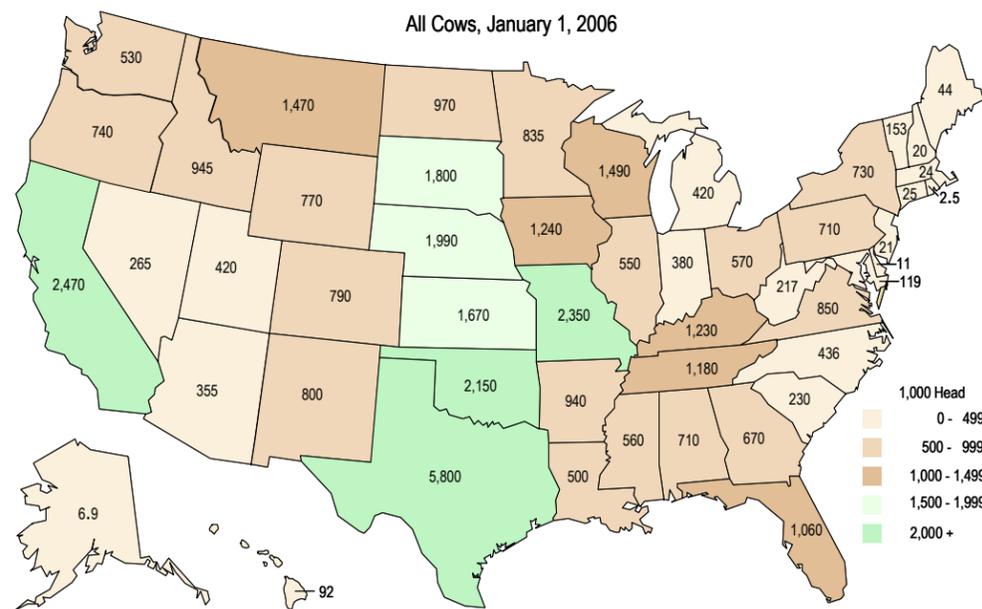
Of the 1.75 million cattle and calves on farms on January 1, 2006, 109,000 were in Benton County and 108,000 were in Washington County. Benton and Washington County ranked first and second in the state, respectively, for the number of cattle and calves on farms on January 1, 2006. The heaviest concentration of cattle and calves in Arkansas is in the Northwest and North Central part of the state.

Arkansas Milk Production on Farms, by Quarter, Year and 10-Year Average, 1996-2006

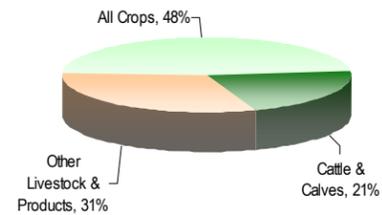
Year	Quarter Total or Average								Annual Total or Average		
	January – March		April – June		July – September		October – December		Milk Production (million pounds)	Number of Cows (1,000 head)	Milk Production per Cow (pounds)
	Milk Prod. (million pounds)	No. of Cows (1,000 head)	Milk Prod. (million pounds)	No. of Cows (1,000 head)	Milk Prod. (million pounds)	No. of Cows (1,000 head)	Milk Prod. (million pounds)	No. of Cows (1,000 head)			
1996	183	58	171	57	162	56	159	54	675	56	12,054
1997	170	54	164	53	151	52	150	51	635	53	11,981
1998	146	49	145	46	129	43	120	42	540	45	12,000
1999	135	42	138	42	122	42	125	42	520	42	12,381
2000	138	41	134	40	107	38	106	37	485	39	12,436
2001	117	36	124	35	95	34	96	33	432	35	12,343
2002	107	33	111	33	88	32	87	31	393	32	12,281
2003	96	30	97	29	81	28	80	27	354	29	12,207
2004	89	25	88	24	74	24	72	23	323	24	13,458
2005	77	23	80	23	73	22	67	21	297	22	13,500
10-Year Avg.	126	39	125	38	108	37	106	36	465	38	12,464
2006	71	21	71	21	61	20					



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U.S. Cash Receipts from Farm Marketings, Percent by Category, 2005



Total U.S. Cash Receipts = \$238,900,000,000

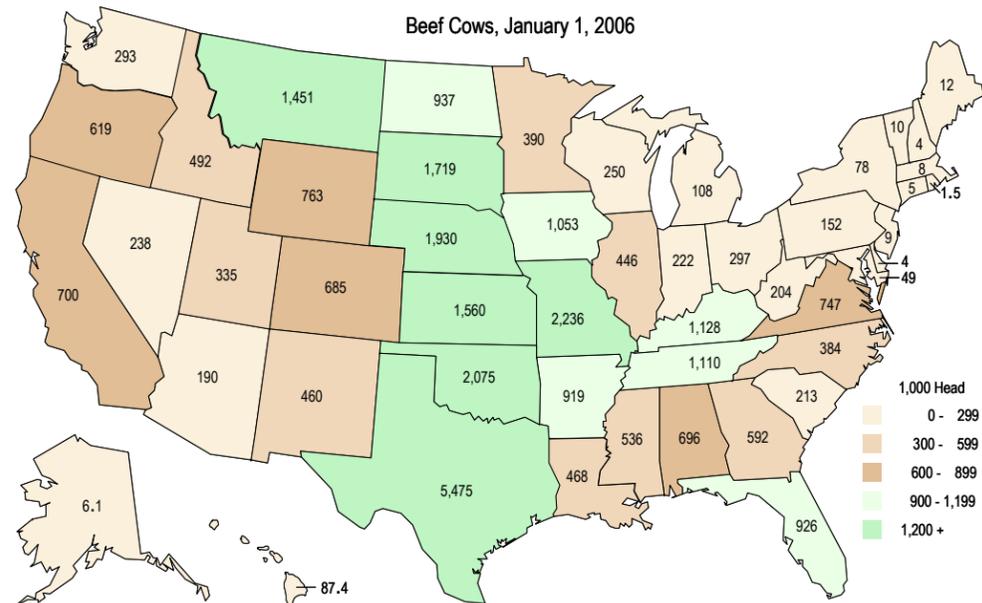
Arkansas Cattle Inventory, January 1

Year	All Cattle and Calves	Beef Cows and Heifers ¹	Milk Cows and Heifers ¹	Beef Heifers (Replacements)	Milk Heifers (Replacements)	Other Heifers	Steers Over 500 Pounds	Bulls Over 500 Pounds	Calves Under 500 Pounds ²	Calf Crop ³
1,000 Head										
1997	1,900	956	54	188	22	50	95	60	475	870
1998	1,800	919	51	170	20	50	85	55	450	830
1999	1,820	928	42	170	20	55	85	55	465	840
2000	1,840	928	42	170	15	65	100	55	465	850
2001	1,800	923	37	160	15	65	105	55	440	840
2002	1,820	927	33	165	15	65	145	50	420	820
2003	1,850	949	31	180	10	75	130	55	420	850
2004	1,900	982	28	180	10	85	140	55	420	860
2005	1,860	964	26	170	10	65	110	55	460	850
2006	1,750	919	21	175	8	52	95	55	425	820

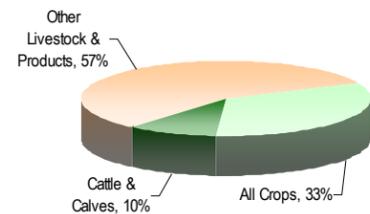
¹ Cows and heifers that have calved.

² Includes steer, heifer and bull calves.

³ During previous year.



Arkansas Cash Receipts from Farm Marketings, Percent by Category, 2005



Total Arkansas Cash Receipts = \$6,319,917,000

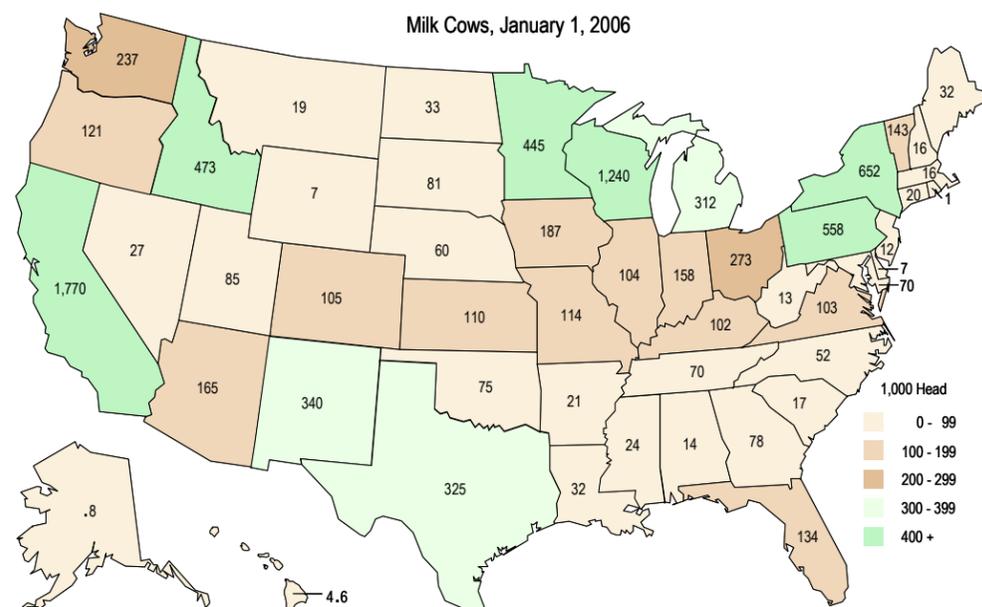
Arkansas Cattle and Calves: Production, Price and Income

Year	Production ¹ (1,000 lbs)	Marketings ² (1,000 lbs)	Average Price per 100 pounds		Value of Production (1,000 dollars)	Cash Receipts ³ (1,000 dollars)	Value of Home Consumption (1,000 dollars)	Gross Income (1,000 dollars)	Number of Operations (1,000)
			Cattle (dollars)	Calves (dollars)					
1996	534,035	607,100	42.10	51.40	224,581	262,843	2,887	265,730	31
1997	550,522	680,600	53.90	78.80	306,955	387,759	4,335	392,094	31
1998	537,659	573,250	53.00	77.80	298,301	324,159	3,955	328,114	31
1999	567,543	620,200	56.40	84.20	331,642	374,312	4,312	378,624	31
2000	565,659	655,800	66.00	101.00	384,647	464,433	5,440	469,873	31
2001	558,414	592,140	68.30	101.00	391,838	432,272	5,697	437,969	30
2002	570,201	611,440	63.90	86.00	371,518	409,274	5,663	414,937	30
2003	580,979	608,820	70.10	94.20	416,709	448,960	6,380	455,340	30
2004	529,047	650,400	82.60	117.00	461,678	572,731	6,978	579,709	30
2005	528,076	670,340	89.10	129.00	490,331	640,341	7,543	647,884	30
10-Year Avg.	552,214	627,009	64.54	92.04	367,820	431,708	5,319	437,027	31

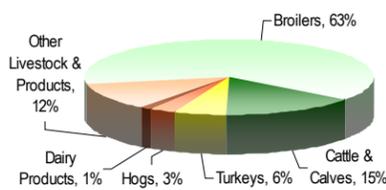
¹ Adjustments made for changes in inventory and for inshipments.

² Excludes custom slaughter for use on farms where produced and interfarm sales within Arkansas.

³ Receipts from marketings and sale of farm slaughter.



Arkansas Cash Receipts from Livestock Farm Marketings, Percent by Livestock Category, 2005



Total Livestock Cash Receipts = \$4,215,065,000

Arkansas Cattle and Calves: Inventory, Supply, and Disposition¹

Year	Jan 1 Inventory (1,000 head)	Calf Crop (1,000 head)	In-Shipments (1,000 head)	Marketings ²			Farm Slaughter ³ (1,000 head)	Deaths	
				Cattle (1,000 head)	Calves (1,000 head)	Total (1,000 head)		Cattle (1,000 head)	Calves (1,000 head)
1996	1,910	870	125	720	201	921	4	30	50
1997	1,900	830	150	790	211	1,001	5	25	49
1998	1,800	840	115	659	201	860	5	25	45
1999	1,820	850	165	704	211	915	5	30	45
2000	1,840	840	155	729	216	945	5	35	50
2001	1,800	820	145	654	199	853	5	37	50
2002	1,820	850	160	700	201	901	4	30	45
2003	1,850	860	170	687	215	902	3	30	45
2004	1,900	850	160	727	241	968	2	35	45
2005	1,860	820	150	747	258	1,005	2	30	43
10-Year Avg.	1,850	843	150	712	215	927	4	31	47

¹ Balance sheet estimates; the sum of inventory January 1, previous year, calf crop, and inshipments is equal to the sum of marketings, farm slaughter, deaths, and inventory, January 1 of the year.

² Includes custom slaughter for use on farms where produced and state outshipments, but excludes interfarm sales within Arkansas.

³ Excludes custom slaughter for farmers at commercial establishments.