



# News Release

## Indiana Cattle Inventory

All cattle and calves in Indiana as of January 1, 2025 were 810,000 head, up 3 percent from last year, according to Nathaniel Warenski, State Statistician, USDA NASS, Indiana Field Office. Indiana highlights from the January 1 report follow:

- All cow numbers increased 3 percent to 380,000 head.
- The 2024 calf crop at 345,000 head, remained unchanged from 2023.

Nationally, all cattle and calves in the United States as of January 1, 2025, totaled 86.7 million head, 1 percent below the 87.2 million head on January 1, 2024. All cows and heifers that have calved, at 37.2 million head, were slightly below the 37.4 million head on January 1, 2024. Beef cows, at 27.9 million head, were down 1 percent from a year ago. Milk cows, at 9.35 million head, were up slightly from the previous year. All heifers 500 pounds and over as of January 1, 2025 totaled 18.2 million head, 1 percent below the 18.3 million head on January 1, 2024. Beef replacement heifers, at 4.67 million head, were down 1 percent from a year ago. Milk replacement heifers, at 3.91 million head, were down 1 percent from the previous year. Other heifers, at 9.59 million head, were 1 percent below a year earlier.

### Cattle Inventory by Class – Indiana and United States: January 1, 2024 and 2025

| Class                            | Indiana      |                   | United States <sup>1</sup> |              |
|----------------------------------|--------------|-------------------|----------------------------|--------------|
|                                  | 2024         | 2025 <sup>2</sup> | 2024                       | 2025         |
|                                  | (1,000 head) | (1,000 head)      | (1,000 head)               | (1,000 head) |
| All cattle and calves .....      | 790          | 810               | 87,157                     | 86,662       |
| Cows .....                       | 370          | 380               | 37,360                     | 37,213       |
| Beef .....                       | 180          | (NA)              | 28,013                     | 27,864       |
| Milk .....                       | 190          | (NA)              | 9,347                      | 9,349        |
| Replacement heifers .....        | 139          | (NA)              | 18,320                     | 18,180       |
| Beef .....                       | 32           | (NA)              | 4,718                      | 4,672        |
| Milk .....                       | 52           | (NA)              | 3,951                      | 3,914        |
| Other .....                      | 55           | (NA)              | 9,651                      | 9,593        |
| Steers 500 pounds and over ..... | 88           | (NA)              | 15,959                     | 15,802       |
| Bulls 500 pounds and over .....  | 14           | (NA)              | 2,031                      | 2,009        |
| Calves under 500 pounds .....    | 179          | (NA)              | 13,488                     | 13,458       |
| Cattle on feed .....             | 90           | (NA)              | 14,426                     | 14,297       |

(NA) Not available.

<sup>1</sup> Totals may not add due to rounding.

<sup>2</sup> Cattle program changes were made following the 2022 Census of Agriculture. As a result of these changes, a reduced number of data items are published for Indiana beginning in January 2025.

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