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Iowa Cattle on Feed

There were 1,080,000 cattle on feed for the slaughter market in all feedlots in Iowa on September 1, 2011, down 4 percent from August 1, 2011 and down 8 percent from September 1, 2010. Feedlots with a capacity greater than 1,000 head had 550,000 head on feed, down 2 percent from last month and down 2 percent from last year. Feedlots with a capacity less than 1,000 head had 530,000 head on feed, down 7 percent from last month and down 14 percent from last year.

Placements during August totaled 148,000 head, an increase of 31 percent from last month but down 6 percent from last year. Feedlots with a capacity greater than 1,000 head placed 84,000 head, up 40 percent from last month but down 10 percent from last year. Feedlots with a capacity less than 1,000 head placed 64,000 head. This is up 21 percent from last month but down 2 percent from last year.

Marketings for August were 192,000 head, up 4 percent from last month and up 5 percent from last year. Feedlots with a capacity greater than 1,000 head marketed 92,000 head, up 5 percent from last month and up 1 percent from last year. Feedlots with a capacity less than 1,000 head marketed 100,000 head, up 3 percent from last month and up 9 percent from last year. Other disappearance totaled 6,000 head.

All Cattle on Feed, Iowa

Item	Lots 1,000+ Head	Lots Less than 1,000 Head	All Lots
	(1,000 Head)	(1,000 Head)	(1,000 Head)
Cattle on Feed, August 1, 2011	560	570	1,130
August Placements	84	64	148
August Marketings	92	100	192
August Other Disappearance	2	4	6
Cattle on Feed, September 1, 2011	550	530	1,080

Cattle on Feed: Number on Feed, Placements, Marketings, and Other Disappearance by Month, 1,000+ Capacity Feedlots

[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.]

State	Cattle on Feed September 1			Placements during August			Marketings during August			August Disappearance other than Slaughter [1]		
	2010	2011	'11 as % of '10	2010	2011	'11 as % of '10	2010	2011	'11 as % of '10	2010	2011	'11 as % of '10
	(1,000 Head)	(1,000 Head)	(Percent)	(1,000 Head)	(1,000 Head)	(Percent)	(1,000 Head)	(1,000 Head)	(Percent)	(1,000 Head)	(1,000 Head)	(Percent)
Arizona	240	288	120	20	25	125	27	23	85	1	1	100
California	435	475	109	55	56	102	52	56	108	3	5	167
Colorado	890	990	111	190	230	121	185	205	111	5	5	100
Idaho	190	195	103	46	43	93	45	42	93	1	1	100
Iowa	**560**	**550**	**98**	**93**	**84**	**90**	**91**	**92**	**101**	**2**	**2**	**100**
Kansas	2,200	2,210	100	610	520	85	440	475	108	10	15	150
Nebraska	2,050	2,010	98	480	445	93	380	400	105	10	15	150
Oklahoma	355	365	103	81	75	93	60	67	112	1	3	300
South Dakota	195	190	97	45	45	100	49	48	98	1	2	200
Texas	2,550	2,900	114	540	620	115	500	540	108	10	20	200
Washington	170	193	114	42	48	114	34	44	129	1	1	100
Other States	346	355	103	69	61	88	60	56	93	2	2	100
United States	10,181	10,721	105	2,271	2,252	99	1,923	2,048	107	47	72	153

[1] Includes death loss, movement from feedlots to pasture, and shipments to other feedlots for further feeding.

Hogs & Pigs Inventory

Iowa: On September 1, there were 20.0 million hogs and pigs on Iowa farms, up 2 percent from the 19.6 million in both June 2011 and September 2010. This is a new record high inventory.

The June - August 2011 pig crop was 5.00 million head. A total of 485,000 sows farrowed with an average litter size of 10.3 pigs per sow.

As of September 1, producers planned to farrow 485,000 head of sows and gilts in the September - November 2010 quarter. Farrowing intentions for the December 2011 – February 2012 period were estimated at 480,000 as of September 1, 2011.

United States: United States inventory of all hogs and pigs on September 1, 2011 was 66.6 million head. This was up 1 percent from September 1, 2010, and up 3 percent from June 1, 2011.

Breeding inventory, at 5.81 million head, was up 1 percent from last year, and up slightly from the previous quarter. Market hog inventory, at 60.8 million head, was up 1 percent from last year, and up 3 percent from last quarter.
The June-August 2011 pig crop, at 29.1 million head, was up 1 percent from 2010 and up 1 percent from 2009. Sows farrowing during this period totaled 2.90 million head, down 1 percent from 2010 and down 2 percent from 2009. The sows farrowed during this quarter represented 50 percent of the breeding herd. The average pigs saved per litter was a record high 10.03 for the June-August 2011 period, compared to 9.81 last year. Pigs saved per litter by size of operation ranged from 7.50 for operations with 1-99 hogs and pigs to 10.10 for operations with more than 5,000 hogs and pigs.

United States hog producers intend to have 2.87 million sows farrow during the September-November 2011 quarter, down slightly from the actual farrowings during the same period in 2010, and down 1 percent from 2009. Intended farrowings for December-February 2012, at 2.86 million sows, are up slightly from 2011, but down 1 percent from 2010.

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 United States hog inventory, up from 43 percent last year.

Hogs and Pigs: Breeding, Market, and Total Inventory By Selected States and United States, September 1, 2010-2011

[Data may not add to totals due to rounding.]

State	Breeding			Market			Total		
	2010	2011	'11 as % of '10	2010	2011	'11 as % of '10	2010	2011	'11 as % of '10
	(1,000 Head)	(1,000 Head)	(Percent)	(1,000 Head)	(1,000 Head)	(Percent)	(1,000 Head)	(1,000 Head)	(Percent)
Illinois	490	490	100	3,960	4,160	105	4,450	4,650	104
Iowa	**1,010**	**1,020**	**101**	**18,590**	**18,980**	**102**	**19,600**	**20,000**	**102**
Minnesota	550	560	102	6,950	7,240	104	7,500	7,800	104
Missouri	345	360	104	2,605	2,490	96	2,950	2,850	97
Nebraska	370	380	103	2,780	2,870	103	3,150	3,250	103
North Carolina	870	850	98	8,530	8,250	97	9,400	9,100	97
United States	5,770	5,806	101	60,201	60,793	101	65,971	66,599	101

Market Hogs and Pigs: Inventory Number by Weight Group, Selected States, and United States, September 1, 2010-2011

[Data may not add to totals due to rounding.]

State	Under 50 lbs.		50-119 lbs.		120-179 lbs.		180 lbs. and over	
	2010	2011	2010	2011	2010	2011	2010	2011
	(1,000 Head)	(1,000 Head)	(1,000 Head)	(1,000 Head)	(1,000 Head)	(1,000 Head)	(1,000 Head)	(1,000 Head)
Illinois	1,300	1,370	1,230	1,280	790	770	640	740
Iowa	**4,860**	**4,970**	**5,950**	**6,100**	**4,520**	**4,610**	**3,260**	**3,300**
Minnesota	2,360	2,500	2,200	2,230	1,410	1,480	980	1,030
Missouri	1,140	1,020	615	615	450	445	400	410
Nebraska	940	960	860	880	580	580	400	450
North Carolina	3,150	3,100	2,200	2,030	1,750	1,680	1,430	1,440
United States	19,613	19,696	17,395	17,459	12,674	12,762	10,520	10,876

Average Crop Prices Received by Farmers, Iowa & United States

Item	IOWA			U.S.		
	September 2010	August 2011	September [1] 2011	September 2010	August 2011	September [1] 2011
	Dollars					
Corn .... Bu	4.01	6.84	6.55	4.08	6.88	6.69
Oats .... Bu	2.18	3.20	3.40	2.30	3.19	3.32
Soybeans .... Bu	9.87	13.50	13.00	9.98	13.40	13.10
Alfalfa, baled .... Ton	112.00	128.00	132.00	119.00	191.00	196.00
All Hay, baled .... Ton	107.00	126.00	123.00	112.00	172.00	176.00

- Represents zero.
[1] Preliminary

Average Livestock Prices Received by Farmers, United States

Item	September 2010	August 2011	September [1] 2011
	Dollars		
Hogs, all .... Cwt	61.00	75.80	66.70
Sows .... Cwt	57.80	68.90	66.50
Brw & Gilts .... Cwt	61.20	76.10	66.70
Beef Cattle .... Cwt	94.10	111.00	112.00
Cows .... Cwt	55.20	70.80	69.70
Strs & Hfrs .... Cwt	99.50	114.00	116.00
Calves .... Cwt	118.00	134.00	133.00
Milk Cows [2] .... Hd	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Milk (whls) .... Cwt	17.70	22.00	20.90
Sheep .... Cwt	48.70	66.80	(NA)
Lambs .... Cwt	135.00	189.00	(NA)
Eggs (mkt)[3] .... Doz	0.446	0.991	0.769

- Represents zero.
[1] Preliminary [2] Prices published January, April, July, and October. [3] Eggs are mid-month prices.

Prices Received Index Summary, United States

Prices Received	Sep 2010	Aug 2011	Sep[1] 2011	Sep 2010	Aug 2011	Sep[1] 2011
	1910-14=100			1990-92=100		
All Products	907	1165	1159	143	184	183
Crops	753	1043	1041	152	210	210
Feed Grains & Hay	617	1001	1003	173	281	281
Oilseeds	816	1311	1178	149	239	215
Lvstk	1028	1214	1159	134	158	151
Meat Animals	1308	1559	1520	128	153	149
Dairy Prod.	1089	1354	1286	136	168	160

[1]Preliminary

Prices Paid Index Summary, United States

Prices Paid	Sep 2010	Aug 2011	Sep 2011	Sep 2010	Aug 2011	Sep 2011
	1910-14=100			1990-92=100		
Prices Paid [1]	2432	2723	2730	183	205	205
Feed	881	1147	1164	180	235	238
Lvstk/Poultry ..	1662	1875	1863	130	147	146
Fertilizer	935	1212	1214	255	331	331
Chemicals	903	898	898	146	145	145
Fuels	2152	2827	2839	279	366	368
Ratio [2]	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	78	90	89
Parity Ratio [3] ..	37	43	42	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)

NA = Information not available.
[1] Prices paid by farmers for commodities and services, interest, taxes, and farm wage rates. [2] Received/Paid [3] Ratio of index of prices received to index of prices paid for commodities and services, interest, taxes, and farm wage rates.

Milk Cows and Production: Selected States, August 2010 and 2011

State	Milk Cows [1]		Milk Per Cow [2]		Milk Production [2]		
	2010	2011	2010	2011	2010	2011	Change from 2010
	(1,000 Head)	(1,000 Head)	(Pounds)	(Pounds)	(Million Pounds)	(Million Pounds)	(Percent)
Illinois	99	98	1,495	1,540	148	151	2.0
Indiana	169	171	1,645	1,680	278	287	3.2
Iowa	**207**	**199**	**1,700**	**1,760**	**352**	**350**	**-0.6**
Kansas	120	124	1,725	1,750	207	217	4.8
Michigan	359	368	1,955	1,955	702	719	2.4
Minnesota	470	471	1,595	1,520	750	716	-4.5
Missouri	99	96	1,150	1,090	114	105	-7.9
Ohio	270	266	1,610	1,590	435	423	-2.8
Wisconsin	1,263	1,264	1,725	1,745	2,179	2,206	1.2
23-State Total [3]	8,369	8,471	1,792	1,810	14,998	15,330	2.2

[1] Includes dry cows, excludes heifers not yet fresh. [2] Excludes milk sucked by calves. [3] As of February 2009, the 23 States are Arizona, California, Colorado, Florida, Idaho, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, New Mexico, New York, Ohio, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Texas, Utah, Vermont, Virginia, Washington, and Wisconsin.

All Layers and Egg Production: Selected States, August 2010 and 2011

[Data may not add to totals due to rounding. Data by type of flock not shown for some states to avoid disclosing individual operations, data included in United States totals.]

State	Table egg layers in flocks 30,000 & above		All layers on hand		Eggs per 100 layers		Total egg production		Table egg production	
	2010	2011	2010	2011	2010	2011	2010	2011	2010	2011
	(Thousands)	(Thousands)	(Thousands)	(Thousands)	(Number)	(Number)	(Million eggs)	(Million eggs)	(Million eggs)	(Million eggs)
Illinois	4,409	4,097	4,613	4,309	2,385	2,390	110	103	107	100
Indiana	22,771	22,229	23,476	22,931	2,330	2,351	547	539	534	527
Iowa	**54,439**	**51,932**	**55,281**	**52,871**	**2,268**	**2,328**	**1,254**	**1,231**	**1,242**	**1,217**
Minnesota	9,778	9,584	10,264	10,081	2,338	2,331	240	235	232	226
Nebraska	9,246	8,923	9,296	8,973	2,506	2,530	233	227	233	227
North Carolina	5,773	5,458	13,081	12,917	2,110	2,083	276	269	142	130
Ohio	27,783	27,204	28,262	27,680	2,303	2,290	651	634	(D)	(D)
United States	278,382	276,453	340,084	336,321	2,283	2,301	7,765	7,739	6,669	6,672

(D) Withheld to avoid disclosing data for individual operations.

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