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CATTLE

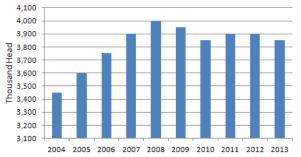
All cattle and calves in Iowa as of January 1, 2013 totaled 3.85 million head, according to the latest USDA, National Agricultural Statistics Service – *Cattle* report. This estimate is down 50,000 from January 1, 2012. Beef cows, at 925,000 head, were 3 percent above last year. Milk cows, at 205,000 were unchanged from last year.

All heifers 500 pounds and over, at 950,000 head, were up 3 percent from last year. Heifers for beef cow replacement were up 7 percent to 150,000 head; heifers for milk cow replacement at 120,000 head were down 25 percent from the previous year; and all other heifers were up 10 percent to 680,000 head.

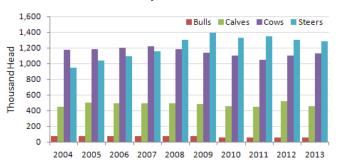
Steers weighing 500 pounds and over were down 4 percent from last year at 1,250,000 head. Bulls weighing 500 pounds and over were unchanged from a year ago at 60,000 head. Calves under 500 pounds on January 1, 2013 totaled 460,000 head, down 12 percent from last year.

The 2012 calf crop was estimated at 1.05 million head, equal to the 2011 calf crop. Cattle and calves on feed for slaughter in all feedlots on January 1, 2013 was 1,280,000 head, down 2 percent from one year ago.

All Cattle & Calves, Iowa, 2004-2013



Cattle Inventory, Iowa, 2004 - 2013



Cattle and Calves: Number by Class and Calf Crop, Iowa and United States, January 1, 2012 & 2013

	lowa			United States			
Class	2012	2013	2013 as % of 2012	2012	2013	2013 as % of 2012	
	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(percent)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(percent)	
All cattle and calves	3,900	3,850	99	90,768.5	89,299.6	98	
All cows that have calved	1,100 895 205	1,130 925 205	103 103 100	39,387.4 30,157.9 9,229.5	38,515.2 29,295.3 9219.9	98 97 100	
Heifers 500 pounds and over	140	950 150 120 680	103 107 75 110	19,337.8 5,261.6 4,662.0 9,454.2	19,128.9 5,360.6 4,550.7 9.217.6	99 102 98 97	
Steers 500 pounds and over	1,300 60 520	1,250 60 460	96 100 88	15,832.5 2,096.0 14,114.8	15.812.7 2.055.8 13.787.0	100 98 98	
Cattle on feed ¹	1,300	1,280	98	14,121.4	13,351.7	95	
	2011	2012	2012 as % of 2011	2011	2012	2012 as % of 2011	
Calf crop	1,050	1,050	100	35,313.2	34,279.0	97	

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. Cattle and calves on feed are included in the cattle inventory estimates by classes.

SHEEP

All sheep and lambs inventory in Iowa totaled 175,000 head, down 10 percent from last year according to the latest USDA, National Agricultural Statistics Service – *Sheep and Goats* report. Total breeding stock, at 128,000 head, is approximately 10 percent lower than a year ago. Compared to last year, market sheep and lambs decreased 10 percent to 47,000 head, and the lamb crop decreased 3 percent to 150,000.

Sheep Inventory, Iowa, 2004 - 2013

325,000

275,000

175,000

125,000

2004 2005 2006 2007 2008 2009 2010 2011 2012 2013

All Sheep and Lambs: Number by Class, Iowa and United States, January, 2012-2013

	lowa			United States			
Class	2012	2013	2013 as % of 2012	2012	2013	2013 as % of 2012	
	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(percent)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(percent)	
All sheep and lambs	195	175	90	5,365.0	5,335.0	99	
Total breeding sheep	143 115 5 23	128 100 5 23	90 87 100 100	3,995.0 3,165.0 170.0 660.0	3,975.0 3,140.0 175.0 660.0	99 99 103 100	
Total market	52	47	90	1,370.0	1,360.0	99	
	2011	2012	2012 as % of 2011	2011	2012	2012 as % of 2011	
Lamb crop	155	150	97	3,510.0	3,455.0	98	

MONTHLY PRICES

Preliminary January 2013 price received in Iowa for corn was \$7.00 according to the latest USDA, National Agricultural Statistics Service – *Agricultural Prices* report. This is a \$1.01 increase from January 2012. Soybean prices increased \$2.30 to \$14.10 compared to January 2012 and oat prices increased \$.49 to \$4.00.

All hay prices increased \$74.00 to \$209.00 compared to January 2012. Alfalfa hay prices increased \$80.00 to \$232.00 and other hay prices increased \$54.00 to \$152.00. Iowa dairy farmers received an average of \$20.80 per cwt for milk sold in January, \$1.20 more than one year ago.

Prices Received by Farmers

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IOWA	January	December	January ¹					
	2012	2012	2013					
<u>10W/1</u>	Dollars							
Corn Bu Soybeans Bu Oats Bu All Hay, baled Ton Alfalfa Hay, baled Ton Other Hay, baled Ton Milk Cows 2 Hd Milk (whls) Cwt	5.99	6.92	7.00					
	11.80	14.30	14.10					
	3.51	4.15	4.00					
	135.00	197.00	209.00					
	152.00	220.00	232.00					
	98.00	145.00	152.00					
	1420.00	(NA)	1400.00					
	19.60	21.70	20.80					
UNITED STATES	January	December	January ¹					
	2012	2012	2013					
	Dollars							
Corn Bu Soybeans Bu Oats Bu All Hay, baled Ton Alfalfa Hay, baled Ton Other hay, baled Ton Hogs, all Cwt Brw & Gilts Cwt Sows Cwt Beef Cattle Cwt	6.07 11.90 3.56 172.00 193.00 63.50 63.70 56.60 125.00	6.87 14.30 3.94 192.00 217.00 142.00 62.40 62.70 54.80 124.00	6.98 14.10 3.93 191.00 217.00 144.00 62.90 63.30 51.20 128.00					
Cows Cwt	74.60	77.30	79.50					
Strs & Hfrs Cwt	130.00	128.00	132.00					
Calves Cwt Milk Cows ² Hd Milk (whls) Cwt	169.00	163.00	169.00					
	1460.00	(NA)	1370.00					
	19.00	20.90	20.00					
Milk (whls) Cwt Eggs (mkt) ³ Doz	0.879	1.130	1.060					

⁽NA) Not available.

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Prices Index Summary, United States

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PRICES RECEIVED INDEX	Jan 2012	Dec 2012	Jan 2013	Jan 2012	Dec 2012	Jan 2013
RECEIVED INDEX	1910-14=100			1990-92=100		
All Products	1198	1263	1377	189	199	217
Crops	1053	1119	1230	212	226	248
Food grains	737	844	820	233	266	259
Feed grains & hay .	932	1050	1072	261	294	301
Oilseeds	1173	1394	1369	214	254	250
Lvstk	1199	1269	1284	156	166	168
Meat Animals	1655	1627	1678	163	160	165
Dairy Prod	1169	1286	1231	145	160	153
Poultry & eggs	430	507	528	153	181	188
	Jan	Dec	Jan	Jan	Dec	Jan
PRICES	2012	2012	2013	2012	2012	2013
PAID INDEX	1910-14=100		1990-92=100			
Prices Paid	2794	2897	2940	210	218	221
Production	2155	2253	2289	222	232	236
Feed	1105	1376	1385	226	282	284
Livestock & pltry	2281	2182	2223	178	171	174
Seeds	3327	3581	3581	336	362	362
Fertilizer	1270	1221	1232	347	333	336
Chemicals	919	955	952	149	155	154
Fuels	2745	2657	2634	356	344	341
Ratio	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	90	91	98
Parity Ratio ¹	43	44	47	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)

(NA) Not available.



² Animals sold for dairy herd replacement only. Prices estimated in January, April, July, and October.

³ Eggs are mid-month prices.

¹ Ratio of index of prices received to index of prices paid for commodities and services, interest, taxes, and farm wage rates.