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## California Milk Production

California milk producers had a total of 1.78 million milk cows for January that produced 3.44 billion pounds of milk. Milk production is up 2 percent from December, 2015 and down 3 percent from January 2015. Monthly milk per cow averaged 1,935 pounds, up 40 pounds from December 2015.

### Milk Cows and Production by Month - California and United States: 2015 and 2016

Month	California						Total milk receipts <sup>5</sup>		United States <sup>1,2</sup>					
	Milk cows <sup>3</sup>		Milk per cow <sup>4</sup>		Milk production <sup>4</sup>				Milk cows <sup>3</sup>		Milk per cow <sup>4</sup>		Milk production <sup>4</sup>	
	2015	2016	2015	2016	2015	2016	2015	2016	2015	2016	2015	2016	2015	2016
	1,000 head	1,000 head	pounds	pounds	million pounds	million pounds	million pounds	million pounds	1,000 head	1,000 head	pounds	pounds	million pounds	million pounds
Jan .....	1,779	1,775	1,985	1,935	3,531	3,435	3,528	3,432	8,621	8,627	1,919	1,923	16,544	16,594
Feb .....	1,779		1,845		3,282		3,281		8,621		1,754		15,124	
Mar .....	1,779		2,080		3,700		3,697		8,623		1,962		16,918	
Apr .....	1,779		2,025		3,602		3,602		8,627		1,929		16,641	
May .....	1,778		2,055		3,654		3,649		8,633		1,998		17,246	
Jun .....	1,778		1,910		3,396		3,393		8,630		1,900		16,397	
Jul .....	1,778		1,915		3,405		3,402		8,630		1,922		16,589	
Aug .....	1,778		1,880		3,343		3,338		8,633		1,894		16,349	
Sep .....	1,777		1,785		3,172		3,170		8,636		1,807		15,609	
Oct .....	1,777		1,825		3,243		3,242		8,638		1,860		16,063	
Nov .....	1,776		1,805		3,206		3,203		8,640		1,811		15,646	
Dec .....	1,775		1,895		3,364		3,360		8,638		1,896		16,381	

<sup>1</sup> Revised 2015 data.

<sup>2</sup> Twenty-three state total.

<sup>3</sup> Includes dry cows, but excludes heifers not yet fresh.

<sup>4</sup> Excludes milk sucked by calves

<sup>5</sup> Milk receipts are from the California Department of Food and Agriculture's Dairy Marketing and Milk Pooling branches. Excludes on-farm usage.

### Prices Received for Livestock - California and United States, January 2015 with Comparisons<sup>1</sup>

Commodity	California			United States		
	January 2015	December 2015	January 2016	January 2015	December 2015	January 2016
	dollars	dollars	dollars	dollars	dollars	dollars
Hogs, all .....	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	57.40	42.80	43.60
Cows <sup>2</sup> .....	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	112.00	74.80	74.20
Steers and heifers .....	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	166.00	123.00	132.00
Calves .....	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	288.00	193.00	196.00
Milk cows <sup>3</sup> .....	1,800.00	2,100.00	1,800.00	1,990.00	1,980.00	1,830.00
Milk, all <sup>4,5</sup> .....	15.81	15.82	15.12	17.60	17.20	16.10

(NA) Not available.

<sup>1</sup> The estimated prices in the table represent composite average prices received by farmers and are averages for all grades, classes, and methods of sale of each commodity for the State and U.S. as a whole.

<sup>2</sup> Beef cows and cull dairy cows sold for slaughter.

<sup>3</sup> Animals sold for dairy herd replacement only. Prices published January, April, July, and October.

<sup>4</sup> Before deductions for hauling. Includes quality, quantity, and other premiums. Excludes hauling subsidies.

<sup>5</sup> January 2016 Fat test percent; all milk 3.89.

## California Cattle on Feed

Cattle and calves on feed for the slaughter market in California for feedlots with capacity of 1,000 or more head totaled 445,000 head on February 1, 2016. The inventory was 1 percent below from last month and up 1 percent from February 1, 2015. During January, placements in feedlots totaled 46,000 head, down 28 percent from the previous year. Marketings of fed cattle during January totaled 46,000 head, up 5 percent from January 2015. Other disappearance totaled 5,000 head during January, unchanged from January 2015.

## United States Cattle on Feed

Cattle and calves on feed for the slaughter market in the United States for feedlots with capacity of 1,000 or more head totaled 10.7 million head on February 1, 2016. The inventory was down slightly from February 1, 2015.

Placements in feedlots during January totaled 1.78 million head, 1 percent below from 2015. Net placements were 1.72 million head. During January, placements of cattle and calves weighing less than 600 pounds were 340,000 head, 600-699 pounds were 365,000 head, 700-799 pounds were 494,000 head, and 800 pounds and greater were 580,000 head.

Marketings of fed cattle during January totaled 1.59 million head, 2 percent below from last year.

Other disappearance totaled 56,000 head during January, 27 percent below from previous year.

### Cattle and Calves on Feed in 1,000+ Capacity Feedlots - States and United States

State	Number on feed February 1 <sup>1</sup>			Placed during January		Marketed during January	
	2015	2016	Percent of previous year	2015	2016	2015	2016
	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>percent</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>
Arizona .....	247	276	112	30	43	23	21
California .....	440	445	101	64	46	44	46
Colorado .....	890	880	99	135	145	140	130
Idaho .....	230	245	107	35	43	34	37
Iowa .....	650	620	95	90	89	78	86
Kansas .....	2,090	2,140	102	410	415	355	355
Minnesota .....	141	158	112	17	17	12	13
Nebraska .....	2,500	2,460	98	505	490	450	435
Oklahoma .....	265	280	106	50	45	39	34
South Dakota .....	230	260	113	30	37	27	30
Texas .....	2,490	2,430	98	350	335	345	325
Washington .....	210	195	93	40	37	38	36
Other States .....	330	320	97	33	37	40	41
United States .....	10,713	10,709	100	1,789	1,779	1,625	1,589
	Other disappearance during January <sup>1</sup>						
				2015		2016	
				<i>1,000 head</i>		<i>1,000 head</i>	
Arizona .....				9			1
California .....				5			5
Colorado .....				5			5
Idaho .....				1			1
Iowa .....				2			3
Kansas .....				15			10
Minnesota .....				1			1
Nebraska .....				15			15
Oklahoma .....				1			1
South Dakota .....				3			2
Texas .....				15			10
Washington .....				2			1
Other States .....				3			1
United States .....				77			56

<sup>1</sup> Includes death loss, movement from feedlot to pasture, and shipments to other feedlots for further feeding.

## Pacific Region Commercial Slaughter

California's production of red meat during January 2016 totaled 113 million pounds (dressed weight), 1 percent below than January 2015. This figure includes slaughter in Federally-inspected and state-inspected plants, but excludes farm slaughter. In January 2016, the average live weight of cattle slaughtered in California was 1,360 pounds, calves averaged 86 pounds, sheep and lambs averaged 144 pounds, and hogs averaged 248 pounds. In Hawaii, 700,000 pounds of red meat were produced in January 2016, and 100,000 pounds of red meat were produced in Nevada.

## United States Commercial Slaughter

Commercial red meat production for the United States totaled 4.06 billion pounds in January, 2016, 1 percent below the 4.09 billion pounds produced in January 2015.

Beef production, at 1.95 billion pounds, was 1 percent below the previous year. Cattle slaughter totaled 2.36 million head, down 2 percent from January 2015.

Veal production totaled 6.70 million pounds, 2 percent below January a year ago. Calf slaughter totaled 41,800 head, up 5 percent from January 2015.

Pork production totaled 2.08 billion pounds, down 1 percent from the previous year. Hog slaughter totaled 9.74 million head, down slightly from January 2015.

Lamb and mutton production, at 11.2 million pounds, was 4 percent below from January 2015. Sheep slaughter totaled 161,400 head, down 3 percent from last year.

### Commercial Slaughter - States and United States: January 2015 and 2016

Specie and State	Number slaughtered		Total live weight		Average live weight	
	2015	2016	2015	2016	2015	2016
	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 pounds</i>	<i>1,000 pounds</i>	<i>pounds</i>	<i>pounds</i>
<b>Cattle</b>						
California.....	111.9	103.7	145,941	139,987	1,316	1,360
Hawaii.....	0.9	0.8	1,024	893	1,133	1,158
Nevada.....	0.1	0.1	95	79	1,032	1,013
United States.....	2,418.0	2,358.6	3,276,934	3,250,148	1,358	1,381
<b>Calves</b>						
California.....	7.5	11.0	752	934	102	86
Hawaii.....	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Nevada.....	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
United States.....	39.9	41.8	11,533	11,384	291	274
<b>Sheep &amp; lambs</b>						
California.....	22.6	20.1	3,297	2,895	146	144
Hawaii.....	0.1	0.2	10	25	135	142
Nevada.....	0.1	(Y)	11	(X)	128	(X)
United States.....	166.7	161.4	23,393	22,399	140	139
<b>Hogs</b>						
California.....	177.8	193.9	44,608	48,134	251	248
Hawaii.....	1.0	0.8	252	214	247	256
Nevada.....	0.1	0.1	19	26	259	259
United States.....	9,760.4	9,744.6	2,800,163	2,780,385	287	285

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

(X) Not applicable.

(Y) Less than level of precision shown.

### Commercial Red Meat Production - States and United States

State	January 2015	December 2015	January 2016
	<i>million pounds</i>	<i>million pounds</i>	<i>million pounds</i>
California.....	113.7	122.4	112.9
Hawaii.....	0.8	0.7	0.7
Nevada.....	0.1	0.1	0.1
United States.....	4,087.0	4,273.9	4,055.6

**Prices Received for Hay Prices by Type - States and United States: January 2016 with Comparisons <sup>1</sup>**

State	Alfalfa hay			Other hay		
	January 2015	December 2015	January 2016	January 2015	December 2015	January 2016
	<i>dollars per ton</i>	<i>dollars per ton</i>	<i>dollars per ton</i>	<i>dollars per ton</i>	<i>dollars per ton</i>	<i>dollars per ton</i>
Arizona .....	215.00	140.00	160.00	210.00	200.00	200.00
California .....	200.00	165.00	165.00	160.00	120.00	120.00
Idaho .....	190.00	190.00	170.00	165.00	150.00	150.00
Nevada .....	230.00	160.00	150.00	200.00	175.00	160.00
Oregon .....	225.00	200.00	200.00	190.00	170.00	170.00
Utah.....	180.00	160.00	160.00	145.00	130.00	130.00
United States .....	170.00	150.00	147.00	122.00	129.00	121.00

<sup>1</sup> Current month hay prices are preliminary.