



News Release

Ohio Cattle Inventory

All cattle and calves in Ohio as of January 1, 2025 were 1.24 million head, unchanged from last year, according to Ben Torrance, State Statistician, USDA NASS, Ohio Field Office. Ohio highlights from the January 1 report follow:

- Beef cow numbers decreased 2 percent to 280,000 head. Beef replacement heifers increased 9 percent to 60,000 head.
- Milk cows decreased 2 percent to 250,000 head. Heifers for milk cow replacement decreased 5 percent to 105,000 head.
- The 2024 calf crop at 480,000 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 – Ohio and United States: January 1, 2024 and 2025

Class	Ohio		United States ¹	
	2024 <i>(1,000 head)</i>	2025 <i>(1,000 head)</i>	2024 <i>(1,000 head)</i>	2025 <i>(1,000 head)</i>
All cattle and calves	1,240	1,240	87,157	86,662
Cows	540	530	37,360	37,213
Beef	285	280	28,013	27,864
Milk	255	250	9,347	9,349
Replacement heifers	230	225	18,320	18,180
Beef	55	60	4,718	4,672
Milk	110	105	3,951	3,914
Other	65	60	9,651	9,593
Steers 500 pounds and over	210	215	15,959	15,802
Bulls 500 pounds and over	25	25	2,031	2,009
Calves under 500 pounds	235	245	13,488	13,458
Cattle on feed	140	150	14,426	14,297

¹ Totals may not add due to rounding.

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