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Michigan Cattle Inventory

All cattle and calves in Michigan as of January 1, 2022 were 1.12 million head, down 2 percent from last year, according to Marlo D. Johnson, Director of the USDA, NASS, Great Lakes Regional Office. Michigan highlights from the January 1 report follow:

- Beef cow numbers decreased 4 percent to 96,000 head. Beef replacement heifers increased 15 percent to 23,000 head.
- Milk cows decreased 1 percent to 434,000 head. Heifers for milk cow replacement decreased 5 percent to 152,000 head.
- The 2021 calf crop was 395,000 head, down 1 percent from 2020.

Nationally, all cattle and calves in the United States as of January 1, 2022 totaled 91.9 million head, 2 percent below the 93.8 million head on January 1, 2021. All cows and heifers that have calved, at 39.5 million head, were 2 percent below the 40.3 million head on January 1, 2021. Beef cows, at 30.1 million head, were down 2 percent from a year ago. Milk cows, at 9.38 million head, were down 1 percent from the previous year. All heifers 500 pounds and over as of January 1, 2022 totaled 19.8 million head, 2 percent below the 20.2 million head on January 1, 2021. Beef replacement heifers, at 5.61 million head, were down 3 percent from a year ago. Milk replacement heifers, at 4.45 million head, were down 3 percent from the previous year. Other heifers, at 9.71 million head, were 1 percent below a year earlier.

Cattle Inventory by Class – Michigan and United States: January 1, 2021 and 2022

Class	Michigan		United States	
	2021	2022	2021	2022
	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)
All cattle and calves	1,140	1,120	93,790	91,902
Cows	540 100 440	530 96 434	40,286 30,844 9,442	39,500 30,125 9,375
Replacement heifers Beef Milk Other	220 20 160 40	220 23 152 45	20,200 5,803 4,609 9,789	19,776 5,612 4,451 9,714
Steers 500 pounds and over	176 14 190	173 15 182	16,788 2,211 14,305	16,580 2,110 13,936
Cattle on feed	180	160	14,667	14,693

Totals may not add due to rounding.