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Mississippi Livestock Records



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Livestock Records for Inventory Numbers

[Record estimates are for most current year and may have been equaled in previous years]

| Species | Series began | Unit | Record high | | Record low | |
|--|--------------|----------|------------------|------|------------------|------|
| | | | Inventory number | Year | Inventory number | Year |
| Catfish, water acres | 1989 | acres | 112,700 | 2001 | 33,100 | 2023 |
| Cattle and calves | 1867 | head | 3,000,000 | 1975 | 563,000 | 1868 |
| Cows and heifers that have calved: | | | | | | |
| Beef cows ¹ | 1920 | head | 1,458,000 | 1975 | 105,000 | 1928 |
| Milk cows ¹ | 1867 | head | 620,000 | 1945 | 6,000 | 2023 |
| Chickens ² | 1924 | chicks | 16,232,000 | 1967 | 5,568,000 | 1958 |
| Commercial broilers ³ | 1934 | chicks | 878,392,000 | 2005 | 50,000 | 1935 |
| Goats | | | | | | |
| Meat and other | 2005 | head | 28,000 | 2010 | 19,000 | 2022 |
| Milk ⁴ | 2005 | head | 3,000 | 2008 | 1,000 | 2007 |
| Hogs | 1866 | head | 1,475,000 | 1918 | 110,000 | 2020 |
| Honey | | | | | | |
| Honey producing colonies | 1987 | colonies | 28,000 | 1991 | 14,000 | 2006 |
| Yield per colony | 1987 | pounds | 118 | 2012 | 33 | 1989 |
| Production | 1987 | pounds | 2,240,000 | 2014 | 792,000 | 1989 |

¹ Prior to January 1, 1980, definition was beef cows and milk cows two years old and over.

² Excludes broilers.

³ Number placed during year.

⁴ Estimates discontinued in 2015.