



United States Department of Agriculture
National Agricultural Statistics Service



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Why am I getting this letter?

Enclosed is your Cattle Survey. Please complete it at your earliest convenience. Your information is important. This survey collects information from producers nationwide on beef and dairy cattle inventories, calf crop, death loss and cattle on feed operations. Your response will help provide an up-to-date measure of U.S. cattle inventories.

You may receive an email reminder to complete your survey. If we do not receive your completed questionnaire by **December 31**, we may contact you to schedule an interview.

How will the data be used?

Cattle producers, agribusinesses, and policymakers use data from the Cattle Survey as a critical decision-making tool. The data will help decision makers assess supply and demand, develop production and marketing strategies, and estimate farm and national income.

We recommend you respond online. On the Respondent Portal, you can complete your surveys, track upcoming surveys, access data visualizations and reports of interest, link to other USDA agencies, and more.

The information you provide will be used for statistical purposes only. **In accordance with federal law, your responses will be kept confidential and will not be disclosed in identifiable form.** We will publish the data January 31, 2025, in the *Cattle* report and in NASS's searchable database, Quick Stats, at www.nass.usda.gov.

Thank you for your participation and support of U.S. agriculture. For more information about this survey, visit www.nass.usda.gov/go/cattle. If you need assistance, please contact us at 888-424-7828.

Sincerely,

Lance Honig
Chair, Agricultural Statistics Board
National Agricultural Statistics Service
U.S. Department of Agriculture

Enclosure

What do I do next?

Complete your survey:



Online at www.agcounts.usda.gov.
Online reporting is fast and secure.
All you need is your unique survey code on the enclosed form to begin.



By mail or fax. Complete the questionnaire and mail it back in the prepaid return envelope provided or fax it to 855-415-3687.