

GENERAL EXPLANATIONS Continued

Table 6. Specified Livestock—Inventory by Age and Sex Groups: 1840 to 1974

	Farms	Number		Farms	Number
HORSES AND MULES			HORSES--Continued		
1974 (Dec. 31)			1870 ² (June 1)		
All farms:			Horses.....	(NA)	7,145,370
Horses and ponies of all ages.....	359,051	1,595,640			
Farms with sales of \$2,500 and over:			1860 ² (June 1)		
Horses and ponies of all ages.....	230,962	1,159,412	Horses.....	(NA)	6,249,174
Horses of all ages.....	205,543	1,027,683			
Ponies of all ages.....	59,071	131,729	1850 ² (June 1)		
Mules, burros and donkeys of all ages.....	13,237	28,210	Horses.....	(NA)	4,336,719
1969 (Dec. 31)			1840 ² (June 1)		
All farms:			Horses and mules.....	(NA)	4,335,669
Horses and ponies of all ages.....	547,246	2,237,981	MULES		
Class 1-5 farms:			1950 (Apr. 1)		
Horses and ponies of all ages.....	347,797	1,595,024	Mules and mule colts of all ages ⁴	1,102,162	2,204,182
Horses of all ages.....	277,200	1,268,551	1945 ² (Jan. 1)		
Ponies of all ages.....	132,384	326,473	All mules and mule colts.....	1,486,209	3,129,590
Mules, burros and donkeys of all ages.....	34,309	66,128	1940 (Apr. 1)		
1964 (Nov.-Dec.)			Mules over 3 months old ⁵	1,846,182	3,849,051
Inventory not enumerated			Colts 3 to 27 months old.....	53,338	100,080
1959 (Oct.-Nov.)			1935 ² (Jan. 1)		
Mules, horses, colts, and ponies ¹	1,138,986	2,955,256	Mules and mule colts of all ages.....	2,255,845	4,818,160
1954 ² (Oct.-Nov.)			Mule colts under 2 years.....	53,264	99,679
Mules, horses, colts, and ponies.....	1,799,899	4,141,288	1930 (Apr. 1)		
Horses and colts, including ponies ³	1,272,505	2,962,220	Mules and mule colts of all ages.....	(NA)	5,383,000
Mules and mule colts ³	663,716	1,179,068	Mules born before 1928.....	2,278,036	5,193,588
HORSES			Mule colts born in 1928 (2-year-olds).....	49,833	86,969
1950 (Apr. 1)			Mule colts born in 1929 (yearlings).....	53,633	81,376
Horses and colts of all ages, including ponies.....	2,121,624	5,409,417	Mule colts born since Jan. 1, 1930.....	16,080	21,067
1945 ² (Jan. 1)			1925 ² (Jan. 1)		
All horses and colts, including ponies.....	2,828,412	8,499,204	Mules and mule colts of all ages.....	(NA)	5,680,897
1940 (Apr. 1)			Mule 2 years old and over.....	(NA)	5,306,160
Horses of all kinds, over 3 months old, including ponies.....	3,149,665	10,097,511	Mules and mule colts under 2 years.....	(NA)	374,737
Colts 3 to 27 months old.....	425,946	804,992	1920 (Jan. 1)		
1935 ² (Jan. 1)			Mules and mule colts of all ages.....	2,260,516	5,440,805
Horses and colts of all types and ages.....	3,536,597	11,857,850	Mules, 2 years old and over.....	2,041,781	4,659,371
Colts under 2 years.....	597,274	1,097,944	Mule colts 1 year old and under 2.....	203,393	392,000
1930 (Apr. 1)			Mule colts under 1 year.....	232,950	389,434
Horses and colts of all types and ages.....	(NA)	13,523,180	1910 (Apr. 15)		
Horses born before 1928.....	3,633,102	12,438,641	Mules and mule colts of all ages.....	1,869,504	4,217,734
Horse colts born in 1928 (2-year-olds).....	266,099	462,512	Mules born before Jan. 1, 1909.....	1,764,212	3,795,063
Horse colts born in 1929 (yearlings).....	297,454	494,762	Mule colts born in 1909.....	168,570	313,382
Horse colts born since Jan. 1, 1930.....	82,838	127,265	Mule colts born after Jan. 1, 1910.....	87,214	109,289
1925 ² (Jan. 1)			1900 (June 1)		
Horses and colts of all types and ages.....	(NA)	16,400,623	Mules and mule colts of all ages.....	1,480,913	3,271,121
Horses 2 years old and over.....	(NA)	15,312,584	Mules 2 years old and over.....	(NA)	2,759,499
Horses and colts under 2 years.....	(NA)	1,088,039	Mules 1 year old and under 2.....	(NA)	279,925
1920 (Jan. 1)			Mule colts under 1 year.....	(NA)	231,697
Horses and colts of all types and ages.....	4,706,820	19,783,493	1890 ² (June 1)		
Mares, 2 years old and over.....	3,447,308	9,041,799	Mules on hand, June 1.....	(NA)	2,251,876
Geldings, 2 years and over.....	3,466,338	8,063,713	1880 ² (June 1)		
Stallions, 2 years old and over.....	98,751	129,552	Mules and asses, all ages, on hand, June 1.....	(NA)	1,812,808
Colts, 1 year old and under 2.....	765,454	1,334,961	1870 ² (June 1)		
Colts under 1 year.....	698,716	1,198,923	Mules and asses.....	(NA)	1,125,415
Unclassified.....	240	14,545	1860 ² (June 1)		
1910 (Apr. 15)			Asses and mules.....	(NA)	1,151,148
Horses and colts of all types and ages.....	4,695,131	19,849,175	1850 ² (June 1)		
Mares, stallions, and geldings born before Jan. 1, 1909.....	4,667,356	17,444,746	Asses and mules.....	(NA)	559,331
Colts born in 1909.....	1,027,077	1,733,388	CATTLE		
Colts born after Jan. 1, 1910.....	441,579	613,103	1974 (Dec. 31)		
Unclassified.....	(NA)	57,938	All farms:		
1900 (June 1)			Cattle and calves of all ages.....	1,503,244	113,174,700
Horses and colts of all types and ages.....	4,532,018	18,280,007	Cows, including dry cows and heifers that had calved.....	1,268,342	51,912,414
Horses 2 years old and over.....	(NA)	15,517,052	Beef cows.....	1,024,935	41,257,898
Horses 1 year old and under 2.....	(NA)	1,447,747	Milk cows.....	403,754	10,654,516
Colts under 1 year.....	(NA)	1,315,208	Farms with sales of \$2,500 and over:		
1890 ² (June 1)			Cattle and calves of all ages.....	1,079,603	104,291,803
Horses on hand, June 1.....	(NA)	15,266,244	Cows, including dry cows and heifers that had calved.....	938,054	47,415,138
1880 ² (June 1)			Beef cows.....	724,569	36,980,946
Horses of all ages on hand, June 1.....	(NA)	10,357,488	Milk cows.....	332,370	10,434,192
			Heifers and heifer calves.....	774,386	24,227,229
			Bulls, bull calves, steers, and steer calves.....	871,916	32,649,436

¹Does not include mules in Hawaii. ²Alaska and Hawaii not included. ³Mules included with horses in 33 States. ⁴Includes asses and burros in Hawaii. ⁵Includes asses and burros in Alaska and Hawaii.

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	Farms	Number		Farms	Number
CATTLE--Continued			CATTLE--Continued		
1969 (Dec. 31)			1920 (Jan. 1)		
All farms:			Cattle and calves of all ages.....	5,359,154	66,777,287
Cattle and calves of all ages.....	1,719,403	106,380,541	Beef cattle, total.....	1,841,549	35,406,687
Cows, including dry cows and heifers that had calved.....	1,414,319	45,511,356	Cows and heifers 2 years old and over.....	1,041,398	12,672,776
Milk cows.....	568,237	11,174,521	Heifers 1 year old and under 2.....	723,391	3,996,369
Class 1-5 farms:			Steers 2 years old and over.....	293,427	4,649,051
Cattle and calves of all ages.....	1,177,723	98,226,994	Steers 1 year old and under 2.....	598,973	4,664,951
Cows, including dry cows and heifers that had calved.....	1,018,131	41,942,427	Bulls 1 year old and over.....	440,432	727,430
Milk cows.....	452,967	10,836,826	Calves under 1 year.....	1,198,201	8,615,699
Heifers and heifer calves.....	950,671	25,672,959	Unclassified.....	291	80,411
Bulls, bull calves, steers, and steer calves.....	1,008,813	30,611,608	Dairy cattle, total.....	4,566,274	31,370,600
			Cows and heifers 2 years old and over.....	4,461,773	19,680,188
1964 (Nov.-Dec.)			Heifers 1 year old and under 2.....	1,635,406	4,050,507
Cattle and calves of all ages.....	2,283,881	105,557,830	Bulls 1 year old and over.....	675,165	772,691
Cows, including heifers that have calved.....	2,051,438	47,341,802	Calves under 1 year.....	2,453,664	6,867,214
Milk cows.....	1,133,912	14,622,604			
Heifers and heifer calves.....	1,860,591	29,046,936	1910 (Apr. 15)		
Bulls, bull calves, steers, and steer calves.....	1,750,457	29,169,092	Cattle and calves of all ages.....	5,285,610	61,949,706
1959 (Oct.-Nov.)			Cows and heifers kept for milk, born before Jan. 1, 1909...	5,141,397	20,632,524
Cattle and calves of all ages.....	2,674,176	92,534,082	Cows and heifers not kept for milk, born before Jan. 1, 1909...	1,445,070	12,090,694
Cows, including heifers that have calved.....	2,449,258	41,273,478	Heifers born in 1909.....	2,374,896	7,311,492
Milk cows.....	1,792,393	16,522,026	Steers and bulls born before Jan. 1, 1909.....	859,468	7,631,776
Heifers and heifer calves.....	2,130,114	26,888,857	Steers and bulls born in 1909.....	1,343,882	5,464,313
Bulls, bull calves, steers, and steer calves.....	1,859,527	24,371,747	Calves born after Jan. 1, 1910.....	2,655,617	7,815,121
1954 ¹ (Oct.-Nov.)			Unclassified.....	(NA)	1,003,786
Cattle and calves of all ages.....	3,650,714	95,027,041	1900 (June 1)		
Cows, including heifers that have calved.....	3,471,892	45,209,377	Cattle and calves of all ages.....	4,730,920	67,822,336
Milk cows.....	2,935,862	20,182,803	Cows 2 years old and over kept for milk.....	4,514,210	17,139,674
Heifers and heifer calves.....	2,780,781	27,098,628	Cows and heifers 2 years old and over not kept for milk.....	(NA)	11,592,142
Bulls, bull calves, steers, and steer calves.....	2,299,710	22,719,036	Heifers 1 year old and under 2.....	(NA)	7,183,916
1950 (Apr. 1)			Steers 3 years old and over.....	(NA)	3,086,029
Cattle and calves of all ages.....	4,065,163	76,920,436	Steers 2 years old and under 3.....	(NA)	5,203,325
Cows, including heifers that have calved.....	3,931,788	37,301,764	Steers 1 year old and under 2.....	(NA)	6,968,188
Milk cows.....	3,648,257	21,232,573	Bulls 1 year old and over.....	(NA)	1,315,963
Heifers and heifer calves born before Jan. 1, 1950.....	2,425,254	15,759,117	Calves under 1 year.....	(NA)	15,333,099
Bulls, bull calves, steers, and steer calves born before Jan. 1, 1950.....	1,872,526	12,775,780	1890 ¹ (June 1)		
Calves born since Jan. 1, 1950.....	2,301,974	11,083,775	Cattle and calves of all ages.....	(NA)	57,648,792
1945 ¹ (Jan. 1)			Milk cows on hand, June 1.....	(NA)	16,511,950
Cattle and calves of all ages.....	4,688,746	82,654,417	Working oxen on hand, June 1.....	(NA)	1,117,494
Cows and heifers 2 years old and over.....	4,542,821	44,156,337	Other cattle on hand, June 1.....	(NA)	33,734,128
1940 (Apr. 1)			Unclassified.....	(NA)	6,285,220
Cattle and calves over 3 months old.....	4,844,430	60,817,563	1880 ¹ (June 1)		
Cows and heifers that were 2 years old and over on Jan. 1, 1940:			Cattle and calves of all ages.....	(NA)	39,675,533
Kept mainly for milk production.....	4,644,987	24,086,593	Milk cows on hand, June 1.....	(NA)	12,443,120
Kept mainly for beef production ²	555,140	9,506,822	Working oxen on hand, June 1.....	(NA)	993,841
Other cattle on hand, June 1.....			Other cattle on hand, June 1.....	(NA)	22,488,550
Unclassified.....			Unclassified.....	(NA)	3,750,022
1935 ¹ (Jan. 1)			1870 ¹ (June 1)		
Cattle and calves of all ages.....	5,480,775	68,284,409	Cattle and calves of all ages.....	(NA)	23,820,608
Cows and heifers 2 years old and over.....	5,376,930	36,930,584	Milk cows.....	(NA)	8,935,332
Heifers 1 year old and under 2.....	2,264,837	8,298,913	Working oxen.....	(NA)	1,319,271
Steers and bulls 1 year old and over.....	1,601,582	6,938,093	Other cattle.....	(NA)	13,566,005
Calves under 1 year.....	3,423,336	16,116,819	1860 ¹ (June 1)		
1930 (Apr. 1)			Cattle and calves of all ages.....	(NA)	25,620,019
Cattle and calves of all ages.....	4,803,174	64,036,011	Milk cows.....	(NA)	8,585,735
Cows and heifers born before 1928, kept mainly for milk production.....	4,453,624	20,510,073	Working oxen.....	(NA)	2,254,911
Cows and heifers born before 1928, kept mainly for beef production ²	416,042	7,836,994	Other cattle.....	(NA)	14,779,373
Heifers born in 1928 (2-year-olds) kept mainly for milk production.....	1,367,837	3,759,401	1850 ¹ (June 1)		
Heifers born in 1928 (2-year-olds) kept mainly for beef production.....	291,497	2,083,911	Cattle and calves of all ages.....	(NA)	18,378,907
Heifers born in 1929 (yearlings).....	2,410,744	8,744,021	Milk cows.....	(NA)	6,385,094
Steers born before 1928.....		88,480	Working oxen.....	(NA)	1,700,744
Steers born in 1928 (2-year-olds).....		267,017	Other cattle.....	(NA)	10,293,069
Steers and bulls born in 1929 (yearlings).....		1,352,099	1840 ¹ (June 1)		
Bulls born before 1929.....		858,607	Cattle.....	(NA)	14,971,586
Calves born since Jan. 1, 1930.....		2,720,807			
Unclassified.....		512	HOGS		
1925 ¹ (Jan. 1)			1974 (Dec. 31)		
Cattle and calves of all ages.....	(NA)	60,760,366	All farms:		
Cows 2 years old and over.....	(NA)	32,553,845	Hogs and pigs of all ages.....	470,258	45,503,604
Dairy cows.....	3,728,587	17,644,867	Litters farrowed, Dec. 1, preceeding year and Nov. 30, 1974.....	355,619	9,069,449
Beef cows.....	(NA)	14,908,978	Farms with sales of \$2,500 and over:		
Heifers 1 year old and under 2.....	(NA)	6,942,104	Hogs and pigs of all ages.....	382,831	44,454,275
Dairy heifers.....	(NA)	3,069,197	Used or to be used for breeding.....	278,068	6,136,546
Beef heifers.....	(NA)	3,872,907	Other hogs and pigs.....	354,827	38,317,729
Steers 1 year old and over.....	(NA)	6,903,472	Litters farrowed Dec. 1, preceeding year to May 31, 1974.....	277,425	4,754,112
Bulls 1 year old and over.....	(NA)	1,408,800	Litters farrowed June 1, 1974 to Nov. 30, 1974.....	245,879	4,115,514
Calves under 1 year.....	(NA)	12,952,145			

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	Farms	Number		Farms	Number
HOGS--Continued			HOGS--Continued		
1969 (Dec. 31)			1880 ¹ (June 1)		
All farms:			Swine on hand.....	(NA)	49,772,670
Hogs and pigs of all ages.....	686,097	55,548,828			
Litters farrowed Dec. 1, 1968 to May 31, 1969.....	463,792	5,590,312			
Litters farrowed June 1, 1969 to Nov. 30, 1969.....	420,756	5,008,585			
Class 1-5 farms:			Swine.....	(NA)	25,134,569
Hogs and pigs of all ages.....	532,204	53,540,028			
Used or to be used for breeding.....	408,541	8,153,267			
Other hogs and pigs.....	487,656	45,386,761	Swine.....	(NA)	33,512,867
Litters farrowed Dec. 1, 1968 to May 31, 1969.....	391,200	5,373,416			
Litters farrowed June 1, 1969 to Nov. 30, 1969.....	359,544	4,831,118			
			Swine.....	(NA)	30,354,213
1964 (Nov.-Dec.)					
Hogs and pigs of all ages, including sows and boars.....	1,081,438	54,080,194			
Used or to be used for breeding.....	668,307	7,668,676			
Other hogs and pigs.....	1,020,588	46,411,518	Swine.....	(NA)	26,301,293
Sows and gilts farrowing (total litters).....	749,714	10,655,597			
Litters farrowed Dec. 1, 1963 to June 1, 1964.....	622,845	5,803,436			
Litters farrowed June 2, 1964 to Nov. 30, 1964.....	569,519	4,852,161			
			SHEEP		
1959 (Oct.-Nov.)			1974 (Dec. 31)		
Hogs and pigs of all ages, including sows and boars.....	1,848,784	67,949,259	All farms:		
Born before June 1, 1959.....	1,554,211	29,004,616	Sheep and lambs of all ages.....	108,646	15,379,604
Born since June 1, 1959.....	1,220,127	38,944,643	Farms with sales of \$2,500 and over:		
Sows and gilts farrowing (total litters).....	1,142,373	12,352,001	Sheep and lambs of all ages.....	82,556	14,173,007
Litters farrowed Dec. 1, 1958 to June 1, 1959.....	884,894	6,865,492	Ewes 1 year old or older.....	77,406	8,687,989
Litters farrowed June 2, 1959 to Nov. 30, 1959.....	898,646	5,486,509	Rams and wethers 1 year old or older.....	62,983	479,614
			Lambs under 1 year old.....	58,464	5,005,404
1954 ¹ (Oct.-Nov.)					
Hogs and pigs of all ages, including sows and boars.....	2,365,708	57,092,919			
Born before June 1, 1954.....	1,990,555	28,814,101	All farms:		
Born since June 1, 1954.....	1,324,211	28,278,818	Sheep and lambs of all ages.....	170,888	21,611,074
Sows and gilts farrowing (total farrowings).....	1,273,798	10,832,737	Class 1-5 farms:		
Spring farrowing (between Dec. 1, 1953 and June 1, 1954).....	1,008,048	6,638,589	Sheep and lambs of all ages.....	123,345	19,769,115
Fall farrowing (between June 1, 1954 and Dec. 1, 1954).....	861,961	4,194,148	Ewes 1 year old or older.....	115,690	12,022,221
			Rams and wethers 1 year old or older.....	94,469	590,647
1950 (Apr. 1)			Lambs under 1 year old.....	82,790	7,156,247
Hogs and pigs of all ages, including sows and boars.....	3,013,549	55,788,613			
4 months old and over.....	2,647,206	27,300,990			
Less than 4 months old.....	1,542,244	28,487,623	1964 (Nov.-Dec.)		
Sows and gilts farrowing.....	1,691,004	9,597,556	Ewes, rams, wethers, and lambs, of all ages.....	234,789	25,471,500
Farrowed since Dec. 1, 1949 ¹	(NA)	4,853,723	Ewes 1 year old and over.....	217,133	16,141,713
To farrow before June 1, 1950 ¹	(NA)	4,743,833	Rams and wethers 1 year old and over.....	165,344	861,748
			Lambs under 1 year old.....	156,180	8,468,039
1945 ¹ (Jan. 1)					
All hogs and pigs.....	3,313,883	46,735,417			
Sows and gilts for spring farrowing.....	1,839,458	8,482,031			
1940 (Apr. 1)					
Hogs over 4 months old.....	3,767,875	34,069,896			
Sows and gilts that have been farrowed since Dec. 1, 1939, or were to farrow before June 1, 1940.....	21,987,723	27,987,641			
1935 ¹ (Jan. 1)					
Hogs and pigs of all ages.....	3,971,122	37,212,967			
Sows and gilts bred or to be bred to farrow before June 1, 1935.....	1,937,231	6,061,112			
1930 (Apr. 1)					
Hogs and pigs of all ages.....	3,536,803	56,318,793			
Sows and gilts farrowing between Jan. 1, and June 1, 1930.....	1,685,946	7,673,741			
Other hogs and pigs born before Jan. 1, 1930.....	2,673,260	25,119,887			
Pigs born since Jan. 1, 1930.....	1,376,345	23,494,292			
Unclassified.....	1,684	30,873			
1925 ¹ (Jan. 1)					
Hogs and pigs of all ages.....	3,618,624	50,853,526			
Sows and gilts for breeding purposes, 6 months old and over.....	(NA)	8,907,334			
All other hogs 6 months old and over, including boars.....	(NA)	20,039,618			
All pigs under 6 months.....	(NA)	21,906,574			
1920 (Jan. 1)					
Hogs and pigs of all ages.....	4,852,430	59,370,930			
Sows and gilts for breeding purposes, 6 mo. old and over.....	2,996,523	11,421,563			
Boars for breeding purposes, 6 months old and over.....	750,544	925,987			
All other hogs, 6 months old and over.....	2,380,599	20,835,726			
All pigs under 6 months.....	2,921,015	26,183,233			
Unclassified.....	69	4,421			
1910 (Apr. 15)					
Hogs and pigs of all ages.....	4,353,164	58,206,325			
Hogs and pigs born before Jan. 1, 1910.....	4,093,678	35,145,187			
Pigs born after Jan. 1, 1910.....	1,869,315	23,061,138			
1900 (June 1)					
Swine, all ages.....	4,335,989	62,876,108			
1890 ¹ (June 1)					
Swine on hand.....	(NA)	57,426,859			

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	Farms		Number			Farms		Number			
SHEEP--Continued					GOATS--Continued						
1920 (Jan. 1)					1945 ¹ (Jan. 1)						
Sheep and lambs of all ages.....	538,624	35,077,142	All goats and kids.....	134,523	4,265,501						
Ewes 1 year old and over.....	492,338	23,544,567	1940 (Apr. 1)								
Rams 1 year old and over.....	273,934	809,656	Total, over 4 months.....	127,258	4,176,101						
Wethers 1 year old and over.....	40,683	1,506,313	Angora goats and kids over 4 months old.....	23,734	3,298,451						
Lambs under 1 year.....	308,229	8,933,020	Other goats and kids over 4 months old.....	106,009	877,650						
Unclassified.....	228	283,686	1935 ¹ (Jan. 1)								
1910 (Apr. 15)					1930 (Apr. 1)						
Sheep and lambs of all ages.....	610,926	52,524,755	Goats and kids of all ages.....	157,632	4,093,441						
Ewes born before Jan. 1, 1910.....	590,906	31,972,071	1925 ¹ (Jan. 1)								
Rams and wethers born before Jan. 1, 1910.....	297,162	7,732,367	Goats and kids of all ages.....	112,953	4,822,071						
Lambs born after Jan. 1, 1910.....	470,645	12,820,317	Angora goats and kids of all ages.....	34,379	3,785,127						
1900 (June 1)					1920 (Jan. 1)						
Sheep and lambs of all ages.....	763,543	61,605,811	Other goats and kids of all ages.....	(NA)	1,036,944						
Ewes 1 year old and over.....	(NA)	31,919,298	1910 (Apr. 15)								
Rams and wethers 1 year old and over.....	(NA)	8,018,275	Goats and kids of all ages.....	82,801	2,919,612						
Lambs under 1 year.....	(NA)	21,668,238	1900 (June 1)								
1890 ¹ (June 1)					POULTRY						
Sheep and lambs of all ages.....	(NA)	40,876,312	1974 (Dec. 31)								
Merino (fine wool) on hand, June 1.....	(NA)	16,725,415	All farms:								
English breeds (long or medium wool) on hand, June 1.....	(NA)	7,435,471	Chickens 3 months old or older.....	316,243	335,740,245						
All other on hand, June 1.....	(NA)	11,774,478	Hens and pullets of laying age, excluding started pullets.....	304,823	284,658,659						
Unclassified.....	(NA)	4,940,948	Broilers and other meat-type chickens, including capons and roasters.....	53,435	508,667,276						
1880 ¹ (June 1)					Farms with sales of \$2,500 and over:						
Sheep on hand.....	(NA)	42,192,074	Chickens 3 months old or older.....	204,169	331,166,204						
1870 ¹ (June 1)					Total hens and pullets of laying age excluding started pullets.....						
Sheep.....	(NA)	28,477,951	Hens and pullets of laying age kept for table or market egg production.....	198,577	280,645,767						
1860 ¹ (June 1)					Hens and pullets of laying age kept for hatching egg production.....						
Sheep.....	(NA)	22,471,275	Pullets 3 months old or older not yet of laying age.....	11,532	29,731,469						
1850 ¹ (June 1)					Roosters and male chickens.....						
Sheep.....	(NA)	21,723,220	Broilers and other meat-type chickens, including capons and roasters.....	41,363	508,085,474						
1840 ¹ (June 1)					Pullet chicks and pullets under 3 months old, (excluding broilers).....						
Sheep.....	(NA)	19,311,374	Turkeys of all ages.....	4,609	42,566,200						
GOATS					Heavy breed turkeys for slaughter.....						
1974 (Dec. 31)					Light breed turkeys for slaughter.....						
Farms with sales of \$2,500 and over:			Turkey hens kept for breeding.....								
Goats of all ages.....	6,133	983,621	Ducks, geese, and other poultry.....								
Angora goats.....	1,520	783,068	Ducks.....								
Milk goats.....	1,496	18,270	Geese.....								
Other goats.....	3,614	182,283	Squab.....								
1969 (Dec. 31)					Pheasants.....						
Class 1-5 farms:			Quail.....								
Goats of all ages.....	19,203	2,248,094	All other poultry.....								
Angora goats.....	5,431	1,927,365	1969 (Dec. 31)								
Milk goats.....	3,965	50,967	All farms:								
Other goats.....	11,860	289,762	Chickens 3 months old or older.....	471,284	371,008,459						
1964 (Nov.-Dec.)					Hens and pullets of laying age, excluding started pullets.....						
(Missouri, New Mexico, Oklahoma, Oregon, and Texas)			Broilers and other meat-type chickens less than 3 months old.....								
Goats and kids of all ages.....	20,426	3,910,375	Class 1-5 farms:								
Angora goats and kids.....	11,659	3,643,369	Chickens 3 months old or older.....								
Other goats and kids.....	10,339	267,006	Hens and pullets of laying age excluding started pullets... ..								
1959 (Oct.-Nov.)					Pullets not yet of laying age.....						
(Alaska, Arizona, California, Hawaii, Missouri, Nevada, New Mexico, Oklahoma, Oregon, Texas, and Utah)			Other chickens.....								
Goats and kids of all ages.....	26,480	3,497,710	Broilers and other meat-type chickens less than 3 months old.....								
Angora goats and kids (except Alaska and Hawaii).....	11,861	3,110,266	Turkeys of all ages.....								
Other goats and kids.....	16,446	387,444	Turkey hens kept for breeding.....								
Milk goats (Alaska only, Apr. 1960).....	15	121	Other turkeys.....								
1954 (Oct.-Nov.)					Ducks, geese and other poultry.....						
(Hopi and Navajo Indian Reservations in Arizona; Missouri--except 30 southeastern counties; and New Mexico, Oklahoma, Oregon, Texas, and Washington)			Ducks.....								
Goats and kids of all ages.....	29,206	2,713,409	Geese.....								
Angora goats and kids.....	11,843	2,330,301	Squab.....								
Other goats and kids.....	19,596	383,108	Pheasants.....								
1950 (Apr. 1)					Quail.....						
(Arizona, California, Missouri, New Mexico, Oregon, Texas, and Utah)			All other poultry.....								
Goats and kids of all ages.....	29,925	2,444,993	1964 (Nov.-Dec.)								
Angora goats and kids.....	12,517	2,116,204	Chickens 4 months old and over.....								
Other goats and kids.....	19,883	328,789	Hens and pullets of laying age.....								
(All other States)					Turkey hens on hand kept for breeding.....						
Goats and kids on hand or kept in 1949 ¹	99,236	(NA)	1,210,669 343,161,807								
¹ Alaska and Hawaii not included.					1,146,031 309,408,859						
					26,931 3,211,135						

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Table 6. Specified Livestock—Inventory by Age and Sex Groups: 1840 to 1974—Continued

	Farms	Number		Farms	Number
POULTRY--Continued			POULTRY--Continued		
1959 (Oct.-Nov.)			1900 (June 1)		
Chickens 4 months old and over.....	2,172,264	351,029,294	Chickens, including guinea fowls, over 3 months old.....	(NA)	233,598,085
Turkey hens on hand kept for breeding.....	51,745	2,917,209	Turkeys over 3 months old ¹	(NA)	6,594,695
1954 ¹ (Oct.-Nov.)			Geese over 3 months old ¹		
Chickens 4 months old and over.....	3,418,204	375,800,447	Ducks over 3 months old ¹	(NA)	5,676,788
Turkey hens on hand kept for breeding in 1955.....	83,532	2,277,825	Other and unspecified ¹	(NA)	4,785,850
Light breeds.....	44,852	746,877		(NA)	884
Heavy breeds.....	39,516	1,530,948	1890 ¹ (June 1)		
1950 (Apr. 1)			Chickens on hand, June 1.....		
Chickens 4 months old and over.....	4,218,857	342,956,055	Turkeys on hand, June 1.....	(NA)	258,871,125
Turkeys 4 months old and over ¹	131,801	2,848,880	Geese on hand, June 1.....	(NA)	10,754,060
1945 ¹ (Jan. 1)			Ducks on hand, June 1.....		
Chickens over 4 months old.....	4,900,948	433,110,674	1880 ¹ (June 1)		
1940 (Apr. 1)			Barnyard poultry, excluding spring hatch.....		
Chickens over 4 months old.....	5,152,354	338,240,109	Other poultry, excluding spring hatch.....	(NA)	102,272,135
Turkeys over 4 months old ¹	443,410	4,361,752	BEEES		
Ducks over 4 months old ¹	257,729	2,460,087	1974 (Dec. 31)		
Geese over 4 months old ¹	131,368	634,868	Farms with sales of \$2,500 and over:		
Guineas over 4 months old ¹	127,306	841,016	Colonies of bees.....	6,459	1,708,383
Pigeons over 4 months old ¹	2,305	257,594	1969 (Dec. 31)		
Quail over 4 months old ¹	274	53,017	Class 1-5 farms:		
Pheasants over 4 months old ¹	952	153,359	Hives of bees.....	12,745	1,424,360
Unspecified and other over 4 months old ¹	14,330	83,971	1959 (Nov.-Dec.) Hawaii only		
1935 ¹ (Jan. 1)			Hives of bees owned in 1959.....		
Chickens over 3 months old.....	5,833,079	371,603,136		89	5,026
Turkeys over 3 months old.....	676,114	5,381,912	1950 (Apr. 1)		
1930 (Apr. 1)			Hives of bees owned last year.....		
Chickens over 3 months old.....	5,375,559	379,159,783		258,244	2,403,379
1925 ¹ (Jan. 1)			1940 (Apr. 1)		
Chickens.....	5,505,617	409,290,849	Total.....	265,221	2,286,695
1920 (Jan. 1)			Owned by farm operator.....	254,480	1,939,990
Chickens.....	5,839,489	359,607,148	Owned by others.....	13,614	346,705
Turkeys ¹	670,834	3,627,028	1930 (Apr. 1)		
Ducks ¹	461,363	2,817,624	Hives of bees owned on farms or elsewhere.....		
Geese ¹	527,836	2,939,203		459,803	3,120,251
Guinea fowls ¹	383,632	2,410,421	1920 (Jan. 1)		
Pigeons ¹	77,769	1,493,630	Hives of bees.....		
1910 (Apr. 15)				540,996	3,482,024
Chickens over 3 months old.....	5,580,758	280,410,531	1910 (Apr. 15)		
Turkeys over 3 months old ¹	871,123	3,688,708	Swarms, hives, or colonies.....		
Ducks over 3 months old ¹	503,704	2,906,525		586,021	3,457,627
Geese over 3 months old ¹	662,324	4,431,980	1900 (June 1)		
Guinea fowls over 3 months old ¹	339,538	1,765,031	Swarms or hives of bees.....		
Pigeons over 3 months old ¹	109,407	2,730,994		707,261	4,109,626
Peafowls over 3 months old ¹	1,807	6,458			
Ostriches over 3 months old ¹	29	5,361			
Pheasants over 3 months old ¹	99	4,171			
India jungle fowls ²	1	3			

¹Alaska and Hawaii not included.

Table 7. Livestock and Poultry Sales: 1974 and 1969

Farms With Sales of \$2,500 and Over

	Farms		Sales	
	1974	1969	1974	1969
Cattle and calves.....	1,071,913	1,188,529	67,253,373	71,101,419
Fattened on grain and concentrates.....	210,725	226,663	26,070,304	25,915,433
Hogs and pigs.....	393,280	536,351	78,600,277	86,770,765
Sheep and lambs.....	75,113	120,829	11,997,422	17,149,332
Broilers.....	31,407	32,348	2,517,720,192	2,427,378,308
Turkeys.....	4,407	5,425	124,738,212	103,454,667

Production cycles vary for meat-type animals. For some types of animals the cycle is usually fixed, while for others it is quite flexible. Farmers or ranchers with cow herds usually sell calves as feeder animals, frequently to specialized cattle feeders who then fatten them to slaughter weights. Calves also may be slaughtered for veal, or they may be pastured for various periods of time or

go to warm up lots before eventually being placed in finishing feedlots. Thus, cattle and calves when slaughtered may range in age from a few months to 2 or 3 years.

Hog producers have fewer options. A hog producer either sells feeder pigs to others who feed them to market weight or he raises them himself as market hogs. In either case, most market hogs are sold

for slaughter within 6 months of farrowing. Sheep raisers have several production alternatives. Some lambs are marketed when only a few months old, some are first pastured then marketed for slaughter, others are pastured then fattened in feedlots or on specialized sheep feeding farms and then marketed. Broiler production is confined to a fixed cycle with almost all broilers slaughtered at 6 to 10 weeks of age. Most turkeys are grown to a matured market weight in 5 to 7 months, but some young turkeys are sold as fryers when less than 16 weeks old. To a large degree, turkey production is seasonal; most of the annual slaughter takes place between August and February.