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1. Please verify name and mailing address of this operation.
   Make any corrections necessary (including the correct operation name) on the label and continue.

2. Were any cattle or calves, regardless of ownership, on this operation on January 1, 2027 or at any time during 2026? (Cattle and calves on grazing land leased on a fee per head or animal unit month (AUM) basis should be included by the cattle owner, excluded by the land owner.)

   1 ☐ Yes - Go to item 3, page 2

   3 ☐ No - a. Will there be any cattle or calves, regardless of ownership, on this operation during 2027?

   1 ☐ Yes - Enter code 1
   3 ☐ No - Enter code 3
   2 ☐ Don't Know - Enter code 2

   CODE 493

   b. Were you (the individual named on the label) operating a farm or ranch on January 1, 2027?

   1 ☐ Yes - Go to Section 3, back page

   3 ☐ No - Go to Section 2, page 7

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3. Are the day-to-day decisions for this operation made by one individual, a hired manager, or partners? Check one

1 ☐ One Individual - Go to Section 1, page 4

2 ☐ A hired manager - Go to Section 1, page 4

3 ☐ Partners - Continue

a. How many partners make the day-to-day decisions? [Enter number of partners, including operator, and then continue.] ... NUMBER ____

4. Please identify the other person(s) in this partnership, then continue. [Verify partners' names and make necessary corrections if names have already been entered.]

☐ Check if verified

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Check if cell phone ☐

Phone: (_____) _____

Did this partner operate land individually on June 1, 2026?

1 ☐ Yes 3 ☐ No

☐ Check if verified

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Check if cell phone ☐

Phone: (_____) _____

Did this partner operate land individually on June 1, 2026?

1 ☐ Yes 3 ☐ No

☐ Check if verified

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Check if cell phone ☐

Phone: (_____) _____

Did this partner operate land individually on June 1, 2026?

1 ☐ Yes 3 ☐ No

☐ Check if verified

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Check if cell phone ☐

Phone: (_____) _____

Did this partner operate land individually on June 1, 2026?

1 ☐ Yes 3 ☐ No

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Notes and Calculations:

Section 1 - Cattle and Calves

1. On January 1, 2027 were any cattle or calves, regardless of ownership, on the total acres operated? (Cattle and calves on grazing land leased on a fee per head or animal unit month (AUM) basis should be included by the cattle owner, excluded by the land owner.)

   1 ☐ Yes - Go to item 2

   3 ☐ No - Were any cattle or calves, regardless of ownership, on the total acres operated at any time during 2026?

      1 ☐ Yes - Go to item 4b

      3 ☐ No - Go to Section 3, back page

2. Of the total number of cattle and calves on hand January 1, how many were:

   NUMBER

   a. beef cows, including beef heifers that had calved?..... + 351

   b. milk cows, including any dry cows or milk heifers that had calved? EXCLUDE any heifers not yet freshened. If no milk cows, go to item 2c..... + 352

      NUMBER

      i. How many cows were milked on January 1?..... 349

      ii. How much milk was produced that day? (Only one day's production.)..... 502 Gals. OR 501 Lbs.

   c. bulls weighing 500 pounds or more?..... + 353

   d. heifers that had not calved, weighing 500 pounds or more:

      i. for beef cow replacement?..... + 354

         NUMBER

         (a) How many of these beef cow replacement heifers are expected to calve during 2027?..... 376

      ii. for milk cow replacement?..... + 355

         (a) How many of these milk cow replacement heifers are expected to calve during 2027?..... 377

      iii. other heifers weighing 500 pounds or more?..... + 356

   e. steers weighing 500 pounds or more?..... + 357

   f. heifer, steer, and bull calves weighing less than 500 pounds, including newborn calves?..... + 358

3. [Add items 2a through 2f and verify the total.] Then the total cattle and calves on hand January 1 was: ..... = 350

On Small Grain Pasture

NUMBER

a. Of the other heifers, steers, and calves reported above, how many were grazing on winter wheat, oats, barley, or rye on January 1?..... 189

Calf Crop for 2026 (Calves born on grazing land leased on a fee per head or animal unit month (AUM) basis should be included by the cattle owner, excluded by the land owner.)

4. Of the calves born on the total acres operated during 2026, how many: EXCLUDE calves purchased.

NUMBER

a. were on hand January 1, 2027?..... + 363

b. (Of the calves born on the total acres operated during 2026, how many) were sold, moved off this operation, or slaughtered by January 1?..... + 364

c. had died by January 1? EXCLUDE calves born dead. ..... + 365

5. [Add items 4a through 4c and verify the total.] Then the total calves born during 2026 was? ..... = 366

a. Of these calves born, how many were born in the six month period, July 1 through December 31, 2026?..... 341

Death and Losses (Cattle and calves that died or were lost on grazing land leased on a fee per head or animal unit month (AUM) basis should be included by the cattle owner, excluded by the land owner.)

NUMBER

6. How many cattle weighing 500 pounds or more died or were lost from all causes during 2026?..... 367

7. How many calves weighing less than 500 pounds died or were lost from all causes during 2026? EXCLUDE calves born dead. 368

Cattle and Calves on Feed

We need to know about the cattle and calves on feed for the slaughter market.
Their ration would include grain, silage, hay, or protein supplement.

8. Are there any cattle and calves on feed, regardless of ownership, on the total acres operated that will be shipped directly from your feedlot to slaughter market?

INCLUDE cattle being fed by you for others.
EXCLUDE
- any of your cattle being custom fed in feedlots operated by others.
- cattle being "backgrounded only" for sale as feeders, for later placement on feed in another feedlot, or to be returned to pasture.
- "Cows and Bulls" on feed.

1 ☐ Yes - Go to item 9

3 ☐ No - Did you operate a feedlot or feeding facility on the total acres operated at any time since January 1, 2026?

1 ☐ Yes - Go to item 10 3 ☐ No - Go to item 12

9. How many cattle and calves were on feed January 1 that will be shipped directly from your feedlot to slaughter market? ..... NUMBER 652

10. What was the total capacity of your feedlot on January 1? ..... NUMBER 676

If capacity is 1,000 or greater, Go to item 12

11. During 2026, how many cattle and calves on feed were shipped directly to slaughter market from your feedlot? ..... NUMBER 678

Inventory Values for Cattle and Calves on hand January 1, 2027.

12. What is the average value per head of the following: [Report to nearest dollar.]

	Dollars per Head
a. Beef cows?	190
b. Heifers kept for beef cow replacement weighing 500 pounds or more?	192
c. Milk cows?	266
d. Heifers kept for milk cow replacement weighing 500 pounds or more?	267
e. Bulls weighing 500 pounds or more?	191
f. Other heifers weighing 500 pounds or more?	195
g. Steers weighing 500 pounds or more?	196
h. Calves weighing less than 500 pounds?	197

Slaughter for Consumption by this Operation (regardless of ownership.)

	CATTLE	CALVES
13. During 2026, how many cattle and calves were custom slaughtered at commercial establishments for consumption by this operation?	268	269
14. During 2026, how many cattle and calves were slaughtered on this operation for consumption by this operation? INCLUDE mobile slaughtering. EXCLUDE custom slaughter at commercial establishments.	270	271

Grazing Fees in Your Area

15. Were any cattle or calves reported on the total acres operated (item 3 on page 4 is positive)?

1 ☐ Yes - Continue 3 ☐ No - Go to Section 3, back page

16. Which of the following is the most commonly used method of charging for grazing on privately owned, non-irrigated grazing land in your area?
Check appropriate box

5 ☐ Per Head Per Month

7 ☐ Per Animal Unit Month (AUM)

9 ☐ Per Cow With Nursing Calf Per Month

	Dollars & Cents
a. What was the average charge for this method in your area during 2026?	91_ ._ _

17. During 2026, did this operation pay a fee to graze cattle on privately owned, non-irrigated land using either a per head per month, per animal unit month, or per cow with nursing calf per month method?

	CODE
1 ☐ Yes - Enter code 1 and continue 3 ☐ No - Enter code 3 and continue	908

1 - Incomplete, has cattle 2 - Incomplete, cattle presence unknown	498
3 - Valid Zero	

Section 2 - Change in Operator

Complete this section only if the answers to item 2 and 2b on the face page are both "No".

1. Has the operation (named on the label) been sold, rented or turned over to someone else?

   1 ☐ Yes - Go to item 2 3 ☐ No - Continue

   a. Will the land be used for any agricultural purpose by you (the operator), or anyone else in the next year? INCLUDE growing crops or raising livestock.

   1 ☐ Yes - Continue 3 ☐ No - Continue 2 ☐ Don't Know - Continue

   Regardless of answer to item 1a, write a note to explain the situation, and then go to Section 3, back page

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2. Was the operator (named on label) operating a farm or ranch on June 1, 2026?

   1 ☐ Yes - Continue 3 ☐ No - Continue

3. Please provide the following information for the operation that has taken over the land:

   a. What is the name and address of the new operation?

Operation Name:				
Operator Name:				
Address:				
City:		State:	Zip:	
Phone:	( ) _____ - _____		Check if cell phone ☐	

   b. Was the (item 3a) new operation in business before June 1, 2026?

   1 ☐ Yes - Go to Section 3, back page 3 ☐ No - Continue

   c. Is the (item 3a) new operation managed?

   1 ☐ Yes - Go to Section 3, back page 3 ☐ No - Continue

   d. Were any of the individuals associated with the (item 3a) operation operating land individually before June 1, 2026?

   1 ☐ Yes - Go to Section 3, back page 3 ☐ No - Go to Section 3, back page

Section 3 - Conclusion

1. Do you (the operator named on the label) make any day-to-day decisions for another farm or ranch?

1 ☐ Yes - Continue 3 ☐ No - Go to Conclusion: Contact Information

a. What is the name of the other operation(s)?...

Operation Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____

Phone: ( ) _____ - _____ Check if cell phone ☐

b. Was this additional operation in business before June 1, 2026?

1 ☐ Yes - Continue 3 ☐ No - Continue

Conclusion: Contact Information

Operator Email:	Operator Phone:
9929	9918 ( ) _____ Check if cell phone ☐
Operation Email (if different from above):	**Operation Phone (if different from above):**
9937	9936 ( ) _____ Check if cell phone ☐

Respondent Name:	Respondent Phone (if different from above):	Date:
9912	9911 ( ) _____ Check if cell phone ☐	9910 MM DD YY __ __ __ __ __ __

This completes the survey. The results will be available on the release date at nass.usda.gov/results

Thank you for your response.

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