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### Why am I getting this letter?

Enclosed is your 2023 Cattle Survey. Please complete the survey 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.

### How will the data be used?

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

If we do not hear from you by [\[Click for date\]](#), we  attempt to contact you to arrange a telephone interview.

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 survey findings in the *Cattle* report, to be released on Friday, July 21, 2023.

Thank you for participating and for your support of our programs and U.S. agriculture. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact us at [\[Click to enter phone number, email, etc. - text\]](#). For more information on this survey, visit: [nass.usda.gov/Surveys/Guide to NASS Surveys/index.php](https://nass.usda.gov/Surveys/Guide%20to%20NASS%20Surveys/index.php).

Sincerely,


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Director/State Statistician,

Enclosure

### What do I do next?

Complete your survey:

-  **Online at [agcounts.usda.gov](https://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 [\[Click to enter FAX # - text\]](#).



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