

Paul F. Engler Chairman of the Board & CEO

The State of the Industry: Cactus Feeders' Perspective on the Beef Industry



The Early Years: The Building of an Industry Leader



- ◆ 1960: Hereford Feedyard Built first large commercial yard in Texas
- ♦ 1972: IBP

VP of Carcass Division, Board of Directors

1975: Established Cactus Feeders

With partner Tom Dittmer





Stratford Feedyard
Acquired in 1979
Capacity 80,000



- CUSTOM CATTLE FEEDING -

Wrangler Feedyard
Acquired in 1982
Capacity 55,000



A Division of Cactus Feeders, Inc.





Hale Center Feedyard Acquired in 1999 Capacity 55,000 Hale Center Feedyard





Cactus Argentina Established 2000 Capacity 25,000











- Benjamin / Amistad / Roswell
- 20,000 head stocker cattle
- 2,000 head cow herd
- 140,000 total acres / 8,000 irrigated

"If you take care of the land, the land will take care of you"





- World's Largest Cattle Feeders
- ~ 480,000 head one-time capacity
- 9 Feedyards in Texas and Kansas
- 25,000 head Argentina expansion
- ◆ 550 + Employees

"Producing America's Beef"



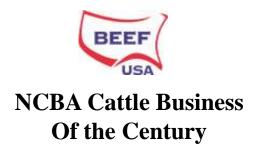
Industry Leadership



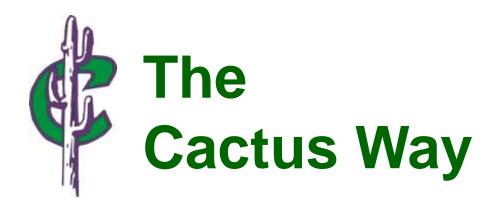
- NCBA Cattle Business of the Century
- TCFA Environmental Stewardship Award
- Paul F. Engler
 - Cattleman of the Year
 - TCFA Former Chairman



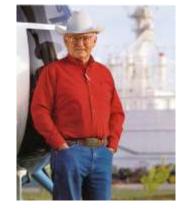








- Think like an Owner
- Take care of the cattle first
- Get paid for what you produce
- Give your partner just a little better deal



"It's a business where a handshake still gets the deal done and your word is your bond."





- 68% Owned by Engler Family
- Share Price up over 300% since 1990
- Average ESOP account \$72,000

"It just takes concrete & steel to build a feedyard, but it will only work when you have the right people running it."



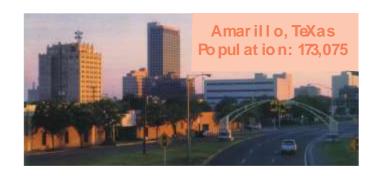
Beef & Feed Sales



- 20,000 finished animals per week
- ◆ 10 Million lbs. red meat per week
- 1.89 Million tons of feed each year
- Milling 40.5 Million bushels of grain

1 out of every 30 fed animals in the U.S. is Cactus Beef





Cactus Feeders' regional impact:

- Estimated economic multiplier 5:1
- Total Sales ~ \$750 M
- Estimated Total Impact = \$3.75 B

All products, goods and services are bought & sold within 200 miles of yard





- Customers vary in size from 80 to 25,000 cattle on feed at one time
- From Hawaii to Florida, Mexico to Montana
- Majority take advantage of financing
- Use carcass feedback to improve genetics

We serve as the Customer's banker, grain elevator, care-taker, & marketer





- ♦ 60 / 40 Program:
 - Producers partner 50 / 50 with Cactus
 - Receive 60% of profits or 50% of loses
- Mexico Ranch Program
- Individual Carcass Information

Cresud / Argentina



Packer & Retail Alliances



- ◆ 1988: Founded "Formula Pricing"
- 2000: 900,000 head marketed to IBP / Excel
- ~ 7,000,000 total head marketed

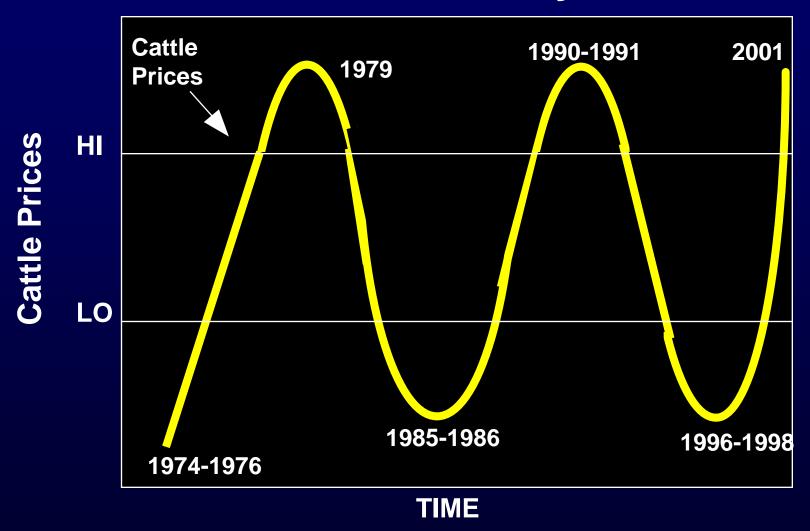






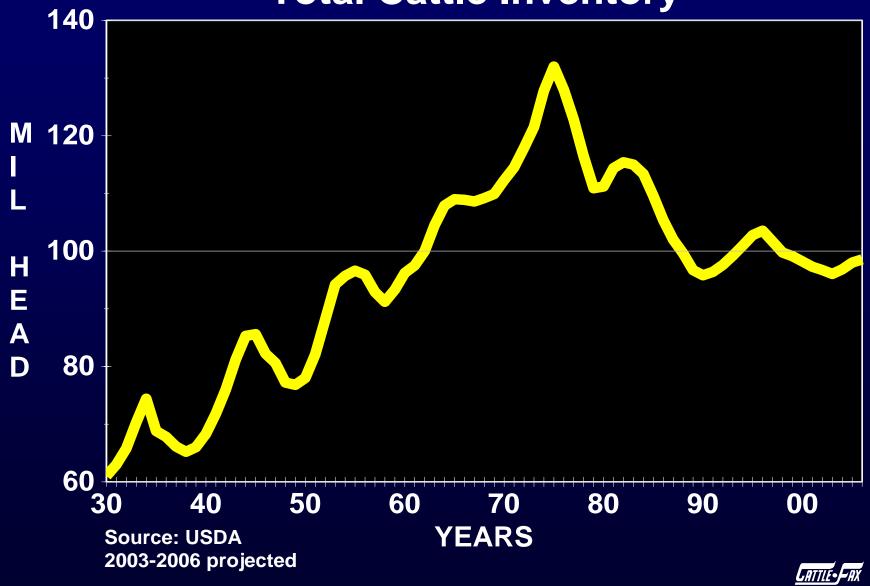
The Current State of the Beef Industry

The Cattle Cycle

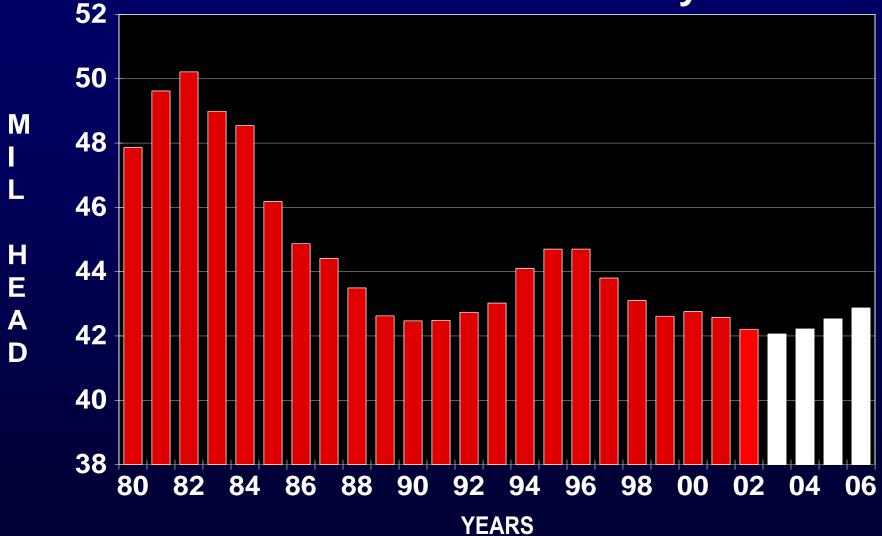








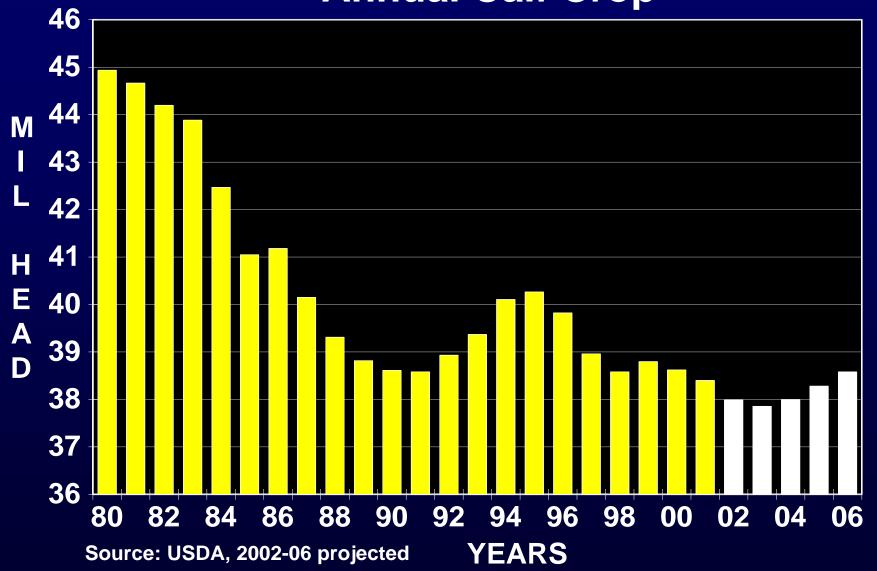
Total Cow Inventory



Cattle-Fax projection 2003-2006 Source: USDA & Cattle-Fax

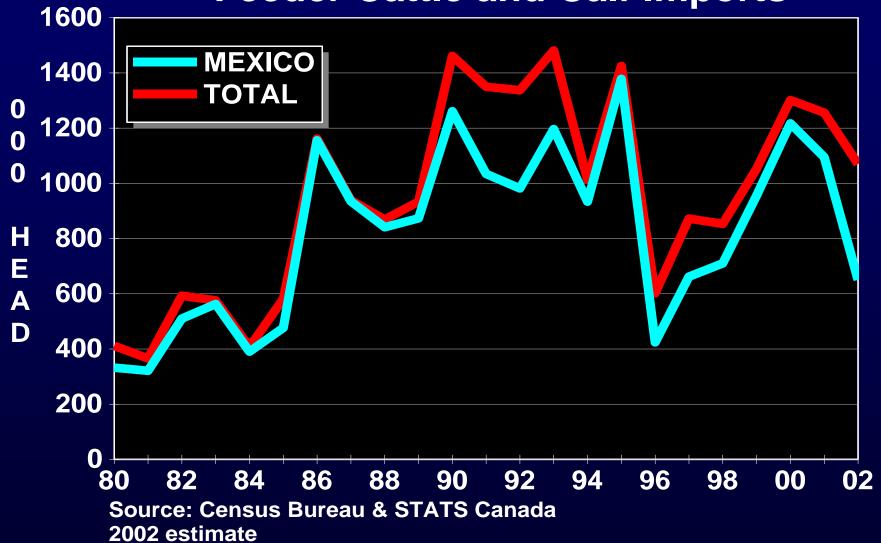


Annual Calf Crop



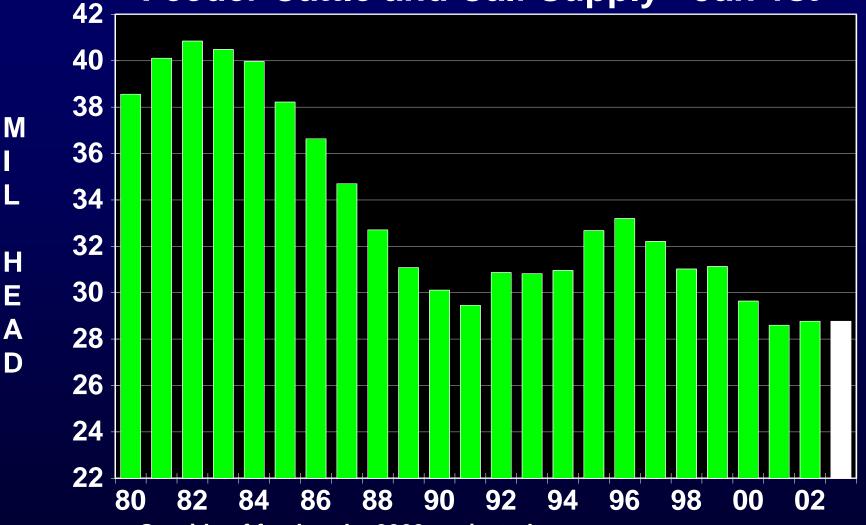


Feeder Cattle and Calf Imports







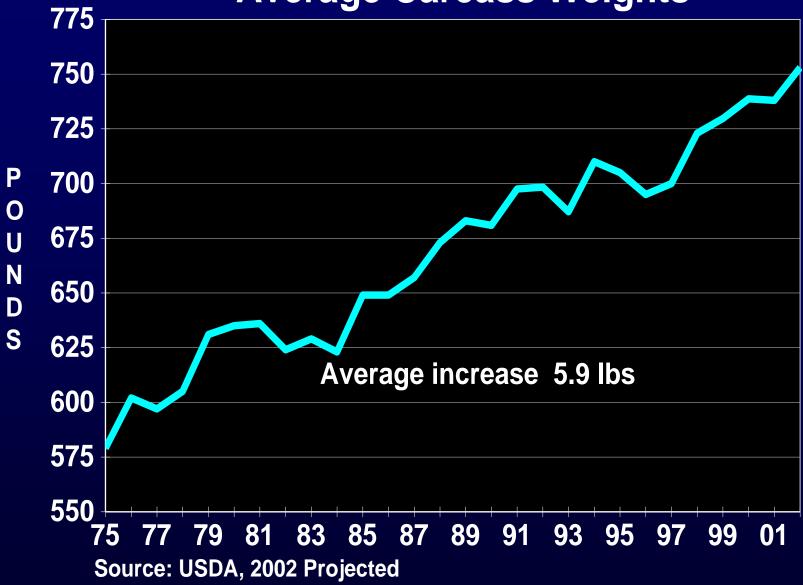


Outside of feedyards, 2003 projected

Source: USDA & Cattle-Fax

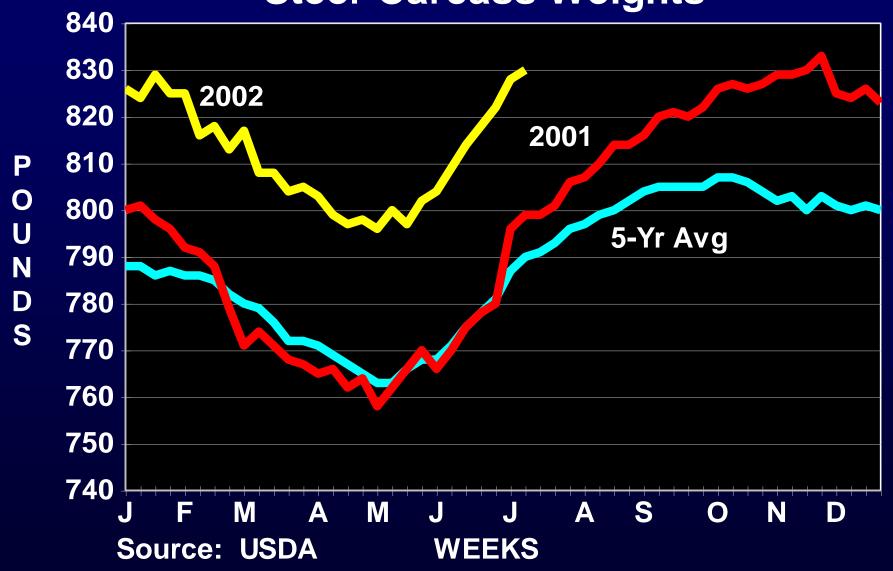


Average Carcass Weights



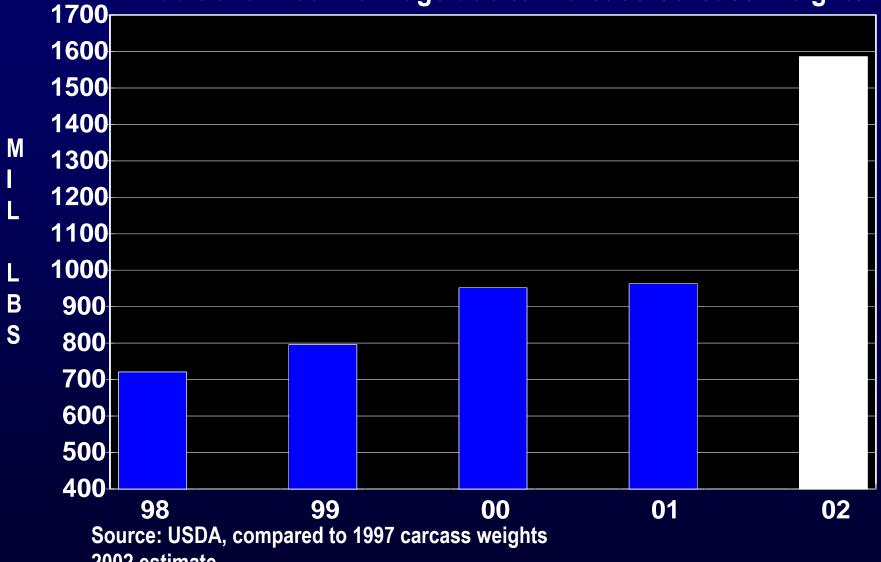


Steer Carcass Weights





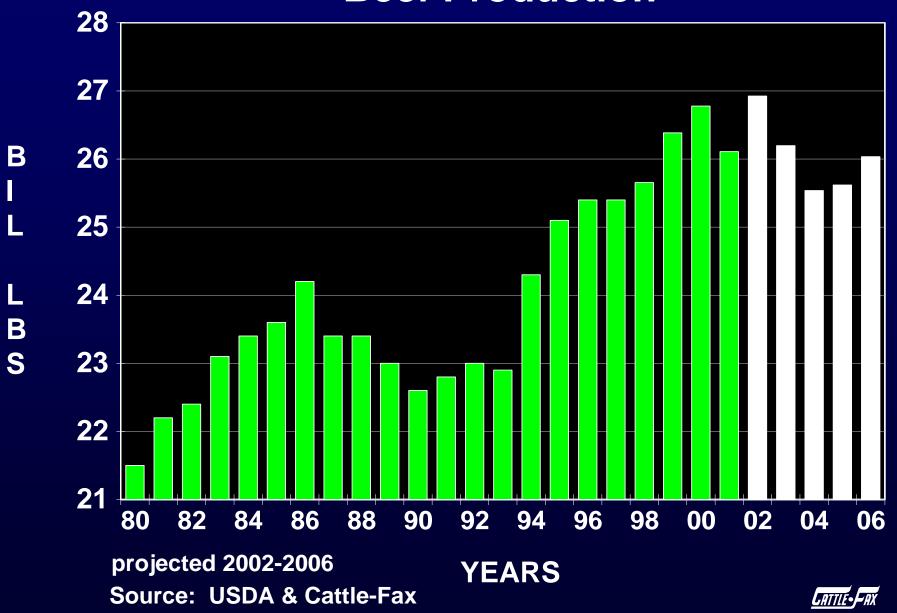




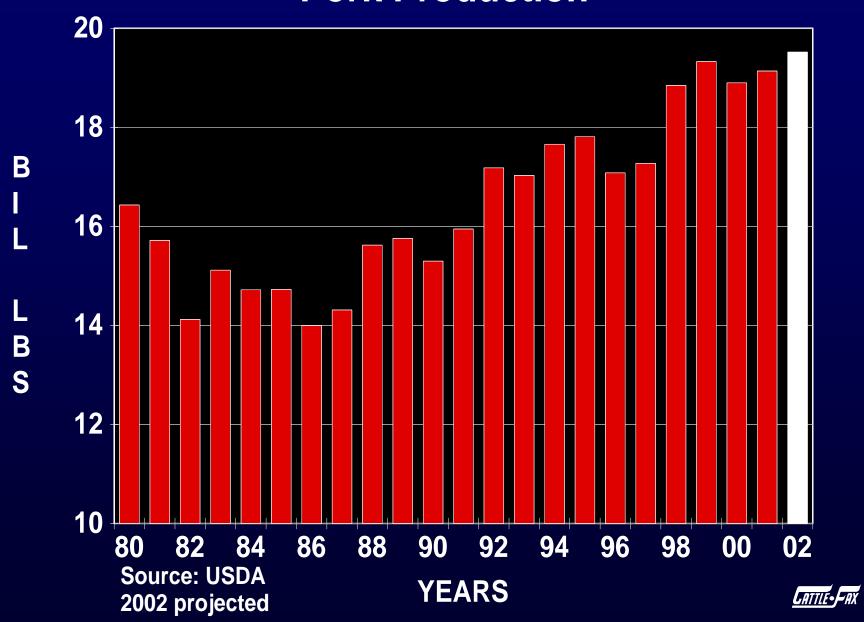
2002 estimate



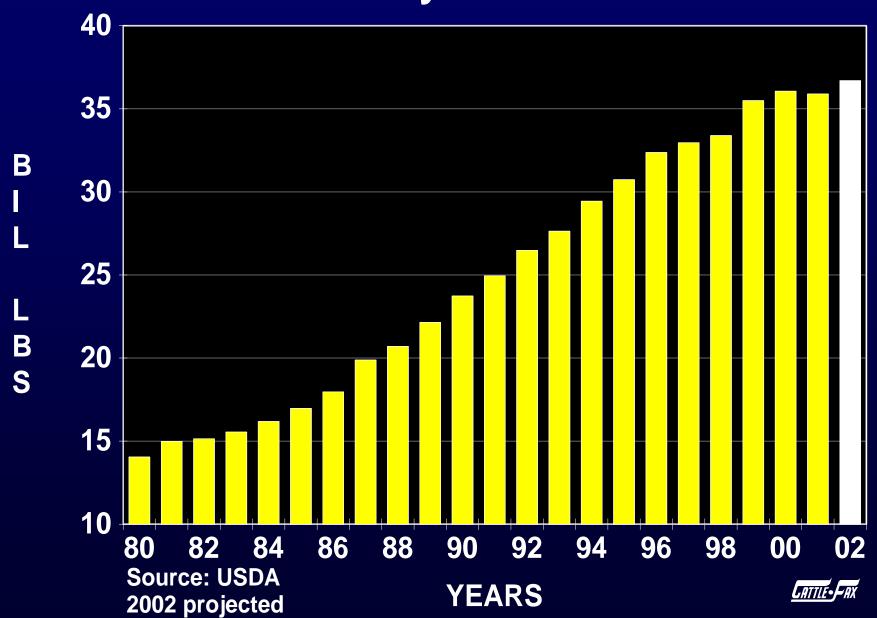
Beef Production



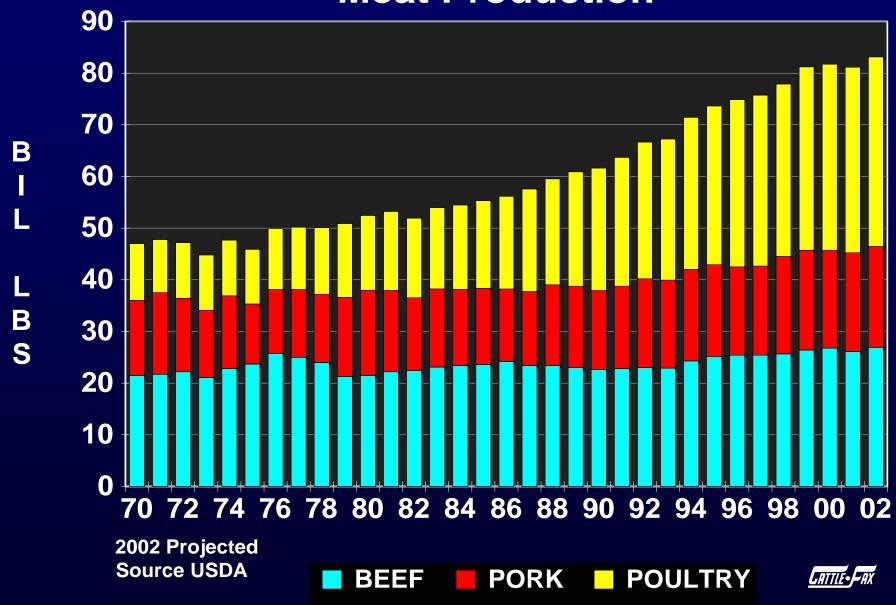
Pork Production



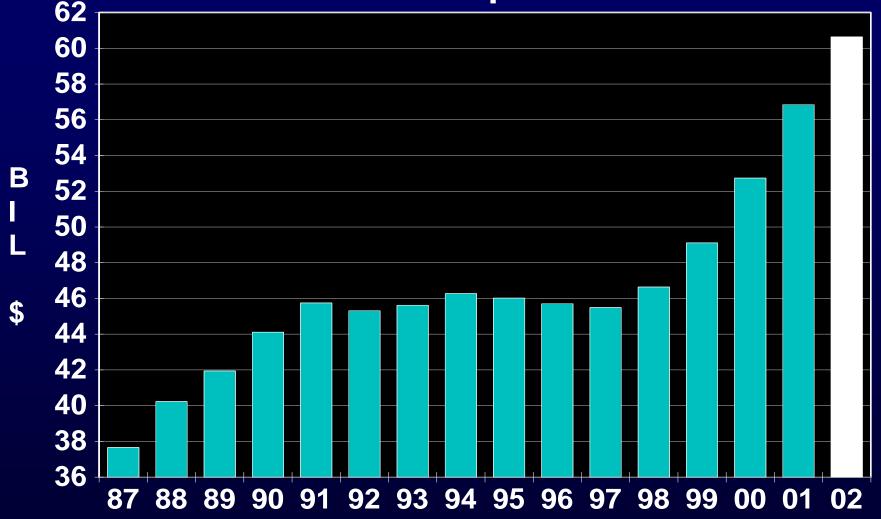
Poultry Production



Meat Production



U.S. Consumer Expenditures on Beef

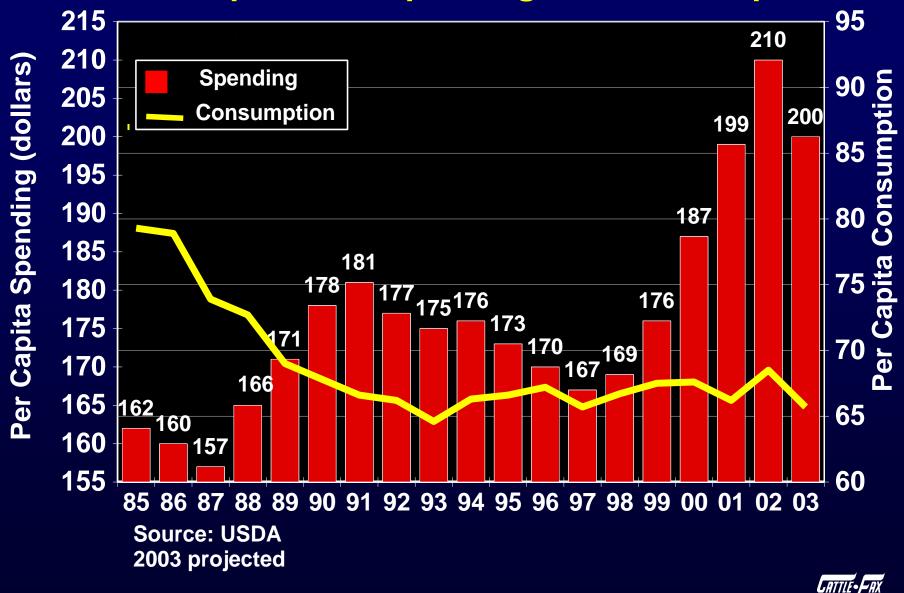


Source: USDA & Cattle-Fax YEARS

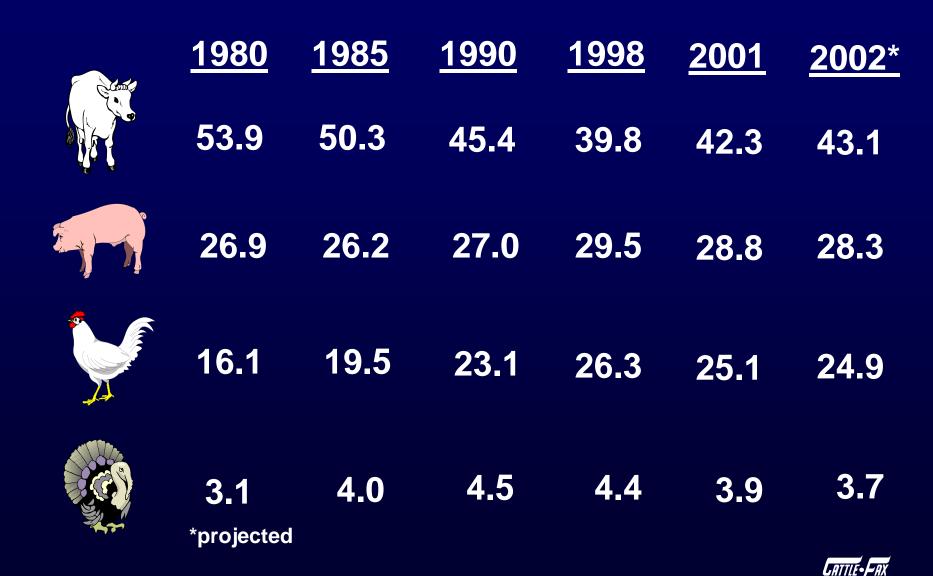
Domestic disapperance valued at all-fresh retail price, 2002 projected



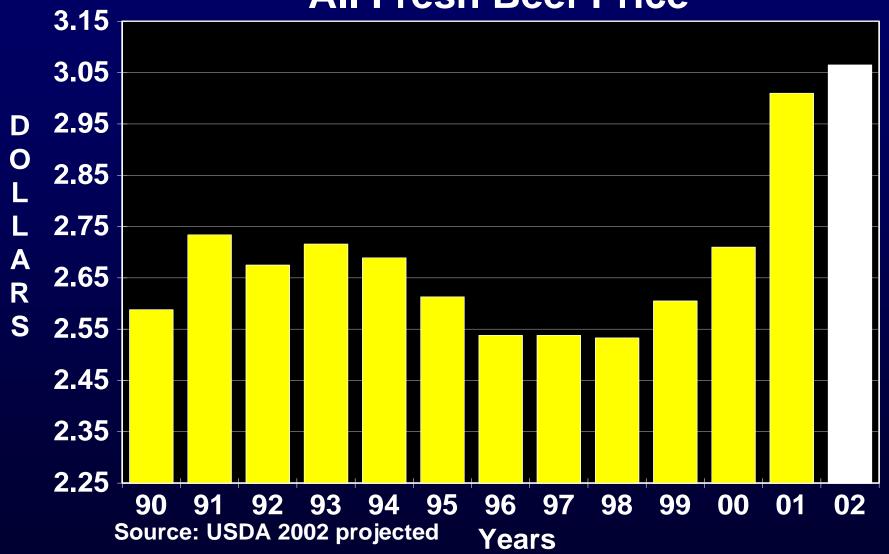
Per Capita Beef Spending and Consumption



Market Share of Meat Spending

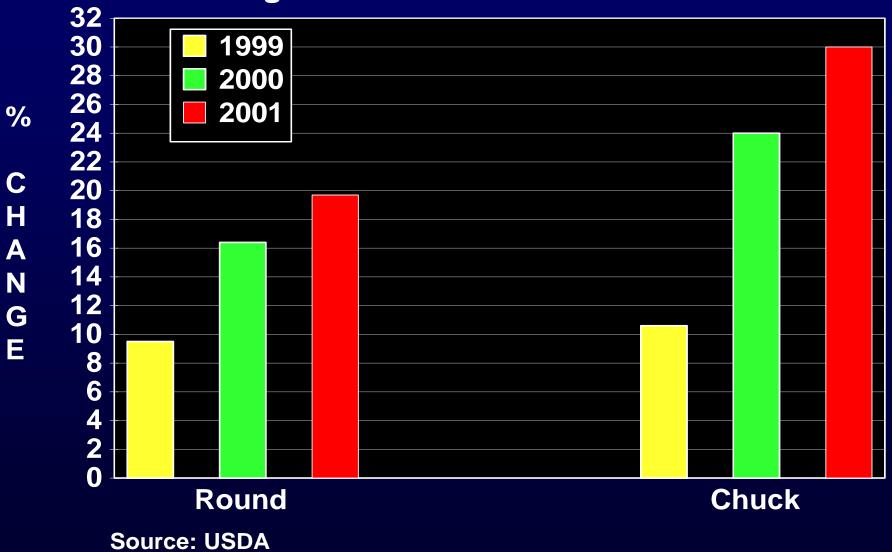


All Fresh Beef Price

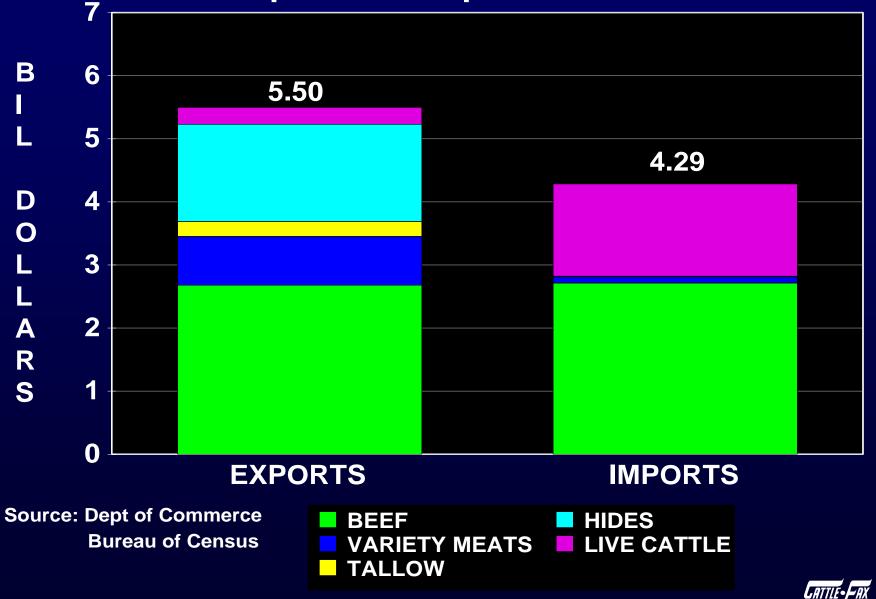


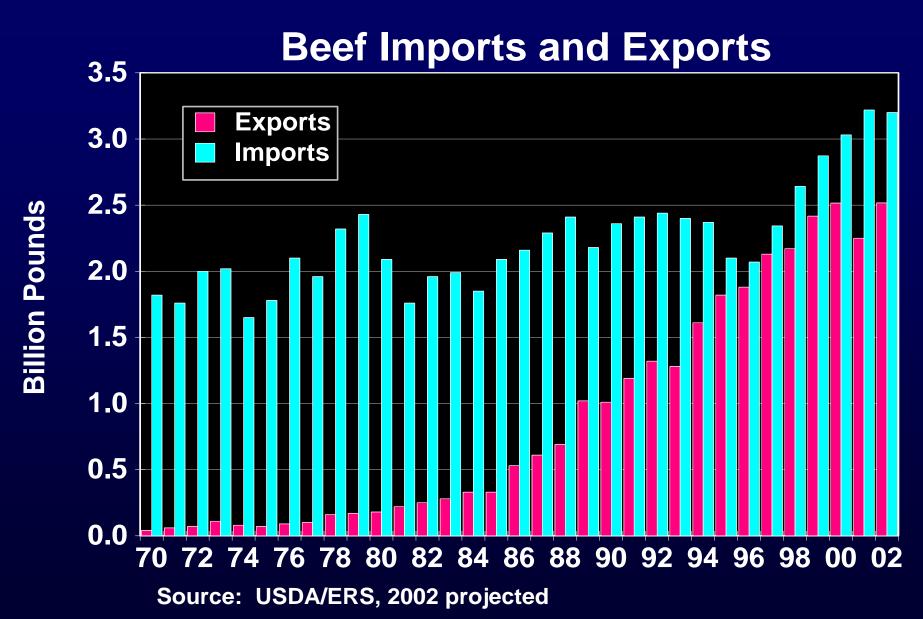


Change in Choice Beef Values vs. 1998



2001 Live Cattle, Beef, and Beef Product Exports vs. Imports Total Value







What if Exports to Japan Decline? Result:

Off 10 percent An additional 2.1 mil lbs per week on U.S. market

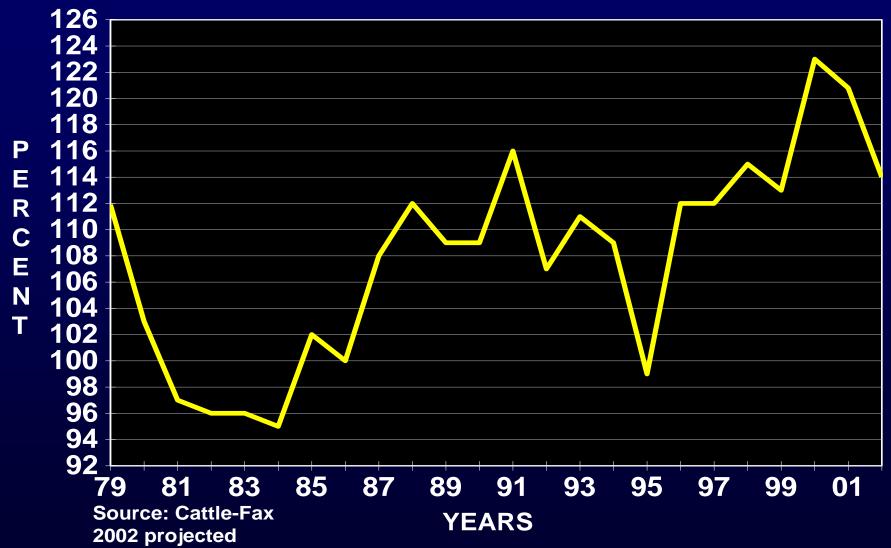
Off 20 percent An additional 4.2 mil lbs per week on U.S. market

Off 30 percent An additional 6.3 mil lbs per week on U.S. market

Off 50 percent An additional 10.5 mil lbs per week on U.S. market



750 lb Steer as Percent of Fed Steer



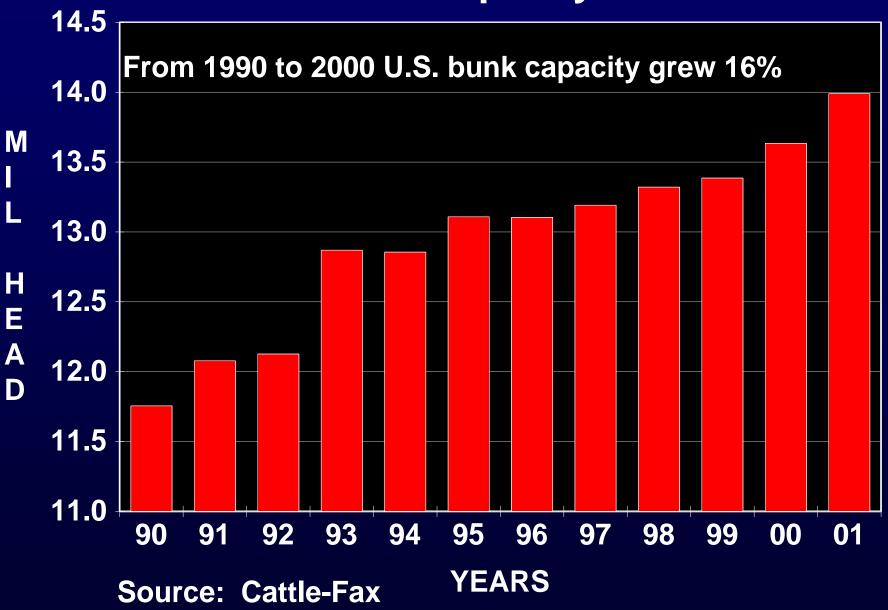


450 lb Steer Calf as Percent of Fed Steer

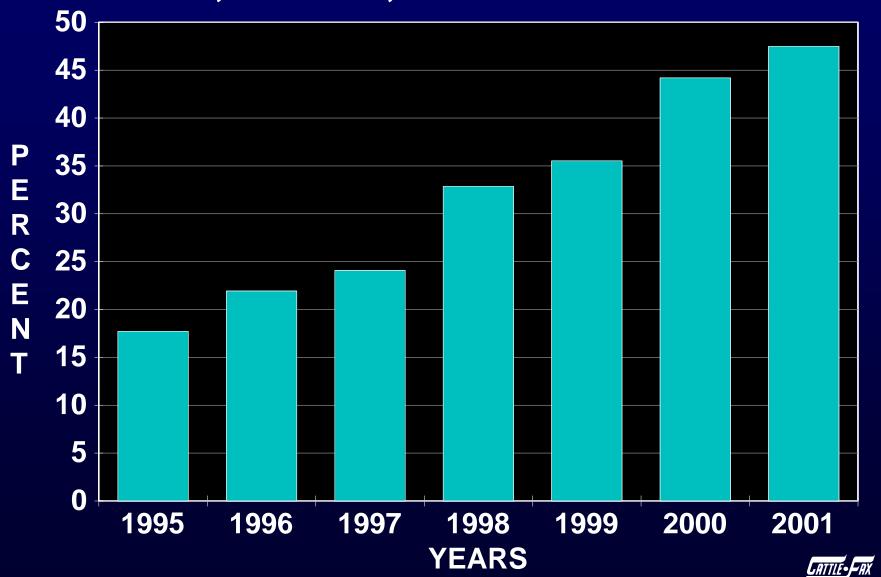


GATTLE - PAX

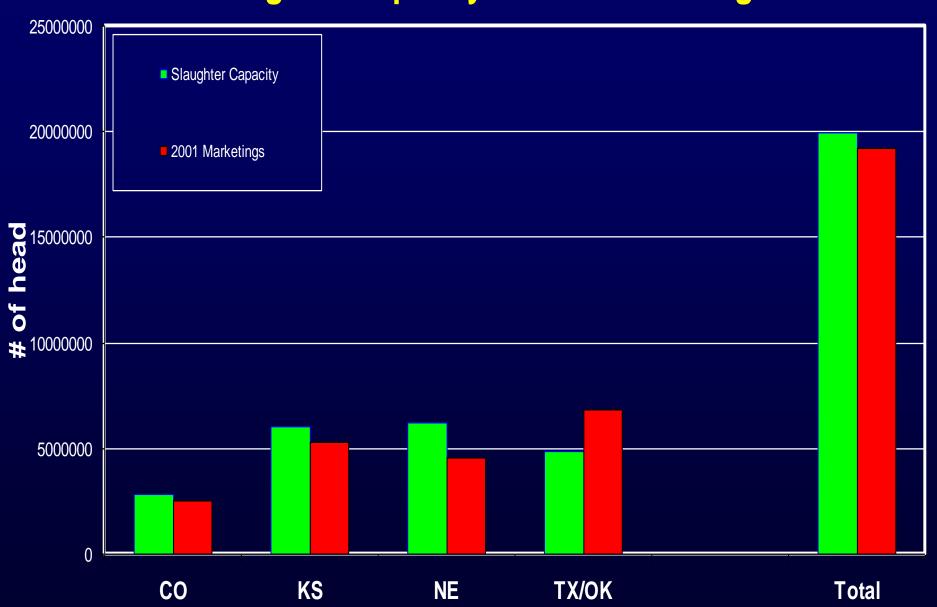
U.S. Bunk Capacity Estimate



Percentage of Fed Cattle Movement from: Formula, Contract, Alliance & Packer Fed Cattle



Slaughter Capacity versus Marketings



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