ANIMAL UNITS (AU) BY CATEGORY OF LIVESTOCK

ANIMAL	TYPE	ANIMAL UNITS (AU) PRODUCED BY ONE ANIMAL	NUMBER OF ANIMALS TO PRODUCE ONE AU
Dairy	Milking Cows, including associated livestock	2	0.5
Beef	Beef Cows, including associated livestock	1.25	0.8
	Backgrounder	0.5	2
	Summer pasture / replacement heifers	0.625	1.6
	Feeder Cattle	0.769	1.3
Hogs	Sows, farrow to finish	1.25	0.8
	Sows, farrow to weanling	0.25	4
	Sows, farrow to nursery	0.313	3.2
	Weanlings	0.033	30
	Growers / finishers	0.143	7
	Boars (artificial insemination operations)	0.2	5
Chickens	Broilers	0.005	200
	Roasters	0.01	100
	Layers	0.0083	120
	Pullets	0.0033	300
	Broiler Breeder Pullets	0.0033	300
	Broiler Breeder Hens	0.01	100
Turkeys	Broilers	0.01	100
	Heavy Toms	0.02	50
	Heavy Hens	0.01	100
Horses	Mares, including associated livestock	1.333	0.75
Sheep	Ewes, including associated livestock	0.2	5
	Feeder Lambs	0.063	16

Example: To calculate the number of animal units for a livestock production operation, multiply the number of head by A.U. in that category: Eg. 20 milking cows X 2.0 A.U. per head = 40 animal units.