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Deprivation cannot be used as a method of control. An animal that is deprived of its natural environment will respond with abnormal behavior. The effects of housing density on welfare and production have been studied extensively. In general, as housing density increases, the welfare of the animals decreases. This is because animals that are confined in small spaces are more likely to exhibit signs of stress, such as aggression, stereotypy, and decreased food and water intake.

One of the major problems of low housing density is the lack of social stimulation. Animals that are confined in small spaces for long periods of time may become bored and exhibit stereotypic behaviors. In contrast, animals that have access to a variety of environmental stimuli are more likely to exhibit normal behavior.

The effects of housing density on welfare and production are complex and depend on a variety of factors, including the species of animal, the housing system, and the management practices. In general, however, it is clear that housing density is an important factor that affects the welfare and productivity of animals in a facility.

In conclusion, the effects of housing density on welfare and production are significant. Facilities should be designed and managed to minimize the effects of housing density on animal welfare and productivity. This can be achieved by providing animals with adequate space, stimulation, and access to natural environments.