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On: FEBRUARY 1 TEXAS CATTLE ON FEED
DOWN 2 PERCENT FROM LAST YEAR

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AUSTIN . . . Cattle and calves on feed for slaughter market in Texas feedlots with capacity of 1,000 head or more totaled 2.72 million head on February 1, down 2 percent from a year ago. According to the monthly report released by the Texas Agricultural Statistics Service, the estimate was up 1 percent from the January 1 level. Producers placed 425,000 head in commercial feedlots during January, up 9 percent from a year ago, and 5 percent above the December 2004 total.

Texas commercial feeders marketed 395,000 head during January, down 8 percent from last year and down 6 percent from the December 2004 total.

On February 1, there were 2.27 million head of cattle and calves on feed in the Northern High Plains, 83 percent of the state's total. The number on feed across the area was down slightly from last year, and up 1 percent from the January total.

January placements in the Northern High Plains totaled 350,000 head, up 8 percent from the December total. Marketings were down 3 percent from last month to 322,000 head.

Cattle and calves on feed for slaughter market in the United States in feedlots with a capacity of 1,000 head or more totaled 11.3 million head on February 1, 2005. This inventory was 2 percent above February 1, 2004.

Placements in feedlots during January totaled 1.89 million head, 7 percent above January 2004. January placements of cattle and calves weighing less than 600 pounds totaled 380,000 head; 600-699 pounds totaled 458,000 head; 700-799 pounds totaled 628,000 head; 800 pounds and greater totaled 419,000 head. Marketings of fed cattle during January totaled 1.78 million head, up slightly from 2004.

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Cattle and Calves: Placements, Marketings, Other Disappearance and Inventory in 1,000+ Capacity Feedlots

State	Cattle and Calves									
	On feed January 1		Placed on feed during January		Marketed during January		Other disappearance during January		On feed February 1	
	2004	2005	2004	2005	2004	2005	2004	2005	2004	2005
	<i>1,000 head</i>									
Arizona	293	331	32	27	26	30	3	3	296	325
California	510	535	55	59	60	63	5	6	500	525
Colorado	1,040	1,080	165	175	160	185	5	10	1,040	1,060
Idaho	300	295	41	37	64	66	2	1	275	265
Iowa	370	450	64	77	47	60	2	2	385	465
Kansas	2,430	2,410	455	475	440	450	25	15	2,420	2,420
Nebraska	2,280	2,300	380	425	360	360	20	15	2,280	2,350
New Mexico	115	126	17	18	13	13	2	2	117	129
Oklahoma	355	350	50	55	53	52	2	3	350	350
South Dakota	200	192	30	41	29	26	1	2	200	205
TEXAS	2,830	2,700	390	425	430	395	20	10	2,770	2,720
Washington	200	190	* 29	30	* 33	29	1	1	* 195	190
Other States	330	* 340	46	41	60	47	6	4	310	330
United States	11,253	* 11,299	* 1,754	1,885	* 1,775	1,776	94	74	11,138	11,334

* Revised.

Cattle on Feed: Number Placed on Feed by Weight Group, 1,000+ Capacity Feedlots

State	During January									
	Less than 600 pounds		600-699 pounds		700-799 pounds		800 pounds or more		Total	
	2004	2005	2004	2005	2004	2005	2004	2005	2004	2005
	<i>1,000 head</i>									
Colorado	25	25	45	45	61	70	34	35	165	175
Kansas	60	65	140	135	175	170	80	105	455	475
Nebraska	47	50	95	93	140	153	98	129	380	425
TEXAS	110	120	120	110	115	145	45	50	390	425
Other States	125	120	66	75	* 88	90	85	100	* 364	385
United States	367	380	466	458	* 579	628	342	419	* 1,754	1,885

* Revised.

Cattle on Feed: Number on Feed, Placements, Marketings and Other Disappearance, 1,000+ Capacity Feedlots, United States, February 1, 2003-2005

Item	Number			2005 as Percent of	
	2003	2004	2005	2003	2004
	<i>1,000 head</i>			<i>Percent</i>	
On feed January 1 ^{1/2/}	10,658	11,253	* 11,299	106	100
Placed on feed during January ^{1/2/}	2,089	* 1,754	1,885	90	107
Fed cattle marketed during January ^{1/2/}	1,972	* 1,775	1,776	90	100
Other disappearance during January ^{1/2/3/}	75	94	74	99	79
On feed February 1 ^{3/}	10,700	* 11,138	11,334	106	102

¹ Data is for December previous year. ² Cattle and calves on feed are animals for slaughter market being fed a ration of grain or other concentrates and are expected to produce a carcass that will grade select or better. ³ Includes death losses, movement from feedlots to pastures and shipments to other feedlots for further feeding. *Revised.

Texas Cattle and Calves on Feed in 1,000+ Capacity Feedlots

Cattle and calves	District 1-N	District 1-S	District 2-N	District 2-S	District 3	District 4	District 5-N	District 5-S	District 6	District 7	District 8-N	District 8-S	District 9	District 10-N	District 10-S	Other districts	State total
	<i>1,000 head</i>																
On feed January 1 ^{1/}	2,252	165	80	16	33	71	83	2,700									
Placed on feed during January	350	35	10	6	5	9	10	425									
Marketed during January	322	27	15	3	5	10	13	395									
Other disappearance during January ^{2/}	9	1	0	0	0	0	0	10									
On feed February 1 ^{1/}	2,271	172	75	19	33	70	80	2,720									

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