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On: SEPTEMBER 1 TEXAS CATTLE ON FEED

UP 5 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 2.8 million head on September 1, up 5 percent from a year ago. According to the monthly report released by the Texas Agricultural Statistics Service, the estimate was down 3 percent from the August 1 level. Producers placed 480,000 head in commercial feedlots during August, down 9 percent from a year ago, but up 20 percent from the July 2005 total.

Texas commercial feeders marketed 560,000 head during August, up 8 percent from last year and up 24 percent from last month.

On September 1, there were 2.34 million head of cattle and calves on feed in the Northern High Plains, 84 percent of the state's total. The number on feed across the area was up 6 percent from last year, but down 2 percent from the August total.

August placements in the Northern High Plains totaled 411,000 head, up 23 percent from the July total. Marketings were up 22 percent from last month to 464,000 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 10.0 million head on September 1, 2005. This inventory was slightly above September 1, 2004.

Placements in feedlots during August totaled 1.99 million head, 5 percent below August 2004. August placements of cattle and calves weighing less than 600 pounds totaled 418,000 head; 600-699 pounds totaled 385,000 head; 700-799 pounds totaled 540,000 head; 800 pounds and greater totaled 650,000 head. Marketings of fed cattle during August totaled 2.03 million head, 6 percent above 2004.

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

	Cattle and Calves										
State	On feed		Placed on feed		Marketed		Other disappearance		On feed		
	August 1		during August		during August		during August		September 1		
	2004	2005	2004	2005	2004	2005	2004	2005	2004	2005	
	<u>1,000 head</u>										
Arizona	294	313	30	35	26	33	2	1	296	314	
California	520	530	63	62	59	57	4	5	520	530	
Colorado	880	820	205	155	150	200	5	5	930	770	
Idaho	235	250	58	51	47	50	1	1	245	250	
lowa	380	400	62	69	66	72	1	2	375	395	
Kansas	2,120	2,190	520	520	495	490	15	10	2,130	2,210	
Nebraska	1,750	1,730	420	415	360	365	10	10	1,800	1,770	
New Mexico	127	134	23	28	19	24	2	3	129	135	
Oklahoma	315	320	76	70	64	68	2	2	325	320	
South Dakota	157	143	25	24	43	34	1	1	138	132	
TEXAS	2,670	2,890	530	480	520	560	10	10	2,670	2,800	
Washington	165	137	36	30	25	27	1	1	175	139	
Other States	255	235	54	54	52	52	2	2	255	235	
United States	9,868	10,092	2,102	1,993	1,926	2,032	56	53	9,988	10,000	

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

	During August											
State	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		
	1,000 head											
Colorado	30	20	40	25	65	40	70	70	205	155		
Kansas	115	85	100	105	180	165	125	165	520	520		
Nebraska	66	43	54	65	100	112	200	195	420	415		
<b>TEXAS</b>	165	140	165	130	130	135	70	75	530	480		
Other States	130	130	57	60	90	88	150	145	427	423		
United States	506	418	416	385	565	540	615	650	2,102	1,993		

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

ltem		Number	2005 as Percent of		
nem	2003 2004 2005		2005	2003	2004
		1,000 head	<u>Percent</u>		
On feed August 1 <sup>1</sup> /	9,590	9,868	10,092	105	102
Placed on feed during August	2,384	2,102	1,993	84	95
Fed cattle marketed during August	2,075	1,926	2,032	98	106
Other disappearance during August <sup>2/</sup>	60	56	53	88	95
On feed September 1 ½	9,839	9,988	10,000	102	100

<sup>1/</sup> 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. 2/ Includes death losses, movement from feedlots to pastures and shipments to other feedlots for further feeding.

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

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Cattle and calves	District 1-N	District 1-S	District 2-N	District 7	District 8-N	District 10-N	Other districts	State total
	<u>1,000 head</u>							
On feed August 1 ½	2,401	202	90	19	34	61	83	2,890
Placed on feed during August	411	27	14	3	6	10	9	480
Marketed during August	464	40	21	4	6	10	15	560
Other disappearance during August $^{2/}$	7	1	1	0	0	0	1	10
On feed September 1 ½	2,341	188	82	18	34	61	76	2,800

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