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On: OCTOBER 1 TEXAS CATTLE ON FEED
UP 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 2.83 million head on October 1, up 2 percent from a year ago. According to the monthly report released by the Texas Field Office, the estimate was up 1 percent from the September 1 level. Producers placed 550,000 head in commercial feedlots during September, down 8 percent from a year ago, but up 15 percent from the August 2005 total.

Texas commercial feeders marketed 510,000 head during September, up 4 percent from last year but down 9 percent from last month.

On October 1, there were 2.36 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 up 2 percent from last year, and up 1 percent from the September total.

September placements in the Northern High Plains totaled 466,000 head, up 13 percent from the August total. Marketings were down 5 percent from last month to 441,000 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 10.5 million head on October 1, 2005. This inventory was slightly below October 1, 2004.

Placements in feedlots during September totaled 2.36 million head, 1 percent below September 2004. September placements of cattle and calves weighing less than 600 pounds totaled 565,000 head; 600-699 pounds totaled 505,000 head; 700-799 pounds totaled 550,000 head; 800 pounds and greater totaled 735,000 head. Marketings of fed cattle during September totaled 1.82 million head, 1 percent above 2004.

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

State	Cattle and Calves									
	On feed September 1		Placed on feed during September		Marketed during September		Other disappearance during September		On feed October 1	
	2004	2005	2004	2005	2004	2005	2004	2005	2004	2005
	<i>1,000 head</i>									
Arizona	296	314	28	29	25	24	1	1	298	318
California	520	530	64	68	60	57	4	6	520	535
Colorado	930	770	265	280	170	145	5	5	1,020	900
Idaho	245	250	84	69	53	48	1	1	275	270
Iowa	375	395	70	90	69	74	1	1	375	410
Kansas	2,130	2,210	520	510	410	455	20	15	2,220	2,250
Nebraska	1,800	1,770	470	500	320	320	10	10	1,940	1,940
New Mexico	129	135	29	26	19	22	3	3	136	136
Oklahoma	325	320	80	69	62	53	3	1	340	335
South Dakota	138	132	41	40	35	40	1	2	143	130
TEXAS	2,670	2,800	600	550	490	510	10	10	2,770	2,830
Washington	175	139	48	40	42	25	1	1	180	153
Other States	255	235	76	84	45	43	1	1	285	275
United States	9,988	10,000	2,375	2,355	1,800	1,816	61	57	10,502	10,482

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

State	During September									
	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	30	30	50	45	60	70	125	135	265	280
Kansas	135	120	110	120	140	130	135	140	520	510
Nebraska	88	85	70	90	102	120	210	205	470	500
TEXAS	210	175	180	185	145	130	65	60	600	550
Other States	165	155	65	65	105	100	185	195	520	515
United States	628	565	475	505	552	550	720	735	2,375	2,355

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

Item	Number			2005 as Percent of	
	2003	2004	2005	2003	2004
	<i>1,000 head</i>			<i>Percent</i>	
On feed September 1 ^{1/}	9,839	9,988	10,000	102	100
Placed on feed during September	2,474	2,375	2,355	95	99
Fed cattle marketed during September	2,032	1,800	1,816	89	101
Other disappearance during September ^{2/}	63	61	57	90	93
On feed October 1 ^{1/}	10,218	10,502	10,482	103	100

^{1/} 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

Cattle and calves	District 1-N	District 1-S	District 2-N	District 7	District 8-N	District 10-N	Other districts	State total
	<i>1,000 head</i>							
On feed September 1 ^{1/}	2,341	188	82	18	34	61	76	2,800
Placed on feed during September	466	35	13	3	6	14	13	550
Marketed during September	441	31	11	4	5	7	11	510
Other disappearance during September ^{2/}	8	1	1	0	0	0	0	10
On feed October 1 ^{1/}	2,358	191	83	17	35	68	78	2,830

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