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On: NOVEMBER 1 TEXAS CATTLE ON FEED
UP 3 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 2.97 million head on November 1, up 3 percent from a year ago. According to the monthly report released by the Texas Field Office, the estimate was up 5 percent from the October 1 level. Producers placed 670,000 head in commercial feedlots during October, up 3 percent from a year ago, and up 22 percent from the September 2005 total.

Texas commercial feeders marketed 520,000 head during October, the same as last year and up 2 percent from last month.

On November 1, there were 2.48 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 3 percent from last year, and up 5 percent from the October total.

October placements in the Northern High Plains totaled 566,000 head, up 21 percent from the September total. Marketings were down 1 percent from last month to 435,000 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 11.5 million head on November 1, 2005. This inventory was 1 percent above November 1, 2004.

Placements in feedlots during October totaled 2.8 million head, 3 percent above October 2004. October placements of cattle and calves weighing less than 600 pounds totaled 880,000 head; 600-699 pounds totaled 790,000 head; 700-799 pounds totaled 600,000 head; 800 pounds and greater totaled 525,000 head. Marketings of fed cattle during October totaled 1.74 million head, 3 percent above 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 October 1		Placed on feed during October		Marketed during October		Other disappearance during October		On feed November 1	
	2004	2005	2004	2005	2004	2005	2004	2005	2004	2005
	<i>1,000 head</i>									
Arizona	298	318	48	35	21	27	4	1	321	325
California	520	535	70	64	59	50	6	4	525	545
Colorado	1,020	900	260	290	185	155	5	5	1,090	1,030
Idaho	275	270	78	76	47	55	1	1	305	290
Iowa	375	410	125	131	68	65	2	1	430	475
Kansas	2,220	2,250	570	580	375	400	15	20	2,400	2,410
Nebraska	1,940	1,940	600	660	325	310	5	10	2,210	2,280
New Mexico	136	136	29	22	29	16	2	1	134	141
Oklahoma	340	335	87	79	64	53	3	1	360	360
South Dakota	143	130	65	68	38	35	1	2	169	161
TEXAS	2,770	2,830	650	670	520	520	20	10	2,880	2,970
Washington	180	153	43	34	37	23	1	1	185	163
Other States	285	275	76	86	35	35	1	1	325	325
United States	10,502	10,482	2,701	2,795	1,803	1,744	66	58	11,334	11,475

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

State	During October									
	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	85	75	65	65	50	65	60	85	260	290
Kansas	175	170	165	175	130	130	100	105	570	580
Nebraska	187	220	189	200	103	120	121	120	600	660
TEXAS	215	185	200	205	155	200	80	80	650	670
Other States	250	230	145	145	91	85	135	135	621	595
United States	912	880	764	790	529	600	496	525	2,701	2,795

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

Item	Number			2005 as Percent of	
	2003	2004	2005	2003	2004
	<i>1,000 head</i>			<i>Percent</i>	
On feed October 1 ^{1/}	10,218	10,502	10,482	103	100
Placed on feed during October	2,781	2,701	2,795	101	103
Fed cattle marketed during October	1,855	1,803	1,744	94	97
Other disappearance during October ^{2/} ..	101	66	58	57	88
On feed November 1 ^{1/}	11,043	11,334	11,475	104	101

^{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 October 1 ^{1/}	2,358	191	83	17	35	68	78	2,830
Placed on feed during October	566	48	18	5	5	12	16	670
Marketed during October	435	39	15	2	5	9	15	520
Other disappearance during October ^{2/}	9	0	0	0	0	1	0	10
On feed November 1 ^{1/}	2,480	200	86	20	35	70	79	2,970

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