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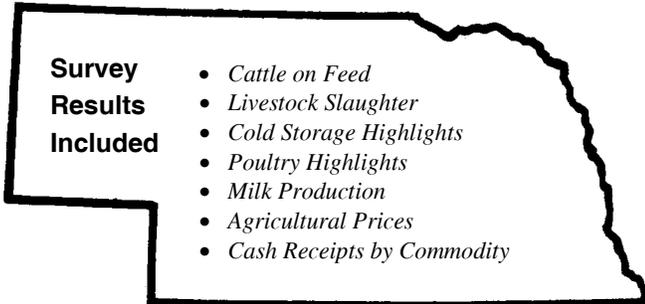
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Dear Nebraska Farmers, Ranchers and Agribusinesses:

The following narrative and tables are from recently published reports by USDA's Agricultural Statistics Board. These data are direct results of information provided by Nebraska producers and agribusinesses to the surveys conducted each month by this office.

Thank you for your response to these surveys.

Mark Harris  
Director

## Nebraska Cattle on Feed Up 14 Percent

Nebraska feedlots with capacities of 1,000 or more head contained 2.22 million cattle on feed on October 1. The inventory was up 14 percent from last year and 2004. This is the largest October inventory since the data series began in 1994. Placements of cattle into feedlots during September totaled 500,000 head, equal to 2005 and 6 percent above 2004. Marketings of fed cattle during September totaled 320,000 head, the same as the last two years. Other disappearance during September totaled 10,000 head, the same as last year and 2004.

## U.S. Cattle on Feed Up 9 Percent

Cattle and calves on feed for slaughter market in the United States for feedlots with capacity of 1,000 or more head totaled 11.4 million head on October 1, 2006. The inventory was 9 percent above October 1, 2005 and 8 percent above October 1, 2004. Placements in feedlots during September totaled 2.23 million, 5 percent below 2005 and 6 percent below 2004. Marketings of fed cattle during September totaled 1.77 million, 3 percent below 2005 and 2 percent below 2004. Other disappearance totaled 68,000 during September, 19 percent above 2005 and 11 percent above 2004.

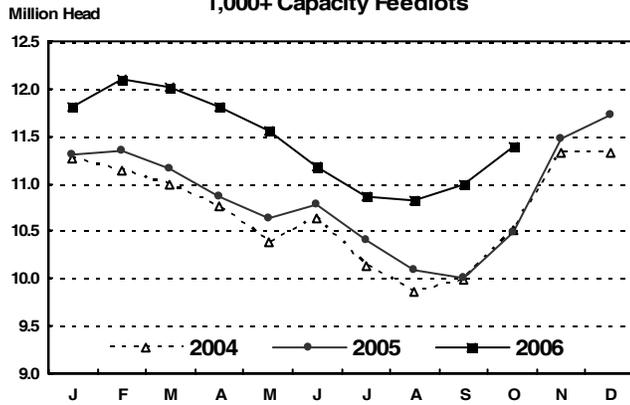
**Cattle on Feed: Number on Feed, Placements, Marketings and Other Disappearance, 1,000+ Capacity Feedlots, by Month, State, and United States, 2005-2006**

State	October 1 Number on Feed <sup>1</sup>			September Placements			September Marketings			September Other Disappearance <sup>2</sup>		
	2005	2006	<u>2006</u> 2005	2005	2006	<u>2006</u> 2005	2005	2006	<u>2006</u> 2005	2005	2006	<u>2006</u> 2005
	1,000 Head	Percent		1,000 Head	Percent		1,000 Head	Percent		1,000 Head	Percent	
Arizona	318	336	106	29	28	97	24	26	108	1	2	200
California	535	525	98	68	72	106	57	64	112	6	3	50
Colorado	900	1,060	118	280	245	88	145	140	97	5	5	100
Idaho	270	265	98	69	72	104	48	41	85	1	1	100
Iowa	410	460	112	90	81	90	74	73	99	1	3	300
Kansas	2,250	2,450	109	510	500	98	455	420	92	15	20	133
Nebraska	1,940	2,220	114	500	500	100	320	320	100	10	10	100
New Mexico	136	143	105	26	21	81	22	16	73	3	4	133
Oklahoma	335	355	106	69	71	103	53	59	111	1	2	200
South Dakota	130	170	131	40	50	125	40	34	85	2	1	50
Texas	2,830	2,930	104	550	495	90	510	510	100	10	15	150
Washington	153	171	112	40	37	93	25	23	92	1	1	100
Other States	275	300	109	84	60	71	43	39	91	1	1	100
United States	10,482	11,385	109	2,355	2,232	95	1,816	1,765	97	57	68	119

<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.

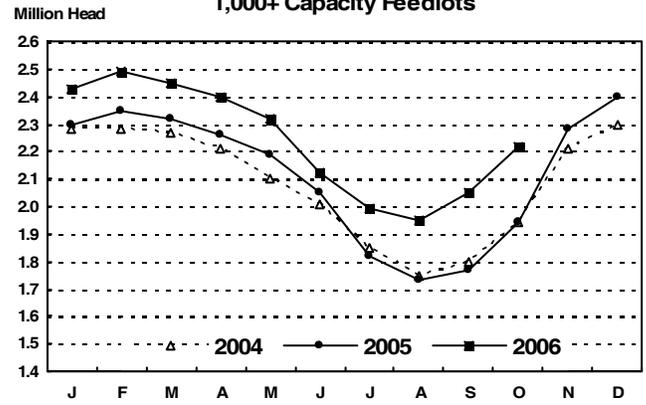
<sup>2</sup> Includes death losses, movement from feedlots to pastures and shipments to other feedlots for further feeding.

**United States Cattle on Feed  
1,000+ Capacity Feedlots**



Source: USDA NASS Nebraska Field Office

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**Cattle on Feed: Number Placed on Feed By Weight Group, 1,000+ Capacity Feedlots, By Month, State, and United States, 2005-2006**

State	During September									
	Under 600		600-699		700-799		800 Plus		Total	
	2005	2006	2005	2006	2005	2006	2005	2006	2005	2006
	<i>1,000 Head</i>									
Colorado	30	50	45	35	70	50	135	110	280	245
Kansas	120	185	120	105	130	100	140	110	510	500
Nebraska	85	105	90	70	120	120	205	205	500	500
Texas	175	230	185	135	130	85	60	45	550	495
Other States	155	155	65	67	100	95	195	175	515	492
United States	565	725	505	412	550	450	735	645	2,355	2,232

Source: USDA NASS Cattle on Feed October 20, 2006

**Commercial Livestock Slaughter**

September 2006 number slaughtered and changes from last year and last month are shown below. September 2005 contained 22 weekdays (including one holiday) and four Saturdays. September 2006 contained 21 weekdays (including one holiday) and five Saturdays.

**Livestock Slaughter: By Commodity, Nebraska and United States, September 2006 with Comparisons**

Item	Total <sup>1</sup>	Sept. 2006 Percent of	
		Sept. 2005	Aug. 2006
<i>1,000 Head</i>			
Nebraska			
Cattle, head	567.1	96	85
Hogs, head	624.2	100	102
Red Meat, mil. lbs.	594.9	98	90
United States			
Cattle, head	2,765.7	100	88
Calves, head	57.5	95	86
Hogs, head	8,833.0	100	97
Sheep & Lambs, head	219.1	95	97
Red Meat, mil. lbs.	3,932.6	100	93

<sup>1</sup> Excludes animals slaughtered on farms.

Source: USDA NASS Livestock Slaughter, October 20, 2006

**Stocks in Cold Storage: By Commodity, United States, September 2006 with Comparisons**

Commodity	Stocks	Sept. 2006 Percent of	
		Sept. 2005	Aug. 2006
<i>1,000 Lbs.</i>			
Total red meats	992,703	111	111
Beef	497,501	113	105
Pork	463,878	107	115
Poultry	1,193,458	97	98
Turkey	463,266	97	93
Chicken	723,898	96	102

Source: USDA NASS Cold Storage, October 20, 2006

**Poultry: Layers and Eggs, Nebraska and United States, September 2006 with Comparisons**

Item	2005		2006	2006/2005
	Millions	Percent	Percent	
Number of Layers				
Nebraska	11.9	11.6	97	
United States	340.9	342.6	100	
Table Eggs Produced				
Nebraska	271	259	96	
United States	6,279	6,379	102	
Chickens Hatched, September				
United States				
Egg-type	33.6	36.8	110	
Broiler	771.1	771.7	100	

Source: USDA NASS Chicken and Eggs, October 23, 2006

**Milk Cows and Production: By Quarter, Nebraska, 23 States and United States, 2005-2006**

Item and Quarter	Nebraska		23 States		United States	
	2005	2006	2005	2006	2005	2006
Milk cows <sup>1</sup>	<i>1,000 Head</i>		<i>1,000 Head</i>		<i>1,000 Head</i>	
April-June	60	61	8,129	8,255	9,041	9,133
July-September	60	61	8,160	8,252	9,060	9,117
Milk production <sup>2</sup>	<i>Million Pounds</i>		<i>Million Pounds</i>		<i>Million Pounds</i>	
April-June	279	289	41,783	42,945	45,831	46,908
July-September	263	273	40,412	41,104	44,134	44,737

<sup>1</sup> Includes dry cows, excludes heifers not yet fresh.

<sup>2</sup> Excludes milk sucked by calves.

Source: USDA NASS Milk Production, October 18, 2006.

**Prices Received By Farmers**

The preliminary All Farm Products Index of Prices Received by Farmers in October, at 117, based on 1990-92=100, decreased 2 points (1.7 percent) from September. The Crop Index is down 6 points (4.9 percent) but the Livestock Index is unchanged. Producers received lower commodity prices for lettuce, broilers, cattle, and tomatoes and higher prices for corn, wheat, turkeys, and milk. The overall index is also

affected by the seasonal change based on a 3-year average mix of commodities producers sells. Decreased average marketings of milk, wheat, grapes, and sweet corn offset increased marketings of soybeans, corn, upland cotton, and sorghum grain.

Preliminary All Farm Products Index is up 6 points (5.4 percent) from October 2005.

**Prices Received: By Commodity, Nebraska and United States, Preliminary October 2006 with Comparisons**

Commodity	Unit	Nebraska			United States				
		October 2005 <sup>1</sup>	September 2006 <sup>1</sup>	October 15, 2006	October 2005 <sup>1</sup>	September 2006 <sup>1</sup>	October 15, 2006	% of Parity	Parity Price <sup>2</sup>
Wheat, All	Bushels	\$ 3.42	\$ 4.43	\$ 4.65	\$ 3.43	\$ 4.06	\$ 4.65	45	\$10.40
Corn	Bushels	1.82	2.13	2.60	1.82	2.20	2.72	35	7.72
Oats	Bushels	1.44	2.26	2.00	1.59	1.70	1.83	43	4.29
Grain Sorghum	Cwt.	2.76	3.94	4.70	2.99	4.28	5.14	43	12.00
Soybeans	Bushels	5.72	5.14	5.30	5.67	5.24	5.46	32	17.10
Hay, All, Baled	Ton	47.00	88.00	87.00	97.70	107.00	107.00		
Alfalfa, Baled	Ton	47.00	88.00	88.00	105.00	112.00	112.00		
Other, Baled	Ton	44.00	86.00	84.00	79.00	93.00	93.80		
Dry Edible Beans	Cwt.	16.90	19.20	19.90	18.80	18.80	19.90	37	54.50
Hogs	Cwt.	48.90	51.10	49.90	47.00	48.90	46.90	40	116.00
Barrows & Gilts	Cwt.	49.20	51.40	50.10	47.30	49.50	47.60		
Sows	Cwt.	41.40	36.80	38.80	41.60	35.50	36.80		
Beef Cattle	Cwt.	94.80	92.40	93.20	90.40	90.80	89.10	47	191.00
Steers & Heifers	Cwt.	96.20	93.70	94.60	96.10	95.80	94.40		
Cows	Cwt.	50.00	50.90	48.90	46.60	47.10	46.00		
Calves	Cwt.	142.00	138.00	134.00	135.00	135.00	131.00	49	266.00
Sheep	Cwt.	49.20	36.60		43.60	31.70			94.80
Lambs	Cwt.	98.10	87.80		108.00	98.50			231.00

<sup>1</sup> Entire month average except hay.

<sup>2</sup> Parity price based on data for October 2006.

Source: USDA NASS Agricultural Prices, October 31, 2006

**Cash Receipts: By Commodity Groups and Selected Commodities, Nebraska, 2001-2005<sup>1</sup>**

Commodity	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005
			<i>1,000 dollars</i>		
All commodities	9,230,640	9,421,359	10,929,555	11,235,592	11,470,158
Livestock and products	6,098,034	5,840,334	6,868,468	7,337,393	7,545,285
Meat animals	5,788,105	5,558,639	6,527,957	6,970,380	7,238,692
Cattle and calves	5,066,786	4,958,569	5,903,957	6,196,896	6,458,277
Hogs	712,715	591,011	613,257	761,953	768,322
Sheep and lambs	8,603	9,059	10,743	11,531	12,092
Dairy products	168,484	144,250	145,210	168,156	164,164
Milk, wholesale	168,484	144,250	145,210	168,156	164,164
Poultry/eggs	122,538	111,603	169,087	171,735	117,217
Broilers	7,020	6,210	7,980	11,430	12,232
Farm Chickens	16	18	18	17	15
Chicken eggs	95,532	84,596	139,368	138,851	82,989
Other poultry	930	950	950	970	975
Miscellaneous livestock	18,907	25,842	26,214	27,122	25,212
Honey	1,486	4,805	4,595	4,403	2,421
Wool	124	192	221	258	240
All other livestock	17,000	20,500	21,000	22,000	22,090
Crops	3,132,606	3,581,025	4,061,087	3,898,200	3,924,873
Food grains	145,636	204,933	225,237	201,555	206,787
Wheat	145,303	204,551	224,285	200,611	205,815
Feed crops	1,898,762	2,236,762	2,356,742	2,437,954	2,258,640
Barley	329	319	456	441	136
Corn	1,691,224	2,043,200	2,159,482	2,255,843	2,085,894
Hay	136,134	133,946	131,308	121,604	115,576
Oats	1,999	2,285	4,754	1,445	2,234
Sorghum grain	57,804	48,530	52,775	48,549	42,640
Millet Proso	11,273	8,483	7,968	10,073	12,159
Oil crops	876,506	921,233	1,256,773	1,046,785	1,228,184
Soybeans	869,283	917,104	1,252,186	1,039,070	1,213,207
Sunflower	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR
Vegetables	122,607	123,476	118,695	108,271	118,373
Beans, dry	65,785	59,912	62,220	53,021	63,489
Potatoes, Fall	48,822	54,264	45,974	43,250	42,484
Misc. vegetables	8,000	9,300	10,500	12,000	12,400
Fruits/nuts	1,100	1,420	1,420	1,440	1,395
Other berries	100	120	120	140	95
Misc. fruits & nuts	1,000	1,300	1,300	1,300	1,300
All other crops	87,996	93,200	102,220	102,195	111,495
Sugarbeets	30,996	30,400	36,420	41,895	41,895
Other seeds	1,200	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
Other field crops	30,000	30,000	32,000	25,000	34,900
Greenhouse/nursery	25,800	31,800	32,800	34,300	33,700

<sup>1</sup> USDA estimates and publishes individual cash receipt values only for major commodities and major producing States. The U.S. receipts for individual commodities, computed as the sum of the reported States, may understate the value of sales for some commodities, with the balance included in the appropriate category labeled "other" for "miscellaneous." The degree of underestimation in some of the minor commodities can be substantial. NR = not for release. Source: USDA ERS <http://www.ers.usda.gov/Data/FarmIncome/finfidmu.htm>

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