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On: JUNE 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 2.96 million head on June 1, up 2 percent from a year ago. According to the monthly report released by the Texas Field Office, the estimate was also up 2 percent from the May 1 level. Producers placed 590,000 head in commercial feedlots during May, down 21 percent from a year ago, but up 30 percent from the April 2006 total.

Texas commercial feeders marketed 520,000 head during May, up 8 percent from last year and up 11 percent from last month.

On June 1, there were 2.49 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 4 percent from last year, and up 2 percent from the May total.

May placements in the Northern High Plains totaled 494,000 head, up 31 percent from the April total. Marketings were up 12 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 11.2 million head on June 1, 2006. This inventory was 4 percent above June 1, 2005.

Placements in feedlots during May totaled 1.91 million head, 14 percent below May 2005. May placements of cattle and calves weighing less than 600 pounds totaled 440,000 head; 600-699 pounds totaled 370,000 head; 700-799 pounds totaled 503,000 head; 800 pounds and greater totaled 600,000 head. Marketings of fed cattle during May totaled 2.17 million head, 9 percent above 2005.

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

State	Cattle and Calves									
	On feed May 1		Placed on feed during May		Marketed during May		Other disappearance during May		On feed June 1	
	2005	2006	2005	2006	2005	2006	2005	2006	2005	2006
	<i>1,000 head</i>									
Arizona	330	*345	32	29	29	27	2	6	331	341
California	500	530	82	80	62	70	5	5	515	535
Colorado	970	1,060	165	175	150	185	15	20	970	1,030
Idaho	240	245	61	37	54	47	2	5	245	230
Iowa	455	495	55	51	73	74	2	2	435	470
Kansas	2,260	2,530	510	415	465	520	25	25	2,280	2,400
Nebraska	2,190	2,320	360	340	480	520	20	20	2,050	2,120
New Mexico	114	132	30	25	16	21	1	1	127	135
Oklahoma	305	340	86	76	64	70	2	1	325	345
South Dakota	200	200	28	33	38	34	4	4	186	195
TEXAS	2,630	2,910	750	590	480	520	10	20	2,890	2,960
Washington	147	152	26	20	34	30	2	1	137	141
Other States	300	300	38	42	52	52	6	5	280	285
United States	10,641	*11,559	2,223	1,913	1,997	2,170	96	115	10,771	11,187

* Revised.

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

State	During May									
	Less than 600 pounds		600-699 pounds		700-799 pounds		800 pounds or more		Total	
	2005	2006	2005	2006	2005	2006	2005	2006	2005	2006
	<i>1,000 head</i>									
Colorado	20	35	30	40	60	50	55	50	165	175
Kansas	60	65	95	85	160	115	195	150	510	415
Nebraska	45	65	45	50	110	80	160	145	360	340
TEXAS	165	155	160	135	240	170	185	130	750	590
Other States	145	120	60	60	93	88	140	125	438	393
United States	435	440	390	370	663	503	735	600	2,223	1,913

Cattle on Feed: Number on Feed, Placements, Marketings and Other Disappearance, 1,000+ Capacity Feedlots, United States, June 1, 2004-2006

Item	Number			2006 as Percent of	
	2004	2005	2006	2004	2005
	<i>1,000 head</i>			<i>Percent</i>	
On feed May 1 ^{1/}	10,375	10,641	*11,559	111	109
Placed on feed during May ^{1/}	2,370	2,223	1,913	81	86
Fed cattle marketed during May ^{1/}	2,026	1,997	2,170	107	109
Other disappearance during May ^{1/2/}	79	96	115	146	120
On feed June 1 ^{2/}	10,640	10,771	11,187	105	104

^{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. * 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 7	District 8-N	District 10-N	Other districts	State total
	<i>1,000 head</i>							
On feed May 1 ^{1/}	2,441	196	84	20	36	60	73	2,910
Placed on feed during May	494	42	23	3	7	9	12	590
Marketed during May	435	33	17	4	7	11	13	520
Other disappearance during May ^{2/}	9	9	0	0	0	1	1	20
On feed June 1 ^{1/}	2,491	196	90	19	36	57	71	2,960

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