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On: SEPTEMBER 1 TEXAS CATTLE ON FEED
UP 6 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 September 1, up 6 percent from a year ago. According to the monthly report released by the Texas Field Office, the estimate was down slightly from the August 1 level. Producers placed 570,000 head in commercial feedlots during August, up 19 percent from both a year ago and the July 2006 total.

Texas commercial feeders marketed 570,000 head during August, up 2 percent from last year and up 19 percent from last month.

On September 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 6 percent from last year, but down 1 percent from the August total.

August placements in the Northern High Plains totaled 481,000 head, up 15 percent from the July total. Marketings were up 19 percent from last month to 495,000 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 11.0 million head on September 1, 2006. This inventory was 10 percent above September 1, 2005.

Placements in feedlots during August totaled 2.30 million head, 15 percent above August 2005. August placements of cattle and calves weighing less than 600 pounds totaled 680,000 head; 600-699 pounds totaled 435,000 head; 700-799 pounds totaled 535,000 head; 800 pounds and greater totaled 650,000 head. Marketings of fed cattle during August totaled 2.08 million head, 2 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 August 1		Placed on feed during August		Marketed during August		Other disappearance during August		On feed September 1	
	2005	2006	2005	2006	2005	2006	2005	2006	2005	2006
	<i>1,000 head</i>									
Arizona	314	339	35	30	34	31	1	2	314	336
California	530	515	62	66	57	59	5	2	530	520
Colorado	820	940	155	210	200	185	5	5	770	960
Idaho	250	225	51	55	50	44	1	1	250	235
Iowa	400	445	69	80	72	69	2	1	395	455
Kansas	2,190	2,360	520	590	490	540	10	20	2,210	2,390
Nebraska	1,730	1,950	415	470	365	360	10	10	1,770	2,050
New Mexico	134	144	28	26	24	26	3	2	135	142
Oklahoma	320	345	70	77	68	76	2	1	320	345
South Dakota	143	165	24	30	34	37	1	3	132	155
TEXAS	2,890	2,970	480	570	560	570	10	10	2,800	2,960
Washington	137	154	30	35	27	30	1	1	139	158
Other States	235	270	54	61	52	50	2	1	235	280
United States	10,093	10,822	1,993	2,300	2,033	2,077	53	59	10,000	10,986

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

State	During August									
	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	50	25	30	40	50	70	80	155	210
Kansas	85	140	105	120	165	185	165	145	520	590
Nebraska	43	80	65	75	112	115	195	200	415	470
TEXAS	140	280	130	140	135	95	75	55	480	570
Other States	130	130	60	70	88	90	145	170	423	460
United States	418	680	385	435	540	535	650	650	1,993	2,300

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

Item	Number			2006 as Percent of	
	2004	2005	2006	2004	2005
	<i>1,000 head</i>			<i>Percent</i>	
On feed August 1 ^{1/}	9,868	10,093	10,822	110	107
Placed on feed during August ^{1/}	2,102	1,993	2,300	109	115
Fed cattle marketed during August ^{1/}	1,926	2,033	2,077	108	102
Other disappearance during August ^{1/2/}	56	53	59	105	111
On feed September 1 ^{2/}	9,988	10,000	10,986	110	110

^{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 August 1 ^{1/}	2,501	199	91	21	35	56	67	2,970
Placed on feed during August	481	35	16	5	8	11	14	570
Marketed during August	495	32	13	4	7	6	13	570
Other disappearance during August ^{2/}	9	1	0	0	0	0	0	10
On feed September 1 ^{1/}	2,478	201	94	22	36	61	68	2,960

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