



# Press Release

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On: NOVEMBER 1 TEXAS CATTLE ON FEED  
UP 1 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 2.99 million head on November 1, up 1 percent from a year ago. According to the monthly report released by the Texas Field Office, the estimate was up 2 percent from the October 1 level. Producers placed 590,000 head in commercial feedlots during October, down 12 percent from a year ago but up 19 percent from the September 2006 total.

Texas commercial feeders marketed 510,000 head during October, down 2 percent from last year but unchanged from the previous month.

On November 1, there were 2.52 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 2 percent from last year, and up 3 percent from the October total.

October placements in the Northern High Plains totaled 505,000 head, up 19 percent from the September total. Marketings were down 5 percent from last month to 418,000 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 12.0 million head on November 1, 2006. This inventory was 4 percent above November 1, 2005.

Placements in feedlots during October totaled 2.43 million head, 13 percent below October 2005. October placements of cattle and calves weighing less than 600 pounds totaled 840,000 head; 600-699 pounds totaled 645,000 head; 700-799 pounds totaled 485,000 head; 800 pounds and greater totaled 455,000 head. Marketings of fed cattle during October totaled 1.77 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 October 1		Placed on feed during October		Marketed during October		Other disappearance during October		On feed November 1	
	2005	2006	2005	2006	2005	2006	2005	2006	2005	2006
	<i>1,000 head</i>									
Arizona	318	336	33	34	27	27	1	1	323	342
California	535	525	64	71	50	62	4	4	545	530
Colorado	900	1,060	285	210	150	140	5	10	1,030	1,120
Idaho	270	265	76	71	55	50	1	1	290	285
Iowa	410	460	131	109	65	78	1	1	475	490
Kansas	2,250	2,450	580	520	400	395	20	25	2,410	2,550
Nebraska	1,940	2,220	660	560	310	330	10	10	2,280	2,440
New Mexico	136	143	22	14	16	13	1	3	141	141
Oklahoma	335	355	79	65	53	58	1	2	360	360
South Dakota	130	170	68	64	35	43	2	1	161	190
<b>TEXAS</b>	<b>2,830</b>	<b>2,930</b>	<b>670</b>	<b>590</b>	<b>520</b>	<b>510</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>2,970</b>	<b>2,990</b>
Washington	153	171	34	34	23	23	1	1	163	181
Other States	275	300	86	83	35	41	1	2	325	340
United States	10,482	11,385	2,788	2,425	1,739	1,770	58	81	11,473	11,959

**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	
	2005	2006	2005	2006	2005	2006	2005	2006	2005	2006
	<i>1,000 head</i>									
Colorado	75	55	65	50	60	45	85	60	285	210
Kansas	170	180	175	120	130	125	105	95	580	520
Nebraska	220	175	200	175	120	95	120	115	660	560
<b>TEXAS</b>	<b>185</b>	<b>210</b>	<b>205</b>	<b>185</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>135</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>670</b>	<b>590</b>
Other States	230	220	145	115	83	85	135	125	593	545
United States	880	840	790	645	593	485	525	455	2,788	2,425

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

Item	Number			2006 as Percent of	
	2004	2005	2006	2004	2005
	<i>1,000 head</i>			<i>Percent</i>	
On feed October 1 <sup>1/</sup>	10,502	10,482	11,385	108	109
Placed on feed during October <sup>1/</sup>	2,701	2,788	2,425	90	87
Fed cattle marketed during October <sup>1/</sup>	1,803	1,739	1,770	98	102
Other disappearance during October <sup>1/2/</sup>	66	58	81	123	140
On feed November 1 <sup>2/</sup>	11,334	11,473	11,959	106	104

<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.

**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 <sup>1/</sup>	2,451	197	89	22	35	62	74	2,930
Placed on feed during October	505	33	16	5	5	8	18	590
Marketed during October	418	40	18	4	7	8	15	510
Other disappearance during October <sup>2/</sup>	16	1	1	0	0	1	1	20
On feed November 1 <sup>1/</sup>	2,522	189	86	23	33	61	76	2,990

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