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On: AUGUST 1 CATTLE ON FEED  
DOWN 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 2.78 million head on August 1, down 6 percent from a year ago. According to the monthly report released by the Texas Field Office, the estimate was unchanged from the July 1 level. Producers placed 390,000 head in commercial feedlots during July, down 19 percent from a year ago, and down 20 percent from the June 2007 total.

Texas commercial feeders marketed 470,000 head during July, down 2 percent from last year and down 1 percent from last month.

On July 1, there were 2.38 million head of cattle and calves on feed in the Northern High Plains, 86 percent of the state's total. The number on feed across the area was down 5 percent from last year and down 3 percent from the July total.

July placements in the Northern High Plains totaled 348,000 head, down 17 percent from the June total. Marketings were down 2 percent from last month to 406,000 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 10.3 million head on August 1, 2007. This inventory was 5 percent below August 1, 2006.

Placements in feedlots during July totaled 1.62 million head, 17 percent below July 2006. July placements of cattle and calves weighing less than 600 pounds totaled 360,000 head; 600-699 pounds totaled 312,000 head; 700-799 pounds totaled 445,000 head; 800 pounds and greater totaled 505,000 head. Marketings of fed cattle during July totaled 2.0 million head, 3 percent above 2006.

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

State	Cattle and Calves									
	On feed July 1		Placed on feed during July		Marketed during July		Other disappearance during July		On feed August 1	
	2006	2007	2006	2007	2006	2007	2006	2007	2006	2007
	<i>1,000 head</i>									
Arizona	344	343	31	32	34	33	2	1	339	341
California	530	545	55	51	67	54	3	2	515	540
Colorado	980	940	145	115	175	175	10	10	940	870
Idaho	230	220	36	35	40	49	1	1	225	205
Iowa	460	510	60	64	73	73	2	1	445	500
Kansas	2,280	2,140	590	430	495	450	15	20	2,360	2,100
Nebraska	1,990	2,050	380	350	410	480	10	10	1,950	1,910
New Mexico	140	132	23	12	18	14	1	1	144	129
Oklahoma	340	325	58	48	52	67	1	1	345	305
South Dakota	180	197	24	22	38	42	1	2	165	175
<b>TEXAS</b>	<b>2,980</b>	<b>2,870</b>	<b>480</b>	<b>390</b>	<b>480</b>	<b>470</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>2,970</b>	<b>2,780</b>
Washington	148	150	33	27	26	32	1	1	154	144
Other States	270	315	43	46	42	60	1	1	270	300
United States	10,872	10,737	1,958	1,622	1,950	1,999	58	61	10,822	10,299

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

State	During July									
	Less than 600 pounds		600-699 pounds		700-799 pounds		800 pounds or more		Total	
	2006	2007	2006	2007	2006	2007	2006	2007	2006	2007
	<i>1,000 head</i>									
Colorado	40	15	30	20	40	35	35	45	145	115
Kansas	140	75	145	90	165	140	140	125	590	430
Nebraska	60	55	65	60	100	90	155	145	380	350
<b>TEXAS</b>	<b>220</b>	<b>110</b>	<b>110</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>105</b>	<b>115</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>480</b>	<b>390</b>
Other States	110	105	53	42	80	65	120	125	363	337
United States	570	360	403	312	490	445	495	505	1,958	1,622

**Cattle on Feed: Number on Feed, Placements, Marketings and Other Disappearance, 1,000+ Capacity Feedlots, United States, August 1, 2005-2007**

Item	Number			2007 as Percent of	
	2005	2006	2007	2005	2006
	<i>1,000 head</i>			<i>Percent</i>	
On feed July 1 <sup>1/</sup>	10,394	10,872	10,737	103	99
Placed on feed during July	1,678	1,958	1,622	97	83
Fed cattle marketed during July	1,918	1,950	1,999	104	103
Other disappearance during July <sup>2/</sup>	61	58	61	100	105
On feed August 1 <sup>1/</sup>	10,093	10,822	10,299	102	95

<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 July 1 <sup>1/</sup>	2,448	164	85	19	32	52	70	2,870
Placed on feed during July	348	22	4	2	4	5	5	390
Marketed during July	406	23	16	3	5	8	9	470
Other disappearance during July <sup>2/</sup>	9	1	0	0	0	0	0	10
On feed August 1 <sup>1/</sup>	2,381	162	73	18	31	49	66	2,780

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