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On: SEPTEMBER 1 CATTLE ON FEED
DOWN 7 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 2.74 million head on September 1, down 7 percent from a year ago. According to the monthly report released by the Texas Field Office, the estimate was down 1 percent from the August 1 level. Producers placed 520,000 head in commercial feedlots during August, down 9 percent from a year ago, but up 33 percent from the July 2007 total.

Texas commercial feeders marketed 550,000 head during August, down 4 percent from last year but up 17 percent from last month.

On August 1, there were 2.35 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 1 percent from the August total.

August placements in the Northern High Plains totaled 455,000 head, up 31 percent from the July total. Marketings were up 18 percent from last month to 480,000 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 September 1, 2007. This inventory was 6 percent below September 1, 2006.

Placements in feedlots during August totaled 2.12 million head, 7 percent below August 2006. August placements of cattle and calves weighing less than 600 pounds totaled 490,000 head; 600-699 pounds totaled 440,000 head; 700-799 pounds totaled 549,000 head; 800 pounds and greater totaled 640,000 head. Marketings of fed cattle during August totaled 2.07 million head, virtually unchanged from 2006.

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	
	2006	2007	2006	2007	2006	2007	2006	2007	2006	2007
	<i>1,000 head</i>									
Arizona	339	341	30	36	31	28	2	1	336	348
California	515	540	66	54	59	62	2	2	520	530
Colorado	940	870	200	170	175	185	5	5	960	850
Idaho	225	205	55	48	44	47	1	1	235	205
Iowa	445	500	80	71	69	80	1	1	455	490
Kansas	2,360	2,100	590	520	540	465	20	15	2,390	2,140
Nebraska	1,950	1,910	470	465	360	435	10	10	2,050	1,930
New Mexico	144	129	26	22	26	19	2	1	142	131
Oklahoma	345	305	77	75	76	69	1	1	345	310
South Dakota	165	175	30	37	37	36	3	1	155	175
TEXAS	2,970	2,780	570	520	570	550	10	10	2,960	2,740
Washington	154	144	35	35	30	30	1	1	158	148
Other States	270	300	61	66	50	60	1	1	280	305
United States	10,822	10,299	2,290	2,119	2,067	2,066	59	50	10,986	10,302

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	
	2006	2007	2006	2007	2006	2007	2006	2007	2006	2007
	<i>1,000 head</i>									
Colorado	50	25	25	30	50	40	75	75	200	170
Kansas	140	100	120	120	185	160	145	140	590	520
Nebraska	80	75	75	70	115	115	200	205	470	465
TEXAS	280	160	140	160	95	140	55	60	570	520
Other States	130	130	70	60	90	94	170	160	460	444
United States	680	490	430	440	535	549	645	640	2,290	2,119

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

Item	Number			2007 as Percent of	
	2005	2006	2007	2005	2006
	<i>1,000 head</i>			<i>Percent</i>	
On feed August 1 ^{1/}	10,093	10,822	10,299	102	95
Placed on feed during August	1,993	2,290	2,119	106	93
Fed cattle marketed during August	2,033	2,067	2,066	102	100
Other disappearance during August ^{2/}	53	59	50	94	85
On feed September 1 ^{1/}	10,000	10,986	10,302	103	94

^{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/}	2,381	162	73	18	31	49	66	2,780
Placed on feed during August	455	22	13	3	6	11	10	520
Marketed during August	480	34	11	3	4	9	9	550
Other disappearance during August ^{2/}	9	1	0	0	0	0	0	10
On feed September 1 ^{1/}	2,347	149	75	18	33	51	67	2,740

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