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On: OCTOBER 1 CATTLE ON FEED  
DOWN 3PERCENT 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 2.84 million head on October 1, down 3 percent from a year ago. According to the monthly report released by the Texas Field Office, the estimate was up 4 percent from the September 1 level. Producers placed 590,000 head in commercial feedlots during September, up 19 percent from a year ago, and up 13 percent from the August 2007 total.

Texas commercial feeders marketed 480,000 head during September, down 6 percent from last year and down 13 percent from last month.

On September 1, there were 2.43 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 1 percent from last year but up 4 percent from the September total.

September placements in the Northern High Plains totaled 511,000 head, up 12 percent from the August total. Marketings were down 14 percent from last month to 415,000 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 October 1, 2007. This inventory was 4 percent below October 1, 2006.

Placements in feedlots during September totaled 2.43 million head, 9 percent above September 2006. September placements of cattle and calves weighing less than 600 pounds totaled 610,000 head; 600-699 pounds totaled 505,000 head; 700-799 pounds totaled 570,000 head; 800 pounds and greater totaled 740,000 head. Marketings of fed cattle during September totaled 1.71 million head, 3 percent below 2006.

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

State	Cattle and Calves									
	On feed September 1		Placed on feed during September		Marketed during September		Other disappearance during September		On feed October 1	
	2006	2007	2006	2007	2006	2007	2006	2007	2006	2007
	<i>1,000 head</i>									
Arizona	336	348	28	28	26	24	2	2	336	350
California	520	530	72	60	64	47	3	3	525	540
Colorado	960	850	240	265	135	170	5	5	1,060	940
Idaho	235	205	72	48	41	41	1	2	265	210
Iowa	455	490	81	100	73	79	3	1	460	510
Kansas	2,390	2,140	500	540	420	355	20	15	2,450	2,310
Nebraska	2,050	1,930	500	540	320	320	10	10	2,220	2,140
New Mexico	142	131	21	17	16	13	4	2	143	133
Oklahoma	345	310	71	72	59	56	2	1	355	325
South Dakota	155	175	50	43	34	37	1	1	170	180
<b>TEXAS</b>	<b>2,960</b>	<b>2,740</b>	<b>495</b>	<b>590</b>	<b>510</b>	<b>480</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>2,930</b>	<b>2,840</b>
Washington	158	148	37	36	23	29	1	1	171	154
Other States	280	305	60	86	39	55	1	1	300	335
United States	10,986	10,302	2,227	2,425	1,760	1,706	68	54	11,385	10,967

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

State	During September									
	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	45	35	35	40	50	65	110	125	240	265
Kansas	185	140	105	140	100	130	110	130	500	540
Nebraska	105	100	70	80	120	120	205	240	500	540
<b>TEXAS</b>	<b>230</b>	<b>190</b>	<b>135</b>	<b>170</b>	<b>85</b>	<b>165</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>495</b>	<b>590</b>
Other States	155	145	67	75	95	90	175	180	492	490
United States	720	610	412	505	450	570	645	740	2,227	2,425

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

Item	Number			2007 as Percent of	
	2005	2006	2007	2005	2006
	<i>1,000 head</i>			<i>Percent</i>	
On feed September 1 <sup>1/</sup>	10,000	10,986	10,302	103	94
Placed on feed during September	2,355	2,227	2,425	103	109
Fed cattle marketed during September	1,816	1,760	1,706	94	97
Other disappearance during September <sup>2/</sup>	57	68	54	95	79
On feed October 1 <sup>1/</sup>	10,482	11,385	10,967	105	96

<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 September 1 <sup>1/</sup>	2,347	149	75	18	33	51	67	2,740
Placed on feed during September	511	31	15	6	6	13	8	590
Marketed during September	415	29	11	3	4	7	11	480
Other disappearance during September <sup>2/</sup>	9	1	0	0	0	0	0	10
On feed October 1 <sup>1/</sup>	2,434	150	79	21	35	57	64	2,840

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