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On: OCTOBER 1 CATTLE ON FEED
UP SLIGHTLY 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 2.6 million head on October 1, up slightly from a year ago. According to the monthly report released by the Texas Field Office, the estimate was up 3 percent from the revised September 1 level of 2.53 million head. Producers placed 570,000 head in commercial feedlots during September, up 12 percent from both a year ago and the August 2009 total.

Texas commercial feeders marketed 485,000 head during September, down 1 percent from last year but up 1 percent from last month.

On September 1, there were 2.22 million head of cattle and calves on feed in the Northern High Plains, 85 percent of the state's total. The number on feed across the area was up 1 percent from last year and up 3 percent from the revised September total.

September placements in the Northern High Plains totaled 502,000 head, up 13 percent from the August total. Marketings were the same as last month at 414,000 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 10.5 million head on October 1, 2009. This inventory was 1 percent above October 1, 2008.

Placements in feedlots during September totaled 2.39 million head, 5 percent above September 2008. September placements of cattle and calves weighing less than 600 pounds totaled 490,000 head; 600-699 pounds totaled 450,000 head; 700-799 pounds totaled 593,000 head; 800 pounds and greater totaled 855,000 head. Marketings of fed cattle during September totaled 1.75 million head, 4 percent below 2008.

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	
	2008	2009	2008	2009	2008	2009	2008	2009	2008	2009
	<i>1,000 head</i>									
Arizona	362	275	24	27	25	26	1	1	360	275
California	505	455	55	56	53	44	2	2	505	465
Colorado	770	860	255	260	150	155	5	5	870	960
Idaho	180	195	57	53	41	42	1	1	195	205
Iowa	470	510	81	105	75	94	1	1	475	520
Kansas	2,090	2,050	485	510	400	330	15	10	2,160	2,220
Nebraska	1,960	2,020	550	550	390	395	10	5	2,110	2,170
New Mexico	167	D	27	D	20	D	1	D	173	D
Oklahoma	305	325	60	80	49	48	1	2	315	355
South Dakota	165	185	56	52	44	41	2	1	175	195
TEXAS	2,580	* 2,530	510	570	490	485	10	15	2,590	2,600
Washington	138	140	44	35	24	27	1	1	157	147
Other States	305	* 334	77	90	51	59	1	3	330	362
United States	9,997	* 9,879	2,281	2,388	1,812	1,746	51	47	10,415	10,474

* Revised

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	
	2008	2009	2008	2009	2008	2009	2008	2009	2008	2009
	<i>1,000 head</i>									
Colorado	20	20	30	25	45	65	160	150	255	260
Kansas	80	85	100	115	155	155	150	155	485	510
Nebraska	80	65	70	90	120	120	280	275	550	550
TEXAS	145	175	150	160	130	160	85	75	510	570
Other States	120	145	65	60	91	93	205	200	481	498
United States	445	490	415	450	541	593	880	855	2,281	2,388

Cattle on Feed: Number on Feed, Placements, Marketings and Other Disappearance, 1,000+ Capacity Feedlots, United States, October 1, 2008-2009

Item	Number		2009 as Percent of 2008
	2008	2009	
	<i>1,000 head</i>		<i>percent</i>
On feed September 1 ^{1/}	9,997	* 9,879	99
Placed on feed during September	2,281	2,388	105
Fed cattle marketed during September	1,812	1,746	96
Other disappearance during September ^{2/}	51	47	92
On feed October 1 ^{1/}	10,415	10,474	101

^{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.

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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, 2009 ^{1/}	* 2,146	162	56	12	41	60	53	* 2,530
Placed on feed during September	502	25	13	5	6	11	8	570
Marketed during September	414	33	8	3	8	9	10	485
Other disappearance during September ^{2/}	13	2	0	0	0	0	0	15
On feed October 1, 2009 ^{1/}	2,221	152	61	14	39	62	51	2,600

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