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June 1 Cattle on Feed Up 5 Percent from Last Year

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 June 1, up 5 percent from a year ago. According to the monthly report released by the Texas Field Office, the estimate was up 1 percent from May 1 level. Producers placed 560,000 head in commercial feedlots during May, down 10 percent from a year ago, but up 10 percent from the April 1, 2011 total.

Texas commercial feeders marketed 520,000 head during May, up 9 percent from last year but down 2 percent from last month.

On June 1, there were 2.37 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 3 percent from last year and up 1 percent from the May total.

May placements in the Northern High Plains totaled 475,000 head, up 8 percent from the April total. Marketings were down 1 percent from last month to 444,000 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 10.9 million head on June 1, 2011. This inventory was 4 percent above June 1, 2010.

Placements in feedlots during May totaled 1.81 million head, 11 percent below May 2010. May placements of cattle and calves weighing less than 600 pounds totaled 415,000 head; 600-699 pounds totaled 355,000 head; 700-799 pounds totaled 480,000 head; 800 pounds and greater totaled 560,000 head. Marketings of fed cattle during May totaled 2.00 million head, 7 percent above 2010.

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

State	Cattle and Calves									
	On feed May 1		Placed on feed during May		Marketed during May		Other disappearance during May		On feed June 1	
	2010	2011	2010	2011	2010	2011	2010	2011	2010	2011
	<i>1,000 head</i>									
Arizona.....	268	282	20	28	24	19	1	1	263	290
California	410	450	67	71	48	59	4	2	425	460
Colorado	940	1,100	185	140	135	150	20	10	970	1,080
Idaho.....	210	230	32	36	31	35	1	1	210	230
Iowa.....	600	640	64	47	72	73	2	4	590	610
Kansas.....	2,130	2,170	420	375	405	420	15	15	2,130	2,110
Nebraska.....	2,240	2,370	380	340	455	495	25	25	2,140	2,190
Oklahoma	325	355	93	66	72	65	1	1	345	355
South Dakota	235	255	42	33	44	50	3	3	230	235
Texas	2,510	2,750	620	560	475	520	15	10	2,640	2,780
Washington	175	205	42	39	37	44	1	1	179	199
Other States.....	385	393	65	75	67	72	10	7	373	389
United States	10,428	11,200	2,030	1,810	1,865	2,002	98	80	10,495	10,928

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

State	During May									
	Less than 600 pounds		600-699 pounds		700-799 pounds		800 pounds or more		Total	
	2010	2011	2010	2011	2010	2011	2010	2011	2010	2011
	<i>1,000 head</i>									
Colorado	25	30	25	25	45	35	90	50	185	140
Kansas.....	60	65	80	70	130	110	150	130	420	375
Nebraska.....	55	50	70	55	105	80	150	155	380	340
Texas	180	170	180	150	170	165	90	75	620	560
Other States.....	130	100	55	55	85	90	155	150	425	395
United States	450	415	410	355	535	480	635	560	2,030	1,810

Cattle on Feed: Number on Feed, Placements, Marketings and Other Disappearance, 1,000+ Capacity Feedlots, United States, June 1, 2010-2011

Item	Number		2011 as percent of 2010
	2010	2011	
	<i>1,000 head</i>		
On feed May 1 ¹	10,428	11,200	107
Placed on feed during May	2,030	1,810	89
Fed cattle marketed during May	1,865	2,002	107
Other disappearance during May ²	98	80	82
On feed June 1 ¹	10,495	10,928	104

¹Cattle 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 May 1, 2011 ¹	2,350	164	54	16	32	66	68	2,750
Placed on feed during May	475	38	11	2	9	14	11	560
Fed cattle marketed during May	444	32	11	3	6	14	10	520
Other disappearance during May ²	8	1	0	0	0	1	0	10
On feed June 1, 2011 ¹	2,373	169	54	15	35	65	69	2,780

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