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Dear Nebraska Farmers, Ranchers and Agribusinesses:

The following narrative and tables are from recently published reports by USDA's Agricultural Statistics Board. These data are direct results of information provided by Nebraska producers and agribusinesses to the surveys conducted each month by this office.

Thank you for your response to these surveys.

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Director

Nebraska Cattle on Feed Up 3 Percent

Nebraska feedlots with capacities of 1,000 or more head contained almost 2.2 million cattle on feed on October 1. The inventory was up 3 percent from last year. Placements of cattle in feedlots during September totaled 550,000 head, the same as last year. Marketings of fed cattle during September totaled 395,000 head, up 1 percent from last year. These were the most marketed during September since the series began in 1993. Other disappearance during September totaled 5,000 head, compared with 10,000 head a year ago.

U.S. Cattle on Feed Up 1 Percent

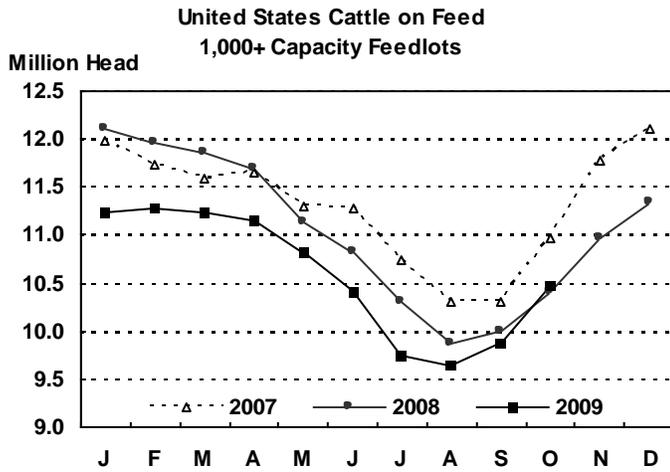
Cattle and calves on feed for slaughter market in the United States for feedlots with capacity of 1,000 or more head totaled 10.5 million head on October 1, 2009. The inventory was 1 percent above October 1, 2008. Placements in feedlots during September totaled 2.39 million, 5 percent above 2008. Marketings of fed cattle during September totaled 1.75 million, 4 percent below 2008. This is the third lowest fed cattle marketings for the month of September since the series began in 1996. Other disappearance totaled 47,000 during September, 8 percent below 2008.

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

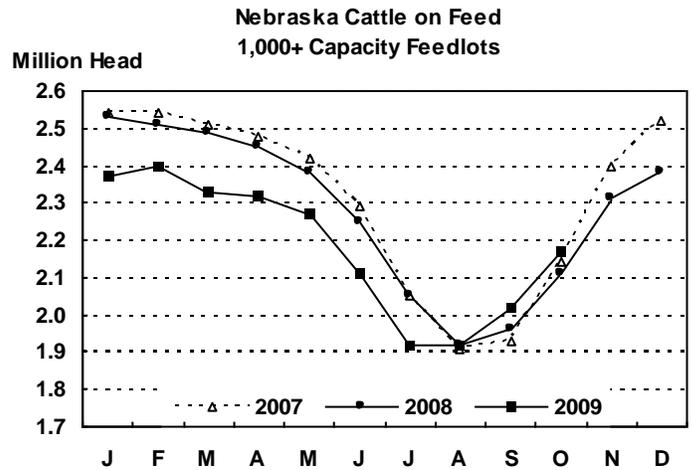
State	October 1 Number on Feed ¹			September Placements			September Marketings			September Other Disappearance ²		
	2008	2009	2009/2008	2008	2009	2009/2008	2008	2009	2009/2008	2008	2009	2009/2008
	1,000 Head	Percent		1,000 Head	Percent		1,000 Head	Percent		1,000 Head	Percent	
Arizona	360	275	76	24	27	113	25	26	104	1	1	100
California	505	465	92	55	56	102	53	44	83	2	2	100
Colorado	870	960	110	255	260	102	150	155	103	5	5	100
Idaho	195	205	105	57	53	93	41	42	102	1	1	100
Iowa	475	520	109	81	105	130	75	94	125	1	1	100
Kansas	2,160	2,220	103	485	510	105	400	330	83	15	10	67
Nebraska	2,110	2,170	103	550	550	100	390	395	101	10	5	50
New Mexico	173	³	³	27	³	³	20	³	³	1	³	³
Oklahoma	315	355	113	60	80	133	49	48	98	1	2	200
South Dakota	175	195	111	56	52	93	44	41	93	2	1	50
Texas	2,590	2,600	100	510	570	112	490	485	99	10	15	150
Washington	157	147	94	44	35	80	24	27	113	1	1	100
Other States	330	362	³	77	90	³	51	59	³	1	3	³
United States	10,415	10,474	101	2,281	2,388	105	1,812	1,746	96	51	47	92

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 loss, movement from feedlots to pasture, and shipments to other feedlots for further feeding. ³ New Mexico unpublished to avoid disclosure of individual operations, included in other states.

Source: USDA NASS Cattle on Feed, October 16, 2009



Source: USDA NASS Nebraska Field Office



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Cattle on Feed: Number Placed on Feed by Weight Group, 1,000+ Capacity Feedlots, by Month, State, and United States, 2008-2009

State	During September									
	Under 600		600-699		700-799		800 Plus		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

Source: USDA NASS Cattle on Feed October 16, 2009

Commercial Livestock Slaughter

September 2009 number slaughtered and changes from last year and last month are shown below. September 2008 contained 22 weekdays (including one holiday) and four Saturdays. September 2009 contained 22 weekdays (including one holiday) and four Saturdays.

Livestock Slaughter: By Commodity, Nebraska and United States, September 2009 with Comparisons

Item	Total ¹	Sept. 2009 Percent of	
		Sept. 2008	Aug. 2009
<i>Nebraska</i>			
<i>1,000 Head</i>			
Cattle, head	581.6	97	103
Hogs, head	658.1	96	107
Red Meat, mil. lbs.	628.5	98	106
<i>United States</i>			
Cattle, head	2,814.4	97	101
Calves, head	81.2	93	106
Hogs, head	9,935.6	100	106
Sheep & Lambs, head	225.4	101	111
Red Meat, mil. lbs.	4,261.8	100	105

¹ Excludes animals slaughtered on farms.

Source: USDA NASS Livestock Slaughter, October 23, 2009

Stocks in Cold Storage: By Commodity, United States, September 2009 with Comparisons

Commodity	Stocks	Sept. 2009 Percent of	
		Sept. 2008	Aug. 2009
<i>1,000 Lbs.</i>			
Total red meats	992,269	98	101
Beef	434,091	96	103
Pork	531,874	101	100
Poultry	1,257,086	91	96
Turkey	615,096	99	94
Chicken	636,729	84	98

Source: USDA NASS Cold Storage, October 22, 2009

Poultry: Layers and Eggs, Nebraska and United States, September 2009 with Comparisons

Item	Millions		2009/2008 Percent
	2008	2009	
<i>Number of Layers</i>			
Nebraska	9.7	9.6	99
United States	334.5	333.6	100
<i>Table Eggs Produced</i>			
Nebraska	236	225	95
United States	6,272	6,341	101
<i>Chickens Hatched, September</i>			
<i>United States</i>			
Egg-type	37.1	40.0	108
Broiler	755.2	739.5	98

Source: USDA NASS Chicken and Eggs, October 23, 2009

Milk Cows and Production: By Quarter, Nebraska, 23 States and United States, 2008-2009

Item and Quarter	Nebraska		23 States		United States	
	2008	2009	2008	2009	2008	2009
	<i>1,000 Head</i>		<i>1,000 Head</i>		<i>1,000 Head</i>	
Milk cows ¹						
April-June	57	62	8,493	8,463	9,315	9,260
July-September	59	61	8,513	8,372	9,330	9,159
	<i>Million Pounds</i>		<i>Million Pounds</i>		<i>Million Pounds</i>	
Milk production ²						
April-June	265	306	45,112	45,220	48,774	48,874
July-September	272	306	43,515	43,411	46,881	46,758

¹ Includes dry cows, excludes heifers not yet fresh.

² Excludes milk sucked by calves.

Source: USDA NASS Milk Production, October 20, 2009

Prices Received By Farmers

The preliminary All Farm Products Index of Prices Received by Farmers in October, at 135 percent, based on 1990-92=100, increased 9 points (7.1 percent) from September. The Crop Index is up 11 points (7.7 percent) and the Livestock Index increased 1 point (0.9 percent). Producers received higher prices for lettuce, corn, milk and broccoli and lower prices for broilers, cattle, snap beans, and cucumbers. In addition to prices, the overall index is also affected by the seasonal

change based on a 3-year average mix of commodities producers sell. Increased monthly marketings of soybeans, corn, cotton, and cottonseed offset decreased marketings of milk, wheat, grapes and sweet corn.

The preliminary All Farm Products Index is down 15 points (10 percent) from October 2008.

Prices Received: By Commodity, Nebraska and United States, Preliminary October 2009 with Comparisons

Commodity	Unit	Nebraska			United States		
		October 2008 ¹	September 2009 ¹	October 15, 2009	October 2008 ¹	September 2009 ¹	October 15, 2009
Wheat, All	Bushels	\$ 5.92	\$ 4.39	\$ 4.50	\$ 6.65	\$ 4.48	\$ 4.56
Corn	Bushels	4.34	3.18	3.60	4.37	3.25	3.54
Oats	Bushels	3.71	2.29	2.30	3.26	1.81	1.80
Grain Sorghum	Cwt.	7.43	4.86	5.70	6.89	5.63	5.57
Soybeans	Bushels	10.20	9.47	9.45	9.95	9.75	9.74
Hay, All, Baled	Ton	90.00	72.00	73.00	156.00	107.00	106.00
Alfalfa, Baled	Ton	93.00	75.00	75.00	171.00	110.00	109.00
Other, Baled	Ton	79.00	58.00	62.00	118.00	100.00	98.50
Dry Edible Beans	Cwt.	39.10	31.00	28.30	40.00	30.40	28.60
Hogs	Cwt.	50.90	39.60	39.00	48.50	37.70	37.20
Barrows & Gilts	Cwt.	50.90	39.90	39.20	48.70	38.30	37.70
Sows	Cwt.	48.70	25.20	28.20	45.10	23.90	27.30
Beef Cattle	Cwt.	92.70	83.80	82.30	87.40	80.60	78.90
Steers & Heifers	Cwt.	94.00	84.90	83.40	92.90	85.50	84.00
Cows	Cwt.	51.10	48.00	46.50	48.40	44.40	43.70
Calves	Cwt.	111.00	111.00	106.00	106.00	107.00	103.00
Sheep	Cwt.	26.50	36.70		21.70	29.60	
Lambs	Cwt.	105.00	99.00		97.40	98.40	

¹ Entire month average except hay.

Source: USDA NASS Agricultural Prices, October 30, 2009

Cash Receipts: By Commodity Groups and Selected Commodities, Nebraska, 2004-2008¹

Commodity	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
			<i>1,000 dollars</i>		
All commodities	11,256,760	11,593,079	12,350,244	14,877,943	17,315,688
Livestock and products	7,340,030	7,638,347	7,792,432	8,460,362	8,320,129
Meat animals	6,970,434	7,327,117	7,475,004	7,996,281	7,807,525
Cattle and calves	6,196,897	6,553,531	6,735,704	7,236,076	7,068,679
Hogs	761,953	762,609	728,578	749,798	728,702
Sheep and lambs	11,584	10,977	10,722	10,407	10,144
Dairy products	168,156	164,164	148,338	200,220	202,230
Milk, wholesale	168,156	164,164	148,338	200,220	202,230
Poultry/eggs	171,570	118,181	137,528	229,825	272,822
Broilers	11,430	12,232	11,322	12,330	18,894
Farm Chickens	17	24	23	18	68
Chicken eggs	138,851	82,989	96,358	185,092	225,242
Other poultry	936	1,083	1,230	1,377	1,524
Miscellaneous livestock	29,870	28,885	31,562	34,036	37,552
Honey	4,403	2,230	3,225	2,271	3,425
Wool	258	240	216	212	162
Other aquaculture	553	768	983	1,198	1,413
All other livestock	24,195	25,647	27,099	28,551	30,062
Crops	3,916,730	3,954,732	4,557,812	6,417,581	8,995,559
Food grains	201,555	224,531	254,937	460,926	515,264
Wheat	200,611	223,560	254,292	460,139	514,655
Feed crops	2,438,090	2,205,904	2,651,837	4,013,503	5,942,387
Barley	577	277	NA	NA	NA
Corn	2,255,843	2,068,048	2,484,477	3,802,519	5,712,110
Hay	121,604	76,409	97,826	129,894	128,988
Oats	1,445	3,503	3,427	4,129	6,436
Sorghum grain	48,549	45,192	53,636	61,309	76,620
Millet Proso	10,073	12,475	12,471	15,653	18,233
Oil crops	1,046,785	1,274,439	1,365,508	1,653,759	2,224,822
Soybeans	1,039,070	1,261,805	1,351,900	1,643,165	2,209,240
Sunflower	7,688	12,628	13,608	10,594	15,582
Vegetables	100,569	118,904	130,571	148,927	176,973
Beans, dry	53,074	59,978	58,639	77,144	99,211
Potatoes, Fall	37,929	49,598	62,843	62,942	70,180
Misc. vegetables	9,567	9,328	9,089	8,841	7,582
Fruits/nuts	2,040	2,018	1,992	1,968	1,944
Other berries	268	239	210	181	152
Misc. fruits & nuts	1,772	1,779	1,782	1,787	1,792
All other crops	127,691	128,936	152,967	138,498	134,169
Sugarbeets	41,895	39,824	59,942	42,056	34,057
Other seeds	546	648	743	853	948
Other field crops	43,469	46,569	50,273	53,466	56,927
Greenhouse/nursery	41,781	41,895	42,009	42,123	42,237

¹USDA estimates and publishes individual cash receipt values only for major commodities and major producing States. The U.S. receipts for individual commodities, computed as the sum of the reported States, may understate the value of sales for some commodities, with the balance included in the appropriate category labeled "other" for "miscellaneous." The degree of underestimation in some of the minor commodities can be substantial. NA = not available.

Source: USDA ERS <http://www.ers.usda.gov/Data/FarmIncome/finfidmuXls.htm>

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