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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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## Nebraska Cattle on Feed Down Slightly

Nebraska feedlots with capacities of 1,000 or more head contained 2.21 million cattle on feed on October 1. The inventory was down slightly from last year. Placements in feedlots during September totaled 560,000 head, up 4 percent from 2010. Marketings of fed cattle during September totaled 350,000 head, down 3 percent from last year. Other disappearance during September totaled 10,000 head, equal to a year ago.

## U.S. Cattle on Feed Up 5 Percent

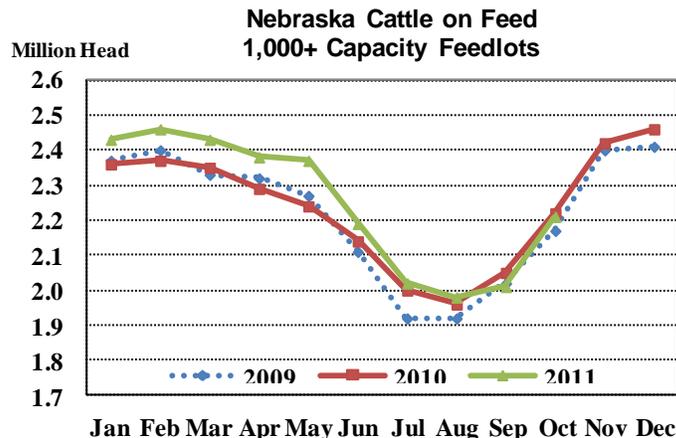
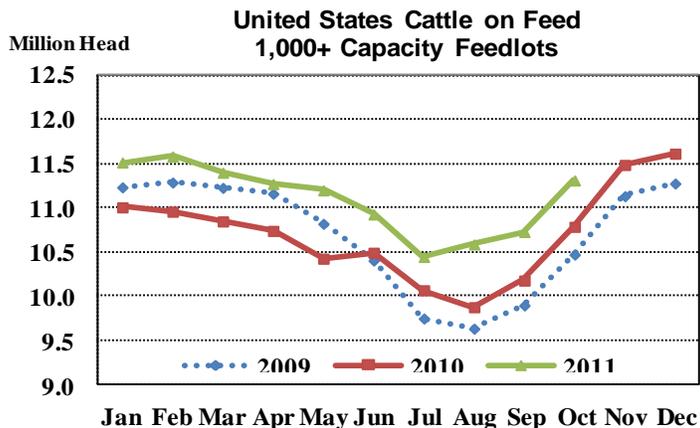
Cattle and calves on feed for slaughter market in the United States for feedlots with capacity of 1,000 or more head totaled 11.3 million head on October 1, 2011. The inventory was 5 percent above October 1, 2010. Placements in feedlots during September totaled 2.47 million, slightly above 2010. Marketings of fed cattle during September totaled 1.81 million, 1 percent above 2010. Other disappearance totaled 74,000 head during September, 37 percent above 2010.

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

State	October 1 Number on Feed <sup>1</sup>			September Placements			September Marketings			September Other Disappearance <sup>2</sup>		
	2010	2011	<u>2011</u> 2010	2010	2011	<u>2011</u> 2010	2010	2011	<u>2011</u> 2010	2010	2011	<u>2011</u> 2010
	1,000 Head	1,000 Head	Percent	1,000 Head	1,000 Head	Percent	1,000 Head	1,000 Head	Percent	1,000 Head	1,000 Head	Percent
Arizona	240	280	117	22	19	86	21	21	100	1	1	100
California	445	490	110	55	70	127	43	49	114	2	6	300
Colorado	1,000	1,070	107	295	275	93	180	185	103	5	10	200
Idaho	205	220	107	57	67	118	41	41	100	1	1	100
Iowa	570	570	100	122	115	94	108	92	85	4	3	75
Kansas	2,330	2,320	100	510	500	98	370	375	101	10	15	150
Nebraska	2,220	2,210	100	540	560	104	360	350	97	10	10	100
Oklahoma	370	370	100	87	88	101	71	79	111	1	4	400
South Dakota	205	205	100	57	51	89	45	35	78	2	1	50
Texas	2,640	2,950	112	580	560	97	475	490	103	15	20	133
Washington	181	208	115	45	54	120	33	38	115	1	1	100
Other States	382	419	110	93	110	118	55	58	105	2	2	100
United States	10,788	11,312	105	2,463	2,469	100	1,802	1,813	101	54	74	137

<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 loss, movement from feedlots to pastures, and shipments to other feedlots for further feeding.

Source: USDA NASS Cattle on Feed, October 21, 2011



**Cattle on Feed: Number Placed on Feed by Weight Group, 1,000+ Capacity Feedlots, by Month, State, and United States, 2010-2011**

State	During September									
	Under 600 lbs		600-699 lbs		700-799 lbs		800+ lbs		Total	
	2010	2011	2010	2011	2010	2011	2010	2011	2010	2011
	<i>1,000 Head</i>									
Colorado	35	40	35	25	65	60	160	150	295	275
Kansas	75	120	110	110	160	140	165	130	510	500
Nebraska	75	100	80	80	130	110	255	270	540	560
Texas	190	280	165	125	145	85	80	70	580	560
Other States	135	145	65	75	103	109	235	245	538	574
United States	510	685	455	415	603	504	895	865	2,463	2,469

Source: USDA NASS Cattle on Feed October 21, 2011

**Commercial Livestock Slaughter**

September 2011 number slaughtered and changes from last year and last month are shown below. September 2010 contained 22 weekdays (including one holiday) and four Saturdays. September 2011 contained 22 weekdays (including one holiday) and four Saturdays.

**Livestock Slaughter: By Commodity, Nebraska and United States, September 2011 with Comparisons**

Item	Total <sup>1</sup>	Sept. 2011 Percent of	
		Sept. 2010	Aug. 2011
<i>1,000 Head</i>			
Nebraska			
Cattle, head	580.9	99	93
Hogs, head	674.7	108	103
Red Meat, mil. lbs.	615.6	101	97
United States			
Cattle, head	2,876.2	99	93
Calves, head	73.8	104	92
Hogs, head	9,688.0	104	102
Sheep & Lambs, head	177.0	86	89
Red Meat, mil. lbs.	4,191.8	101	97

<sup>1</sup> Excludes animals slaughtered on farms.

Source: USDA NASS Livestock Slaughter, October 21, 2011

**Stocks in Cold Storage: By Commodity, United States, September 2011 with Comparisons**

Commodity	Stocks	Sept. 2011 Percent of	
		Sept. 2010	Aug. 2011
<i>1,000 Lbs.</i>			
Total red meats	944,544	112	105
Beef	428,081	108	100
Pork	490,713	116	111
Poultry	1,194,043	100	97
Turkey	515,375	109	98
Chicken	673,583	95	97

Source: USDA NASS Cold Storage, October 21, 2011

**Poultry: Layers and Eggs, Nebraska and United States, September 2011 with Comparisons**

Item	Millions		Percent
	2010	2011	
<i>Millions</i>			
Number of Layers			
Nebraska	9.4	9.0	95
United States	338.7	335.8	99
<i>Percent</i>			
Table Eggs Produced			
Nebraska	230	218	95
United States	6,464	6,490	100
<i>Percent</i>			
Chickens Hatched, September			
United States			
Egg-type	40.1	40.3	100
Broiler	762.5	721.2	95

Source: USDA NASS Chicken and Eggs, October 21, 2011

**Milk Cows and Production: By Quarter, Nebraska, 23 States and United States, 2010-2011**

Item and Quarter	Nebraska		23 States		United States	
	2010	2011	2010	2011	2010	2011
	<i>1,000 Head</i>		<i>1,000 Head</i>		<i>1,000 Head</i>	
Milk cows <sup>1</sup>						
April-June	59	57	8,347	8,449	9,119	9,198
July-September	58	57	8,372	8,470	9,126	9,209
	<i>Million Pounds</i>		<i>Million Pounds</i>		<i>Million Pounds</i>	
Milk production <sup>2</sup>						
April-June	300	301	46,203	46,923	49,809	50,432
July-September	290	288	44,795	45,507	48,070	48,725

<sup>1</sup> Includes dry cows, excludes heifers not yet fresh.

<sup>2</sup> Excludes milk sucked by calves.

Source: USDA NASS Milk Production, October 19, 2011

**Prices Received By Farmers**

The preliminary All Farm Products Index of Prices Received by Farmers in October, at 185 percent, based on 1990-92=100, increased 6 points (3.4 percent) from September. The Crop Index is up 3 points (1.5 percent) and the Livestock Index increased 1 point (0.7 percent). Producers received higher prices for cattle, eggs, hogs, and sweet corn and lower prices for corn, milk, wheat, and soybeans. 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 movement of soybeans, corn, grain sorghum and sunflowers offset the decreased marketing of wheat, milk, hogs, and hay.

The preliminary All Farm Products Index is up 34 points (23 percent) from October 2010.

**Prices Received: By Commodity, Nebraska and United States, Preliminary October 2011 with Comparisons**

Commodity	Unit	Nebraska			United States		
		October 2010 <sup>1</sup>	September 2011 <sup>1</sup>	October 15, 2011 <sup>2</sup>	October 2010 <sup>1</sup>	September 2011 <sup>1</sup>	October 15, 2011 <sup>2</sup>
		<i>Dollars</i>			<i>Dollars</i>		
Wheat, All	Bushel	5.74	7.14	6.40	5.88	7.55	6.94
Corn	Bushel	4.22	6.51	5.80	4.32	6.37	5.92
Oats	Bushel	3.43	3.90	3.90	2.55	3.67	3.45
Grain Sorghum	Cwt	7.77	11.50	10.60	7.80	10.50	11.10
Soybeans	Bushel	9.98	11.60	11.00	10.20	12.20	11.90
Hay, All, Baled	Ton	73.00	114.00	118.00	111.00	176.00	181.00
Alfalfa, Baled	Ton	77.00	122.00	126.00	118.00	196.00	203.00
Other, Baled	Ton	61.00	90.00	93.00	96.00	128.00	129.00
Dry Edible Beans	Cwt	22.00	40.70	42.80	25.70	40.20	43.90
Hogs	Cwt	55.00	(NA)	(NA)	53.30	67.10 <sup>3</sup>	68.80 <sup>3</sup>
Barrows & Gilts	Cwt	55.10	(NA)	(NA)	53.50	67.20 <sup>3</sup>	69.00 <sup>3</sup>
Sows	Cwt	51.10	(NA)	(NA)	49.40	65.10 <sup>3</sup>	63.30 <sup>3</sup>
Beef Cattle	Cwt	97.70	(NA)	(NA)	93.10	112.00 <sup>3</sup>	116.00 <sup>3</sup>
Steers & Heifers	Cwt	98.90	(NA)	(NA)	98.90	117.00 <sup>3</sup>	121.00 <sup>3</sup>
Cows	Cwt	57.60	(NA)	(NA)	52.50	67.30 <sup>3</sup>	63.30 <sup>3</sup>
Calves	Cwt	129.00	(NA)	(NA)	121.00	132.00 <sup>3</sup>	139.00 <sup>3</sup>
Sheep	Cwt	51.40	(NA)	(NA)	48.40	58.40 <sup>3</sup>	(NA)
Lambs	Cwt	138.00	(NA)	(NA)	137.00	189.00 <sup>3</sup>	(NA)

<sup>1</sup> Entire month average except hay. <sup>2</sup> Preliminary. <sup>3</sup> Price data source is USDA's Agricultural Marketing Service.

(NA) Not Available – State prices discontinued.

Source: USDA NASS Agricultural Prices, October 31, 2011

**Cash Receipts: By Commodity Groups and Selected Commodities, Nebraska, 2006-2010<sup>1</sup>**

Commodity	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
			<i>1,000 dollars</i>		
All commodities	12,354,783	14,919,532	16,522,491	16,067,982	17,282,579
Livestock and products	7,792,392	8,460,364	8,321,154	7,271,290	8,453,119
Meat animals	7,475,004	7,996,281	7,807,525	6,894,690	8,021,186
Cattle and calves	6,735,704	7,236,076	7,068,679	6,235,257	7,193,865
Hogs	728,578	749,798	728,702	650,462	815,836
Sheep and lambs	10,722	10,407	10,144	8,971	11,485
Dairy products: Milk	148,338	200,220	202,986	159,728	200,680
Poultry/eggs	137,522	229,827	272,373	178,372	192,967
Broilers	11,322	12,330	18,492	NA	NA
Farm chickens	17	20	21	19	18
Chicken eggs	96,358	185,092	225,242	146,859	152,857
Other poultry	1,230	1,377	NA	NA	NA
Miscellaneous livestock	31,528	34,036	38,270	38,500	38,286
Honey	3,191	2,271	3,497	3,924	3,606
Wool	216	212	162	166	223
Other aquaculture	983	1,198	NA	NA	NA
Other livestock	27,099	28,551	30,708	30,770	30,813
Crops	4,562,391	6,459,168	8,201,337	8,796,692	8,829,460
Food grains	254,956	476,770	456,325	382,703	327,638
Wheat	254,292	475,229	454,732	381,485	326,594
Feed crops	2,651,837	4,051,881	5,494,090	5,227,596	5,512,224
Barley	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Corn	2,484,477	3,818,179	5,261,751	5,030,655	5,347,448
Hay	97,826	151,800	150,036	126,310	121,087
Oats	3,427	3,340	5,751	2,393	2,083
Sorghum grain	53,636	62,909	59,392	59,427	34,231
Millet Proso	12,471	15,653	17,160	8,810	7,374
Oil crops	1,365,508	1,643,955	1,942,754	2,855,024	2,664,953
Soybeans	1,351,900	1,633,361	1,928,826	2,838,137	2,647,762
Sunflower	13,608	10,594	13,928	16,887	17,191
Vegetables & Melons	135,131	146,096	162,433	154,251	154,660
Beans, dry	58,639	77,144	89,448	79,120	75,090
Potatoes, Fall	67,403	60,111	61,845	63,862	68,085
Misc. vegetables	9,089	8,841	11,140	11,269	11,486
Fruits/nuts	1,992	1,968	3,277	3,221	3,189
Other berries	210	181	204	164	134
Misc. fruits & nuts	1,782	1,787	3,073	3,057	3,055
All other crops	152,967	138,498	142,458	173,897	166,796
Sugarbeets	59,942	42,056	42,824	70,652	61,752
Other seeds	743	853	948	1,019	1,075
Other field crops	50,273	53,466	56,927	60,261	61,851
Greenhouse/nursery	42,009	42,123	41,759	41,965	42,118
Christmas trees	446	462	NA	NA	NA
Other greenhouse	41,563	41,661	41,759	41,965	42,118

<sup>1</sup>USDA 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" or "miscellaneous." The degree of underestimation in some of the minor commodities can be substantial. NA = not available. Source: USDA ERS July 27, 2011, <http://www.ers.usda.gov/Data/FarmIncome/finfidmuXls.htm>

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