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Cattle on Feed

Nebraska feedlots, with capacities of 1,000 or more head, contained 2.56 million cattle on feed on December 1, 2011, up 4 percent from last year and the highest inventory for any month since the data series began in 1994. Placements during November totaled 480,000 head, up 8 percent from 2010.

United States cattle and calves on feed for slaughter market for feedlots with capacity of 1,000 or more head totaled 12.1 million head on December 1, 2011. The inventory was 4 percent above December 1, 2010 and the second highest December 1 inventory since the series began in 1996. Placements in feedlots during November totaled 2.04 million, 4 percent above 2010.

Dear Nebraska Farmers, Ranchers and Agribusinesses:

We would like to take this opportunity to thank all farmers, ranchers, elevator operators, and other agricultural businesses that voluntarily provided data and supported us in many other ways during the past year. It is through your efforts that these timely, accurate statistics are available for all agricultural decision makers.

We are looking forward to serving you next year and wish you a joyous holiday season and a prosperous New Year.

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Director

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

State	December 1 Number on Feed ¹			November Placements			November Marketings			November Other Disappearance ²		
	2010	2011	<u>2011</u> <u>2010</u>	2010	2011	<u>2011</u> <u>2010</u>	2010	2011	<u>2011</u> <u>2010</u>	2010	2011	<u>2011</u> <u>2010</u>
	1,000 Head		Percent	1,000 Head		Percent	1,000 Head		Percent	1,000 Head		Percent
Arizona	249	291	117	22	27	123	23	27	117	1	1	100
California	470	510	109	69	68	99	55	48	87	4	5	125
Colorado	1,090	1,160	106	155	175	113	150	145	97	5	10	200
Idaho	235	235	100	52	46	88	35	35	100	2	1	50
Iowa	630	610	97	114	138	121	90	95	106	4	3	75
Kansas	2,360	2,360	100	375	375	100	400	395	99	15	20	133
Nebraska	2,460	2,560	104	445	480	108	395	375	95	10	15	150
Oklahoma	380	385	101	60	60	100	63	61	97	2	4	200
South Dakota	255	265	104	62	70	113	36	41	114	1	4	400
Texas	2,840	3,010	106	475	475	100	440	450	102	15	35	233
Washington	214	236	110	54	54	100	36	43	119	1	1	100
Other States	437	459	105	76	71	93	51	55	108	2	3	150
United States	11,620	12,081	104	1,959	2,039	104	1,774	1,770	100	62	102	165

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.

Source: USDA NASS Cattle on Feed, December 16, 2011

U.S. Grains Supply and Disappearance Outlook

Crop Year	Supply				Market Year Disappearance ¹					Market Year Ending Stocks	Average Market Price
	Beginning stocks	Production	Imports	Total	Domestic			Exports	Total		
					Primary Use ²	Ethanol & By-products ³	Other				
<i>Million Bushels</i>											<i>\$/Bu.</i>
Corn											
2009/10	1,673	13,092	8	14,774	5,125	4,591	1,370	1,980	13,066	1,708	3.55
2010/11 ⁴	1,708	12,447	28	14,182	4,792	5,021	1,407	1,835	13,054	1,128	5.18
2011/12 ⁵	1,128	12,310	15	13,453	4,600	5,000	1,405	1,600	12,605	848	5.90-6.90
Soybeans											
2009/10	138	3,359	15	3,512	1,752		110	1,499	3,361	151	9.59
2010/11 ⁴	151	3,329	14	3,495	1,648		130	1,501	3,280	215	11.30
2011/12 ⁵	215	3,046	15	3,275	1,625		120	1,300	3,045	230	10.70-12.70
Wheat											
2009/10	657	2,218	119	2,993	919		219	879	2,018	976	4.87
2010/11 ⁴	976	2,207	97	3,279	926		203	1,289	2,417	862	5.70
2011/12 ⁵	862	1,999	120	2,982	940		238	925	2,103	878	7.05-7.55
Sorghum											
2009/10	55	383	0	438	141		90	166	396	41	3.22
2010/11 ⁴	41	345	0	387	124		85	150	359	27	5.02
2011/12 ⁵	27	246	0	273	85		90	70	245	28	5.70-6.70

¹ Marketing year begins: Corn, Sorghum & Soybeans, September 1; Wheat, June 1. ² Primary uses: Corn & Sorghum = Feed; Soybeans = Crushing; Wheat = Food. ³ Corn used to produce ethanol and by-products including distillers' grains, corn gluten feed, corn gluten meal, and corn oil. ⁴ Estimate. ⁵ Projection.

Source: USDA's World Agricultural Supply and Demand Estimates, December 9, 2011

Nebraska: Leading Commodities for Cash Receipts, 2010

Rank	Items	Value of Receipts	Percent of total receipts	Cumulative percent ¹	Percent of U.S. value ²	Value of U.S. receipts
		<i>1,000 Dollars</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>1,000 Dollars</i>
	All commodities	17,282,579	100.0		5.5	314,352,697
	Livestock and products	8,453,119	48.9		6.0	141,444,079
	Crops	8,829,460	51.1		5.1	172,908,618
1	Cattle and calves	7,193,865	41.6	41.6	14.0	51,531,014
2	Corn	5,347,448	30.9	72.6	11.9	44,768,644
3	Soybeans	2,647,762	15.3	87.9	8.0	33,169,674
4	Hogs	815,836	4.7	92.6	4.6	17,872,123
5	Wheat	326,594	1.9	94.5	3.0	10,866,320
6	Dairy products	200,680	1.2	95.7	0.6	31,361,181
7	Chicken eggs	152,857	0.9	96.5	2.4	6,472,778
8	Hay	121,087	0.7	97.2	2.2	5,402,024
9	Dry beans	75,090	0.4	97.7	9.3	807,274
10	Potatoes	68,085	0.4	98.1	2.2	3,052,680
11	Sugar beets	61,752	0.4	98.4	3.8	1,636,521
12	Greenhouse/nursery	42,118	0.2	98.7	0.3	15,584,823
13	Sorghum grain	34,231	0.2	98.9	2.6	1,334,602
14	Sunflower	17,191	0.1	99.0	3.3	518,008
15	Sheep and lambs	11,485	0.1	99.0	2.2	532,166
16	Millet, proso	7,374	0.0	99.1	19.9	37,023
17	Honey	3,606	0.0	99.1	1.3	280,180
18	Oats	2,083	0.0	99.1	2.1	100,255
19	Wool	223	0.0	99.1	0.6	35,128
20	Farm chickens	18	0.0	99.1	0.0	71,954
	Government payments ³	509,655			4.1	12,397,672
	Net farm income ⁴	3,951,373			5.0	79,063,174

¹ The cumulative percentage is the sum of the percent of total receipts for each commodity and all preceding commodities. ² Percent State receipts are of U.S. receipts for same line item. ³ Government payments made directly to farmers in cash or Payment-in-Kind. ⁴ Net farm income, a value of production measure, is the farm operator's share of the sector's net value added to the National economy from production activities within a calendar year. Source: Leading Commodities for Cash Receipts, 2010, USDA Economic Research Service, July 27, 2011

**Dry Edible Beans: Area Planted and Harvested, Yield, and Production --
States and United States: 2010 and Forecasted December 1, 2011**

State	Area Planted		Area Harvested		Yield ¹		Production ¹	
	2010	2011	2010	2011	2010	2011	2010	2011
	<i>1,000 Acres</i>		<i>1,000 Acres</i>		<i>Pounds</i>		<i>1,000 Cwt.</i>	
Arizona	13.0	8.2	12.9	7.9	1,880	1,870	243	148
California	63.5	46.0	63.0	45.1	2,320	2,200	1,462	990
Colorado	70.0	38.0	66.0	36.0	1,900	1,600	1,254	576
Idaho	135.0	95.0	134.0	94.0	1,900	2,000	2,546	1,880
Kansas	9.5	6.5	9.0	6.0	2,600	1,900	234	114
Michigan	236.0	170.0	235.0	168.0	1,800	2,000	4,230	3,360
Minnesota	185.0	140.0	175.0	135.0	1,750	1,690	3,062	2,281
Montana	18.8	15.0	17.7	14.5	2,030	1,970	359	286
Nebraska	170.0	110.0	155.0	105.0	2,060	2,000	3,193	2,100
New Mexico	13.8	12.5	13.8	12.5	2,330	2,230	322	279
New York	15.0	12.0	14.9	11.8	1,890	1,400	282	165
North Dakota	800.0	410.0	770.0	375.0	1,490	1,300	11,473	4,875
Oregon	7.1	6.4	6.9	6.4	2,160	2,410	149	154
South Dakota	12.5	10.2	11.3	9.0	2,040	1,770	230	159
Texas	21.0	15.0	19.0	13.0	1,210	1,000	229	130
Washington	86.0	70.0	86.0	70.0	1,600	1,900	1,376	1,330
Wisconsin	6.2	5.3	6.2	5.3	2,150	2,080	133	110
Wyoming	49.0	35.0	47.0	33.0	2,180	2,400	1,024	792
United States	1,911.4	1,205.1	1,842.7	1,147.5	1,726	1,719	31,801	19,729

¹ Clean basis. Source: USDA NASS Crop Production, December 9, 2011

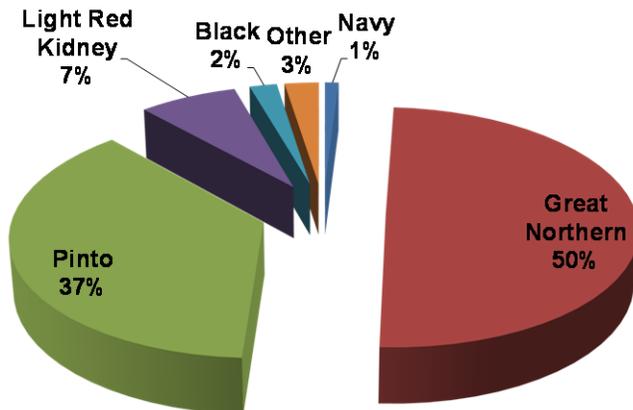
**Dry Edible Beans: Area Planted and Harvested, Yield and Production
by Commercial Class, Nebraska: 2010 and Forecasted December 1, 2011**

Class	Area Planted		Area Harvested		Yield ¹		Production ¹	
	2010	2011	2010	2011	2010	2011	2010	2011
	<i>1,000 Acres</i>		<i>1,000 Acres</i>		<i>Pounds</i>		<i>1,000 Cwt.</i>	
Navy	1.2	1.0	0.9	0.9	2,110	2,220	19	20
Great Northern	67.0	54.2	58.8	53.4	2,020	1,960	1,186	1,046
Pinto	83.0	41.0	78.2	37.7	2,110	2,090	1,650	787
Light Red Kidney	10.7	8.3	9.4	7.9	1,900	1,920	179	152
Black	5.9	2.4	5.6	2.2	2,200	1,910	123	42
Other	2.2	3.1	2.1	2.9	1,710	1,830	36	53
Total	170.0	110.0	155.0	105.0	2,060	2,000	3,193	2,100

¹ Clean Basis

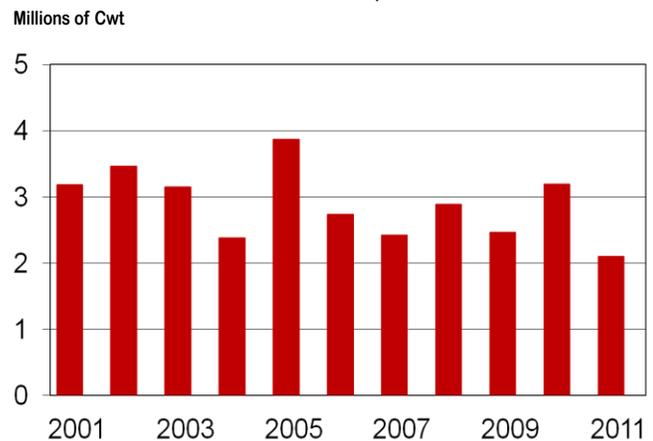
Source: USDA NASS Crop Production, December 9, 2011

**NEBRASKA – DRY EDIBLE BEANS, 2011
PRODUCTION BY COMMERCIAL CLASSES**



Source: USDA NASS Nebraska Field Office, December 9, 2011

**NEBRASKA DRY BEAN PRODUCTION
December 1, 2011**



Source: USDA NASS Nebraska Field Office, December 9, 2011

**Fall Potatoes: Production and Stocks,
13 Major States, December 1, 2011¹**

State	Crop of 2011	
	Production <i>1,000</i>	Stocks Dec 1, 2011 <i>1,000 Cwt</i>
California	4,128	2,500
Colorado	21,291	15,400
Idaho	127,070	88,000
Maine	14,170	10,600
Michigan	15,620	8,900
Minnesota	15,870	10,000
Montana	3,876	3,800
Nebraska	7,800	4,600
New York	4,050	2,100
North Dakota	18,480	12,600
Oregon	23,342	17,900
Washington	98,400	57,500
Wisconsin	24,688	16,000
Total	378,785	249,900

¹ Stocks include processor holdings and most of the seed to plant following year's crop. Seed usage for all seasons in 2010 totaled 23.6 million cwt.

Source: USDA NASS Potato Stocks, December 15, 2011

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Milk Cows and Production: By Month, 23 Selected States, 2010-2011

Month	Milk Cows ¹		Milk per Cow ²		Milk Production ²		Change from 2010
	2010	2011	2010	2011	2010	2011	
	<i>1,000 Head</i>		<i>Pounds</i>		<i>Million pounds</i>		<i>Percent</i>
January	8,319	8,404	1,784	1,810	14,839	15,213	2.5
February	8,323	8,405	1,642	1,664	13,670	13,987	2.3
March	8,329	8,426	1,848	1,870	15,389	15,757	2.4
April	8,337	8,435	1,825	1,834	15,213	15,471	1.7
May	8,347	8,451	1,893	1,901	15,804	16,063	1.6
June	8,356	8,460	1,817	1,819	15,186	15,389	1.3
July	8,375	8,468	1,829	1,819	15,316	15,400	0.5
August	8,369	8,471	1,792	1,812	14,998	15,347	2.3
September	8,371	8,473	1,730	1,741	14,481	14,750	1.9
October	8,372	8,481	1,767	1,788	14,796	15,162	2.5
November	8,373	8,481	1,722	1,738	14,421	14,736	2.2
December	8,387		1,791		15,025		
Annual	8,355		21,440		179,138		

¹ Includes dry cows, excludes heifers not yet fresh. ² Excludes milk sucked by calves.

Source: USDA NASS Milk Production, December 19, 2011

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