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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 11 Percent

Nebraska feedlots with capacities of 1,000 or more head contained 2.24 million cattle on feed on September 1, 2012. The inventory was up 11 percent from last year and the highest since the data series began in 1994. Placements in feedlots during August totaled 470,000 head, up 6 percent from 2011. Marketings of fed cattle during August totaled 445,000 head, up 11 percent from last year and the highest since the data series began in 1994. Other disappearance during August totaled 15,000 head, the same as August 2011.

## U.S. Cattle on Feed Down 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 10.6 million head on September 1, 2012. The inventory was 1 percent below September 1, 2011. Placements in feedlots during August totaled 2.00 million, 11 percent below 2011 and the second lowest for the month since the series began in 1996. Marketings of fed cattle during August totaled 1.96 million, 5 percent below 2011. Other disappearance totaled 61,000 head during August, 15 percent below 2011.

**Number of Cattle on Feed, Placements, Marketings and Other Disappearance on 1,000+ Capacity Feedlots by Month - States and United States: 2011-2012**

State	September 1 Number on Feed <sup>1</sup>			August Placements			August Marketings			August Other Disappearance <sup>2</sup>		
	2011	2012	<u>2012</u> <u>2011</u>	2011	2012	<u>2012</u> <u>2011</u>	2011	2012	<u>2012</u> <u>2011</u>	2011	2012	<u>2012</u> <u>2011</u>
	1,000 Head	Percent		1,000 Head	Percent		1,000 Head	Percent		1,000 Head	Percent	
Arizona	283	271	96	19	18	95	22	20	91	1	1	100
California	475	480	101	56	63	113	56	55	98	5	3	60
Colorado	990	930	94	230	190	83	205	195	95	5	5	100
Idaho	195	205	105	43	53	123	42	37	88	1	1	100
Iowa	530	590	111	77	76	99	95	84	88	2	2	100
Kansas	2,210	2,170	98	520	430	83	475	410	86	15	10	67
Nebraska	2,010	2,240	111	445	470	106	400	445	111	15	15	100
Oklahoma	365	325	89	75	67	89	67	60	90	3	2	67
South Dakota	190	185	97	45	34	76	48	38	79	2	1	50
Texas	2,890	2,620	91	620	495	80	540	510	94	20	15	75
Washington	193	208	108	48	47	98	44	48	109	1	1	100
Other States	369	413	112	68	59	87	59	58	98	2	5	250
United States	10,700	10,637	99	2,246	2,002	89	2,053	1,960	95	72	61	85

<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 pasture, and shipments to other feedlots for further feeding.

Source: USDA NASS Cattle on Feed, September 21, 2012

## Hogs and Pigs

Nebraska inventory of all hogs and pigs on September 1, 2012 was 3.15 million head. This was down 3 percent from September 1, 2011, but up 2 percent from June 1, 2012. Breeding hog inventory, at 380,000 head, was equal to September 1, 2011, but down 1 percent from last quarter. Market hog inventory, at 2.77 million head, was down 3 percent from last year but up 2 percent from last quarter.

U.S. inventory of all hogs and pigs on September 1, 2012 was 67.5 million head. This was up slightly from September 1, 2011 and up 3 percent from June 1, 2012. Breeding inventory, at 5.79 million head, was down slightly from last year and down 1 percent from the previous quarter. Market hog inventory, at 61.7 million head, was up slightly from last year and up 3 percent from last quarter.

### Hogs and Pigs: September 1 Inventory, Sows Farrowing and Pig Crop, Nebraska and United States 2011-2012<sup>1</sup>

Item	Nebraska			United States		
	2011	2012	2012/2011	2011	2012	2012/2011
	<i>1,000 Head</i>		<i>Percent</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>		<i>Percent</i>
September 1 Inventory						
All hogs and pigs	3,250	3,150	97	67,234	67,472	100
Breeding	380	380	100	5,806	5,788	100
Market	2,870	2,770	97	61,428	61,684	100
Market Hogs & Pigs						
Under 50 pounds	950	880	93	19,761	19,653	99
50-119 pounds	890	800	90	17,884	17,675	99
120-179 pounds	580	600	103	12,822	12,899	101
180 pounds and over	450	490	109	10,961	11,457	105
Sows Farrowing						
December-February <sup>2</sup>	175	175	100	2,843	2,864	101
March-May	185	175	95	2,917	2,919	100
December-May <sup>2</sup>	360	350	97	5,760	5,783	100
June-August	180	170	94	2,927	2,892	99
September-November <sup>3</sup>	180	170	94	2,929	2,850	97
June-November <sup>4</sup>	360	340	94	5,857	5,742	98
Pig Crop						
December-February <sup>2</sup>	1,768	1,820	103	27,866	28,550	102
March-May	1,906	1,846	97	29,252	29,441	101
December-May <sup>2</sup>	3,674	3,666	100	57,118	57,990	102
June-August	1,890	1,785	94	29,355	29,286	100
September-November	1,872			29,365		
June-November	3,762			58,720		

<sup>1</sup> May not add due to rounding. <sup>2</sup> December preceding year. <sup>3</sup> Intentions for 2012. <sup>4</sup> Actual farrowings for June-August plus intentions for September-November.

Source: USDA NASS Quarterly Hog and Pigs, September 28, 2012

### Poultry: Layers and Eggs, Turkey Poult Placements, Nebraska and United States, August 2012 with Comparisons

Item	2011	2012	2012/2011
	<i>Millions</i>		<i>Percent</i>
Number of Layers			
Nebraska	9.0	9.0	100
United States	335.4	335.5	100
Table Eggs Produced			
Nebraska	227	226	100
United States	6,644	6,758	102
Chickens Hatched, August			
United States			
Egg-type	41.4	41.4	100
Broiler	759.0	758.3	100
Hatched thru August			
United States			
Egg-type	324.8	318.0	98
Broiler	6,159.9	6,023.9	98
Turkeys Placed, August			
United States	23.9	23.5	98

Source: USDA NASS Chicken and Eggs, September 21, 2012

USDA NASS Turkey Hatchery, September 14, 2012

### Commercial Livestock Slaughter

August 2012 number slaughtered and changes from last year and last month are shown below. August 2011 contained 23 weekdays (including no holidays) and 4 Saturdays. August 2012 contained 23 weekdays (including no holidays) and 4 Saturdays.

### Livestock Slaughter: By Commodity, Nebraska and United States, August 2012 with Comparisons

Item	Total	Aug 2012 Percent of	
		August 2011	July 2012
Nebraska	<i>1,000 Head</i>		
Cattle, head	623.2	100	111
Hogs, head	683.8	105	111
Red Meat, mil. lbs.	667.2	105	112
United States			
Cattle, head	2,996.3	97	107
Calves, head	72.6	91	108
Hogs, head	9,942.2	104	116
Sheep & Lambs, head	200.5	101	112
Red Meat, mil. lbs.	4,389.6	102	111

Source: USDA NASS Livestock Slaughter, September 21, 2012



## Prices Received By Farmers

### Prices Received: By Commodity, Nebraska and United States, Preliminary September 2012 with Comparisons

Commodity	Unit	Nebraska			United States		
		September 2011 <sup>1</sup>	August 2012 <sup>1</sup>	September 2012 <sup>2</sup>	September 2011 <sup>1</sup>	August 2012 <sup>1</sup>	September 2012 <sup>2</sup>
		<i>Dollars</i>			<i>Dollars</i>		
Wheat, All	Bushel	7.15	7.85	8.20	7.54	8.04	8.49
Corn	Bushel	6.55	7.76	7.20	6.38	7.63	7.35
Oats	Bushel	3.89	4.21	3.80	3.67	3.81	3.75
Grain Sorghum	Cwt	11.50	12.20	12.00	10.50	11.30	12.20
Soybeans	Bushel	11.70	16.60	16.40	12.20	16.20	16.30
Hay, All, Baled	Ton	112.00	179.00	197.00	180.00	184.00	187.00
Alfalfa, Baled	Ton	122.00	202.00	219.00	198.00	203.00	205.00
Other, Baled	Ton	90.00	135.00	146.00	129.00	140.00	142.00
Dry Edible Beans	Cwt	40.70	42.60	38.80	40.20	39.90	39.20
Hogs	Cwt	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	67.10 <sup>3</sup>	66.90 <sup>3</sup>	56.50 <sup>3</sup>
Barrows & Gilts	Cwt	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	67.20 <sup>3</sup>	68.00 <sup>3</sup>	57.10 <sup>3</sup>
Sows	Cwt	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	65.10 <sup>3</sup>	40.40 <sup>3</sup>	41.90 <sup>3</sup>
Beef Cattle	Cwt	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	112.00 <sup>3</sup>	117.00 <sup>3</sup>	120.00 <sup>3</sup>
Steers & Heifers	Cwt	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	117.00 <sup>3</sup>	120.00 <sup>3</sup>	124.00 <sup>3</sup>
Cows	Cwt	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	67.30 <sup>3</sup>	79.90 <sup>3</sup>	79.90 <sup>3</sup>
Calves	Cwt	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	132.00 <sup>3</sup>	155.00 <sup>3</sup>	163.00 <sup>3</sup>

<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, September 27, 2012

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