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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 5 Percent

Nebraska feedlots with capacities of 1,000 or more head contained 2.33 million cattle on feed on October 1. The inventory was up 5 percent from last year and is the highest October inventory since the data series began in 1994. Placements in feedlots during September totaled 470,000 head, down 16 percent from 2011. Marketings of fed cattle during September totaled 370,000 head, up 6 percent from last year. Other disappearance during September totaled 10,000 head, equal to a year ago.

U.S. Cattle on Feed Down 3 Percent

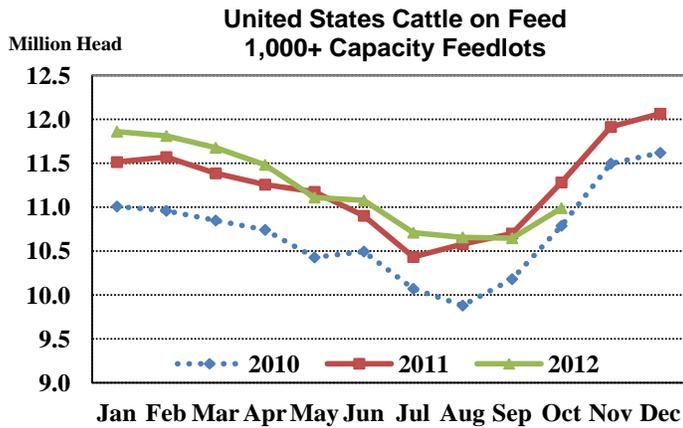
Cattle and calves on feed for slaughter market in the United States for feedlots with capacity of 1,000 or more head totaled 11.0 million head on October 1, 2012, 3 percent below October 1, 2011. Placements in feedlots during September totaled 2.00 million, 19 percent below 2011 and the lowest placements for the month since the series began in 1996. Marketings of fed cattle during September totaled 1.60 million, 12 percent below 2011. Other disappearance totaled 64,000 head during September, 14 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

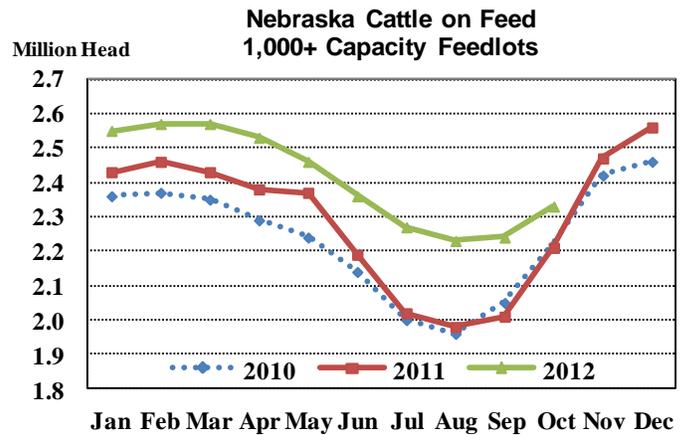
State	October 1 Number on Feed ¹			September Placements			September Marketings			September Other Disappearance ²		
	2011	2012	<u>2012</u> 2011	2011	2012	<u>2012</u> 2011	2011	2012	<u>2012</u> 2011	2011	2012	<u>2012</u> 2011
	1,000 Head	Percent		1,000 Head	Percent		1,000 Head	Percent		1,000 Head	Percent	
Arizona	280	272	97	19	20	105	21	18	86	1	1	100
California	490	475	97	70	50	71	49	52	106	6	3	50
Colorado	1,070	1,000	93	275	225	82	185	150	81	10	5	50
Idaho	220	230	105	67	61	91	41	35	85	1	1	100
Iowa	550	590	107	115	89	77	92	87	95	3	2	67
Kansas	2,320	2,230	96	500	375	75	375	310	83	15	15	100
Nebraska	2,210	2,330	105	560	470	84	350	370	106	10	10	100
Oklahoma	370	335	91	88	57	65	79	45	57	4	2	50
South Dakota	205	195	95	51	50	98	35	39	111	1	1	100
Texas	2,940	2,680	91	560	480	86	490	400	82	20	20	100
Washington	208	213	102	54	46	85	38	40	105	1	1	100
Other States	419	439	105	110	81	74	58	52	90	2	3	150
United States	11,282	10,989	97	2,469	2,004	81	1,813	1,598	88	74	64	86

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.

Source: USDA NASS Cattle on Feed, October 19, 2012



Source: USDA NASS Nebraska Field Office



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Commercial Livestock Slaughter

September 2012 number slaughtered and changes from last year and last month are shown below. September 2011 contained 22 weekdays (including one holiday) and four Saturdays. September 2012 contained 20 weekdays (including one holiday) and five Saturdays.

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

Item	Total ¹	Sept. 2012 Percent of	
		Sept. 2011	Aug. 2012
<i>Nebraska</i>			
	<i>1,000 Head</i>		
Cattle, head	535.6	92	86
Hogs, head	645.0	95	94
Red Meat, mil. lbs.	587.8	95	88
<i>United States</i>			
Cattle, head	2,543.3	88	85
Calves, head	64.3	87	89
Hogs, head	9,454.3	98	95
Sheep & Lambs, head	174.3	98	87
Red Meat, mil. lbs.	3,948.4	94	90

¹ Excludes animals slaughtered on farms.

Source: USDA NASS Livestock Slaughter, October 26, 2012

Stocks in Cold Storage: By Commodity, United States, September 30, 2012 with Comparisons

Commodity	Stocks	Sept. 2012 Percent of	
		Sept. 30, 2011	Aug. 31, 2012
	<i>1,000 Lbs.</i>		
Total red meats	1,083,696	115	103
Beef	425,621	100	98
Pork	630,657	128	108
Poultry	1,175,553	99	97
Turkey	521,205	102	95
Chicken	651,749	97	99

Source: USDA NASS Cold Storage, October 22, 2012

Poultry: Layers and Eggs, Nebraska and United States, September 2012 with Comparisons

Item	2012		2012/2011
	2011	2012	
<i>Number of Layers</i>			
Nebraska	9.0	9.0	100
United States	335.3	337.0	101
<i>Table Eggs Produced</i>			
Nebraska	218	222	102
United States	6,476	6,568	101
<i>Chickens Hatched, September</i>			
<i>United States</i>			
Egg-type	39.8	37.5	94
Broiler	719.6	718.1	100

Source: USDA NASS Chicken and Eggs, October 22, 2012

Milk Cows and Production: By Quarter, Nebraska, 23 States and United States, 2011-2012

Item and Quarter	Nebraska		23 States		United States	
	2011	2012	2011	2012	2011	2012
<i>Milk cows¹</i>						
	<i>1,000 Head</i>		<i>1,000 Head</i>		<i>1,000 Head</i>	
April-June	57	56	8,443	8,518	9,191	9,257
July-September	57	56	8,463	8,489	9,200	9,215
<i>Milk production²</i>						
	<i>Million Pounds</i>		<i>Million Pounds</i>		<i>Million Pounds</i>	
April-June	301	300	46,926	47,948	50,448	51,484
July-September	288	291	45,481	45,505	48,684	48,724

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

Source: USDA NASS Milk Production, October 19, 2012

Prices Received By Farmers

The preliminary All Farm Products Index of Prices Received by Farmers in October, at 210 percent, based on 1990-92=100, increased 17 points (8.8 percent) from September. The Crop Index is up 15 points (6.7 percent) and the Livestock Index increased 4 points (2.6 percent). Producers received higher prices for milk, hogs, grapes, and corn and lower prices for eggs, apples, lettuce, and soybeans. In addition to prices, the

overall index is also affected by the seasonal change based on a three-year average mix of commodities producers sell. Increased monthly movement of soybeans, corn, grain sorghum and cottonseed offset the decreased marketing of wheat, milk, cattle, and grapes. The preliminary All Farm Products Index is up 25 points (14 percent) from October 2011.

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

Commodity	Unit	Nebraska			United States		
		October 2011 ¹	September 2012 ¹	October 2012 ²	October 2011 ¹	September 2012 ¹	October 2012 ²
		<i>Dollars</i>			<i>Dollars</i>		
Wheat, All	Bushel	6.67	8.44	8.50	7.27	8.27	8.37
Corn	Bushel	5.61	6.86	6.90	5.73	6.89	6.95
Oats	Bushel	(D)	(D)	(D)	3.69	3.76	3.75
Grain Sorghum	Cwt	10.70	11.60	11.80	10.70	11.50	11.90
Soybeans	Bushel	11.70	13.70	13.60	11.80	14.30	14.20
Hay, All, Baled	Ton	116.00	197.00	206.00	185.00	187.00	193.00
Alfalfa, Baled	Ton	126.00	219.00	230.00	204.00	205.00	212.00
Other, Baled	Ton	93.00	146.00	150.00	133.00	142.00	146.00
Dry Edible Beans	Cwt	43.00	39.50	37.70	41.60	38.20	35.20
Hogs	Cwt	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	68.70 ³	55.70 ³	60.70 ³
Barrows & Gilts	Cwt	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	69.00 ³	56.30 ³	61.50 ³
Sows	Cwt	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	61.80 ³	39.10 ³	37.60 ³
Beef Cattle	Cwt	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	117.00 ³	121.00 ³	121.00 ³
Steers & Heifers	Cwt	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	122.00 ³	125.00 ³	126.00 ³
Cows	Cwt	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	65.00 ³	79.20 ³	77.50 ³
Calves	Cwt	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	145.00 ³	162.00 ³	163.00 ³

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

(D) Withheld to avoid disclosing data for individual operations. (NA) Not Available – State prices discontinued.

Source: USDA NASS Agricultural Prices, October 31, 2012

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Cash Receipts: By Commodity Groups and Selected Commodities, Nebraska, 2007-2011¹

Commodity	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011
			<i>1,000 dollars</i>		
All commodities	14,919,532	16,522,491	16,078,753	17,116,019	21,814,979
Livestock and products	8,460,364	8,321,154	7,271,290	8,459,915	10,060,966
Meat animals	7,996,281	7,807,525	6,894,690	8,028,747	9,533,206
Cattle and calves	7,236,076	7,068,679	6,235,257	7,193,865	8,614,978
Hogs	749,798	728,702	650,462	823,397	918,228
Sheep and lambs	10,407	10,144	8,971	11,485	#NA
Dairy products: Milk	200,220	202,986	159,728	200,680	248,358
Poultry/eggs	229,827	272,373	178,372	192,418	223,046
Broilers	12,330	18,492	#NA	#NA	#NA
Farm chickens	20	21	19	18	20
Chicken eggs	185,092	225,242	146,859	152,857	171,382
Other poultry	1,377	#NA	#NA	#NA	#NA
Miscellaneous livestock	34,036	38,270	38,500	38,070	56,356
Honey	2,271	3,497	3,924	3,405	4,185
Wool	212	162	166	223	328
Other aquaculture	1,198	#NA	#NA	#NA	#NA
Other livestock	28,551	30,708	30,770	30,813	48,062
All other livestock	28,551	30,708	#NA	#NA	#NA
Crops	6,459,168	8,201,337	8,807,463	8,656,104	11,754,013
Food grains	476,770	456,325	382,703	324,996	439,271
Wheat	475,229	454,732	381,485	323,964	437,301
Feed crops	4,051,881	5,494,090	5,227,943	5,645,490	7,848,546
Barley	#NA	#NA	#NA	#NA	#NA
Corn	3,818,179	5,261,751	5,030,655	5,478,219	7,659,189
Hay	151,800	150,036	126,657	119,742	140,570
Oats	3,340	5,751	2,393	1,546	1,801
Sorghum grain	62,909	59,392	59,427	37,882	36,261
Millet Proso	15,653	17,160	8,810	8,100	10,725
Oil crops	1,643,955	1,942,754	2,855,034	2,341,645	3,093,125
Soybeans	1,633,361	1,928,826	2,838,137	2,325,089	3,069,832
Sunflower	10,594	13,928	16,896	16,555	23,293
Vegetables & Melons	146,096	162,433	164,666	153,629	164,213
Beans, dry	77,144	89,448	79,120	70,010	88,941
Potatoes, Fall	60,111	61,845	74,277	72,133	64,134
Misc. vegetables	8,841	11,140	11,269	11,486	11,138
Fruits/nuts	1,968	3,277	3,221	3,189	3,212
Other berries	181	204	164	134	150
Misc. fruits & nuts	1,787	3,073	3,057	3,055	3,062
All other crops	138,498	142,458	173,897	187,155	205,645
Sugarbeets	42,056	42,824	70,652	82,111	93,436
Other seeds	853	948	1,019	1,075	1,025
Other field crops	53,466	56,927	60,261	61,851	68,965
Greenhouse/nursery	42,123	41,759	41,965	42,118	42,219
Christmas trees	462	#NA	#NA	#NA	#NA
Other greenhouse	41,661	41,759	#NA	#NA	#NA

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" or "miscellaneous." The degree of underestimation in some of the minor commodities can be substantial. #NA = not available. Source: USDA ERS August 28, 2012, <http://www.ers.usda.gov/data-products/farm-income-and-wealth-statistics.aspx>

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