



Cattle on Feed Report

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Cattle and calves on feed for slaughter market in Texas feedlots with capacity of 1,000 head or more totaled 2.67 million head on November 1, 2012, down 11 percent from a year ago. According to the monthly report released by the Texas Field Office, the estimate was down slightly from the October 1 level. Producers placed 450 thousand head in commercial feedlots during October, down 20 percent from a year ago and down 6 percent from last month.

Texas commercial feeders marketed 440 thousand head during October, down 5 percent from 2011 but up 10 percent from last month.

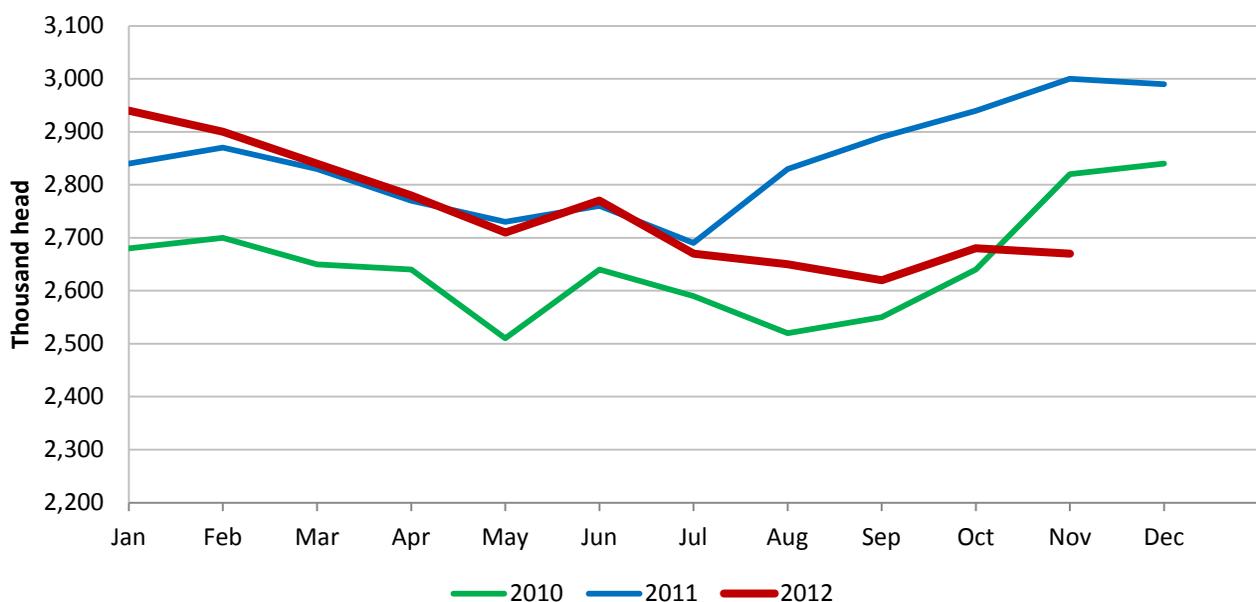
On November 1, there were 2.31 million head of cattle and calves on feed in the Northern High Plains, 87 percent of the state's total. The number on feed across the area was down 9 percent from last year and down slightly from the October 1 total.

October placements in the Northern High Plains totaled 394 thousand head, down 6 percent from the September total. Marketings were up 10 percent from last month to 388 thousand head.

Cattle and calves on feed for slaughter market in the United States in feedlots with a capacity of 1,000 head or more totaled 11.3 million head on November 1, 2012. This inventory was down 5 percent from November 1, 2011.

Placements in feedlots during October totaled 2.18 million head, 13 percent below October 2011. October placements of cattle and calves weighing less than 600 pounds totaled 680 thousand head; 600-699 pounds totaled 505 thousand head; 700-799 pounds totaled 435 thousand head; 800 pounds and greater totaled 560 thousand head. Marketings of fed cattle during October totaled 1.84 million head, 3 percent above 2011.

Texas Cattle on Feed Inventory



Cattle and Calves: Placements, Marketings, Other Disappearance and Inventory in 1,000+ Capacity Feedlots

State	Cattle and Calves									
	On feed October 1		Placed on feed during October		Marketed during October		Other Disappearance during October		On feed November 1	
	2011	2012	2011	2012	2011	2012	2011	2012	2011	2012
	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>
Arizona	280	272	32	19	19	25	1	1	292	265
California.....	490	475	54	62	49	54	5	3	490	480
Colorado.....	1,070	1,000	230	195	155	160	5	5	1,140	1,030
Idaho.....	220	230	55	55	48	44	2	1	225	240
Iowa.....	550	590	137	146	115	143	2	3	570	590
Kansas	2,320	2,230	440	380	340	365	20	25	2,400	2,220
Nebraska.....	2,210	2,330	665	590	390	425	15	15	2,470	2,480
Oklahoma	370	335	86	65	63	54	3	1	390	345
South Dakota	205	195	75	71	39	45	1	1	240	220
Texas.....	2,940	2,680	560	450	465	440	35	20	3,000	2,670
Washington.....	208	213	59	74	40	38	1	1	226	248
Other States	419	439	99	73	64	44	8	2	446	466
United States.....	11,282	10,989	2,492	2,180	1,787	1,837	98	78	11,889	11,254

Cattle on Feed: Number Placed on Feed by Weight Group, 1,000+ Capacity Feedlots

State	During October									
	Less than 600 pounds		600-699 pounds		700-799 pounds		800 pounds or more		Total	
	2011	2012	2011	2012	2011	2012	2011	2012	2011	2012
	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>
Colorado.....	60	65	50	45	50	35	70	50	230	195
Kansas	115	80	120	95	115	120	90	85	440	380
Nebraska.....	185	190	180	130	110	80	190	190	665	590
Texas.....	250	165	125	125	115	100	70	60	560	450
Other States	230	180	115	110	97	100	155	175	597	565
United States...	840	680	590	505	487	435	575	560	2,492	2,180

Cattle on Feed: Number on Feed, Placements, Marketings and Other Disappearance, 1,000+ Capacity Feedlots, United States, November 1, 2011-12

Item	Number		Percent of previous year
	2011	2012	
	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	
On feed October 1 ¹	11,282	10,989	97
Placed on feed during October	2,492	2,180	87
Fed cattle marketed during October	1,787	1,837	103
Other disappearance during October ²	98	78	80
On feed November 1 ¹	11,889	11,254	95

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 Included death losses, movement from feedlots to pasture and shipments to other feedlots for further feeding.

Texas Cattle and Calves on Feed in 1,000+ Capacity Feedlots, by District

Cattle and Calves	District 1-N	District 1-S	District 2-N	District 7	District 8-N	District 10-N	Other districts	State total
	<i>1,000 head</i>							
On feed October 1, 2012 ¹	2,321	158	62	13	30	54	42	2,680
Placed on feed during October	394	24	7	3	6	9	7	450
Fed cattle marketed during October	388	24	8	2	7	6	5	440
Other disappearance during October ²	17	1	1	0	0	1	0	20
On feed November 1, 2012 ¹	2,310	157	60	14	29	56	44	2,670

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