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**(Neb.)-Cattle On Feed Number Grows 11 Percent As Of September 1st**



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LINCOLN, Neb. (AP) - The number of cattle in Nebraska feedlots has grown 11 percent over last year.

The U.S. Department of Agriculture says the 2.24 million cattle in Nebraska feedlots on Sept. 1 was the highest figure since the count began in 1994.

Nationwide, the number of cattle and calves on feed was 10.6 million. That's 1 percent below last September.

The figures are from feedlots with capacities of greater than 1,000 cattle.

Placements in Nebraska feedlots during August totaled 470,000 head of cattle. That's 6 percent higher than in 2011.

The marketings of fed cattle in the state during August totaled 445,000 head. That's up 11 percent over last year.