Cattle on Feed / Bovins mis au pâturage Alberta and/et Saskatchewan Number on feed, Placements, Marketing and other disappearances Nombre d'animaux mis au pâturage, commercialisés et autres fins

October 1, 2003

Le 1er octobre 2003

	2002	2003	% chg	
On Feed September 1, 2003	588,756	338,650	57.5	Au pâturage le 1er septembre 2003
Placed on Feed During September	374,501	318,949	85.2	Bovins mis au pâturage en septembre
Fed Cattle Marketed During Sept.	219,658	155,621	70.8	Ventes de bovins engraissés en sept.
Other Disappearances During Sept.	18,802	13,795	73.4	Autres fins en septembre
On Feed October 1, 2003	724,797	488,183	67.4	Au pâturage le 1er octobre 2003

Cattle On Feed Placements / Bovins au pâturage

Alberta and/et Saskatchewan

Number Placed on Feed by weight group / Nombre de bovins mis en pâturage par groupe de poids

September, 2003

Septembre 2003

	Steers / Bouvillons		Heifers / Taures		Total	
	2002	2003	2002	2003	2002	2003
Less than 600 / Moins de 600	48,173	23,573	35,582	16,903	83,755	40,476
600 - 699	17,825	18,765	10,240	7,334	28,065	26,099
700 - 799	61,143	13,029	41,626	25,087	102,769	38,116
800 and over / 800 et plus	81,232	125,171	78,680	89,087	159,912	214,258
Total	208,373	180,538	166,128	138,411	374,501	318,949

Fall yearling and calf run saw placements increase 130% or 180,446 head from August 2003. Placements in September were down 15% from last year at 318,949 however placements were up from September 1, 2003 substantially in under 600 lbs. and 600-699 lbs. 94% in 700-799 lbs. and 93% for 800 lbs. Comparing placements to September 2002, there has been a 52% decrease or 43,279 head in under 600 lbs., 600-699 lbs. decreased 7% or 1,966 head. 700-799 lbs. decreased 63% and 800 lbs. and over increased 34% or 54,346 head. Cattle on feed in finishing lots over 1,000 head capacity for Alberta and Saskatchewan on October1, 2003 was down 33% from last year at 488,183 head, a difference of 236,614 head. Marketings for September were down 29% from last year with the difference being no fed exports. Domestic fed slaughter was down 13% from September 2002.