

**NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF
AGRICULTURE
AG PROMOTION AND DEVELOPMENT**

Our mission is to coordinate and facilitate agricultural promotion and development activities. Through these activities, our goal is to support and promote the buying, selling, and development of Nebraska agricultural products.

The Nebraska Department of Agriculture (NDA) promotes Nebraska's livestock industry at many state, regional, and national events. The list includes: National Western Stock Show, National Cattlemen's Beef Association Annual Convention and Trade Show, Nebraska State Fair, Nebraska Cattlemen's Classic, and many state commodity association conventions, state breed association annual meetings or tours, and other special events. Through these activities, NDA has received many requests for more information and purchases of Nebraska livestock and agricultural products.

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Agriculture in Nebraska

Nebraska is located in the mid-section of the United States (latitude 40°N-43°N; longitude 96°W-104°W). Hot summers and cold winters, variability in rainfall distribution, fluctuating length of growing season, and frequent winds typify Nebraska's climate and each has affected agricultural production decisions and resource distribution over the years. Average "precipitation" during the last decade ranged from 30.1 inches in the southeast to 17.1 inches in the west. About 75 percent of the precipitation falls as rain during April - September, the crop growing season. Average growing season ranges from 170 days in the southeast to 120 days in the extreme northwest. The southeast is about 1,000 feet above sea level, while the Panhandle has elevations of 4,000 - 5,400 feet.

Irrigation is used by 36 percent of farms, covering 8.6 million acres of harvested cropland, pastureland, and other land, providing a buffer against drought, a serious recurrent problem for the Great Plains. A careful selection of adaptable crops, improved varieties, use of no till, minimum till, strip and contour cropping, stubble mulching, deferred grazing, and other proven practices enable Nebraska farmers to cope with climatic uncertainty and supply domestic and international markets with top quality products.

Water Resources

Nebraska is a water-rich state. Underneath over half of its 49 million acre land surface, in porous rock beds called aquifers, is stored about 2 billion acre-feet of good quality groundwater, most of which is readily accessible. Add to that an average of 80 to 100 million acre-feet of annual precipitation and an annual surface-water inflow of roughly 2 million acre-feet to obtain a measure of available water. In terms of surface water, approximately 7 to 8 million acre-feet flows on to other states, making Nebraska a donor of approximately 5 to

6 million acre-feet more than flows into its borders. Groundwater irrigation began in the 1920's. At the beginning of 1975, nearly 46,000 registered irrigation wells and about 5,000 surface water rights supplied 4 million acres. Currently, 93,557 registered wells and some 6,268 surface water rights supply water to 8.6 million acres of harvested cropland, pastureland, and other land.

Soil Resources

Nebraska soils are a product of interaction of climate and biological organisms on parent materials as modified by local topography, drainage, and exposure to weathering. Two types of geologic deposits are parent materials for the vast majority of soils in the state. Wind-blown sand is the parent material in the Sandhills grazing region that occupies much of the north-central part of the state. Elsewhere, most soils have formed in wind-blown silt and clay or loess. Topography and subsequent soil drainage have greatly influenced development of soil properties in local areas.

Land Uses

Nebraska's 45.5 million acres in farms and ranches is divided between cropland and other land used primarily for pastures and rangeland to support the state's livestock industry. In 2012, the area planted to crops and used for hay totaled 19.6 million acres.

Corn, soybeans, winter wheat, and alfalfa are the state's leading crops, utilizing 17.2 million acres of cropland in 2012. Corn and alfalfa are grown statewide, while most soybeans are produced in the eastern one-half of Nebraska. Primary wheat producing counties lie in the southern and western portions of the state. The specialty crops of dry edible beans and sugarbeets are produced in western irrigated fields. Sandhill pastures of north central Nebraska produce much of the state's wild hay and maintain many cow/calf operations.

Nebraska's Rank Among States in 2012 – (Crop Production)

<u>Rank</u>	<u>Commodity</u>
1	Great northern bean production
2	Pinto beans production
3	Corn for grain production
4	On-farm grain storage capacity
4	Off-farm grain storage capacity
5	Soybean production
5	Sugarbeet production

Quick Facts

Nebraska Livestock Industry

National rank among states (as of 2012)

- 1st - Commercial red meat production (7.3 billion lbs.)
- 1st - Commercial cattle slaughter (6.7 million)
- 2nd - Cattle on feed (2.55 million)
- 2nd - Cattle & calves (6.30 million)
- 2nd - Beef cows (1.81 million)
- 4th - Livestock cash receipts (\$10.1 billion)
- 4th - Calves born (1.72 million)
- 5th - Table eggs production (2.72 million)
- 6th - Hogs & pigs (3.00 million)
- 7th - Commercial Hog slaughter (7.9 million)

In 2011, cash receipts totaled \$8.6 billion, or 39% of the state's total agricultural receipts.

Account for about 7.1% of the Nation's cattle herd and 6.2% of the Nation's beef cow herd on January 1, 2013.

Account for 19.1% of the Nation's cattle on feed January 1, 2013.

Commercial cattle slaughter, at 6.7 million head in 2012 was 20.4% of U.S. total cattle slaughter.

KEY FOR NEBRASKA

FEEDLOT LISTINGS

(example listing)

Feedyard Name: Nebraska's Capitol Beef
Contact: Mr. John Smith, manager
Address: 55 A Rd Lee, NE 55555
County: Lancaster County
Phone: 402-555-5555
Mobile: 402-555-5554
Fax: 402-555-5556
E-mail: johnsmith@capitolbeef.com
Web site: www.smithcapitolbeefxxx.com

Capacity: 5,000 (one-time capacity for feedyard)

Sources: MT 10%, NE 50%; SD 40%
(states where feeder cattle originate)

Financing: Yes (feedyard does offer financing options to customers)

Feed, Cattle (financing is available on feed and cattle)

Feeding Options: Purchase cattle, retain ownership (feeding agreement options)

Feedstuffs: HMC, WDG, dry hay and forage (major feeds used)

Marketing: Live/Cash, Dressed (marketing options the feedyard most often participate)

Value Added: Source and Age Data, QSA, Natural Feed Program (Value-Added Programs offered by the feedyard)

Capitol Beef started in 1975 as a 2,000 head yard and has expanded to the current capacity. Staff and management have extensive feeding experience. Clean pens average size 100 head, Located within 100 miles of three major packing plants.

Located 25 miles north of I-80 at exit 425, then 3 miles west.

Term index:

WDG	Wet distiller grains
DDG	Dry distiller grains
MDG	Modified distiller grains

DCGF	Dry Corn Gluten Feed
CGF	Corn Gluten Feed
HMC	High-Moisture Corn
RC	Rolled Corn
PVP	Process Verified Program
NHTC	Non-Hormone Treated Cattle
QSA	Quality System Assessment

Definitions of Value Added Programs:

Source and Age Data

Feedyard is actively maintaining Source and Age Data for traceability and record keeping. Does not indicate that the feedyard is verified for Source and Age Data and audited by a third-party; however, feedyard is maintaining Source and Age Data for domestic marketability such as branded beef programs.

QSA - Quality System Assessment

This USDA QSA program provides suppliers the opportunity to specify product requirements and a documented quality management system. The focus of this program is primarily source and age verification. QSA program requires third party auditing twice a year.

PVP – Process Verified Program

This USDA program provides suppliers with the opportunity to be able to make marketing claims associated with their process verified points – these include age, source, feeding practices, or other raising and processing claims – and market themselves as “USDA Process Verified”. Programs approved for PVP are also approved to use the “USDA Process Verified Shield.” Cattle in a PVP program are eligible for additional marketing options. PVP requires third party auditing once per year.

NHTC - The Non-Hormone Treated Cattle Program

The Non-Hormone Treated Cattle (NHTC), USDA program has been in effect since 1989, when the European Union (EU) and the U.S. agreed to control measures to facilitate the trade of non-hormone treated bovine meat.

There are three principal components of the NHTC program:

1. Cattle are to be grown in approved farms/feedlots and delivered to the slaughter establishment with shipping documentation that includes the statement "Cattle Meet EV Program Requirements for the EU" and clearly identifies the animals and the quantity.
2. Non-Hormone treated cattle and beef are segregated at the slaughter establishment and handled in a fashion that ensures that they are not commingled with other animals or meat.
3. Tissue samples from non-hormone treated cattle are collected at slaughter and analyzed in order for FSIS to provide export certification for this product.

Natural Feed Management Program

USDA currently defines "*natural*" as a product containing no artificial ingredient or added color and is only minimally processed (a process which does not fundamentally alter the raw product). The label must explain the use of the term natural (such as - no added colorings or artificial ingredients; minimally processed.) Therefore, cattle fed in a natural management feed program will be done so to meet this USDA definition or other program or product claims. Examples might be never-ever use of antibiotics, no growth hormones or no artificial ingredients, or livestock consuming only an all-natural diet.

Nebraska Cattle Feeders

Northeast Region

ADB Land & Cattle, Inc

Alan & Kristie Borgelt
551 T Rd Wisner, NE 68791
Cuming County
402-529-6872 – Phone
402-649-9591 – Mobile
402-529-6872 – Fax
eatbeef@gpcom.net

Capacity: 3,500

Sources: NE 25%, SD 25%, VA 25%, KS 25%

Financing: Yes, Feed, Cattle

Feeding Options: Purchase cattle, partnership, retain ownership

Feedstuffs: HMC, RC, corn silage, hay, WDG

Marketing: Dressed

Alan and Kristie's families have been in the cattle feeding business for a combined 200+ years. They are both the 5th generation of

Bellar Feedlot, Inc.

Gary and Travis Bellar
118 - 18th St
PO Box 649 Wisner, NE 68791
Cuming County
402-529-3572 – Phone
402-529-3573 – Fax

Capacity: 30,000

Sources: SD 50%, ND 15%; NE 10%, MT 10%, other 15%

Financing: Yes, Feed, Cattle

Feeding Options: Purchase cattle, partnership, retain ownership

Feedstuffs: CGF, RC, silage, alfalfa

Marketing: Grid/Formula, Dressed

Value Added: Source and Age, QSA, PVP,

NHTC, Natural Program

Family owned and operated for 35 years.

Beller Corporation

Doug, Dennis, Duane Beller
43721 - 460th St Lindsay, NE 68644
Platte County
402-428-2485 – Phone
402-920-1291 – Mobile
402-428-2485 – Fax
dbeller@frontiernet.net

Capacity: 5,000
Sources: MT 25%, SD 25%, NE 50%
Feeding Options: Purchase cattle,
partnership
Feedstuffs: Silage, alfalfa, ear corn, DDG,
HMC, dry corn
Marketing: Grid/Formula
Value Added: Source and Age, QSA, PVP,
NHTC, Natural Program

Bruns Feedlot, LLC

Leon or Joel
11721 I Ave Pender, NE 68047
Thurston County
402-385-3650 – Phone
402-922-0114 – Leon
402-922-0112 – Joel
402-385-3650 – Fax
brunsfldlm@dishmail.net

Financing: Yes
Feeding Options: Purchase cattle,
partnership, retain ownership
Feedstuffs: Dry corn, HMC, corn silage,
alfalfa, corn stover, supplements

In 1996, Leon brought son Joel into the operations. Today known and operated as Bruns Feedlot, LLC. Leon and Joel are both members. Leon's wife Mary is office manager, and Joel's wife Connie is assistant office manager.

Cedar Hill Cattle, Inc.

Joe Sindelar
1497 Rd R Howells, NE 68641
Colfax County
402-986-1371 – Phone
402-986-1072 – Fax
Capacity: 15,000
Financing: Yes

Feeding Options: Purchase cattle,
partnership, retain ownership
Feedstuffs: Synergy, RC, stalks, alfalfa,
CRP grass, ear corn, silage
Marketing: Live/Cash, Grid/Formula,
Dressed
Value Added: Source and Age, QSA, PVP

Commercial cattle feeding. Started in 1980.

Christensen Cattle Co, Inc.

Brett Zikmund
2967 Hwy 14 Fullerton, NE 68638
Merrick County
308-536-2405 – Phone
308-940-0446 – Mobile
308-536-2562 – Fax
ccc@hamilton.net
www.christensencattleco.com

Capacity: 25,000
Sources: NE 60%, MT 10%, IA 10%, SD
10%, Other/South 10%
Financing: Yes, Feed, Cattle
Feeding Options: Purchase cattle,
partnership, retain ownership
Feedstuffs: HMC, silage, DDGs, roughage,
homing
Marketing: Live/Cash, Grid/Formula,
Dressed
Value Added: Source and Age, QSA, PVP,
NHTC

Christensen Cattle Co. is family owned and operated and was started by Carroll and Dean back in the late 40s and 50s. As they fed most of their own cattle and farmed, they added the Sandy Ridge feedlot in the 80s and began feeding for other people. There is now 2nd and 3rd generation family involved.

Circle E Farms Partnership

Brian Ebberson
56521 - 870th Rd Belder, NE 68717
Cedar County
402-985-2336 – Phone
402-985-2349 – Fax
circlee@conpoint.com

Capacity: 6,500
Sources: NE, SD, ND, MN, MT
Financing: Yes, Feed, Cattle
Feeding Options: Purchase cattle,
partnership, retain ownership
Feedstuffs: RC, high moisture corn, MWDs,
silage

Coe Cattle Co.

Ed McClymont, Manager
PO Box 1141
3409 S 37th St Norfolk, NE 68702-1141
Madison County
402-371-6430 – Phone
402-649-3630 – Mobile
402-371-6862 – Fax
coe@telebeep.com

Capacity: 9,500
Sources: NE 60%, KS 20%, KY/TN 20%
Financing: Yes, feed, cattle
Feeding Options: Purchase cattle,
partnership, retain ownership
Feedstuffs: RC, modified WDG, wet gluten,
corn silage, hay, corn stalks
Marketing: Live/Cash, Grid/Formula,
Dressed

COE Cattle Company has been in
continuous operation since 1971. The
company has two cattle feeding operations,
one at Norfolk, NE and one at Tilden, NE.

Diamond 6 Feeders, Inc.

Troy, Robert, Kent, or Tim
294 – 18th Rd West Point, NE 68788
Cuming County
402-372-5751 – Phone
402-380-0758 – Mobile
office@diamond6.com

Capacity: 10,000
Financing: Yes, Feed, Cattle
Feeding Options: Purchase cattle,
partnership, retain ownership
Feedstuffs: Rolled corn, WCGF, WDG,
protein, alfalfa hay, stover
Marketing: Live/Cash, Grid/Formula,
Dressed

Purchased a nice family owned feedlot operation in August 2004. Partners – employees are lifetime farmers and livestock producers with a combined experience of over 100 years. The existing feedlot – 3,000 head capacity has been expanded to a 10,000 head commercial lot with newly poured bunks and approaches, water tanks, lagoon, holding ponds to meet all regulations.

Drinnin Feedlots, Inc.

Mike Drinnin
493 E 53rd St Columbus, NE 68601
Platte County
402-564-7409 – Phone
402-910-0017 – Mobile
mdrinnin@frontiernet.net

Capacity: 3,000

Sources: MT, CO, ID, IA, VA, MO, KS, OK,
TX, NE, TN

Financing: Yes, Feed, Cattle

Feeding Options: Purchase cattle,
partnership, retain ownership

Feedstuffs: HMC, silage, hay, MDG, ground
stalks

Marketing: Live/Cash, Grid/Formula,
Dressed

Value Added: QSA, PVP

Family owned commercial feeding since
1980.

Drinnin Feedlots, Inc.

Mike Drinnin
14500 Valley Road Palmer, NE 68864
Merrick County
402-564-7409 – Phone
402-910-0017 – Mobile
mdrinnin@frontiernet.net

Capacity: 10,000

Sources: MT, CO, IA, VA, MO, KS, OK, TX,
NE, TN, KY

Financing: Yes, Feed, Cattle

Feeding Options: Purchase cattle,
partnership, retain ownership

Feedstuffs: HMC, silage, hay, MDG, ground
stalks

Marketing: Live/Cash, Grid/Formula,
Dressed
Value Added: QSA, PVP

Family owned commercial feeding since
1980.

Eisenmenger Farms

Joe or John Eisenmenger
26708 - 385th St Humphrey, NE 68642
Platte County
402- 923-0401 – Phone
402-920-0665 – Mobile
402-923-0404 – Fax
joeisen@megavision.com

Capacity: 7,500
Sources: NE 30%, MT 30%, KS 25%, MO
15%

Financing: Yes, Feed, Cattle
Feeding Options: Purchase cattle,
partnership, retain ownership
Feestuffs: Rolled wet and dry corn, corn
stover, hay, modified distiller, gluten
Marketing: Grid/Formula, Dressed
Value Added: Source and Age, QSA, PVP

Family owned and run feedyard. Consulting
nutritionist is the top of the industry.
Consulting vet is very progressive. Yard is
well maintained and pens are all well
drained. Yard is located in close proximity of
five ethanol plants and three major and two
regional packers. The owners have run the
yard for over 25 years. We offer corn and by-
product contracting. Because of our location,
our cost of gain is very reasonable compared
to other feedyards.

Feller & Co.

Tom Feller
PO Box 784 Wisner, NE 68791
Cuming County
402-529-6007 – Phone
402-640-2481 – Mobile
402-529-6117 – Fax
tom@fellercattleco.com
www.fellercattle.com

Capacity: 20,000
Sources: 70% western/northern, 30% southeast
Financing: Yes, Feed, Cattle
Feeding Options: Purchase cattle, partnership, retain ownership
Feedstuffs: Cracked corn, DDG, Alfalfa, syrup
Marketing: Live/Cash, Grid/Formula, Dressed
Value Added: Source and Age, QSA

The Feller family has been in the cattle business since 1910. Good drainage, sand pens, bin storage for corn purchases, no site risk management, friendly, five packers within 100 miles.

Folken Feed Yards, Ltd

Chuck or Justin Folken
379 Rd R Leigh, NE 68643
Colfax County
402-487-2439 or 402-487-2271 – Phone
402-276-0501 – Mobile
402-487-2468 – Fax
ffy@starband.net

Capacity: 10,000
Financing: Yes, Feed, Cattle
Feeding Options: Purchase cattle, partnership, retain ownership
Feedstuffs: Corn, synergy, hay, silage
Marketing: Live/Cash, Grid/Formula, Dressed
Value Added: Source and Age Data, QSA

Family owned and operated. Started in 1967 commercially. Specialize in weaning calves and finishing them.

Fore-Quarters, LLC

55933 - 840th Rd Norfolk, NE 68701
Stanton County
402-371-8860 – Phone
402-649-0998 – Mobile

Capacity: 10,000
Sources: NE 80%, SD 10%, IA 10%
Financing: Yes, feed, cattle
Feeding Option: Purchase cattle, partnership, retain ownership

Feedstuffs: Flaked corn, silage, Synergy
Marketing: Live/Cash, Grid/Formula,
Dressed
Value Added: Source and Age, QSA

Well maintained older yard. Located within
120 miles of major packing plants.

Frahm Farms Inc

Ward Frahm
53407 863 Rd Plainview, NE 68769
Pierce County
402-582-4891 – Phone
402-841-0176 – Mobile
402-582-4895 – Fax
frahmfarmsinc@yahoo.com

Capacity: 5,000
Sources: NE 25%, WY 25%, MT 25%, SD
25%
Financing: Yes, feed, cattle
Feeding options: Purchase Cattle,
Partnership, Retain Ownership
Feedstuffs: High moisture ear corn, distiller's
grains, soyoil bi-products, corn stalks
Marketing: Live/Cash, Grid/Formula,
Dressed
Value Added: QSA

40 years backgrounding and finishing cattle.
2400 head deep pit confinement. 2600 head
open lots.

Fred Kluck Feed Yards

Brian Kluck
328 Rd F Richland, NE 68601
Colfax County
402-910-8516 - Mobile
bjkluck@megavision.com

Capacity: 2,200
Sources: NE
Feeding options: Purchase Cattle,
Partnership, Retain Ownership
Feedstuffs: RC, silage, hay, DDGs
Marketing: Live/Cash, Grid/Formula,
Dressed

Since 1921, mostly confinement, near ADM
Columbus

Gary Bader and Sons Feedyard

Gary G. Bader
108 R Rd Palmer, NE 68864
Merrick County
308-894-5222 – Phone
308-750-0203 – Mobile
308-894-8295 – Fax
baderk@frontier.net

Capacity: 18,500
Sources: NE 50%, OK 25%, MO 25%
Financing: Yes
Feeding Options: Partnership, retain ownership
Feedstuffs: WDG, HMC, RC, alfalfa, bean stubble
Marketing: Live/Cash, Grid/Formula, Dressed

Gary Bader and Sons' Feedyard is a family owned operation. We have been in operation for 50+ years. We have big pens, plenty of water and good protection.

Harry Knobbe Feed Yards

Scott Knobbe, Manager
595 - 15th Rd West Point, NE 68788
Cuming County
402-372-5464 – Phone
402-380-0413 – Mobile
402-372-3946 – Fax

Capacity: 5,000
Sources: Many states
Financing: Yes
Feedstuffs: CGF, WDG, earlage, liquid protein, dry hay
Marketing: Grid/Formula, Dressed

Third generation in cattle feeding business.

Heine Farms Feedyard, LLC

Ron or Steve Heine
55969 897th Rd Fordyce, NE 68736
Cedar County
402-357-3392 – Phone
605-661-5971 or 605-661-9700 – Mobile
402-357-3369 – Fax
hf@gpcom.net

Capacity: 13,000
Sources: NE 25%, SD 40%, KS 15%, VA
10%, KY 10%
Financing: Yes, feed, cattle
Feeding options: Purchase cattle,
partnership, retain ownership
Feedstuffs: HMC, dry corn (all corn is rolled),
corn cilage, corn stalks, wheat straw, alfalfa,
MDGs, synergy
Marketing: Live/Cash, Dressed
Value Added: Source and Age, QSA, Natural
Program
Been in operation over 100 years

Herb Albers Feedlots, Inc.

Jeff Albers
2408 - 6th Rd Wisner, NE 68791
Cuming County
402-529-6626 – Phone
todd@albersfeedlot.com

Capacity: 12,500
Financing: Yes, Feed, Cattle
Feeding Options: Purchase cattle,
partnership, retain ownership
Feedstuffs: RC, flaked corn, distiller's
Marketing: Live/Cash, Grid/Formula,
Dressed
Value Added: Source and Age, QSA, PVP

4th generation cattle feeders in business for
over 80 years.

J & S Feedlots, Inc.

Steve or Joan Ruskamp
1747 Rd W Dodge, NE 68633
Colfax County
402-693-2347 – Phone
402-380-0985 – Mobile
402-693-2336 – Fax
steveruskamp@gmail.com
Capacity: 4,000
Sources: KY & TN 50%, MN, IA, & MO 50%
Feedstuffs: RC, MWDGs, corn silage

32 years in operation, privately owned
feedyard.

Kennedy Feedlot

John Kennedy, Jr.
2757 - 140th Ave Primrose, NE 68655
Boone County
308-396-1505 – Phone
402-920-2828 – Mobile
308-396-1505 - Fax

Capacity: 1,200
Sources: NE 70%, ND 20%, WY 10%
Feeding Options: Purchase Cattle,
Partnership, Retain Ownership
Feedstuffs: WDGs, RC, alfalfa hay, silage,
corn stalks, straw
Marketing: Live/Cash, Grid/Formula,
Dressed
Value Added: Source and Age, QSA, PVP

Feedyard has been in family since 1975.
Started custom feeding 25 years ago. I
wean calves, feed yearlings, and most cattle
are fed to slaughter.

Kevin Stieren Feedlot

Kevin Stieren
1863 M Rd West Point, NE 68788
Cuming County
402-380-8689 – Phone
402-372-5186 – Fax
kevtier@hotmail.com

Capacity: 1,200
Sources: NE, lots of other states
Feeding Options: Purchase cattle,
partnership, retain ownership
Feedstuffs: HMC, RC, silage, DDGs
Marketing: Live/Cash, Dressed

Thirty years family owned and operated.

Mason Grove Land & Cattle

Dean M. Wilken
54857 - 822 Rd Bloomfield, NE 68718
Knox County
402-373-4523 – Phone
402-640-1820 – Mobile
402-373-4540 – Fax
masongrove@yahoo.com

Capacity: 3,000

Sources: 90% Northern Cattle, SD, MT, WY,
KS, NE, MO
Financing: Yes, feed
Feedstuffs: HMC, dry RC, silage, mixed
hay, MWDG
Marketing: Live/Cash, Grid/Formula,
Dressed
Value Added: Source and Age, QSA, PVP,
NHTC, Natural Program

General farming and feeding operation.
Family owned and operated. Deal with high-
quality cattle. Various premium programs.
Been in business for 35 years.

Northeast NE Feeders

Doug Korth
86880 - 560th Ave Randolph, NE 68771
Cedar County
402-360-0390 – Phone
402-337-0095 – Fax

Capacity: 7,000
Financing: Yes
Feedstuffs: HMC, dry corn, corn silage, hay,
distillers, gluten
Marketing: Live/Cash, Grid/Formula,
Dressed
Value Added: Source and Age, QSA, PVP,
NHTC, Natural Program

Ott Livestock, LLC

Steve and Adam Ott
731 Hwy 275 Wisner, NE 68791
Cuming County
402-529-6046– Phone
402-750-1823; 402-750-3373 – Mobile
402-524-6046 – Fax
lott@gpc.com

Capacity: 3,000
Sources: SD 40%, NE 30%, KS 10%, KY
10%, CO 10%
Financing: Yes, Feed, Cattle
Feeding Options: Purchase cattle,
partnership, retain ownership
Feedstuffs: Hay, WDG, corn, CGF
Marketing: Live/Cash, Grid/Formula,
Dressed
Value Added: Source and Age, QSA, NHTC

Family owned feedlot in operation 15 years.

Reigle Farms & Feedyards

Andy Reigle
55510 823 Rd Madison, NE 69748
Madison County
402-454-2729 – Phone
402-454-9949 – Fax
reiglefarms@telebeep.com

Capacity: 14,000

Family owned and operated feeding/farming operation, not a custom feeding operation

Rhea Cattle Company

J.P. Rhea
5935 McCall Ln Arlington, NE 68002
Washington County
402-478-4344 – Phone
402-720-9639 – Mobile
402-478-4313 – Fax
jp@rheacattle.com
www.rheacattle.com

Capacity: 7,000

Sources: Southeast 50%, North 50%

Financing: Yes

Feeding Option: Purchase cattle,
partnership, retain ownership

Feedstuffs: HMC, distillers grains, alfalfa,
corn stalks

Marketing: Live/Cash, Grid/Formula,
Dressed

Value Added: Source and Age, QSA, PVP,
Certified Hereford Beef

Feeding cattle since the 1950's. Diversified operation includes grain farming and alfalfa trading and processing. Specialize in starting high risk calves.

RKR Feedlot, Inc.

Roy Ritter
1174 I Rd West Point, NE 68788
Cuming County
402-372-5320 – Phone
402-380-2881 – Mobile
402-372-1986 – Fax
rritter@skywave.net

Capacity: 5,000
Sources: Western US 90%, Eastern US 10%
Financing: Yes, Feed, Cattle
Feeding Options: Purchase cattle,
partnership, retain ownership
Feedstuffs: Corn, silage, ground earcorn,
grass and alfalfa hay, DDGs
Marketing: Live/Cash, Dressed

Family owned and operated feeding and farming operation that has been in operation for over 50 years. 5000 head capacity.

Ruskamp Feedyards, Inc.

Gary Ruskamp, Owner
162 - 8th Rd Dodge, NE 68633
Cuming County
402-693-4169 – Phone
402-380-1691 – Mobile
garyruskamp@gpcom.net
www.ruskampfeedyardsnebraska.com

Capacity: 8,000
Sources: NE 50%, SD 25%, SE US 25%
Financing: Yes, Feed, Cattle
Feeding Options: Purchase cattle,
partnership, retain ownership
Feedstuffs: HMC, DDGs, RC, hay, dry
supplement
Marketing: Live/Cash, Grid/Formula,
Dressed
Value Added: Source and Age, QSA, PVP,
Natural Program

Company was started in 1980 by Gary Ruskamp with son Doug coming on a few years later. Feedyard is located 2 miles north of Dodge, NE on blacktop road. Yard consists of 40 to 200 head pens which are open for summer heat and protected with cornstalk bales in winter. All pens have mounds for drainage. Excellent crew plus consultant and vet on call 24/7. Processing done inside building with scale on chute. Bedding used in pens in adverse weather. Trucks available to haul cattle and feedstuffs. Modern feed mill and feeding equipment.

Samson, Inc.

Scott Mueller
2204 - 14th St Columbus, NE 68601
Platte County
402-606-4096 – Phone
402-276-2084 – Mobile
402-606-4161 – Fax
scott@samson-inc.com
www.samson-inc.com

Capacity: 2,500
Sources: SD 65%, NE 35%
Financing: Yes, feed, cattle
Feeding Options: Purchased cattle,
partnership, retained ownership
Feedstuffs: HMC, RC, gluten, stover, WDG,
alfalfa, hay
Marketing: Live/Cash, Dressed
Value Added: Age and Source, PVP,
NHTC, Natural

Schantz Cattle

Tom Schantz
460 M Rd Wisner, NE 68791
Cuming County
402-529-2259 – Phone
402-380-2130 – Mobile
402-529-2260 – Fax
schantzcattle@gpcom.net

Capacity: 5,500
Financing: Yes, Feed, Cattle
Feeding Options: Purchase cattle,
partnership, retain ownership
Feedstuffs: HMC, RC, distillers, gluten,
alfalfa, cornstalks
Marketing: Live/Cash, Grid/Formula,
Dressed
Value Added: Source and Age, QSA

12 years. Family owned and operated.

SS & S Feeders LLC

Scott Schmid
127 Rd I Columbus, NE 68601
Colfax County
402-564-7178 – Phone
402-910-6896 – Mobile
402-564-7178 – Fax
sschmid@frontiernet.com

Capacity: 3,000
Sources: KS 50%, NE 50%
Feeding Options: Purchase cattle, retain ownership
Feedstuffs: RC, HMC, liquid supplements, silage, hay, stover, DDG
Marketing: Live/Cash, Grid/Formula, Dressed

Family run operation for 25 years. One major packing plant 10 miles away. Several others in a 100 mile radius. Consulting nutritionist on hand.

TJ Livestock, Inc.

Terry Lutjens
23389 - 355th St Platte Center, NE 68653
Platte County
402-246-2037 – Phone
TJstock@megavision.com

Capacity: 2,800
Sources: NE 60%, IA 40%
Feeding Options: Partnership, retain ownership
Feedstuffs: WDG, CGF, steep water, RC, hay, silage, corn stover
Marketing: Live/Cash, Grid/Formula, Dressed
Value Added: PVP

Family owned operation for 30+ years.

Urwiler Feeders, Inc.

Carter Urwiler
622 Hwy 51 Wisner, NE 68791
Cuming County
402-529-6752 – Phone
402-380-4941 – Mobile
402-529-6756 – Fax

Capacity: 4,500
Sources: IA 35%, NE 25%, SD 25%, KY 15%
Financing: Yes, feed, cattle
Feeding Options: Purchase cattle, partnership, retain ownership
Feedstuffs: HMC, dry corn, MWDG, silage, alfalfa, gluten, corn stalks
Marketing: Live/Cash, Grid/Formula, Dressed

Value Added: QSA, Certified Hereford Beef,
Certified Angus Beef

Twenty-six years in feedlot management.
13 years in operation, 31 years of feedlot
management experience. I've fed cattle in a
feedlot operation since 1982. I have a
Bachelor of Science degree from the
University of Nebraska-Lincoln in Ag Econ.
Urwiler Feeders, INC was established in
2000 after I spent my previous years
managing a larger feedlot. I wanted to keep
a smaller feedlot of my own, for a more
personal touch with my customers and their
cattle.

Vollmer Feedyard, LLC

Alan and Kristie Borgelt
808 – 3rd Rd Howells, NE 68641
Cuming County
402-529-6872 -- Phone
402-649-9591 – Mobile
402-529-6872 - Fax
eatbeef@gpcom.net

Capacity: 4,000

Sources: NE 25%, SD 25%, VA 25%, KS
25%

Financing: Yes, feed, cattle

Feeding Option: Purchase cattle,
partnership, retain ownership

Feedstuffs: HMC, RC, corn silage, earlage,
hay, WDG

Marketing: Dressed

Alan and Kristie's families have been in the
cattle feeding business for a combined 200+
years. They are both the 5th generation of
their respective families to be involved in
production agriculture.

Warren Wortman & Sons

Brian Wortman
86930 - 532nd Ave Creighton, NE 68729
Antelope County
402-360-2346– Phone
Capacity: 2,150
Sources: NE 95%, 5% SD
Feeding Options: Purchase Cattle, Retain
Ownership

Feedstuffs: HMC, RC, silage, DDGs,
earcorn silage
Marketing: Dressed
We have been feeding cattle for 45 years

Weborg Feeding Co, LLC

Tyler Weborg
1737 V Rd Pender, NE 68047
Cuming County
402-385-3441 – Phone
402-385-2441 – Fax
webcat@weborgfeeding.com

Capacity: 25,000
Sources: NE 25%, KS 25%, MT 15%, SD
10%, IA 10%, VA %5, AL 5%, Canada 5%
Financing: Yes
Feeding Options: Purchase cattle,
partnership, retain ownership
Feedstuffs: Flaked corn, silage, earlage,
alfalfa, MDGs
Marketing: Live/Cash, Grid/Formula,
Dressed
Value Added: Source and Age, QSA, PVP,
NHTC, Natural Program

Family owned and operated. 40+ years
cattle feeding and farming

Weitzenkamp Farms, Inc.

Jim Weitzenkamp
206 Cnty Rd 20 Hooper, NE 68031
Dodge County
402-567-2206 – Phone
402-720-0603 – Mobile
402-567-2353 – Fax
weitzfarms@omni-tech.net

Capacity: 9,000
Sources: MT, SD, OK, KS, MO, VA, WY
Financing: Yes
Feeding Options: Purchase cattle,
partnership
Feedstuffs: HMC, distillers, hay, corn stalks
Marketing: Live/Cash, Dressed
Value Added: QSA

Family farm and feedlot since 1940's. 9,000
head permit. High Moisture corn - home
raised, Half million bushels yearly. Three

brothers and four sons in the operation.
Custom feed, self-owned, share-ownership

Wisner Feedlots, Inc.

Ron Kvols or Gene Ott
PO Box 775 Wisner, NE 68791
Cuming County
402-529-6852 – Phone
rkvols@gpcom.net

Capacity: 8,500
Sources: Several states
Financing: Yes, Feed, Cattle
Feeding Options: Partnership
Feedstuffs: RC, WDG, CGF, hay, HMC
Marketing: Live/Cash

Cattle feeding for 30 years.

North Central

Bejot Feedlots, LLC

Thomas Bejot
PO Box 106 Ainsworth, NE 69210
Brown County
402-387-2236 – Phone
402-760-0484 – Mobile
402-387-2275 – Fax
thomasb@bejotfeedlots.com
www.bejotfeedlots.com

Capacity: 13,000
Sources: NE 50%, SD 45%, OK/TX 5%
Financing: Yes, Feed, Cattle
Feeding Options: Purchase cattle,
partnership, retain ownership
Feedstuffs: Dry RC, HMC, silage, MWDSs,
hay, alfalfa, corn stalks, straw
Marketing: Live/Cash, Grid/Formula,
Dressed

In business since 1951. Feed all classes of
cattle. All major packers in Nebraska visit our
yard on a weekly basis. Consulting
veterinarian oversees health program. BQA
certified cattle handlers. Computerized bank
management, computerized veterinarian
records, and ownership tagging.

Ferguson & Ferguson

Jim Ferguson
43850 St Hwy 12 Springview, NE 68778
Keya Paha County
402-497-2122 – Phone
402-382-8435 – Mobile
402-497-2122 – Fax

Capacity: 5,000
Sources: NE 10%, SD 60%, WY 30%
Feeding Options: Retain ownership
Feedstuffs: WDG, corn, corn silage, hay
Marketing: Dressed
Value Added: NHTC, Natural Program

We have been here since 1976. Started feeding commercially in 1995.

Hackel Feedlot

Mark Hackel
80643 - 476th Ave Ord, NE 68862
Valley County
308-728-5289 – Phone
308-730-1217 – Mobile

Capacity: 5,500
Feeding Options: Purchase cattle, partnership, retain ownership
Feedstuffs: HMC, WDG, alfalfa, stalks
Marketing: Live/Cash, Grid/Formula, Dressed
Value Added: Source and Age, QSA, Natural Program

Jerry Glaser, Inc.

Jerry Glaser
50206 - 820th Rd Spalding, NE 68665
308-497-2782 – Phone
308-750-9578 – Mobile
glaserjc@hotmail.com

Capacity: 900
Sources: NE 100%
Feeding Options: Purchase cattle
Feedstuffs: Grass alfalfa mix, forage sorghum, triticale, rye oats, dry silage, silage bales
Marketing: Live/Cash, Grid/Formula, Dressed

Value Added: Source and Age, QSA, PVP, NHTC, Natural Program, GAP Grassfed Organic

Started corn feeding cattle in 1985 now we finish our own cattle and some purchased cattle. We finish cattle with forages for the grass fed market with our own feed stuffs.

Miles Feeding

Mark Miles
87868 Rauscher Ave Ainsworth, NE 69210
Brown County
402-722-4224
402-617-6570
mmilescattle@gmail.com

Capacity: 2,500
Sources: NE 75%, SD 25%
Feeding Options: Purchase Cattle, Partnership, Retain Ownership
Feedstuffs: HMC, dry corn, silage, alfalfa, earlage, distillers
Marketing: Live/Cash, Dressed

Cattle feeding has been done for 75+ years. Feed both calves and yearlings. Father son operation. All corn needs are grown on farm.

O'Hare Ranch

Doug O'Hare
RR 1 Box 70 Ainsworth, NE 69210
Brown County
402-387-1782 - Phone
402-760-1296 - Mobile
402-387-1790 - Fax
DO@threeriverwb.net
www.ohareranch.com

Capacity: 6,500
Sources: NE 50%, MT 35%, SD 15%
Feeding Options: Purchase cattle, partnership, retain ownership
Feedstuffs: Silage, corn, HMC, WDG, alfalfa, hay
Marketing: Live/Cash, Grid/Formula, Dressed
Value Added: QSA

Background to finish for 30 years. Heifer development for 15 years. A.I. breeding program.

Ries Cattle Co.

Rod Ries
86534 Ries Dr.. Wood Lake, NE 69221
Cherry County
402-967-3463 & 402-967-3439 – Phone
402-967-3439 – Fax
rodries85@hotmail.com

Capacity: 2,000
Sources: NE
Feeding Options: Purchase cattle, retain ownership
Feedstuffs: Corn silage, hay, corn, DDG
Marketing: Live/Cash, Grid/Formula, Dressed
Value Added: Source and Age, QSA, PVP, NHTC

Feeding cattle for 37 years. We background and finish cattle.

Sandhills Cattle Feeding, Inc.

Larry Carlson
PO Box 307 Bassett, NE 68714
Rock County
402-684-2388 – Phone
308-379-8755 – Mobile
402-684-2388 – Fax
sandhlsctfdg@huntel.net

Capacity: 6,500
Sources: MT 50%, WY 15%, NE 25%, SD 10%
Financing: Yes, Feed, Cattle
Feeding Options: Purchase cattle, partnership, retain ownership
Feedstuffs: RC, alfalfa, liquid protein
Marketing: Grid/Formula, Dressed
Value Added: Source and Age, QSA, PVP, NHTC

We started in 1988, specialize in calf feeding, weaned and non-weaned backgrounding and finishing, and sort all fat cattle to obtain the highest premiums on grids, have great protection and sand lots.

Panhandle

Black Ranches, Inc.

Butch Black
PO Box 37 Lakeside, NE 69351
Sheridan County
308-762-2405 – Phone
308-760-9078 – Mobile
Carleen@bbcwbn.net
www.blackranchesinc.com

Capacity: 8,000
Sources: NE 75%, MT 5%, CO 10%, KS 5%,
SD 5%
Feeding Options: Retain ownership
Feedstuffs: Corn, beet pulp, DDG, WDGS,
hay, protein supplements
Marketing: Live/Cash
Value Added: Source and Age, NHTC

Large third generation sandhills ranch,
Angus-cross cow-calf operation with
commercial feedlot. 200 head annual bull
sale along with breeding females and broke
horses.

Chappell Feedlot

Tom Williams
16780 Hwy 30 Chappell, NE 69129
Deuel County
308-874-2297 – Phone
308-874-4193 – Mobile
308-874-2298 – Fax
tomwilliams@kci.net
www.chappellfeedlot.com

Capacity: 7,500
Sources: SD, ND, MT, OK, WY, NE
Financing: Yes
Feeding Options: Partnership
Feedstuffs: Corn, beet pulp, corn silage
Marketing: Live/Cash, Grid/Formula,
Dressed
Value Added: Source and Age, QSA, PVP,
NHTC

Family owned since 1992. Our goal is to
form long-term, mutually beneficial
relationships with progressive producers.

Darnall Feedlot

Gary, Ruth, and Lane Darnall
3071 Rd 67 Harrisburg, NE 69345
Banner County
308-783-1144 – Phone
308-631-0050 – Gary
308-631-0671 – Lane
308-783-2456 – Fax
darnall@pairieweb.com

Capacity: 22,500
Source: NE, WY, SD, ND, MT, UT, ID
Financing: Yes, Feed, Cattle
Feeding Options: Purchase cattle,
partnership, retain ownership
Feedstuffs: RC, silage, beet pulp, DDG
Marketing: Live/Cash, Grid/Formula,
Dressed
Value Added: Source and Age, QSA, PVP,
Ultrasound for Max Marketing Values

Family owned, 35 years in operation.
Certified Angus Beef feedlot.

Fall-Run Feeders, Inc.

Brian K. Chandler
612 Hillcrest Dr Scottsbluff, NE 69361
Scotts Bluff County
308-635-1656 – Phone
308-631-3010 – Mobile
308-635-1656 – Fax

Capacity: 4,500
Financing: Yes, Feed, Cattle
Feeding Options: Purchase cattle,
partnership, retain ownership
Feedstuffs: RC, WDG, beet pulp, silage,
alfalfa hay
Marketing: Live/Cash, Grid/Formula,
Dressed
Value Added: Source and Age, Natural
Programs

Fall-Run Feeders has been in business since 2000. The yard was 1,500 head one-time capacity in 2000 and is now 5,000 head. We offer all types of services from weaning, backgrounding, finishing, wintering cattle on grass, finishing cows and wintering cows.

Grasmick Farming Co.

Rick Bernhardt
80269 Cnty Rd 7 Morrill, NE 69358
Scotts Bluff County
308-247-2767 – Phone
nl.gbeef@gmail.com

Capacity: 5,000
Sources: WY 30%, NE 35%, SD 30%, MT
5%
Feedstuffs: WDG, pulp, dry hay, haylage,
corn silage, earlage, RC, liquid protein
Marketing: Live/Cash, Grid/Formula,
Dressed

Grasmick Farming is a custom feeding and
farming operation. Farm land is over 1,000
acres. Our facility consists of 27 pens, farm
ground, pasture ground, grain storage, and
processing building.

J & J Cattle Co.

Jerry Underwood
7000 Valley Rd Alliance, NE 69301
Box Butte County
308-760-0167 – Mobile
308-762-3451 – Fax
JJBeef@telecomwest.net

Capacity: 2,750
Sources: NE, WY, SD
Financing: Yes
Feeding Options: Partnership, retain
ownership
Feedstuffs: Corn, alfalfa, DDG, WDGS,
silage
Marketing: Live/Cash, Grid/Formula,
Dressed
Value Added: Source and Age, QSA, PVP

JMB Feeders, LLC

Daryl Thompson
3862 Rd 77 Potter, NE 69156
Cheyenne County
308-879-4684 – Phone
308-726-8023 – Mobile
308-879-4681 – Fax
jmb@actcom.net
jmbfeeders.com

Capacity: 14,000

Sources: ND & SD 30%, CO, WY, & NE
60%, KY 10%
Financing: Yes, Feed
Feeding Options: Purchase cattle,
partnership, retain ownership
Feedstuffs: WDG, RC, alfalfa, corn stover,
silage, liquid supplement
Marketing: Live/Cash, Grid/Formula,
Dressed

JMB Feeders LLC was established in 2000.
Commercial cattle feeding, specializing in
backgrounding calves.

Nebraska Beef Farms

Rudy Butch Stanko
PO Box 509 Gordon, NE 69343
Sheridan County
308-360-2127 – Mobile
commonlawrudy1@gmail.com

Capacity: 2,000
Sources: NE 75%, WY 5%, SD 20%
Feeding Option: Retain ownership
Feedstuffs: Earlage, haylage, cornstalks
Marketing: Live/Cash, Grid/Formula,
Dressed
Comments: Since 1971.

Oshkosh Feedyard Corporation

Delmer Westerbuhr
PO Box 440 Oshkosh, NE 69154
Garden County
308-772-3237 – Phone
308-831-0688 – Mobile

Capacity: 18,000
Sources: NE 75%, Other 25%
Financing: Yes
Feeding Option: Purchase cattle,
partnership, retain ownership
Feedstuffs: Corn, HMC, alfalfa
Marketing: Live/Cash, Grid/Formula,
Dressed
Value Added: Source and Age, QSA, PVP

Panhandle Feeders, Inc.

Steve True
PO Box 649 Morrill, NE 69358
Scotts Bluff County
308- 247-2004 - Phone

308- 631-6620 – Cell
stevet@pfimail.com

Capacity: 20,000
Sources: NE, SD, WY, MT
Financing: Yes, feed, cattle
Feedstuffs: Flaked corn, alfalfa, corn silage,
WDG, beet bi-product
Marketing: Live/Cash
Value Added: Source and Age

Stuart's Feedlot

Mary Stuart
HC 86 Box 176 Bayard, NE 69334
Morrill County
308-586-1761 – Phone

Capacity: 7,000
Sources: MT 35%, NE 50%, WY 15%
Financing: Yes, Feed, Cattle
Feeding Options: Purchase cattle,
partnership, retain ownership
Feedstuffs: RC, silage, WDG, sunflower
pellets, beet pulp, ground hay
Marketing: Live/Cash, Grid/Formula
Value Added: Source and Age, QSA, PVP,
Natural Program

Twenty years in custom feeding and family
farming operation.

Three L. Farming & Feeding, Inc.

Peter G. Laposeotes
10377 US Hwy 385 Bridgeport, NE 69336
Morrill County
308-262-0217 – Phone
308-262-1087 – Fax

Capacity: 5,000
Sources: ID 50%, MT 30%, NE 20%
Financing: Yes, Feed, Cattle
Feeding Options: Retain ownership
Feedstuffs: Rolled wet and dry corn, corn
silage, beet pulp, alfalfa, WDG
Marketing: Live/Cash, Grid/Formula,
Dressed
Value Added: Source and Age, QSA,
Natural Program

Since 1985. Feed our own cattle and customer owned. Specialize in fresh weaned calves and offer QSA programs.

Valley Feed Yards, Inc.

Joe Burford
7775 L 62 A Bayard, NE 69334
Morrill County
308-586-1688 – Phone
308-631-1246 – Joe Burford
308-641-5667 – Dale Hansen
308-586-2850 – Fax
vfy@bbcwb.net

Capacity: 8,000
Source: NE
Financing: Yes, feed, cattle
Feeding Options: Purchase Cattle,
Partnership, Retain Ownership
Feedstuffs: RC, silage, hay, DDGs
Marketing: Live/Cash, Grid/Formula
Value Added: Source and Age, QSA, PVP
Been in the feedyard business for about
20 years - custom feed cattle

Wiggins Feedyard, LLC

Sue Wiggins
10077 US 385 Bridgeport, NE 69336
Morrill County
308-262-1140 – Phone
308-279-0924 – Mobile
sswiggins@telecomwest.net

Capacity: 5,000
Sources: NE 50%, MT 20%, WY 10%, ID
10%, KY 10%, OR 10%, OK10%
Financing: Yes, feed
Feedstuffs: RC, HMC, alfalfa, WDG, corn
silage, haylage, beet pulp
Marketing: Live/Cash, Dressed
Value Added: Source and Age, QSA, NHTC

Wiggins Feedyard has been feeding cattle since 1976 with 500 head to the current capacity. A family feeding operation consisting of husband, wife, and four sons. Specializing in background to finish. Feedyard works with consulting veterinarian and nutritionist.

South Central

37 Cattle Feeders

Richard B. Waller
11138 - 740th Rd Holdrege, NE 68949
Phelps County
308-995-4737 – Phone
308-991-2254 – Mobile
308-995-5981 – Fax
37cattle@atcnet.net

Capacity: 6,000
Sources: NE, CO, SD, ND, WY, KS, OK, TX
Financing: Yes, Feed, Cattle
Feeding Options: Purchase cattle,
partnership, retain ownership
Feedstuffs: HMC, silage, hay, DDG
Marketing: Live/Cash, Grid/Formula,
Dressed
Value Added: Source and Age, QSA, PVP

6,000 head capacity, 80 years in business.
Family owned and operated. Seven buyers
weekly. Ample feed and water, excellent
drainage, 50-200 weaning pens, consulting
vet, Power Genetics approved feedlot.

Aerni Land and Cattle

Mel Aerni
33885 Rd 766 Madrid, NE 69150
Perkins County
308-326-4324 – Phone
308-352-6188 – Mobile
308-326-2264 – Fax
mkaerni@nebnet.net

Capacity: 2,000
Sources: NE 60%, MT 30%, WY 10%
Financing: Yes, Cattle
Feeding Options: Retain ownership
Feedstuffs: WDG, RC, alfalfa, corn silage,
cane
Marketing: Live/Cash, Grid/Formula,
Dressed
Value Added: Source and Age, QSA, PVP

In operation since 1972. Located in Perkins,
Keith, and Arthur counties, operation has a
cow-calf herd and a 2000 head feedlot. We
do commercial backgrounding and feeding.
Family operation.

Art Henry & Sons Inc.

Mike Henry
8927 East State Farm Rd
North Platte, NE 69101
Lincoln County
308-530-1057 - Phone
308-532-6359 - Fax
henrybeef@hotmail.com

Capacity: 900
Source: NE
Financing: Yes
Feeding Options: Purchase Cattle,
Partnership, Retain Ownership
Feedstuffs: Rolled corn, WDGs, silage
Marketing: Live/Cash, Grid/Formula,
Dressed
Value Added: Source and Age, QSA

50+ years

B & B Cattle Co., Inc.

Steve or Derik Behr
11175 - 739th Rd Holdrege, NE 68949
Phelps County
308-995-4821 – Phone
308-991-0215 – Mobile
308-995-6368 – Fax
bbcattle@atcjt.net

Financing: Yes, Feed, Cattle
Feeding Options: Purchase cattle,
partnership, retain ownership
Feedstuffs: Dry corn, HMC, DDG
Marketing: Live/Cash, Grid/Formula,
Dressed
Value Added: Source and Age, QSA, PVP

In Phelps County for over 30 years.
Finishing, backgrounding, and heifer
development.

Benjamin Feedlot

Howard Benjamin
76570 Rd 423 Cozad, NE 69130
Dawson County
308-784-3741 – Phone
308-325-3538 – Mobile
jess@coztel.com

Capacity: 4,000+
Sources: MT, WY, ID, ND, SD 50%; NE 50%
Financing: Yes, Feed
Feeding Options: Retain Ownership
Feedstuffs: Corn silage, alfalfa hay, dry
rolled corn, WDG, liquid supplements
Marketing: Transfer to Darr Feedlot for
finishing and marketing
Value Added: Source and Age Data, QSA,
PVP, 75% are Power Genetics qualified

Forty years of background experience
featuring large, well-drained pens,
value-added experience, and excellent
consulting vets. We specialize in weaning
and growing health stockers and preparing
them to achieve top performance in the
feedyard at a competitive cost.

Bunker Hill Farms, Inc.

Brian W. Johnson
73465 K Rd Holdrege, NE 68949
Phelps County
308-995-5522 – Phone
brianjohnson@atcjet.net

Capacity: 4,000
Sources: NE 80%, KS 10%, OK 10%
Feedstuffs: Wet and dry corn, alfalfa,
cornstalks, silage WDG
Marketing: Live/Cash, Dressed
Value Added: Source and Age, QSA
Family owned feedyard. All cattle are owned
by a family member. Company started in
1975.

Crawford Cattle Company

Jim Crawford
1609 S Airport Rd Lexington, NE 68850
Dawson County
308-324-4746 - Phone
308-325-0200 - Mobile

Capacity: 7,000
Sources: NE 40%, outstate 60%
Financing: Yes, feed, cattle
Feeding Option: Purchase cattle,
partnership, retain ownership
Feedstuffs: Dry RC, silage, hay, DDG
Marketing: Live/Cash, Dressed
Value Added; Source and Age, QSA, PVP

Crawford Cattle Company was formed in 1973. Commercial feedlot.

Daffer Feedyard

Mike Daffer
70354 Rd 395 Danbury, NE 69026
Red Willow County
308-895-2455 – Phone
308-340-0965 – Mobile
308-895-2456 – Fax
mdaffer@bwtelcom.net

Capacity: 4,500
Financing: Yes, Feed, Cattle
Feeding Options: Purchase cattle,
partnership, retain ownership
Feedstuffs: Corn, WDG, dry hay and forage
Marketing: Live/Cash, Grid/Formula,
Dressed
Value Added: Source and Age Data, QSA,
NHTC, Natural Program

Full-service backgrounding and finishing
yard. Started backgrounding and
preconditioning cattle in 1987. Began
finishing cattle in 2000.

Darr Feedlot

John J. Schroeder
42826 Rd 759 Cozad, NE 69130
Dawson County
308-324-2363
308-324-2364
darrfeedlot@darrfeedlot.com
www.darrfeedlot.com

Capacity: 48,000
Source: NE, SD, ND, MT, ID, WY, KS
Financing: Yes, Feed, Cattle
Feeding Options: Purchase cattle,
partnership, retain ownership
Feedstuffs: WDG, HMC, dry corn, alfalfa
hay, silage
Marketing: Live/Cash, Grid/Formula,
Dressed
Value Added: PVP, run cattle to many
markets to add value

At Darr Feedlot, our knowledgeable,
dedicated, trained and devoted personnel

are with you every step of the way, taking it as a personal challenge to feed and market your cattle to their highest profit. Our 31 years of experience in cattle feeding, along with our commitment to continued improvement, give you the very best opportunity for profitability. The decision to invest in feeding cattle today offers many choices of programs, marketing and feedlots. Your investment should be based on highly qualified personnel with a proven track record who will provide you with the knowledge and service to help you make these decisions. When you feed cattle at Darr Feedlot, you become a member of our team as we make decisions together. Every employee at Darr Feedlot is working with your best performance and highest profit possible.

Denker, Inc.

Mike, Chris, & Mitch
43317 Rd 761 Lexington, NE 68850
Dawson County
308-324-3051 – Phone
308-325-0119 – Mobile
308-324-3051 – Fax

Capacity: 5,000
Sources: NE 70%, SD 10%, KS 20%
Financing: Yes, Feed
Feeding Options: Purchase cattle,
partnership, retain ownership
Feedstuffs: HMC, dry corn, silage, alfalfa,
WDG
Marketing: Live/Cash, Dressed

Since 1951. Family owned farming and cattle feeding operation

DL Cattle

Bill Sleight
70968 Ave 330 Parks, NE 69041
Dundy County
308-423-5739 – Phone
614-800-4777 – Mobile

Capacity: 8,000
Financing: Yes, Feed
Feeding Options: Purchase Cattle,
Partnership, Retain Ownership

Feedstuffs: WDG, HMC, Rolled Corn
Marketing: Live/Cash, Grid/Formula,
Dressed
Value Added: Source and Age, QSA

8,000 head feedlot

Eckmann

Gene and Reed Eckmann
53945 - 892nd Rd
Bloomfield, NE 68718
Knox County
402-373-2489 – Phone

Capacity: 650
Sources: SD 75%, NE 25%
Financing: Yes
Feeding Options: Partnership
Feedstuffs: Silage, hay, corn
Marketing: Live/Cash
Value Added: Natural Feed/Management,

Directions: Northwest of Bloomfield
17 miles.

F-F Cattle Company

Ron Florell
73872 L Rd Holdrege, NE 68949
Phelps County
308-995-8565 – Phone
308-995-8174 - Mobile
rflorell@rcom-ne.com

Capacity: 900
Sources: NE, KS
Feeding Option: Purchase cattle,
partnership, retain ownership
Feedstuffs: HMC, distillers, hay, liquid
supplement
Marketing: Live/Cash, Dressed
Value Added: NHTC, Natural Program

43 years in operation

HiGain Feedlot, Inc. - Farnam

Jeff Rudolph
40965 Rd 754 Farnam, NE 69029
Dawson County
308-569-2500 – Phone
308-569-2352 – Fax
higain@cozadtel.net
Capacity: 20,000
Sources: 75% Northern Plains and West
Financing: Yes, Feed, Cattle
Feeding Options: Purchase cattle,
partnership, retain ownership
Feedstuffs: Dry rolled corn, HM corn, silage,
WDG, cobs, alfalfa
Marketing: Live/Cash, Grid/Formula,
Dressed
Value Added: Source and Age

Custom cattle feeder since 1978

HiGain Feedlot, Inc. - Cozad

Jeff Rudolph
1609 E 8th Cozad, NE 69130
Dawson County
308-784-5000 – Phone
308-784-2549 – Fax
higain@cozadtel.net

Capacity: 20,000
Sources: 75% Northern Plains and West
Financing: Yes, Feed, Cattle
Feeding Options: Purchase cattle,
partnership, retain ownership
Feedstuffs: Steam flaked corn, WDGs, corn
silage, hay
Marketing: Live/Cash, Grid/Formula,
Dressed
Value Added: Source and Age

Custom cattle feeder since 1978

KCC Feeding, Inc.

John H. Wubbenhorst
654 - 40th Rd Minden, NE 68959
Kearney County
402-756-0730 – Phone
308-830-0929 – Mobile
402-756-0734 – Fax

Capacity: 15,000

Sources: SD 60%, CO 20%, WY 10%, CA 5%, MT 5%
Financing: Yes, Feed, Cattle
Feeding Options: Purchase cattle, partnership, retain ownership
Feedstuffs: Dry RC, HMC, silage, WDG, cobs, alfalfa
Marketing: Live/Cash, Grid/Formula, Dressed
Value Added: Source and Age, QSA, PVP, NHTC, Natural Programs

Feedyard built in 2004.

Keller Feedlot Inc

Bill Keller
42208 Rd 748 Eustis, NE 69028
Gosper
308-325-7314 – Mobile
308-486-5726 – Fax
julieKeller@gmail.com
Capacity: 8,000
Sources: NE, MT, MO, SD, KS, OK, TX
Financing: Yes, feed, cattle
Feeding Options: Purchase Cattle, Partnership, Retain Ownership
Feedstuffs: Rolled corn, distiller's, sweet bran, silage, alfalfa, straw
Marketing: Live/Cash, Grid/Formula, Dressed
Value Added: Source and Age, QSA

8,000 head capacity, 25 years in business, family owned and operated. Maintain excellent pen conditions, finishing and backgrounding, consulting nutritionist for optimum feed conversions and gains.

Krab, Inc.

Rodney Krab
2211 Road East 80 Paxton, NE 69155
Keith County
308-239-4373 – Phone
308-289-4845 – Mobile
rkrab@nebnet.net

Capacity: 950
Sources: NE
Feedstuffs: All feeds
Marketing: Live/Cash, Grid/Formula, Dressed

Value Added: Source and Age, QSA, PVP

Family farming and ranching since 1891.
Feeding cattle since 1970.

Lewis Feedlot Inc.

Ryan Danehy
8720 Keystone Kearney, NE 68848
Buffalo County
308-234-1874 – Phone
308-440-8267 – Mobile
308-234-1724 – Fax
ryan.danehey@ILSbeef.com
www.ILSbeef.com

Capacity: 14,500
Sources: Nationwide
Financing: Yes, feed, cattle
Feeding Options: Purchase Cattle,
Partnership, Retain Ownership
Feedstuffs: WDG, HMC, silage, alfalfa,
stalks
Marketing: Live/Cash, Grid/Formula,
Dressed
Value Added: Source and Age, QSA, PVP,
NHTC, Natural Program

14,500 custom feedyard. Also specialize in
feeding bison. South Central

Loren Obermiller

Loren Obermiller
78331 S River Rd Loup City, NE 68853
Sherman County
308-745-1159 – Phone

Capacity: 700
Sources: NE
Feeding Option: Purchase cattle, retain
ownership

M & M Feeders

Mel Huyser
75239 Rd 429 Lexington, NE 68850
Dawson County
308-324-4444 – Phone
308-233-4144 – Mobile
308-324-7106 – Fax
www.mandmfeeders.com

Capacity: 9,500

Sources: NE, WY, MT
Financing: Yes, Feed, Cattle
Feeding Options: Purchase cattle,
partnership, retain ownership
Feedstuffs: HMC, dry corn, DDG
Marketing: Live/Cash, Grid/Formula,
Dressed
Value Added: NHTC, QSA, Natuarl Program

Since 1992. Custom feeding and growing.

Mamot Feed Lots

Jim, Daron, and Kevin Mamot, Partners
233 Friend Rd St. Libory, NE 68872
Howard County
308-687-6234 – Phone
308-687-6285 – Fax
mamot@kdsi.net

Capacity: 17,000
Financing: Yes, Feed, Cattle
Feeding Options: Purchase cattle,
partnership, retain ownership
Feedstuffs: Rolled corn, alfalfa and WDG
Marketing: Dressed

Business operation started in 1963.

McClymont Feedyard

Jesse Landin
73027 K Rd Holdrege, NE 68949
Phelps County
308-995-6136 – Phone
308-999-0527 – Cell

Capacity: 14,000
Sources: NE, KS, MO, OK, SD
Financing: Yes
Feeding Option: Purchase cattle,
partnership, retain ownership
Feedstuffs: HMC, WDG
Marketing: Grid/Formula, Dressed
Value Added: Source and Age, QSA,
NHTC, Progressive Beef

Mortensen Custom Feeders

Allan Mortensen
39458 Rd 750 Curtis, NE 69025
Frontier County
308-367-5658 – Phone
308-367-7030 – Mobile

akmort@curtis-ne.com

Capacity: 2,400

Sources: NE, KS, MO, OK, TX, IA, AR

Financing: Yes, Feed

Feeding Options: Purchase cattle, retain ownership

Feedstuffs: Rolled corn, silage, alfalfa, cane hay, WDG, grass hay

Custom feedyard since 1983. Family owned and operated. Specializing in starting and backgrounding calves. Consulting veterinarian and nutritionist used routinely.

Northwest Cattle Feeders, LLC

Jeff Cox, Manager

675 Rd West F S Brule, NE 69127

Keith County

308-287-2341 – Phone

308-520-3072 – Mobile

308-287-2342 – Fax

coxlivestock@yahoo.com

www.northwestcattlefeeders.com

Capacity: 18,000

Sources: IL 50%, NE 50%

Financing: Yes, Feed, Cattle

Feeding Options: Purchase cattle, partnership, retain ownership

Feedstuffs: RC, ground hay, silage, WDG

Marketing: Live/Cash, Grid/Formula, Dressed

Value Added: Source and Age Data, QSA, PVP, Natural Feed/Management

Over 100 years experience in feedyard business.

Olsen Cattle Co.

David Olsen

1293 - 28th Rd Minden, NE 68959

Kearney County

308-830-2950 – Phone

308-832-1034 – Fax

plowcorn00@yahoo.com

Capacity: 2500

Financing: Yes, Feed, Cattle

Feeding Options: Purchase cattle, partnership, retain ownership

Feedstuffs: WDG, rolled corn, silage
Marketing: Live/Cash, Dressed

Family owned and operated since 1941.

Oppliger Feeders

Billy Sanchez
PO Box 158 Wallace, NE 69169
Lincoln County
308-963-4211 – Phone
308-963-4315 – Fax
Oppliger@nebnet.net

Capacity: 50,000
Source: WY 60%, NE 40%
Financing: Yes, feed, cattle
Feeding Options: Purchase cattle,
partnership, retain ownership
Feedstuffs: HMC, dry corn, WDG, flake corn
Marketing: Live/Cash, Grid/Formula,
Dressed
Value Added: Source and Age, QSA, PVP

Phelps County Feeders

Dale Klute
73938 J Rd Holdrege, NE 68949
Phelps County
308-876-2133 - Phone
mgpdbapcf@aol.com

Capacity: 35,000
Sources: NE 20%, ND & SD 65%, MT 15%
Financing: Yes, feed, cattle
Feeding Options: Purchase cattle,
partnership, retain ownership
Feedstuffs: Flaked corn, corn silage,
ground alfalfa, distillers
Marketing: Live/Cash, Grid/Formula,
Dressed
Value Added: Source and Age, QSA, PVP,
NHTC, Natural Program
Comments: Commercial feedyard in
business for 15 years. Family owned
operation.

Roberts Cattle Company

Jon Nickless
75590 Road 436 Lexington, NE 68850
Dawson County
308-324-5611 – Phone
620-786-1648 – Mobile
308-324-5521 – Fax
jon.nickless@ilsbeef.com
www.ilsbeef.com

Capacity: 12,000
Financing: Yes, feed, cattle
Feeding Options: Purchase cattle, retain ownership
Feedstuffs: HMC, WDG, alfalfa
Marketing: Live/Cash, Grid/Formula, Dressed
Value Added: Source and Age, QSA, PVP

Fifty plus years of operation. Total service commercial yard.

Sandman Grow Yard

Derek Sandman
35060 Hwy 6 Wauneta, NE 69045
Hayes County
308-394-5274 – Phone
308-883-3978 – Mobile
308-394-5270 – Fax
sgy@bwtelcom.net

Capacity: 2,500
Sources: NE 50%, CO 30%, ND 10%, WY 10%
Feeding Options: Partnership, retain ownership
Feedstuffs: WDG, DDG, corn silage, alfalfa, oat hay, cane hay, wheat hay, supplements
Value Added: Source and Age, PVP, MicroBeef EID

Operating since 2001. Custom backgrounder of beef calves. Grow beef calves up to 850-900 lbs.

South Central Feeders

Nye Pelton
74460 E Road Bertrand, NE 68927
Phelps
308-472-3434 – Phone
308-962-6317 – Mobile

308-472-5357 – Fax
scfinc@afcjet.net

Capacity: 18,000
Sources: Nationwide
Financing: Yes
Feeding Options: Purchase Cattle,
Partnership, Retain Ownership
Feedstuffs: HMC, WDG, corn silage
Marketing: Live/Cash, Grid/Formula,
Dressed
Value Added: Source and Age, QSA, PVP,
NHTC, Natural Program

Feeding cattle since 1982. Specialize in
ranch direct calves. Feed conventional,
NHTC and natural cattle. Age and Source
program available with data shared with
rancher customers.

Stromburger Farms, Inc.

Ryan Stromberger
PO Box 787 Imperial, NE 69033
Chase County
308-882-5454 – Phone
308-883-1426 – Mobile
308-882-2525 – Fax
stromberger@gpcom.net

Capacity: 18,000
Sources: SD 80%, NE 10%, MT 5%, WY 5%
Financing: Yes
Feeding Options: Purchase Cattle,
Partnership, Retain Ownership
Feedstuffs: HMC, steam flaked corn, corn
silage, alfalfa, cane hay, WDG
Marketing: Live/Cash

40 years in business. Irrigated farm/cow calf
ranch/feedlots in Nebraska and South
Dakota.

Stuart Cattle Co., Inc.

Bruce Stuart
43540 Rd 756 Lexington, NE 68850
Dawson County
380-324-2655 – Phone
bes3739@yahoo.com

Capacity: 999 head
Sources: OK, KS, VA, IA, KY

Feedstuffs: Earlage, HMC, WDG, corn stalks, alfalfa

Farmer/feeder. No custom feeding. Farm started by great grandfather in 1888.

T & E Cattle

Greg Baxter/Jim Jonak
4444 W 13th St Grand Island, NE 68803
Hall County
308-384-1981 – Phone
308-380-8666 – Mobile
308-384-5506 – Fax
jim@tecattle.com
www.Tecattle.com

Capacity: 20,000
Sources: NE 80%, SD 5%, MT 10%, MO 5%
Financing: Yes, Feed, Cattle
Feeding Options: Purchase cattle, partnership, retain ownership
Feedstuffs: Dry rolled corn, HMC, DDGs
Marketing: Live/Cash, Grid/Formula, Dressed
Value Added: Source and Age, PVP

Originally founded by Ray Baxter in 1935, T&E Cattle Company continues nearly 80 years later as a closely held and operated family business owned entirely by the five members of the Baxter family. Presently under the guidance of the third generation, Greg Baxter, the operations of T&E Cattle Company are diversified, including cattle feeding, farming, and ranching with cow/calf pairs. We have a capacity of 20,000 head and continue to feed cattle for ourselves as well as other people from all over the United States as well as Canada. We employ around 25 people full time and are involved in the back grounding of calves, finishing cattle in the feedyard facilities for slaughter as well as operating a cow/calf herd, producing calves to come into the feedyard facilities each year.

Timmerman Feeding Corp.

Norman Timmerman
71870 Dr 392 Indianola, NE 69034
Red Willow County
308-364-2221 – Phone

308-340-5225 – Mobile
308-364-2225 – Fax
timmerman_2@gpcom.net

Capacity: 16,500
Sources: KS 30%, CO 10%, NE 40%, SD
20%
Financing: Yes, Feed, Cattle
Feeding Options: Purchase cattle,
partnership, retain ownership
Feedstuffs: Rolled corn, wetcake, alfalfa hay
Marketing: Live/Cash, Grid/Formula,
Dressed
Value Added: Source and Age Data, QSA

Family owned. Feedyard business for
61 years, this location 34 years.

Will Feed, Inc.

Anne Burkholder
PO Box 88 Cozad, NE 69130
Dawson County
308-784-2115 – Phone
308-784-2268 – Fax
anneburk@cozadtel.net

Capacity: 3,000
Sources: NE 85%, 15% various
Feeding Options: Purchase cattle,
partnership, retain ownership
Feedstuffs: WDGs, corn, alfalfa, corn stalks
Marketing: Grid/Formula
Value Added: Source and Age, QSA, PVP

Founded 1962.

Wilson Feedyard, Inc.

Derek Wilson
75695 Rd 321 Grant, NE 69140
Perkins County
308-352-4506 – Phone
308-882-6333 – Mobile

Capacity: 5,000
Financing: Yes, Feed, Cattle
Feeding Options: Purchase cattle,
partnership, retain ownership
Feedstuffs: WDG, HMC, dry RC, silage, hay
Marketing: Live/Cash, Grid/Formula,
Dressed
Value Added: Source and Age, QSA, PVP

Sixteen years in operation.

Windmill Feeders

Jim Olsen
1665 Rose Rd Elba, NE 68835
Howard County
308-863-2244 – Phone
308-750-0040 – Mobile
308-863-2266 – Fax
jim.olsen@ILSbeef.com
ilsbeef.com

Capacity: 10,000
Sources: NE 50%, KS 25%, IA 10%, MO
10%, SD 5%
Financing: Yes, feed, cattle
Feeding Option: Purchase cattle,
partnership, retain ownership
Feedstuffs: HMC, WDG, haylage
Marketing: Grid/Formula
Value Added: Source and Age, QSA,
NHTC, Natural Program
Ten years in business with seven yards.

Southeast

Arbuck & Underwood Feedyard, Inc.

Jeff Underwood
2413 Rd 19 Exeter, NE 68351
Fillmore County
402-266-5302 – Phone
402-366-5074 – Mobile
402-266-2121 – Fax
aufeedyard.com

Capacity: 4,800
Sources: NE 40%, KS 40%, OK 20%
Financing: Yes
Feeding Options: Purchase Cattle,
Partnership, Retain Ownership
Feedstuffs: Dry corn, MWDG, mixed
roughage, liquid supplement
Marketing: Live/Cash, Grid/Formula,
Dressed
Value Added: Source and Age, PVP, NHTC

Started in 2002. Main yard 3 miles south
and 2½ east McCool Junction, NE. 2nd yard

2 east and ½ south of Hordville, NE. 3rd
yard 1 west, 3 north, 1½ west of Exeter, NE.

Briggs Cattle Company

Mike Briggs
3044 Alvo Rd Seward, NE 68434
Seward County
402-643-2303 – Phone
402-643-6806 – Fax
mikebriggs@stewireless.com
briggsfeedyard.net

Capacity: 10,000
Sources: NE 20%, West 35%, East 45%
Financing: Yes, feed, cattle
Feeding Option: Purchase cattle,
partnership, retain ownership
Feedstuffs: Silage, hay, WDG, alfalfa
Marketing: Live/Cash, Grid/Formula,
Dressed
Value Added: Source and Age, QSA, PVP
Comments: In business since 1935. Family
owned and operated. Full-service
commercial feedyard.

Circle Five Beef, Inc.

Travis Miller
316 Rd B Henderson, NE 68371
York County
402-723-5764 – Phone
402-745-2446 – Mobile
402-723-5768 – Fax
Circle5.Mel@mainstaycomm.net

Capacity: 14,000
Financing: Yes, Feed, Cattle
Feeding Options: Purchase cattle,
partnership, retain ownership
Feedstuffs: HMC, RC, silage, hay, WDGs
Marketing: Live/Cash, Grid /Formula,
Dressed
Value Added: Source and Age, QSA, PVP,
NHTC, Natural Program

In business for over 40 years. Locations in
Henderson and Fairmont.

Grass Valley Farms, Inc.

Hank Klosterman
1197 - 34th Rd David City, NE 68632
Butler County
402-367-3212 – Phone
402-367-2702 – Mobile
402-367-3203 – Fax
Hankk@ManagedGrowth.com

Capacity: 5,000
Sources: NE, MT, WY, SD, KS, VA
Yes, feed, cattle
Feeding Options: Purchase cattle,
partnership, retain ownership
Feedstuffs: HMC, RC, DDGs (ADM Modified
w/ Synergy), beta-agonist program
Marketing: Live/Cash, Grid/Formula,
Dressed
Value Added: Source and Age, QSA,
NHTC, Natural Program, American Hereford
Premium, National Beef Grid Lease
Available

5th generation cattle feeding operation and commodity brokerage. Grass Valley/ Managed Growth offers all the perks of feeding at a large scale feedlot with the management and attention to detail of a small feedlot. In house risk management for all your commodities with no margin calls. Commodity credit towards corn, alfalfa, corn staking – financing available. Retained ownership, partnering on 1-100% of pens – financing available. Five major packers to bid on cattle – not tied to one. Can offer no margin hedging on cattle, corn, DDGs (margin posted on final feed bill to offset with cash). Also offer risk management and lot by lot hedge tracking program.

MFarm, Inc.

Max McLean, President
2410 Hwy 81 Benedict, NE 68316
York County
402-732-6893 – Phone
402-366-5111 – Mobile
402-732-6731 – Fax
mfarminc@stewireless.com
mcleanbeef.com

Capacity: 5,600
Sources: KS 40%, NE 20%, KY 30%
Financing: Yes, Feed
Feeding Options: Purchase cattle,
partnership, retain ownership
Feedstuffs: Dry corn, earlage, silage,
synergy
Marketing: Live/Cash, Grid/Formula,
Dressed

Family owned, 35 years feeding cattle,
commercial feed for others, partnership.
Close to all major packers and in the heart of
corn country with plenty of ethanol plants
around us. Specialize in feeding calves; we
have two barns that hold about 1600 head
and outside lots of pen sizes 50 to 200 head.
Consulting nutritionist and vet on a monthly
basis. Also do some background feeding.

Mead Cattle Co., LLC

Buck Wehrbein, Manager
1344 Cnty Rd 10 Mead, NE 68041
Saunders County
402-624-2995 – Phone
402-624-6395 – Fax

Capacity: 30,000
Sources: 75% Southeast, 25% Midwest
Financing: Yes, Feed, Cattle
Feeding Options: Purchase cattle,
partnership, retain ownership
Feedstuffs: Steam flaked corn, distillers
grains, corn silage, supplement, corn oil
Marketing: Live/Cash, Grid/Formula,
Dressed
Value Added: BQA Certified

Continuous operation since 1970. 30,000
head cattle feedlot with covered pens and
outside pens available.

Metzner Cattle Co.

Ray Metzner
12929 Q Rd Osceola, NE 68651
Butler County
402-747-2022 – Phone

Capacity: 3,600
Sources: NE, SD
Financing: Yes

Feeding Options: Purchased cattle,
partnership, retained ownership
Feedstuffs: Rolled Corn, HMC, silage, DDG,
alfalfa, stover
Marketing: Live/Cash, Grid/Formula,
Dressed
Value Added: Source and Age, PVP, NHTC,
Natural Program

Over twenty years in business.

Mid-America Feed Yard

Doug Karl
2350 Rd 6950Ohiowa, NE 68416
Thayer County
800-228-4532 or 402-295-2216 – Phone
dave@midamerica-feedyard.com
www.midamerica-feedyard.com

Capacity: 25,000
Sources: Midwest
Financing: Yes, Feed, Cattle
Feeding Options: Purchase cattle,
commercial feed yard
Feedstuffs: Distillers, rolled corn, ground
alfalfa, ground corn stalks, liquid supplement
Marketing: Live/Cash, Grid/Formula,
Dressed
Value Added: Source and Age Data, PVP

Midwest Feeding Company

David Dickinson
851 - 238th St Milford, NE 68405
Seward County
402-761-3047 – Phone
402-761-3074 – Fax
djdvmfc@yahoo.com

Capacity: 14,500
Financing: Yes
Feeding Options: Purchase cattle,
partnership, retain ownership
Feedstuffs: Rolled corn, DDGs
Marketing: Live/Cash, Grid/Formula,
Dressed
Value Added: Source and Age Data, QSA,
PVP, NHTC, Natural Program

Real Cattle Company

Ken Real

201 Road L McCool Junction, NE 68401

York County

402-724-2360 – Phone

402-362-9225 – Fax

kreal4@hotmail.com

Sources: Northern States

Financing: Yes, feed, cattle

Feeding Option: Purchase cattle,
partnership, retained ownership

Feedstuffs: Modified distillers, hominy feed,
rolled corn, roughages

Marketing: Grid/Formula, Dressed

Value Added: Source and Age, QSA, PVP

Family owned and operated. Started in 1958.

Locations in McCool and Grafton. Also can
arrange trucking with our own trucks.

Bonded order buyer.

Timmerman Feeding Corp.

Mary Meister

660 Cnty Rd C Ashland, NE 68003-5540

Saunders

402-944-2798 – Phone

402-321-2578 – Cell

Capacity: 6,000

Sources: NE 40%, OK, TX, SD, ND, WY,
MN

Financing: Yes, feed, cattle

Feeding Option: Purchase cattle,
partnership, retain ownership

Feedstuffs: Dry corn, alfalfa, WDG, hay

Marketing: Live/Cash, Dressed

Value Added: NHTC, Natural Program

In 1945, Leo Timmerman founded
Timmerman and Sons Feeding in the
Omaha area. In the early 60's, Leo's sons
began expanding and in the 70's into
Colorado. Timmerman Feeding Corp began
in the 90's and is continuing to serve and
feed good-quality cattle. The Timmerman
Feeding Corp offers many services; such as
retain ownership, procurement, financing,
carcass data, marketing options, growing
and pasture programs, risk management,
hedging, and contracting.

Van Housen Feed Yard, LLC

Terry Van Housen
777 - 123rd Rd Stromsburg, NE 68666
Polk County
402-764-5914 – Phone
402-366-7848 – Cell
tdog@clarkswb.net

Capacity: 10,000
Sources: NE 30%, KY 50%, KS 20%
Financing: Yes, feed, cattle
Feeding Option: Purchase cattle,
partnership, retain ownership
Feedstuffs: HMC, rolled corn, silage, WDG,
alfalfa hay
Marketing: Live/Cash, Grid/Formula,
Dressed
Value Added: Source and Age, QSA, PVP,
Natural
Comments: Family owned and operated
since 1972. Offer pen sizes from 50 to 250
with excellent mounds/drainage. Our location
is close to all major packers. We offer grain
banking/corn storage. We have consulting
veterinarian and nutritionist who work with
staff on care of cattle. Cattle partnerships,
risk management, computer billing/reporting.
Feeder cattle available. Specialists in
retained ownership.

Weber Feedyard

Joel Weber
1173 State Hwy 33 Dorchester, NE 68343
Saline County
402-946-4551 – Phone
402-641-3530 – Cell
jweber20@hotmail.com

Capacity: 4,500
Sources: NE 50%, KS & MO 50%
Financing: Yes, feed, cattle
Feeding Option: purchase cattle,
partnership, retain ownership
Feedstuffs: HMC, Modified WDG
Marketing: Grid/Formula, Dressed
Value Added: South and Age, QSA, PVP

Farm/feedyard. Operating for four years as a
LLC.

Wright's Feedyard Inc.

Doug Wright
903 Rd 24 Benedict, NE 68316
York County
402-732-6789 – Phone
402-363-1703 – Cell

Capacity: 3,500
Sources: NE 50%, KS 25%, SD 25%
Financing: Yes, feed, cattle
Feeding Option: Purchase Cattle,
Partnership, Retain Ownership
Feedstuffs: Corn silage, HMC, WDGs, rolled
corn, alfalfa hay
Marketing: Live/Cash, Grid/Formula,
Dressed

Family feedyard in business for 80 years.
3500 head capacity.

LIVESTOCK BIOSECURITY

What is Biosecurity?

Keeping our livestock industry healthy and free from exposure to infectious diseases is a serious full time job. The United States Department of Agriculture (USDA), through the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS), cooperates with other countries around the world and is on alert to prevent foreign animal diseases from crossing our borders. These veterinary officials also work closely with each state veterinarian to maintain a constant animal health vigilance to identify, control, and eradicate specific diseases in the U.S. and monitor animal movement. Local practicing veterinarians and extension specialists are a primary resource in disease surveillance and reporting. They also work with and provide information directly to livestock producers related to the prevention and control of livestock diseases.

The goal of a biosecurity plan is to reduce the risk of disease exposure and transmission. Disease occurs when animals are exposed to an infection and the environmental conditions and animal's resistance are at a certain level. We can influence the occurrence of disease by developing critical control points or changing risk factors between these points. For example, we can limit the exposure to disease through animal movement, maintain a healthy environment by providing proper nutrition and shelter, and finally increase animal resistance by immunizing against certain diseases.

Feedlot Guide to Biosecurity and Security

Where to Start

A few phrases apply well to biosecurity and security efforts: “build on what you know,” “there are no most valuable players” and “figure out what can go wrong – figure

out how to prevent it from going wrong – figure out how to monitor your efforts.”

- Take a close look at what can go wrong . . . how can animals become infected and how to protect the security of the operation
- Assess the risk of each potential biosecurity problem and significance of the risk
- Evaluate potential to Prevent, Control, Eliminate, or Reduce (**PECR**) each risk identified
- Resistance in the herd . . . Source into and within the herd . . . Exposure within the herd

The Hazard Analysis Critical Control Points (HACCP) production safety system has great potential in biosecurity and security concerns of livestock operations. A central objective in the HACCP system is to prevent, eliminate, control, or reduce a safety concern to an acceptable level. In livestock biosecurity and security programs, the prevention, elimination, control or reduction applies to disease transmission. Standard Operating Procedures – Good Management Practices, communication, and training checklists can be tools used to help accomplish the biosecurity and security objectives. It is very important to involve all personnel in developing, monitoring, and evaluating the biosecurity and security needs and activities of an operation. Open discussions that respectfully debate the merits of an activity between personnel levels is more apt to recruit personnel cooperation and the justification discussions during the scheduled biosecurity and security reviews.

Biosecurity management and practices on feedyards are designed to prevent the spread of disease by minimizing the movement of biologic organisms (viruses, bacteria, rodents, etc.) onto and within an operation. Biosecurity can be very difficult to maintain because the interrelationships between animals, management, and biologic organisms are very complex. While

developing and maintaining biosecurity is difficult, it is the cheapest, most effective means of disease control available and no disease prevention program will work without it. Improving an animal's disease resistance is at the heart of disease prevention and/or herd health programs and must be considered in the "standard operating procedures" (SOP)/"good management practices" (GMP) of all livestock production management.

The biosecurity GMP's outlined are generic and may not match the needs of all feedlot operations. It will be important to evaluate the specific biosecurity needs of each production location and make adjustments in the generic checklists included.

General Good Management Practices (GMP) Checklist

- Meet all of the Beef Quality Assurance Good Management Practices and Guidelines.
- Understand it is more profitable to prevent problems than to correct problems.
- Agree that doing things right the first time is a critical part of biosecurity.
- Biosecurity requires a method of cattle identification. Is an identification system in place?
- Can readily track and validate management practices used on my cattle.

GMP Checklist for Strategic Vaccine Use

- Have a written strategic vaccination plan drawn up for my operation.
- Discuss the vaccination history of all cattle purchased before the cattle enter my operation.

GMP Checklist for Preventing Infectious Disease from Entering the Operation

- Know the health history for the herds from which cattle are purchased.
- Know health status of animals brought into my operation/demand a valid health certificate.
- Know the vaccination history of animals that enter my herd.
- Avoid buying animals from a herd that has mixed origin cattle.
- Transport animals in clean vehicles.
- Have a control program for outside animals which could spread disease (rodents, etc.).
- Loading area is located at the perimeter of the operation
- Dead animal pickup area located so that rendering trucks do not contaminate my operation.
- Limit people's access to my cattle pens, feeding, mixing and storage area, and treatment.
- Keep a record of visitors to my operation.

GMP Checklist for Disease Containment

- Facilities provide a clean area for restraint, treatment, and isolation of sick cattle.
- Facilities prevent cross contamination of water, manure, feed, or equipment between groups.
- Have plan to manage group size, age distribution, and animal flow reducing risk of disease.
- Handle highest health status animals first (*healthy first and sick animals last*).
- Use strict sanitation practices.
- Animals that die are examined by a veterinarian (*necropsy*).
- Have visitors observe our strict sanitation practices.

- Clean contaminated vehicles and equipment before use around healthy cattle.

GMP Checklist for Sanitation

- Attempt to prevent manure contamination of feed and equipment used orally.
- Always clean equipment used orally between animals.
- Attempt to prevent cross contamination between healthy and sick/dead cattle.
- Regularly evaluate activities on my operation to assess the potential for contaminating cattle.
- If manure accidentally contaminates feed or water, an immediate remedy is provided.
- Use different equipment to feed and to clean pens, or completely clean between use.
- Never step in the feed bunk.
- Sometimes leave manure-hauling equipment in pens with different groups of animals.
- Clean contaminated vehicles and equipment before use around healthy cattle.
- Routinely clean and disinfect feeding equipment and cattle handling equipment.
- Routinely clean and disinfect equipment used to medicate cattle.

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