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CATTLE AND CALVES ON FEED  
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CATTLE ON FEED UP 16 PERCENT IN 13 STATES

Cattle on feed for market in 13 major feeding States on July 1 was estimated at 4,269,000 head, up 16 percent from July 1, 1957, according to the Crop Reporting Board. On April 1 this year, there was an increase of 11 percent from the number on feed April 1, 1957, but on January 1, 1958, there was 3 percent fewer cattle on feed than a year earlier. The July 1, 1958 number of cattle and calves on feed was 12 percent less than on April 1, 1958, which is less than the usual seasonal decline.

CORN BELT NUMBER ON FEED UP 15 PERCENT

Cattle and calves on feed in 9 of the Corn Belt States on July 1 totaled 3,252,000 head, an increase of 15 percent from a year earlier. All the Corn Belt States for which cattle on feed estimates are made show increases over July 1, 1957 except Indiana which was down 8 percent. Iowa, the leading cattle feeding State, was up 14 percent and Illinois, 4 percent. Shipments of stocker and feeder cattle into 9 of the Corn Belt States for the April-June quarter of 1958, at 847,000 head were 270,000 head above the same period of 1957.

FOUR WESTERN STATES SHOW 19 PERCENT INCREASE

Cattle on feed in Texas, Colorado, Arizona, and California totaled 1,011,000 head--up 19 percent from a year earlier. In California, the leading Western feeding State, July 1 numbers were up 12 percent from a year earlier.

PLACEMENTS UP 9 PERCENT, MARKETING UP 2 PERCENT

Cattle and calves placed on feed in the 13 States totaled 1,730,000 head during the April-June quarter of 1958, up 9 percent from the same months last year. The Corn Belt showed an increase in placements of 2 percent and the 4 western States were up 19 percent. Fed cattle marketed from the 13 States during the April-June period at 2,316,000 head were 2 percent above the second quarter of 1957. The 140,000 short fed cattle (cattle both placed and marketed during the quarter) was 10 percent above the same quarter last year.

MARKETING INTENTIONS

Cattle feeders reporting marketing intentions in the 13 States on July 1, indicated that 68 percent of the 4,269,000 head on feed are expected to be

marketed in the next 3 months. Of this total, 19 percent are expected to be marketed in July, 25 percent in August, and 24 percent in September. The remaining 32 percent will be marketed after October 1.

### TIME ON FEED

Cattle on feed less than 3 months for the 13 States was 9 percent above July 1, 1957, while the number on feed 3-6 months was up 25 percent and the number on feed over 6 months was up 16 percent. As a percent of total cattle on feed July 1, the number on feed less than 3 months was 37 percent; 3-6 months was 35 percent; and on feed more than 6 months was 28 percent. This compares with last year when 40 percent were on feed less than 3 months; 32 percent, 3-6 months and 28 percent on feed more than 6 months.

### KINDS OF CATTLE ON FEED

Data for the 13 States show that steers represented 69 percent of the total cattle on feed July 1, compared with 67 percent a year earlier. Heifers made up 27 percent this July 1 and 29 percent last year, while calves made up 4 percent this year and 3 percent a year earlier. Cows and other cattle comprised less than one half of 1 percent of the total this year and 1 percent a year earlier.

### WEIGHT OF CATTLE ON FEED

A break down of numbers on feed by weight groups indicates a larger number of heavy weight cattle this July 1 than a year earlier. In the 13 States the number of cattle weighing 900 to 1,100 pounds was up 45 percent, while the number weighing over 1,100 pounds was up 13 percent. The number of cattle under 600 pounds was up 19 percent from last year and the number in the 600-900 pounds group up 5 percent. As a percent of total cattle on feed July 1, the number weighing under 600 pounds comprised 6 percent both this year and a year earlier. The 600-900 pound cattle made up 56 percent this year, 62 percent last, the 900-1,100 pound group made up 30 percent this year, 23 percent last and the 1,100 and over group was 8 percent this year and 9 percent on July 1, 1957.

Cattle and calves on feed in selected States <sup>1/</sup>

State	July 1, 1957	April 1, 1958	July 1, 1958	July 1, 1958 as a percentage of July 1, 1957
	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head	Percent
Ohio.....	103	158	115	112
Ind.....	202	250	186	92
Ill.....	472	628	491	104
Minn.....	268	376	297	111
Iowa.....	1,043	1,404	1,189	114
Mo.....	180	250	189	105
S. Dak.....	113	243	181	160
Nebr.....	354	599	457	129
Kans.....	90	175	153	170
9 N. C. States	<u>2,825</u>	<u>4,083</u>	<u>3,258</u>	<u>115</u>
Texas.....	65	103	104	160
Colo.....	179	231	234	131
Ariz.....	133	164	139	105
Calif.....	476	274	534	112
13 States.....	<u>3,678</u>	<u>4,855</u>	<u>4,269</u>	<u>116</u>
Mich.....	<u>2/</u>	<u>2/</u>	<u>2/</u>	86
Wis.....	<u>2/</u>	<u>2/</u>	<u>2/</u>	90
Okla.....	<u>2/</u>	<u>32</u>	<u>24</u>	<u>2/</u>

<sup>1/</sup> Estimates include only cattle being fattened for market as a more or less distinct agricultural enterprise, and excludes small operations incidental to dairy and general farming. Cattle thus fed are presumed to produce carcasses that will grade good or better.

<sup>2/</sup> Not available.

Cattle and calves: Marketings and placements in selected States

State	Total fed cattle marketed 1/			Cattle and calves placed on feed 1/			Short-fed cattle 2/		
	1957	1958	1958 as a % of 1957	1957	1958	1958 as a % of 1957	1957	1958	1958 as a % of 1957
	head	head	Percent	head	head	Percent	head	head	Percent
Jan. 1 through:									
March 31									
Ohio.....	64	59	92	36	41	114	2	3	150
Ind.....	109	102	94	73	65	89	3	5	167
Ill.....	292	257	88	212	236	111	17	23	135
Minn.....	120	118	98	94	127	135	4	3	75
Iowa.....	500	488	98	506	608	120	25	18	72
Mo.....	130	113	87	76	71	93	8	8	100
S. Dak.....	111	107	96	56	84	150	4	9	225
Nebr.....	306	293	96	229	349	152	12	26	217
Kans.....	125	110	88	72	105	146	4	5	125
9 N.C. States	1,757	1,647	94	1,354	1,686	125	79	100	127
Texas.....	125	82	66	43	70	163	6	9	150
Colo.....	116	139	120	92	119	129	3	7	233
Ariz.....	136	115	85	54	89	165	6	8	133
Calif.....	375	332	89	180	213	118	15	22	147
13 States.....	2,509	2,315	92	1,723	2,177	126	109	146	134
Okla.....	3/	40	3/	3/	31	3/	3/	9	3/
April 1 through:									
June 30									
Ohio.....	79	65	82	21	22	105	5	4	80
Ind.....	119	113	95	52	49	94	4	6	150
Ill.....	319	307	96	181	170	94	20	23	115
Minn.....	140	140	100	63	61	97	7	2	29
Iowa.....	517	528	102	295	313	106	14	16	114
Mo.....	106	105	99	59	44	75	8	6	75
S. Dak.....	101	110	109	34	48	141	7	6	86
Nebr.....	285	309	108	156	167	107	14	19	136
Kans.....	68	87	128	58	65	112	7	13	186
9 N.C. States	1,734	1,764	102	919	939	102	86	95	110
Texas.....	55	60	109	48	61	127	5	5	100
Colo.....	142	127	89	99	130	131	5	8	160
Ariz.....	93	113	122	86	88	102	6	4	67
Calif.....	256	252	98	431	512	119	25	28	112
13 States.....	2,280	2,316	102	1,583	1,730	109	127	140	110
Okla.....	3/	28	3/	3/	20	3/	3/	2	3/

1/ Includes short-fed cattle.

2/ Short-fed cattle are defined as those placed on feed after April 1 and marketed by June 30.

3/ Not available.

Cattle and calves on feed by weight groups

State	Under 600 pounds			600-900 pounds			900-1100 pounds		
	July 1	April 1	July 1	July 1	April 1	July 1	July 1	April 1	July 1
	1957	1958	1958	1957	1958	1958	1957	1958	1958
	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
	head	head	head	head	head	head	head	head	head
Ohio .....	7	39	9	58	95	64	33	22	38
Indiana .....	10	58	9	135	150	121	47	40	45
Illinois .....	28	113	20	260	346	255	127	138	147
Minnesota .....	16	120	30	174	169	196	54	75	62
Iowa .....	42	295	47	621	685	666	250	351	345
Missouri .....	14	63	21	110	160	106	52	22	55
South Dakota .....	5	83	16	71	92	109	27	58	36
Nebraska .....	11	120	22	269	293	260	53	155	140
Kansas .....	4	20	2	67	95	61	15	56	77
9 N.C. States	137	911	176	1,765	2,085	1,838	658	917	945
Texas .....	20	40	28	37	50	60	7	12	15
Colorado .....	8	29	6	110	110	132	39	74	75
Arizona .....	31	54	21	77	83	89	23	24	28
California .....	28	38	35	278	135	266	137	82	191
13 States ...	224	1,072	266	2,267	2,463	2,385	864	1,109	1,254
Oklahoma .....	1/	6	2	1/	20	15	1/	5	6

Percentage distribution of total

	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.
9 N.C. States	5	22	6	62	51	56	23	23	29
13 States .....	6	22	6	62	51	56	23	23	30

State	1100-1300 pounds			Over 1300 pounds		
	July 1	April 1	July 1	July 1	April 1	July 1
	1957	1958	1958	1957	1958	1958
	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
	head	head	head	head	head	head
Ohio .....	4	2	4	1	-	-
Indiana .....	8	2	11	2	-	-
Illinois .....	57	31	69	-	-	-
Minnesota .....	21	11	9	3	1	-
Iowa .....	125	70	131	5	3	-
Missouri .....	4	5	7	-	-	-
South Dakota .....	9	10	18	1	-	2
Nebraska .....	18	30	34	3	1	1
Kansas .....	4	4	12	-	-	1
9 N.C. States	250	165	295	15	5	4
Texas .....	1	1	1	-	-	-
Colorado .....	20	18	19	2	-	2
Arizona .....	2	3	1	-	-	-
California .....	28	18	40	5	1	2
13 States ...	301	205	356	22	6	8
Oklahoma .....	1/	1	1	1/	-	-

Percentage distribution of total

	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.
9 N.C. States	9	4	9	1	2/	2/
13 States .....	8	4	8	1	2/	2/

1/ Not available. 2/ Less than 0.5 percent.

Cattle and calves on feed by classes

State	Steers			Heifers		
	July 1	April 1	July 1	July 1	April 1	July 1
	1957	1958	1958	1957	1958	1958
	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
	head	head	head	head	head	head
Ohio .....	82	112	93	18	27	19
Indiana .....	127	150	117	67	70	54
Illinois .....	340	439	368	123	107	103
Minnesota.....	174	188	190	85	83	95
Iowa .....	751	913	868	261	239	285
Missouri .....	126	155	130	41	50	40
South Dakota..	69	114	112	38	44	54
Nebraska .....	184	341	259	159	138	179
Kansas .....	39	111	97	48	59	55
9 N.C. States	1,892	2,523	2,234	840	817	884
Texas .....	34	42	56	20	35	37
Colorado.....	69	104	98	107	112	132
Arizona.....	102	95	100	21	30	25
California ..	372	210	434	94	46	86
13 States ...	2,469	2,974	2,922	1,082	1,040	1,164
Oklahoma ....	1/	16	14	1/	10	8
Percentage distribution of total						
	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.
9 N.C. States	67	62	69	30	20	27
13 States....	67	61	69	29	21	27
State	Calves			Cows and other		
	July 1	April 1	July 1	July 1	April 1	July 1
	1957	1958	1958	1957	1958	1958
	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
	head	head	head	head	head	head
Ohio .....	2	19	2	1	-	1
Indiana.....	6	28	13	2	2	2
Illinois.....	9	81	20	-	1	-
Minnesota....	8	101	12	1	4	-
Iowa.....	29	249	36	2	3	-
Missouri.....	13	42	17	-	3	2
South Dakota..	5	83	13	1	2	2
Nebraska.....	7	114	19	4	6	-
Kansas.....	3	4	1	-	1	-
9 N.C. States	82	721	133	11	22	7
Texas.....	10	22	10	1	4	1
Colorado.....	3	14	4	-	1	-
Arizona.....	9	38	14	1	1	-
California....	5	16	9	5	2	5
13 States....	109	811	170	18	30	13
Oklahoma.....	1/	6	2	1/	-	-
Percentage distribution of total						
	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.
9 N.C. States	3	17	4	2/	1	2/
13 States....	3	17	4	1	1	2/

1/ Not available.

2/ Less than 0.5 percent.

Cattle and Calves: Length of time on Feed

State	Less than 3 months			3 to 6 months			More than 6 months		
	July 1:	April 1:	July 1:	July 1:	April 1:	July 1:	July 1:	April 1:	July 1:
	1957	1958	1958	1957	1958	1958	1957	1958	1958
	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
	head	head	head	head	head	head	head	head	head
Ohio.....	16	38	18	24	106	29	63	14	68
Ind.....	48	60	43	61	175	54	93	15	89
Ill.....	161	213	147	160	377	172	151	38	172
Minn.....	56	124	59	72	226	101	140	26	137
Iowa.....	281	590	297	355	772	369	407	42	523
Mo.....	51	63	38	66	177	104	63	10	47
S. Dak.....	27	75	42	42	161	65	44	7	74
Nebr.....	142	323	148	180	264	257	32	12	52
Kans.....	51	100	52	35	69	91	4	6	10
9 N.C. States:	833	1,586	844	995	2,327	1,242	997	170	1,172
Texas.....	43	61	56	18	38	45	4	4	3
Colo.....	94	112	122	56	110	90	29	9	22
Ariz.....	80	81	84	39	82	48	14	1	7
Calif.....	406	191	484	1/ 70	80	44	2/	3	6
13 States.....	1,456	2,031	1,590	1,178	2,637	1,469	1,044	187	1,210
Okla.....	2/	22	18	2/	10	6	2/	---	---
	Percentage distribution of total								
	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.
9 N.C. States:	30	39	26	35	57	38	35	4	36
13 States.....	40	42	37	32	54	35	28	4	28

1/ Includes number on feed more than 6 months. 2/ Not available

Cattle: Expected marketings by months of cattle on feed July 1, 1958

State	July	August	September	Later
	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
	head	head	head	head
Ohio.....	29	32	21	33
Ind.....	30	56	48	52
Ill.....	93	113	118	167
Minn.....	42	68	68	119
Iowa.....	190	262	273	464
Mo.....	36	55	49	49
S. Dak.....	34	47	35	65
Nebr.....	105	118	118	116
Kans.....	43	59	33	18
9 N.C. States:	602	810	763	1,083
Texas.....	27	27	28	22
Colo.....	48	55	55	76
Ariz.....	35	35	38	31
Calif.....	93	130	159	152
13 States.....	805	1,057	1,043	1,364
Okla.....	6	11	4	3
	Percentage distribution of total			
	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.
9 N.C. States:	19	25	23	33
13 States	19	25	24	32