

cattle on feed



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CATTLE ON FEED

Cattle and calves on feed February 1 for slaughter market in the 7 States preparing monthly estimates totaled 9,632,000 head, down 4 percent from a year earlier according to the Crop Reporting Board.

Number on feed were up 1 percent from the previous year in California and up 6 percent in Texas. Number on feed in the remaining States were below a year ago.

PLACEMENTS DOWN 1 PERCENT

January placements of cattle and calves on feed in the 7 States totaled 1,805,000 head, down 1 percent from last year. Colorado and Texas were the only States placing more cattle on feed than were placed in January 1973.

FED CATTLE MARKETINGS DOWN 12 PERCENT

Fed cattle marketings from the 7 States during January totaled 1,521,000 head, down 12 percent from the number marketed during the same period a year earlier. All of the States marketed fewer cattle than last year.

JANUARY MARKETINGS FROM SEVEN MARKETS

January marketings of steer and heifers sold out of first hands for slaughter at 7 markets totaled 224,271 head. Steer accounted for 134,772 head and heifers totaled 89,499 head. Average liveweight of steer was 1,167 pounds up 21 pounds from last January. Heifers averaged 994 pounds for an increase of 21 pounds.

Average price of \$46.55 per hundred pounds liveweight for steers was up \$6.75 from a year ago and up \$8.24 from December. Average price of \$45.59 for heifers was up \$6.88 from last year and up \$8.04 from last month.

Cattle and calves: Inventories, placements and marketings,
fed cattle, January 1 to February 1

Item	Total 7 States		
	1973	1974	1974 as % of 1973
	1,000 head		Percent
On feed January 1	9,884	9,348	95
Placed on feed during January	1,830	1,805	99
Marketed during January	1,721	1,521	88
On feed February 1	9,993	9,632	96

Cattle and calves: Inventories, placements and marketings,
fed cattle, by States, January 1 to February 1

State	Number on feed 1/					
	January 1			February 1		
	1973	1974	1974 as % of 1973	1973	1974	1974 as % of 1973
	1,000 head		Percent	1,000 head		Percent
Arizona	655	609	93	658	620	94
California	1,181	1,204	102	1,137	1,147	101
Colorado	1,050	930	89	1,045	945	90
Iowa	1,922	1,715	89	2,041	1,835	90
Kansas	1,250	1,160	93	1,260	1,195	95
Nebraska	1,581	1,525	96	1,637	1,550	95
Texas	2,245	2,205	98	2,215	2,340	106
Total 7 States	9,884	9,348	95	9,993	9,632	96
	Placements during January			Marketings during January		
	1973	1974	1974 as % of 1973	1973	1974	1974 as % of 1973
	1,000 head		Percent	1,000 head		Percent
Arizona	71	69	97	68	58	85
California	148	119	80	192	176	92
Colorado	175	180	103	180	165	92
Iowa	471	430	91	352	310	88
Kansas	230	205	89	220	170	77
Nebraska	411	335	82	355	310	87
Texas	324	467	144	354	332	94
Total 7 States	1,830	1,805	99	1,721	1,521	88

1/ Cattle and calves on feed are animals being fattened for slaughter market on grain or other concentrates and are expected to produce a carcass that will grade good or better.

HEIFERS SOLD OUT OF FIRST HANDS AT SELECTED MARKETS FOR SLAUGHTER
JANUARY 1973 AND 1974

MARKET AND GRADE	NUMBER		AVERAGE WEIGHT		AVERAGE PRICE PER 100 POUNDS LIVEWEIGHT	
	1973	1974	1973	1974	1973	1974
	HEAD	HEAD	POUNDS	POUNDS	DOLLARS	DOLLARS
KANSAS CITY						
PRIME.....	33	12	946	960	39.79	48.50
CHOICE.....	1167	585	939	940	39.03	45.78
GOOD.....	327	211	928	1041	37.45	42.88
OTHER 2/.....	20	10	924	830	33.79	41.37
TOTAL.....	1547	818	937	965	38.65	44.96
OMAHA						
PRIME.....	3659	3223	988	1021	40.31	47.12
CHOICE.....	18958	19416	960	987	39.33	46.38
GOOD.....	5430	7306	950	945	37.87	44.99
OTHER 2/.....	327	336	1033	1024	32.93	39.71
TOTAL.....	28374	30281	962	981	39.11	46.06
ST. LOUIS NSY						
PRIME.....	418	431	973	1010	40.07	45.02
CHOICE.....	3909	4111	920	927	39.36	45.87
GOOD.....	1398	1194	891	921	37.71	43.13
OTHER 2/.....	542		921		34.13	
TOTAL.....	6267	5736	917	932	38.60	45.24
SIOUX CITY						
PRIME.....	1530	1788	1023	1011	40.08	47.46
CHOICE.....	17888	19605	979	1003	39.02	46.12
GOOD.....	4084	4688	999	996	37.50	44.39
OTHER 2/.....	143	347	1035	1049	34.28	40.50
TOTAL.....	23645	26428	986	1003	38.79	45.83
SIOUX FALLS						
PRIME.....	393	236	1045	1019	39.79	46.73
CHOICE.....	9154	9528	1006	1020	38.90	45.62
GOOD.....	2084	2787	974	1002	37.51	44.00
OTHER 2/.....	95	23	949	1027	34.14	40.25
TOTAL.....	11726	12574	1001	1016	38.66	45.27
SO. ST. JOSEPH						
PRIME.....	858	334	1019	994	40.26	47.89
CHOICE.....	4160	2307	935	947	39.20	46.17
GOOD.....	650	957	892	954	37.35	43.16
TOTAL.....	5668	3598	943	953	39.17	45.54
SO. ST. PAUL 3/						
PRIME.....	108	476	1062	1090	39.00	45.86
CHOICE.....	6086	5308	994	1031	39.25	45.81
GOOD.....	2204	3132	960	1013	36.96	43.88
OTHER 2/.....	1552	1148	1075	1091	30.83	37.94
TOTAL.....	9950	10064	1000	1035	37.35	44.28
TOTAL 7 MARKETS						
PRIME.....	6999	6500	1002	1021	40.19	47.01
CHOICE.....	61322	60860	971	995	39.15	46.08
GOOD.....	16177	20275	959	975	37.56	44.32
OTHER 2/.....	2679	1864	1031	1069	32.00	38.76
TOTAL.....	87177	89499	973	994	38.71	45.59

1/ DATA COLLECTED BY LIVESTOCK DIV., AMS AND STATISTICAL REPORTING SERVICE
2/ STANDARD, COMMERCIAL AND UTILITY
3/ PARTIAL RECEIPTS
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