

# cattle on feed



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## CATTLE ON FEED DOWN 10 PERCENT

Cattle and calves on feed May 1 for slaughter market totaled 8,351,000 head in the 7 States preparing monthly estimates, down 10 percent from a year earlier, according to the Crop Reporting Board.

Numbers on feed were down from a year ago in all 7 monthly States.

## PLACEMENTS UP 1 PERCENT

April placements on feed in the 7 States totaled 1,192,000 head, up 1 percent from the number placed in April last year. Nebraska and Arizona led the States in increased placements from a year ago.

## FED CATTLE MARKETINGS UP 14 PERCENT

Fed cattle marketings from these States during April totaled 1,644,000 head, up 14 percent from April last year.

All States marketed more fed cattle than a year ago except Arizona which marketed 6 percent less than last year.

## APRIL MARKETINGS FROM SEVEN MARKETS UP SHARPLY

April marketings of steers and heifers sold out of first hands for slaughter at 7 markets totaled 203,090 head compared with 119,952 in April 1973. Steers accounted for 128,907 and heifers 74,183. Average liveweight of steers was 1,171 pounds, up 41 pounds and heifers averaged 996 pounds, 46 pounds over last April.

The average price of \$40.10 per hundred pounds liveweight for steers was down \$4.11 from a year ago and down \$1.18 from March. Heifers averaged \$39.84, down \$3.17 from April last year and \$1.19 from the previous month.

See corrections to April 1974 Cattle on Feed Report on page 2.

Cattle and calves: Inventories, placements and marketings,  
fed cattle, April 1 to May 1

Item	Total 7 States		
	1973	1974	1974 as % of 1973
	1,000 head		Percent
On feed April 1	9,575	8,803	92
Placed on feed during April	1,186	1,192	101
Marketed during April	1,440	1,644	114
On feed May 1	9,321	8,351	90

Cattle and calves: Inventories, placements and marketings,  
fed cattle, by States April 1 to May 1

State	Number on feed 1/					
	April 1			May 1		
	1973	1974	1974 as % of 1973	1973	1974	1974 as % of 1973
	1,000 head		Percent	1,000 head		Percent
Arizona	614	558	91	578	534	92
California	1,046	962	92	1,022	891	87
Colorado	946	864	91	920	804	87
Iowa	1,960	1,740	89	1,943	1,660	85
Kansas	1,230	1,080	88	1,210	1,020	84
Nebraska	1,520	1,380	91	1,485	1,370	92
Texas	2,259	2,219	98	2,163	2,072	96
Total 7 States	9,575	8,803	92	9,321	8,351	90
	Placements during April			Marketings during April		
	1973	1974	1974 as % of 1973	1973	1974	1974 as % of 1973
	1,000 head		Percent	1,000 head		Percent
Arizona	45	52	116	81	76	94
California	115	95	83	139	166	119
Colorado	144	125	87	170	185	109
Iowa	199	195	98	216	275	127
Kansas	175	160	91	195	220	113
Nebraska	251	320	127	286	330	115
Texas	257	245	95	353	392	111
Total 7 States	1,186	1,192	101	1,440	1,644	114

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.

"CATTLE ON FEED" APRIL 1974 (MtAn 2-1) report should be changed as follows:

Page 3 - Cattle and Calves placed on feed January 1-March 31, 1974 - 23 States - 5,289  
Fed cattle marketed January 1-March 31, 1974 - 23 States - 6,046  
6,088

Page 4 - Cattle and Calves placed on feed January-March 1974

	Number	% of 1973
Iowa	907	98
	949	102
23 States	5,289	
	5,331	

Page 5 - Number of fed cattle marketed January-March 1974

	Number	% of 1973
Iowa	882	99
	924	104
23 States	6,046	
	6,088	

Page 10 - Placed on feed during March 1974

	Number	% of 1973	Marketed during March 1974
	Number	% of 1973	Number
Iowa	280	110	280
	322	127	322
7 States	1,182	76	1,627
	1,224	78	1,669

STEERS SOLD OUT OF FIRST HAND AT SELECTED MARKETS FOR SLAUGHTER  
APRIL 1973 AND 1974 1/

MARKET AND GRADE	NUMBER		AVERAGE WEIGHT		AVERAGE PRICE PER 100 POUNDS LIVELWEIGHT	
	1973	1974	1973	1974	1973	1974
	HEAD	HEAD	POUNDS	POUNDS	DOLLARS	DOLLARS
<b>KANSAS CITY</b>						
PRIME.....	20	34	1013	1000	45.98	42.39
CHOICE.....	775	1346	1080	1072	45.14	41.05
GOOD.....	202	298	1112	1103	43.29	38.57
OTHER 2/.....	36	60	1163	1226	40.99	35.66
TOTAL.....	1033	1738	1088	1081	44.63	40.43
<b>OMAHA</b>						
PRIME.....	1171	2873	1184	1160	46.20	41.96
CHOICE.....	13074	23158	1110	1151	44.97	41.18
GOOD.....	3973	6766	1087	1159	43.15	39.62
OTHER 2/.....	276	993	1072	1222	40.49	37.19
TOTAL.....	18494	33790	1109	1155	44.61	40.81
<b>ST. LOUIS NSY</b>						
PRIME.....	168	413	1130	1186	46.48	39.63
CHOICE.....	5636	7658	1064	1062	45.26	41.43
GOOD.....	2321	2683	1051	1070	43.75	39.57
OTHER 2/.....	1435	894	1150	1135	40.68	37.15
TOTAL.....	9560	11648	1075	1074	44.19	40.59
<b>SIOUX CITY</b>						
PRIME.....	1130	2326	1203	1217	45.66	40.43
CHOICE.....	14028	27494	1147	1180	44.54	40.48
GOOD.....	2653	5108	1128	1236	42.86	38.92
OTHER 2/.....	207	420	1106	1334	40.62	36.19
TOTAL.....	18018	35348	1147	1192	44.33	40.19
<b>SIOUX FALLS</b>						
PRIME.....	131	198	1185	1121	45.44	41.40
CHOICE.....	6034	13492	1172	1189	44.52	39.78
GOOD.....	1833	2802	1176	1236	42.53	37.96
OTHER 2/.....	364	94	1212	1198	40.59	36.31
TOTAL.....	8362	16586	1175	1196	43.92	39.46
<b>SO. ST. JOSEPH</b>						
PRIME.....	216	165	1089	1099	46.19	41.56
CHOICE.....	3172	6122	1081	1110	44.78	41.15
GOOD.....	751	1901	1064	1118	43.28	40.04
OTHER 2/.....	96	279	1164	1179	40.72	36.59
TOTAL.....	4235	8467	1080	1114	44.50	40.75
<b>SO. ST. PAUL 3/</b>						
PRIME.....	571	21	1268	1092	45.94	43.00
CHOICE.....	4480	9507	1159	1184	44.87	40.54
GOOD.....	4031	6229	1200	1252	41.81	38.61
OTHER 2/.....	430	5573	1080	1258	39.49	36.53
TOTAL.....	9512	21330	1179	1223	43.40	38.89
<b>TOTAL 7 MARKETS</b>						
PRIME.....	3407	6030	1195	1180	45.95	41.17
CHOICE.....	47199	88777	1126	1158	44.79	40.69
GOOD.....	15764	25787	1127	1192	42.75	39.05
OTHER 2/.....	2844	8313	1137	1241	40.48	36.65
TOTAL.....	69214	128907	1130	1171	44.21	40.10

1/ DATA COLLECTED BY LIVESTOCK DIV., AMS AND STATISTICAL REPORTING SERVICE  
2/ STANDARD, COMMERCIAL AND UTILITY  
3/ PARTIAL RECEIPTS  
CATTLE ON FEED, MAY 1974

HEIFERS SOLD OUT OF FIRST HANDS AT SELECTED MARKETS FOR SLAUGHTER  
APRIL 1973 AND 1974 1/

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.....	18	32	918	896	45.30	41.28
CHOICE.....	495	805	922	936	44.19	40.19
GOOD.....	155	196	911	924	42.34	37.27
OTHER 2/.....	6	24	1010	980	38.15	34.38
TOTAL.....	674	1057	920	934	43.74	39.55
OMAHA						
PRIME.....	1270	2607	988	1013	45.21	41.73
CHOICE.....	11422	18169	941	1003	44.31	41.02
GOOD.....	5902	6896	917	980	42.26	39.18
OTHER 2/.....	750	667	955	1021	37.70	35.15
TOTAL.....	19344	28339	937	999	43.50	40.50
ST. LOUIS NSY						
PRIME.....	291	306	940	988	44.53	40.32
CHOICE.....	2980	2979	909	917	43.77	40.53
GOOD.....	1689	2198	879	886	41.75	38.02
OTHER 2/.....	458		902		38.84	
TOTAL.....	5418	5483	901	908	42.78	39.53
SIOUX CITY						
PRIME.....	573	1030	1004	1020	44.45	40.94
CHOICE.....	8865	14014	960	995	43.06	40.09
GOOD.....	1992	2648	946	1020	41.33	38.41
OTHER 2/.....	480	571	993	1026	38.95	36.26
TOTAL.....	11910	18263	961	1001	42.68	39.77
SIOUX FALLS						
PRIME.....	58	163	1043	1020	44.19	40.46
CHOICE.....	3958	6730	988	1016	43.10	39.64
GOOD.....	1430	2131	964	1014	41.55	37.88
OTHER 2/.....	188	82	941	1063	38.23	34.57
TOTAL.....	5634	9106	981	1016	42.57	39.20
SO. ST. JOSEPH						
PRIME.....	245	56	1013	1037	45.46	41.72
CHOICE.....	1440	2536	918	959	44.10	40.73
GOOD.....	497	1205	861	916	42.27	38.74
TOTAL.....	2182	3797	916	947	43.88	40.13
SO. ST. PAUL 3/						
PRIME.....	180	43	1089	989	45.38	41.55
CHOICE.....	3345	4095	986	1028	44.00	39.95
GOOD.....	1324	2565	984	1045	40.78	38.34
OTHER 2/.....	727	1435	1083	1070	37.03	35.04
TOTAL.....	5576	8138	1001	1040	42.32	38.56
TOTAL 7 MARKETS						
PRIME.....	2635	4237	996	1013	44.99	41.38
CHOICE.....	32505	49328	952	996	43.72	40.42
GOOD.....	12989	17839	926	983	41.81	38.60
OTHER 2/.....	2609	2779	964	1048	38.85	35.29
TOTAL.....	50738	74183	950	996	43.01	39.84

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