

# CATTLE ON FEED



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## Cattle on Feed in 7 States -- 35 Percent Above Last Years Record Low:

Cattle and calves on feed May 1 for slaughter market in the 7 States preparing monthly estimates totaled 7,519,000 head, up 35 percent from last year's record low number though still 10 percent less than May 1, 1974, according to the Crop Reporting Board.

April placements of cattle and calves on feed in the 7 States totaled 1,617,000, 17 percent more than April last year and 21 percent above April of 2 years ago. Placements were above last year in all 7 States.

Fed cattle marketed during April totaled 1,502,000, up 18 percent from last year but down 8 percent from April 1974. Marketings were above April 1975 in 6 of the 7 monthly States.

Other disappearance during April totaled 121,000, compared with 111,000 head in the same month last year.

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Estimates in this Cattle on Feed Report are based on data provided voluntarily by cattle feeders. The Statistical Reporting Service maintains an up-to-date list of cattle feeders stratified by feedlot capacity. Data are collected by mail and by personal and telephone interviews on or about the 1st day of each survey period. Survey procedures are designed to obtain reports from all feeders in the larger size strata, and feeders in the small size strata are sampled. Of the total inventory of cattle on feed for this report 70 percent was actually reported in the survey.

CATTLE AND CALVES: NUMBER ON FEED, PLACEMENTS, MARKETED, AND OTHER DISAPPEARANCE,  
7 STATES, APRIL 1 TO MAY 1

ITEM	TOTAL 7 STATES					
	1974			1975		
	1974	1975	1976	1976 AS % OF		1974
	1,000 HEAD			PERCENT		
ON FEED APR 1 1/	8,803	5,598	7,525	134	85	
PLACED ON FEED DURING APR	1,341	1,377	1,617	117	121	
FED CATTLE MARKETED DURING APR	1,629	1,275	1,502	118	92	
OTHER DISAPPEARANCE DURING APR 2/	164	111	121	109	74	
ON FEED MAY 1 1/	8,351	5,589	7,519	135	90	

CATTLE AND CALVES: NUMBER ON FEED, PLACEMENTS, MARKETED, AND OTHER DISAPPEARANCE,  
BY STATES, APRIL 1 TO MAY 1

STATE	NUMBER ON FEED 1/											
	APR 1				MAY 1							
	1974	1975	1976	AS % OF 1975	1974	1975	1976	AS % OF 1975				
	1,000 HEAD			PERCENT	1,000 HEAD			PERCENT				
ARIZ	558	329	422	128	534	335	408	122				
CALIF	962	479	753	157	891	504	743	147				
COLO	864	688	845	123	804	685	845	123				
IOWA	1,740	1,160	1,420	122	1,660	1,150	1,400	122				
KANS	1,080	860	1,200	140	1,020	900	1,200	133				
NEBR	1,380	960	1,210	126	1,370	950	1,320	139				
TEX	2,219	1,122	1,675	149	2,072	1,065	1,603	151				
TOTAL 7 STATES	8,803	5,598	7,525	134	8,351	5,589	7,519	135				
	APR. PLACEMENTS				APR. FED CATTLE MARKETED				APR. OTHER DISAPPEARANCE 2/			
	1974			1975	1974			1975	1974			1975
	1,000 HEAD			PERCENT	1,000 HEAD			PERCENT	1,000 HEAD			PERCENT
ARIZ	60	77	78	101	76	65	78	120	8	6	14	233
CALIF	123	154	159	103	166	94	134	143	28	35	35	100
COLO	140	171	198	116	180	168	190	113	20	6	8	133
IOWA	243	216	230	106	275	210	230	110	48	16	20	125
KANS	169	250	290	116	220	205	280	137	9	5	10	200
NEBR	330	275	377	137	320	275	260	95	20	10	7	70
TEX	276	234	285	122	392	258	330	128	31	33	27	82
TOTAL 7 STATES	1,341	1,377	1,617	117	1,629	1,275	1,502	118	164	111	121	109

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.

2/ INCLUDES DEATH LOSSES, MOVEMENT FROM FEEDLOTS TO PASTURES AND SHIPMENTS TO OTHER FEEDLOTS FOR FURTHER FEEDING.