

CATTLE ON FEED



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CATTLE ON FEED IN 7 STATES -- DOWN 7 PERCENT FROM LAST YEAR:

Cattle and calves on feed March 1 for slaughter market in the 7 States preparing monthly estimates totaled 7,546,000 head, down 7 percent from a year ago but 38 percent more than March 1, 1975, according to the Crop Reporting Board. The number on feed March 1 was lower than a year ago in 5 of the 7 States.

February placements of cattle and calves on feed in the 7 States totaled 1,361,000, 4 percent fewer than February last year but 69 percent greater than February 1975. Placements were above a year ago in 2 States.

Fed cattle marketed during February totaled 1,566,000, up 2 percent from 1976 and 19 percent more than February 1975. Marketings were above last year in 4 of the 7 States.

Other disappearance totaled 111,000, compared with 118,000 in February a year ago.

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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 65 percent was actually reported in the survey.

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

| ITEM | TOTAL 7 STATES | | | | |
|-----------------------------------|----------------|-------|-------|---------------|------|
| | 1975 | 1976 | 1977 | 1977 AS % OF: | |
| | 1,000 HEAD | | | 1975 | 1976 |
| ON FEED FEB 1 1/ | 6,050 | 8,357 | 7,862 | 130 | 94 |
| PLACED ON FEED DURING FEB | 806 | 1,411 | 1,361 | 169 | 96 |
| FED CATTLE MARKETED DURING FEB | 1,316 | 1,529 | 1,566 | 119 | 102 |
| OTHER DISAPPEARANCE DURING FEB 2/ | 59 | 118 | 111 | 188 | 94 |
| ON FEED MAR 1 1/ | 5,481 | 8,121 | 7,546 | 138 | 93 |

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

| STATE | NUMBER ON FEED 1/ | | | | | | | |
|-----------------|-------------------|-------|-------|----------------------|---------|-------|-------|----------------------|
| | FEB 1 | | | | MAR 1 | | | |
| | 1975 | 1976 | 1977 | 1977 AS % OF 1976 | 1975 | 1976 | 1977 | 1977 AS % OF 1976 |
| | 1,000 HEAD | | | | PERCENT | | | |
| ARIZ | 308 | 499 | 359 | 72 | 304 | 468 | 338 | 72 |
| CALIF | 585 | 906 | 683 | 75 | 476 | 858 | 623 | 73 |
| COLO | 710 | 865 | 870 | 101 | 685 | 875 | 845 | 97 |
| IOWA | 1,250 | 1,560 | 1,480 | 95 | 1,180 | 1,550 | 1,460 | 94 |
| KANS | 880 | 1,320 | 1,280 | 97 | 800 | 1,250 | 1,260 | 101 |
| NEBR | 1,080 | 1,310 | 1,530 | 117 | 960 | 1,310 | 1,500 | 115 |
| TEX | 1,237 | 1,897 | 1,660 | 88 | 1,076 | 1,810 | 1,520 | 84 |
| TOTAL 7 STATES: | 6,050 | 8,357 | 7,862 | 94 | 5,481 | 8,121 | 7,546 | 93 |

FEBRUARY

| STATE | PLACEMENTS | | | | FED CATTLE MARKETED | | | | OTHER DISAPPEARANCE 2/ | | | | | | |
|-----------------|------------|-------|-------|----------------------|---------------------|-------|-------|----------------------|------------------------|------|------|----------------------|---------|--|--|
| | 1975 | 1976 | 1977 | 1977 AS % OF 1976 | 1975 | 1976 | 1977 | 1977 AS % OF 1976 | 1975 | 1976 | 1977 | 1977 AS % OF 1976 | | | |
| | 1,000 HEAD | | | | PERCENT | | | | 1,000 HEAD | | | | PERCENT | | |
| ARIZ | 54 | 52 | 52 | 100 | 54 | 68 | 57 | 84 | 4 | 15 | 16 | 107 | | | |
| CALIF | 69 | 161 | 108 | 67 | 158 | 172 | 136 | 79 | 20 | 37 | 32 | 86 | | | |
| COLO | 141 | 213 | 190 | 89 | 162 | 190 | 209 | 110 | 4 | 13 | 6 | 46 | | | |
| IOWA | 172 | 218 | 210 | 96 | 230 | 220 | 215 | 98 | 12 | 8 | 15 | 188 | | | |
| KANS | 100 | 210 | 270 | 129 | 175 | 275 | 277 | 101 | 5 | 5 | 13 | 260 | | | |
| NEBR | 136 | 264 | 305 | 116 | 250 | 260 | 320 | 123 | 6 | 4 | 15 | 375 | | | |
| TEX | 134 | 293 | 226 | 77 | 287 | 344 | 352 | 102 | 8 | 36 | 14 | 39 | | | |
| TOTAL 7 STATES: | 806 | 1,411 | 1,361 | 96 | 1,316 | 1,529 | 1,566 | 102 | 59 | 118 | 111 | 94 | | | |

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.