

# CATTLE ON FEED

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## CATTLE ON FEED IN 7 STATES: DOWN 3 PERCENT

Cattle and calves on feed June 1 for slaughter market in the 7 States preparing monthly estimates totaled 7,053,000 head, down 3 percent from a year ago but 21 percent more than June 1, 1975, according to the Crop Reporting Board. The number on feed June 1 was below a year ago in 4 of the 7 States.

May placements of cattle and calves on feed in the 7 States totaled 1,599,000, the highest May placements during the last 4 years, 21 percent more than May last year and 4 percent greater than May 1975. Placements were above last year in 6 of the 7 States.

Fed cattle marketed during May totaled 1,489,000, up 1 percent from 1976 and 27 percent larger than May 1975. Marketings were equal to or exceeded a year ago in 4 of the 7 States.

Other disappearance totaled 253,000, compared with 100,000 in May last year. Movement out of feedlots to pasture was unusually heavy due to favorable grazing conditions in the Central and Southern Plains States.

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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, MAY 1 TO JUNE 1

ITEM	TOTAL 7 STATES				
	1975	1976	1977	1977 AS % OF	
	1,000 HEAD			1975	1976
				PERCENT	
ON FEED MAY 1 <sup>1/</sup>	5,589	7,513	7,196	129	96
PLACED ON FEED DURING MAY	1,532	1,326	1,599	104	121
FED CATTLE MARKETED DURING MAY	1,172	1,470	1,489	127	101
OTHER DISAPPEARANCE DURING MAY <sup>2/</sup>	108	100	253	234	253
ON FEED JUN 1 <sup>1/</sup>	5,841	7,269	7,053	121	97

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

STATE	NUMBER ON FEED <sup>1/</sup>							
	MAY 1				JUN 1			
	1975	1976	1977	1977 AS % OF 1976	1975	1976	1977	1977 AS % OF 1976
	1,000 HEAD				1,000 HEAD			
	PERCENT				PERCENT			
ARIZ	335	408	344	84	365	354	337	95
CALIF	504	747	697	93	624	800	701	88
COLO	685	845	835	99	684	825	830	101
IOWA	1,150	1,400	1,310	94	1,110	1,300	1,220	94
KANS	900	1,200	1,190	99	960	1,190	1,205	101
NEBR	950	1,310	1,380	105	970	1,230	1,280	104
TEX	1,065	1,603	1,440	90	1,128	1,570	1,480	94
TOTAL 7 STATES	5,589	7,513	7,196	96	5,841	7,269	7,053	97

MAY

STATE	PLACEMENTS				FED CATTLE MARKETED				OTHER DISAPPEARANCE <sup>2/</sup>			
	1975	1976	1977	1977 AS % OF 1976	1975	1976	1977	1977 AS % OF 1976	1975	1976	1977	1977 AS % OF 1976
	1,000 HEAD				1,000 HEAD				1,000 HEAD			
	PERCENT				PERCENT				PERCENT			
ARIZ	96	39	65	167	62	80	55	69	4	13	17	131
CALIF	251	225	176	78	104	146	133	91	27	26	39	150
COLO	175	141	213	151	150	149	187	126	26	12	31	258
IOWA	202	167	190	114	225	250	240	96	17	17	40	235
KANS	245	200	290	145	170	205	230	112	15	5	45	900
NEBR	275	248	285	115	245	320	320	100	10	8	65	813
TEX	288	306	380	124	216	320	324	101	9	19	16	84
TOTAL 7 STATES	1,532	1,326	1,599	121	1,172	1,470	1,489	101	108	100	253	253

<sup>1/</sup> 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.

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