

CATTLE ON FEED



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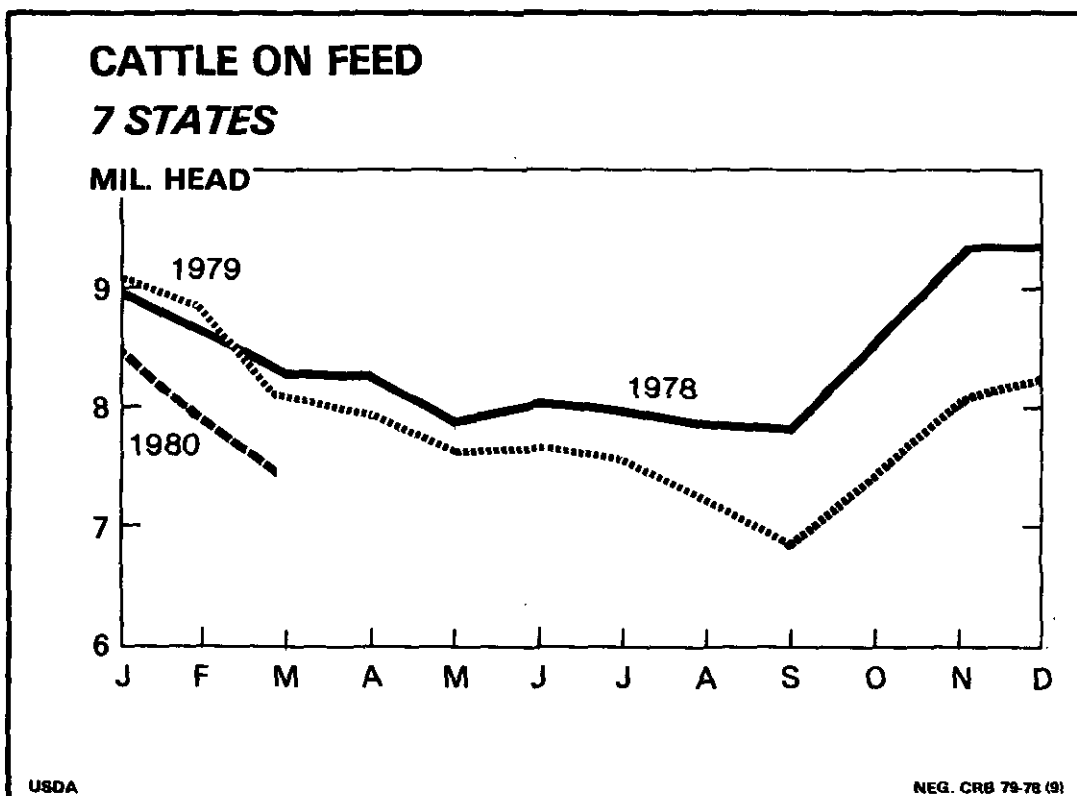
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CATTLE ON FEED IN 7 STATES DOWN 9 PERCENT

Cattle and calves on feed March 1 for slaughter market in the 7 States preparing monthly estimates totaled 7.44 million head, down 9 percent from a year ago and 10 percent less than March 1, 1978, according to the Crop Reporting Board. Marketings of fed cattle during February totaled 1.57 million, down 5 percent from last year and 7 percent less than February 1978.

Placements of cattle and calves on feed in the 7 States during February were 1.21 million, down 8 percent from last year and off 21 percent from February 1978. Net placements of 1.05 million head were down 7 percent from a year ago and 21 percent below 2 years ago.

Other disappearance totaled 155 thousand compared with 170 thousand in February 1979 and 181 thousand in 1978.



**CATTLE AND CALVES: NUMBER ON FEED, PLACEMENTS, MARKETED, AND OTHER DISAPPEARANCE,
7 STATES, FEB 1 TO MAR 1**

ITEM	1978			1979			1980			1980 AS % OF:	
	1,000 HEAD	PERCENT	1,000 HEAD	PERCENT	1,000 HEAD	PERCENT	1,000 HEAD	PERCENT	1978	1979	
ON FEED FEB 1 1/	8,614		8,729		7,957		92		91		
PLACED ON FEED DURING FEB	1,519		1,305		1,206		79		92		
FED CATTLE MARKETED DURING FEB	1,676		1,650		1,565		93		95		
OTHER DISAPPEARANCE DURING FEB 2/	181		170		155		86		91		
ON FEED MAR 1 1/	8,276		8,214		7,443		90		91		

1/ CATTLE AND CALVES ON FEED ARE ANIMALS FOR SLAUGHTER MARKET BEING FED A FULL RATION OF 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.

**CATTLE AND CALVES: NUMBER ON FEED, PLACEMENTS, MARKETED, AND OTHER DISAPPEARANCE,
BY STATES, DEC 1 TO MAR 1**

STATE	NUMBER ON FEED			PLACED			MARKETED			OTHER DISAPPEARANCE		
	1978	1979	1979-78	1978	1979	1979-78	1978	1979	1979-78	1978	1979	1979-78
	1,000 HEAD	PERCENT		1,000 HEAD	PERCENT		1,000 HEAD	PERCENT		1,000 HEAD	PERCENT	
	DEC 1			DURING DEC			DURING DEC			DURING DEC		
ARIZ	507	385	76	63	100	159	59	46	78	21	19	90
CALIF	803	779	97	144	108	75	107	105	98	44	18	41
COLO	1,095	965	88	166	137	83	170	125	74	11	17	155
IOWA	1,540	1,300	84	390	365	94	280	260	93	30	15	50
KANS	1,430	1,270	89	280	229	62	250	210	84	20	19	95
NEBR	1,820	1,580	87	390	400	103	400	280	70	10	20	200
TEX	2,120	1,990	94	310	310	100	390	305	78	40	25	63
7 STATES	9,315	8,269	89	1,743	1,649	95	1,656	1,331	80	176	133	76
	JAN 1			DURING JAN			DURING JAN			DURING JAN		
ARIZ	490	420	86	53	42	79	56	56	100	34	17	50
CALIF	796	764	96	120	75	63	165	136	82	50	40	80
COLO	1,080	960	89	198	129	65	225	190	84	18	14	78
IOWA	1,620	1,390	86	245	305	124	260	260	100	25	15	60
KANS	1,440	1,270	88	250	255	102	319	285	89	11	30	273
NEBR	1,800	1,680	93	315	270	86	380	390	103	35	20	57
TEX	2,000	1,970	99	395	290	73	470	380	81	25	30	120
7 STATES	9,226	8,454	92	1,576	1,366	87	1,875	1,697	91	198	166	84
	FEB 1			DURING FEB			DURING FEB			DURING FEB		
ARIZ	453	389	86	39	45	115	50	46	92	14	28	200
CALIF	701	663	95	92	58	63	119	112	94	28	26	93
COLO	1,035	885	86	162	125	77	215	198	92	12	22	183
IOWA	1,580	1,420	90	160	180	113	220	195	89	40	5	13
KANS	1,360	1,210	89	247	228	92	291	259	89	26	19	73
NEBR	1,700	1,540	91	320	330	103	325	375	115	25	25	100
TEX	1,900	1,850	97	285	240	84	430	380	88	25	30	120
7 STATES	8,729	7,957	91	1,305	1,206	92	1,650	1,565	95	170	155	91
	MAR 1											
ARIZ	428	360	84									
CALIF	646	583	90									
COLO	970	790	81									
IOWA	1,480	1,400	95									
KANS	1,290	1,160	90									
NEBR	1,670	1,470	88									
TEX	1,730	1,680	97									
7 STATES	8,214	7,443	91									

ESTIMATES IN THIS CATTLE ON FEED REPORT ARE BASED ON DATA PROVIDED VOLUNTARILY BY CATTLE FEEDERS. THE STATE STATISTICAL OFFICES MAINTAIN 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 72 PERCENT WAS ACTUALLY REPORTED IN THE SURVEY.