

CATTLE ON FEED

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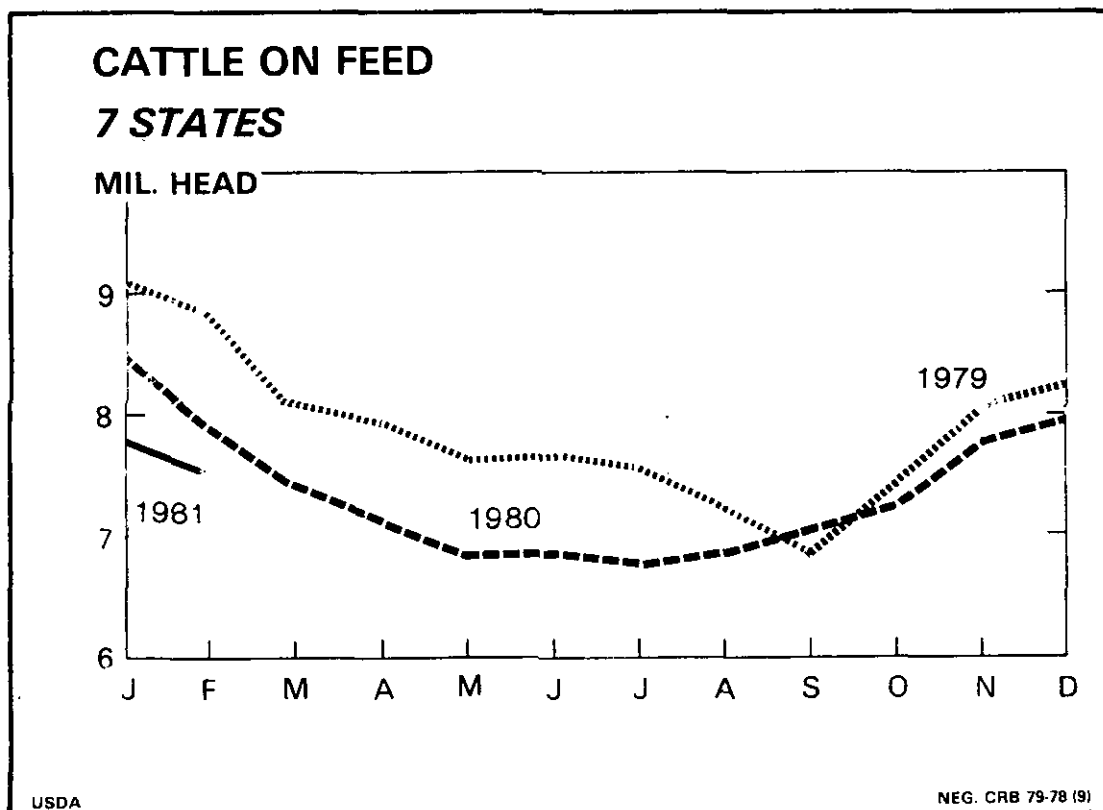
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CATTLE ON FEED IN 7 STATES DOWN 6 PERCENT

Cattle and calves on feed February 1 for slaughter market in the 7 States preparing monthly estimates totaled 7.51 million head, down 6 percent from a year ago and 14 percent less than February 1, 1979, according to the Crop Reporting Board. This is the smallest February 1 number on feed since 1975. Marketings of fed cattle during January totaled 1.53 million, off 9 percent from last year and 19 percent less than January 1979.

Placements of cattle and calves on feed in the 7 States during January were 1.28 million, down 5 percent from last year and off 19 percent from 2 years ago. Net placements of 1.17 million were down 1 percent from last year and 15 percent from January 1979.

Other disappearance totaled 110 thousand compared with 166 thousand in January 1980 and 198 thousand in 1979.



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

ITEM	1979		1980		1981		1981 AS % OF:	
	1,000 HEAD	PERCENT	1,000 HEAD	PERCENT	1,000 HEAD	PERCENT	1979	1980
ON FEED JAN 1 1/	9,226		8,454		7,863		85	93
PLACED ON FEED DURING JAN	1,576		1,341		1,277		81	95
FED CATTLE MARKETED DURING JAN	1,875		1,672		1,525		81	91
OTHER DISAPPEARANCE DURING JAN 2/	198		166		110		56	66
ON FEED FEB 1 1/	8,729		7,957		7,505		86	94

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, NOV 1 TO FEB 1

STATE	NUMBER ON FEED			PLACED			MARKETED			OTHER DISAPPEARANCE		
	1979	1980	1980-79	1979	1980	1980-79	1979	1980	1980-79	1979	1980	1980-79
	1,000 HEAD	PERCENT		1,000 HEAD	PERCENT		1,000 HEAD	PERCENT		1,000 HEAD	PERCENT	
	NOV 1			DURING NOV			DURING NOV			DURING NOV		
ARIZ	367	360	98	62	71	115	38	39	103	6	10	167
CALIF	765	661	86	144	106	74	110	79	72	20	16	80
COLO	930	850	91	192	190	99	140	140	100	17	25	147
IOWA	1,180	1,200	102	410	350	85	270	235	87	20	5	25
KANS	1,265	1,200	95	275	226	82	250	240	96	20	11	55
NEBR	1,520	1,530	101	360	380	106	275	310	113	25	20	80
TEX	1,990	1,990	100	405	330	81	355	310	87	50	40	80
7 STATES	8,017	7,791	97	1,848	1,653	89	1,438	1,353	94	158	127	80
	DEC 1			DURING DEC			DURING DEC			DURING DEC		
ARIZ	385	382	99	100	53	53	46	27	59	19	7	37
CALIF	779	672	86	108	104	96	105	85	81	18	14	78
COLO	965	875	91	162	135	83	150	139	93	17	26	153
IOWA	1,300	1,310	101	365	295	81	250	230	88	15	5	33
KANS	1,270	1,175	93	229	210	92	210	257	122	19	28	147
NEBR	1,580	1,580	100	400	380	95	280	300	107	20	20	100
TEX	1,990	1,970	99	310	215	69	305	325	107	25	30	120
7 STATES	8,269	7,964	96	1,674	1,392	83	1,356	1,363	101	133	130	98
	JAN 1			DURING JAN			DURING JAN			DURING JAN		
ARIZ	420	401	95	42	38	90	56	30	54	17	9	53
CALIF	764	677	89	75	68	91	136	105	77	40	15	38
COLO	960	845	88	104	171	164	165	180	109	14	16	114
IOWA	1,390	1,370	99	305	235	77	260	280	108	15	15	100
KANS	1,270	1,100	87	255	210	82	285	220	77	30	10	33
NEBR	1,680	1,640	98	270	310	115	390	380	97	20	20	100
TEX	1,970	1,830	93	290	245	84	380	330	87	30	25	83
7 STATES	8,454	7,863	93	1,341	1,277	95	1,672	1,525	91	166	110	66
	FEB 1											
ARIZ	389	400	103									
CALIF	663	625	94									
COLO	885	820	93									
IOWA	1,420	1,310	92									
KANS	1,210	1,080	89									
NEBR	1,540	1,550	101									
TEX	1,850	1,720	93									
7 STATES	7,957	7,505	94									

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 ESTIMATED IN THIS REPORT 71 PERCENT WAS ACTUALLY REPORTED IN THE SURVEY.