

Cattle On Feed



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Cattle on Feed Up 2 Percent in 13 Quarterly States

Cattle and calves on feed for slaughter market in the 13 States preparing quarterly estimates totaled 10.6 million head, up 2 percent from a year ago and up 10 percent from April 1, 1992. The inventory included 7.12 million steers and steer calves, up 4 percent from a year ago and 13 percent above two years ago. This group accounts for 67.0 percent of the total inventory. Heifers and heifer calves accounted for 3.46 million head, 2 percent below a year ago.

Placements of cattle and calves on feed in the 13 States during the January-March 1994 quarter totaled 5.34 million, fractionally above last year but 1 percent below January-March 1992. **Net placements** of 5.06 million for January-March were 4 percent above last year and 1 percent above January-March 1992.

Marketings of fed cattle during the January-March 1994 quarter totaled 5.54 million, up 4 percent from the same quarter last year and 2 percent above two years ago.

Other disappearance totaled 275,000 head compared to 439,000 in January-March 1993 and 404,000 in January-March 1992.

Cattle on Feed in 7 Monthly States Up 2 Percent

Cattle on feed April 1, 1994, in the 7 monthly States totaled 8.87 million, up 2 percent from the previous year and 11 percent above two years ago.

Placements in feedlots during March totaled 1.62 million, fractionally below 1993 but 7 percent above 1992.

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Marketings during March totaled 1.57 million, up 1 percent from a year ago and 2 percent above 1992.

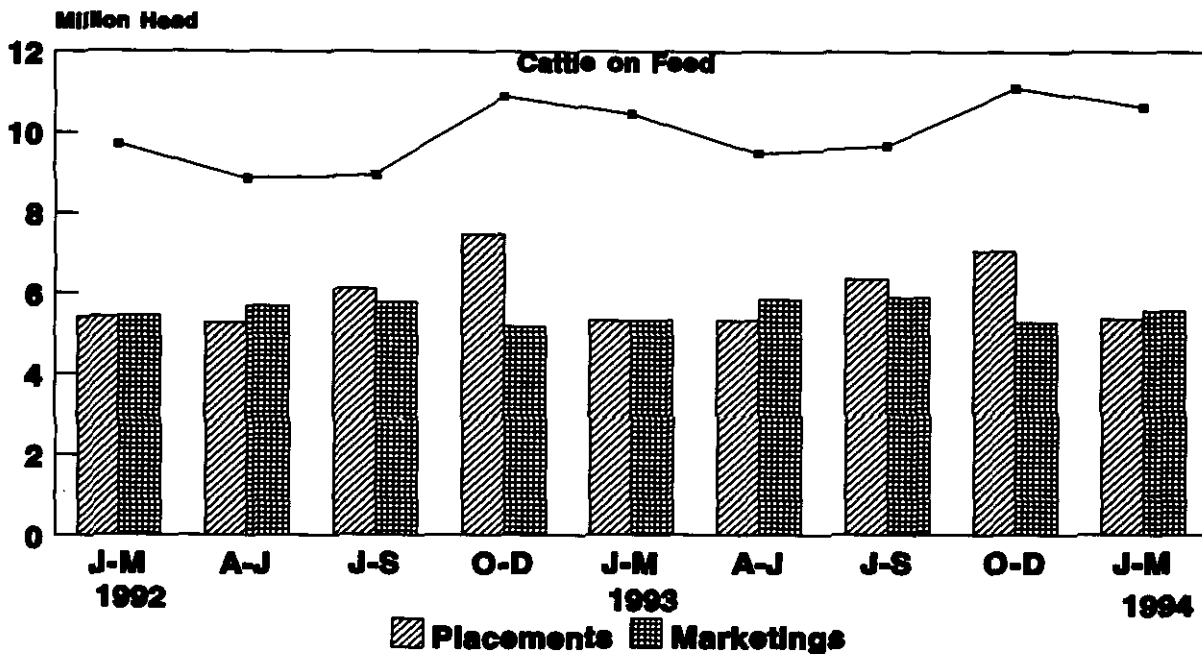
Other disappearance during March was 86,000 head, 23 percent below last year and 26 percent below 1992.

January-March 1994 quarterly marketings for the 7 States, at 4.68 million, were up 4 percent from January-March 1993 and 1 percent above January-March 1992. Marketings for the 7 States during the January-March quarter accounted for 84 percent of the 13-State total.

Cattle on Feed in 1000+ Capacity Feedlots Up 5 Percent

Cattle on feed April 1, 1994, for the 13 States in the feedlots with 1,000+ or more head capacity totaled 8.95 million head, up 5 percent from 1993 and 14 percent above two years ago. The inventory in the 1,000+ capacity feedlots accounted for 84.2 percent of the total inventory.

Cattle on Feed, Placements, Marketings by Quarters for 13 States



Cattle on Feed: Number on Feed, Placements, Marketings, and Other Disappearance by Quarter, 13 States, 1992-94

Date	Number on Feed	Current Quarter		
		Placements	Marketings	Other Disappearance
1,000 Head				
Jan 1, 1992	10,135	5,403	5,441	404
Apr 1, 1992	9,693	5,273	5,675	444
Jul 1, 1992	8,847	6,107	5,766	268
Oct 1, 1992	8,920	7,458	5,174	320
Jan 1, 1993	10,884	5,321	5,314	439
Apr 1, 1993	10,452	5,314	5,833	460
Jul 1, 1993	9,473	6,341	5,893	270
Oct 1, 1993	9,651	7,046	5,276	315
Jan 1, 1994	11,106	5,337	5,544	275
Apr 1, 1994	10,624			

Cattle on Feed: Number on Feed, Placements, Marketings, Other
Disappearance, and Class, 13 States, Jan-Apr 1, 1992-94

Item	: 1992	: 1993	: 1994	: as % of	
				: 1992	: 1993
	:----- 1,000 Head -----			Percent	
On Feed Jan 1	:10,135	10,884	11,106	110	102
Placed on Feed Jan 1 - Mar 31 <u>1/</u>	: 5,403	5,321	5,337	99	100
Fed Cattle Marketed Jan 1 - Mar 31 <u>1/</u>	: 5,441	5,314	5,544	102	104
Other Disappearance Jan 1 - Mar 31 <u>2/</u>	: 404	439	275	68	63
On Feed Apr 1	: 9,693	10,452	10,624	110	102
Kinds on Feed Apr 1					
Steers and Steer Calves	: 6,326	6,869	7,119	113	104
Heifers and Heifer Calves	: 3,312	3,525	3,458	104	98
Cows and Bulls	: 55	58	47	85	81

1/ Includes cattle placed on feed after beginning of quarter and marketed before end of quarter.

2/ Includes death losses, movement from feedlots to pastures and shipments to other feedlots for further feeding.

Cattle on Feed: Number on Feed by Quarter,
State, and 13-State Total, 1993-94 1/

State	Apr 1, 1993	Jan 1, 1994	Apr 1, 1994		
			Number	as % of 1993	as % of Prev. Qtr.
			1,000 Head		
			Percent		
AZ	196	*225	192	98	85
CA	365	375	355	97	95
CO	910	1,010	940	103	93
ID	255	275	260	102	95
IL	330	330	290	88	88
IA	920	920	890	97	97
KS	1,770	1,910	1,870	106	98
MN	325	330	335	103	102
NE	2,230	2,110	2,130	96	101
OK	355	*390	405	114	104
SD	300	290	270	90	93
TX	2,310	2,730	2,490	108	91
WA	186	211	197	106	93
13 Sts	10,452	*11,106	10,624	102	96

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* Revised.

Cattle on Feed: Number Placed on Feed by Quarter,
State, and 13-State Total, 1993-94 1/

State	Jan-Mar 1993	Oct-Dec 1993	Jan-Mar 1994		
			Number	as % of 1993	as % of Prev. Qtr.
			1,000 Head		
			Percent		
AZ	79	*127	64	81	50
CA	160	205	165	103	80
CO	565	675	560	99	83
ID	155	200	150	97	75
IL	115	190	100	87	53
IA	400	630	320	80	51
KS	905	1,180	1,040	115	88
MN	110	225	110	100	49
NE	1,290	1,480	1,220	95	82
OK	200	*240	235	118	98
SD	120	220	120	100	55
TX	1,100	1,535	1,135	103	74
WA	122	139	118	97	85
13 Sts	5,321	*7,046	5,337	100	76

1/ Includes cattle placed on feed after beginning of quarter and marketed before end of quarter.

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Cattle on Feed: Number Marketed by Quarter,
State, and 13-State Total, 1993-94 ^{1/}

State	Jan-Mar 1993	Oct-Dec 1993	Jan-Mar 1994		
			Number	as % of 1993	as % of Prev. Qtr.
			----- 1,000 Head -----		
			----- Percent -----		
AZ	105	81	94	90	116
CA	165	135	130	79	96
CO	635	530	610	96	115
ID	160	145	160	100	110
IL	105	100	130	124	130
IA	335	415	330	99	80
KS	995	985	1,045	105	106
MN	105	110	95	90	86
NE	1,090	1,090	1,130	104	104
OK	180	215	215	119	100
SD	130	105	130	100	124
TX	1,195	1,240	1,345	113	108
WA	114	125	130	114	104
13 Sts	5,314	5,276	5,544	104	105

^{1/} Includes cattle placed on feed after beginning of quarter and marketed before end of quarter.

Cattle on Feed: Other Disappearance by Quarter,
State, and 13-State Total, 1993-94 ^{1/}

State	Jan-Mar 1993	Oct-Dec 1993	Jan-Mar 1994		
			Number	as % of 1993	as % of Prev. Qtr.
			----- 1,000 Head -----		
			----- Percent -----		
AZ	11	10	3	27	30
CA	70	50	55	79	110
CO	20	25	20	100	80
ID	20	15	5	25	33
IL	10	10	10	100	100
IA	35	15	20	57	133
KS	60	35	35	58	100
MN	10	10	10	100	100
NE	100	80	70	70	88
OK	10	10	5	50	50
SD	30	5	10	33	200
TX	55	45	30	55	67
WA	8	5	2	25	40
13 Sts	439	315	275	63	87

^{1/} Includes death losses, movement from feedlots to pastures, and shipments to other feedlots for further feeding.

Cattle on Feed: Number on Feed by Class, Quarter,
State, and 13-State Total, 1993-94

State	Steers & Steer Calves			Heifers & Heifer Calves			Cows and Bulls		
	Apr 1, 1993	Jan 1, 1994	Apr 1, 1994	Apr 1, 1993	Jan 1, 1994	Apr 1, 1994	Apr 1, 1993	Jan 1, 1994	Apr 1, 1994
	1,000 Head								
AZ	187	212	175	9	*13	17	0	0	0
CA	310	325	330	50	49	24	5	1	1
CO	575	590	595	325	395	335	10	25	10
ID	170	190	185	76	80	72	9	5	3
IL	195	195	165	135	135	125	0	0	0
IA	580	555	570	335	360	315	5	5	5
KS	1,230	1,270	1,305	538	635	562	2	5	3
MN	240	240	250	83	87	83	2	3	2
NE	1,360	1,290	1,320	850	795	790	20	25	20
OK	230	*245	260	125	145	145	0	0	0
SD	174	155	160	124	123	108	2	12	2
TX	1,500	1,820	1,675	808	905	814	2	5	1
WA	118	124	129	67	86	68	1	1	0
13 Sts	6,869	*7,211	7,119	3,525	*3,808	3,458	58	87	47

* Revised.

Cattle on Feed: Number on Feed, Placements, Marketings,
Other Disappearance, and Class,
7 States, Jan-Apr 1, 1992-94

Item	1992	1993	1994	as % of	
				1992	1993
	----- 1,000 Head -----			Percent	
On Feed Jan 1	8,397	9,073	9,280	111	102
Placed on Feed Jan 1 - Mar 31 <u>1/</u>	4,563	4,499	4,504	99	100
Fed Cattle Marketed Jan 1 - Mar 31 <u>1/</u>	4,616	4,520	4,684	101	104
Other Disappearance Jan 1 - Mar 31 <u>2/</u>	336	351	233	69	66
On Feed Apr 1	8,008	8,701	8,867	111	102
Kinds on Feed Apr 1					
Steers and Steer Calves	5,251	5,742	5,970	114	104
Heifers and Heifer Calves	2,713	2,915	2,857	105	98
Cows and Bulls	44	44	40	91	91

1/ Includes cattle placed on feed after beginning of quarter and marketed before end of quarter.

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Cattle on Feed: Number on Feed, Placements, Marketings, and Other
Disappearance, 7 States, Mar-Apr 1, 1992-94

Item	Number			as % of	
	1992	1993	1994	1992	1993
	----- 1,000 Head -----			Percent	
On Feed Mar 1 <u>1/</u>	8,155	8,761	8,911	109	102
Placed on Feed During Mar	1,506	1,616	1,615	107	100
Fed Cattle Marketed During Mar	1,536	1,565	1,573	102	101
Other Disappearance During Mar <u>2/</u>	117	111	86	74	77
On Feed Apr 1 <u>1/</u>	8,008	8,701	8,867	111	102

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Cattle on Feed: Number on Feed and Placements by State
and 7-State Total, Oct-Dec 1992-93

State	Number on Feed				Placements			
	1992	1993	as % of 1992	as % of Prev Mo	1992	1993	as % of 1992	as % of Prev Mo
	1,000 Head		Percent		1,000 Head		Percent	
	Oct 1				During Oct			
AZ	180	189	105	112	58	59	102	137
CA	385	355	92	103	105	70	67	108
CO	840	890	106	116	310	285	92	88
IA	660	720	109	99	230	225	98	173
KS	1,700	1,750	103	104	500	500	100	116
NE	1,760	1,800	102	108	610	590	97	105
TX	1,970	2,480	126	105	845	745	88	123
7 Sts	7,495	8,184	109	106	2,658	2,474	93	115
	Nov 1				During Nov			
AZ	214	221	103	117	43	43	100	73
CA	430	375	87	106	70	75	107	107
CO	960	980	102	110	195	230	118	81
IA	740	790	107	110	210	210	100	93
KS	1,890	1,920	102	110	370	340	92	68
NE	1,990	2,000	101	111	520	500	96	85
TX	2,360	2,730	116	110	435	460	106	62
7 Sts	8,584	9,016	105	110	1,843	1,858	101	75
	Dec 1				During Dec			
AZ	234	227	97	103	24	*25	104	58
CA	430	380	88	101	90	60	67	80
CO	990	1,020	103	104	180	160	89	70
IA	800	840	105	106	210	195	93	93
KS	1,930	1,950	101	102	340	340	100	100
NE	2,100	2,110	100	106	470	390	83	78
TX	2,410	2,780	115	102	380	330	87	72
7 Sts	8,894	9,307	105	103	1,694	*1,500	89	81

* Revised.

Cattle on Feed: Marketings and Other Disappearance
by State and 7-State Total, Oct-Dec 1992-93

State	Marketings				Other Disappearance			
	1992	1993	as % of 1992	as % of Prev Mo	1992	1993	as % of 1992	as % of Prev Mo
	1,000 Head		Percent		1,000 Head		Percent	
During Oct								
AZ	23	26	113	118	1	1	100	100
CA	45	40	89	89	15	10	67	100
CO	185	190	103	95	5	5	100	100
IA	145	150	103	111	5	5	100	100
KS	295	320	108	89	15	10	67	100
NE	360	360	100	90	20	30	150	150
TX	440	480	109	100	15	15	100	100
7 Sts	1,493	1,566	105	95	76	76	100	115
During Nov								
AZ	22	29	132	112	1	8	800	800
CA	50	50	100	125	20	20	100	200
CO	160	180	113	95	5	10	200	200
IA	145	155	107	103	5	5	100	100
KS	310	295	95	92	20	15	75	150
NE	390	360	92	100	20	30	150	100
TX	365	390	107	81	20	20	100	133
7 Sts	1,442	1,459	101	93	91	108	119	142
During Dec								
AZ	24	26	108	90	1	1	100	13
CA	60	45	75	90	20	20	100	100
CO	165	160	97	89	5	10	200	100
IA	115	110	96	71	5	5	100	100
KS	330	370	112	125	20	10	50	67
NE	420	370	88	103	20	20	100	67
TX	300	370	123	95	30	10	33	50
7 Sts	1,414	1,451	103	99	101	76	75	70

Cattle on Feed: Number on Feed and Placements by State
and 7-State Total, Jan-Apr 1993-94

State	Number on Feed				Placements			
	1993	1994	as % of 1993	as % of Prev Mo	1993	1994	as % of 1993	as % of Prev Mo
	1,000 Head		Percent		1,000 Head		Percent	
	Jan 1				During Jan			
AZ	233	*225	97	99	26	23	88	92
CA	440	375	85	99	50	50	100	83
CO	1,000	1,010	101	99	185	170	92	106
IA	890	920	103	110	160	135	84	69
KS	1,920	1,910	99	98	330	340	103	100
NE	2,130	2,110	99	100	540	460	85	118
TX	2,460	2,730	111	98	330	365	111	111
7 Sts	9,073	*9,280	102	100	1,621	1,543	95	103
	Feb 1				During Feb			
AZ	215	217	101	96	22	16	73	70
CA	415	365	88	97	55	70	127	140
CO	950	950	100	94	155	165	106	97
IA	920	940	102	102	115	85	74	63
KS	1,880	1,880	100	98	245	310	127	91
NE	2,250	2,130	95	101	370	380	103	83
TX	2,420	2,660	110	97	300	320	107	88
7 Sts	9,050	9,142	101	99	1,262	1,346	107	87
	Mar 1				During Mar			
AZ	201	201	100	93	31	25	81	156
CA	400	380	95	104	55	45	82	64
CO	900	920	102	97	225	225	100	136
IA	910	900	99	96	125	100	80	118
KS	1,800	1,830	102	97	330	390	118	126
NE	2,210	2,140	97	100	380	380	100	100
TX	2,340	2,540	109	95	470	450	96	141
7 Sts	8,761	8,911	102	97	1,616	1,615	100	120
	Apr 1							
AZ	196	192	98	96				
CA	365	355	97	93				
CO	910	940	103	102				
IA	920	890	97	99				
KS	1,770	1,870	106	102				
NE	2,230	2,130	96	100				
TX	2,310	2,490	108	98				
7 Sts	8,701	8,867	102	100				

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Cattle on Feed: Marketings and Other Disappearance
by State and 7-State Total, Jan-Mar 1993-94

State	Marketings				Other Disappearance			
	1993	1994	as % of 1993	as % of Prev Mo	1993	1994	as % of 1993	as % of Prev Mo
	1,000 Head		Percent		1,000 Head		Percent	
	During Jan							
AZ	39	*30	77	115	5	1	20	100
CA	60	45	75	100	15	15	100	75
CO	225	225	100	141	10	5	50	50
IA	120	105	88	95	10	10	100	200
KS	340	360	106	97	30	10	33	100
NE	380	420	111	114	40	20	50	100
TX	350	425	121	115	20	10	50	100
7 Sts	1,514	*1,610	106	111	130	71	55	93
	During Feb							
AZ	31	31	100	103	5	1	20	100
CA	50	40	80	89	20	15	75	100
CO	200	190	95	84	5	5	100	100
IA	115	120	104	114	10	5	50	50
KS	305	350	115	97	20	10	50	100
NE	380	340	89	81	30	30	100	150
TX	360	430	119	101	20	10	50	100
7 Sts	1,441	1,501	104	93	110	76	69	107
	During Mar							
AZ	35	33	94	106	1	1	100	100
CA	55	45	82	113	35	25	71	167
CO	210	195	93	103	5	10	200	200
IA	100	105	105	88	15	5	33	100
KS	350	335	96	96	10	15	150	150
NE	330	370	112	109	30	20	67	67
TX	485	490	101	114	15	10	67	100
7 Sts	1,565	1,573	101	105	111	86	77	113

* Revised.

Cattle on Feed: Number on Feed, Placements, Marketings, Other
Disappearance, and Class, 1,000+ Capacity Feedlots,
13 States, Jan-Apr 1, 1992-94

Item	1992	1993	1994	as % of	
				1992	1993
	----- 1,000 Head -----			Percent	
On Feed Jan 1	8,165	9,035	9,270	114	103
Placed on Feed Jan 1 - Mar 31 <u>1/</u>	4,725	4,452	4,775	101	107
Fed Cattle Marketed Jan 1 - Mar 31 <u>1/</u>	4,727	4,619	4,894	104	106
Other Disappearance Jan 1 - Mar 31 <u>2/</u>	301	332	201	67	61
On Feed Apr 1	7,862	8,536	8,950	114	105
Kinds on Feed Apr 1					
Steers and Steer Calves	5,231	5,665	6,073	116	107
Heifers and Heifer Calves	2,586	2,825	2,838	110	100
Cows and Bulls	45	46	39	87	85

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Cattle on Feed: Number on Feed, 1,000+ Capacity Feedlots
by Quarter, State, and 13-State Total, 1993-94 1/ 2/

State	Apr 1, 1993		Jan 1, 1994		Apr 1, 1994	
	Number	as % of 1993	Number	as % of 1993	Number	as % of Prev. Qtr.
1,000 Head			Percent			
AZ	196		*225		192	85
CA	365		375		355	95
CO	895		981		922	94
ID	246		268		253	94
IL	75		80		75	94
IA	230		210		220	105
KS	1,720		1,840		1,830	99
MN	75		75		75	100
NE	1,730		1,730		1,790	103
OK	354		*385		400	104
SD	170		170		160	94
TX	2,294		2,720		2,481	91
WA	186		211		197	93
13 Sts	8,536		*9,270		8,950	97

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by Quarter, State, and 13-State Total, 1993-94 1/ 2/

State	Jan-Mar 1993		Oct-Dec 1993		Jan-Mar 1994	
	Number	as % of 1993	Number	as % of 1993	Number	as % of Prev. Qtr.
1,000 Head			Percent			
AZ	79		*127		64	50
CA	160		205		165	80
CO	562		651		557	86
ID	151		187		146	78
IL	19		43		24	56
IA	107		170		104	61
KS	890		1,130		1,025	91
MN	23		55		23	42
NE	960		1,160		1,090	94
OK	198		*235		233	99
SD	95		132		95	72
TX	1,086		1,529		1,131	74
WA	122		139		118	85
13 Sts	4,452		*5,763		4,775	83

- 1/ Includes cattle placed on feed after beginning of quarter and marketed before end of quarter.
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Cattle on Feed: Number Marketed, 1,000+ Capacity Feedlots
by Quarter, State, and 13-State Total, 1993-94 1/ 2/

State	Jan-Mar 1993	Oct-Dec 1993	Jan-Mar 1994		
			Number	as % of 1993	as % of Prev. Qtr.
1,000 Head			Percent		
AZ	105	81	94	90	116
CA	165	135	130	79	96
CO	617	527	596	97	113
ID	157	138	156	99	113
IL	23	31	27	117	87
IA	94	112	91	97	81
KS	975	945	1,010	104	107
MN	22	24	22	100	92
NE	890	960	985	111	103
OK	177	214	213	120	100
SD	95	80	100	105	125
TX	1,185	1,235	1,340	113	109
WA	114	125	130	114	104
13 Sts	4,619	4,607	4,894	106	106

1/ Includes cattle placed on feed after beginning of quarter and marketed before end of quarter.

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Cattle on Feed: Other Disappearance, 1,000+ Capacity Feedlots
by Quarter, State, and 13-State Total, 1993-94 1/ 2/

State	Jan-Mar 1993	Oct-Dec 1993	Jan-Mar 1994		
			Number	as % of 1993	as % of Prev. Qtr.
1,000 Head			Percent		
AZ	11	10	3	27	30
CA	70	50	55	79	110
CO	20	25	20	100	80
ID	19	12	5	26	42
IL	1	2	2	200	100
IA	3	3	3	100	100
KS	55	35	25	45	71
MN	1	1	1	100	100
NE	70	60	45	64	75
OK	10	10	5	50	50
SD	10	2	5	50	250
TX	54	40	30	56	75
WA	8	5	2	25	40
13 Sts	332	255	201	61	79

1/ Includes death losses, movement from feedlots to pastures, and shipments to other feedlots for further feeding.

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Cattle on Feed: Number on Feed by Class, 1,000+ Capacity Feedlots,
by Quarter, State, and 13-State Total, 1993-94 1/

State	Steers & Steer Calves			Heifers & Heifer Calves:			Cows and Bulls		
	Apr 1, 1993	Jan 1, 1994	Apr 1, 1994	Apr 1, 1993	Jan 1, 1994	Apr 1, 1994	Apr 1, 1993	Jan 1, 1994	Apr 1, 1994
	1,000 Head								
AZ	187	212	175	9	*13	17	0	0	0
CA	310	325	330	50	49	24	5	1	1
CO	565	573	584	320	383	328	10	25	10
ID	164	188	182	73	76	68	9	4	3
IL	50	50	50	25	30	25	0	0	0
IA	169	142	153	61	67	66	0	1	1
KS	1,190	1,220	1,280	530	615	547	0	5	3
MN	55	50	56	20	23	18	0	2	1
NE	1,050	1,070	1,120	662	637	653	18	23	17
OK	229	*240	255	125	*145	145	0	0	0
SD	89	97	90	80	68	68	1	5	2
TX	1,489	1,820	1,669	803	895	811	2	5	1
WA	118	124	129	67	86	68	1	1	0
13 Sts	5,665	*6,111	6,073	2,825	*3,087	2,838	46	72	39

1/ AZ, CA, and WA include all feedlot operations to avoid disclosing individual information.

* Revised.

Cattle on Feed: Number on Feed, Placements, Marketings, Other
Disappearance, and Class, 1,000+ Capacity Feedlots,
7 States, Jan-Apr 1, 1992-94

Item	1992	1993	1994	as % of	
				1992	1993
	----- 1,000 Head -----			Percent	
On Feed Jan 1	7,086	7,900	8,081	114	102
Placed on Feed Jan 1 - Mar 31 <u>1/</u>	4,107	3,844	4,136	101	108
Fed Cattle Marketed Jan 1 - Mar 31 <u>1/</u>	4,130	4,031	4,246	103	105
Other Disappearance Jan 1 - Mar 31 <u>2/</u>	259	283	181	70	64
On Feed Apr 1	6,804	7,430	7,790	114	105
Kinds on Feed Apr 1					
Steers and Steer Calves	4,537	4,960	5,311	117	107
Heifers and Heifer Calves	2,230	2,435	2,446	110	100
Cows and Bulls	37	35	33	89	94

1/ Includes cattle placed on feed after beginning of quarter and marketed before end of quarter.

2/ Includes death losses, movement from feedlots to pastures and shipments to other feedlots for further feeding.

Cattle on Feed: Number on Feed, Placements, Marketings,
and Other Disappearance, 1,000+ Capacity Feedlots,
7 States, Mar-Apr 1, 1992-94

Item	Number			as % of	
	1992	1993	1994	1992	1993
	----- 1,000 Head -----			Percent	
On Feed Mar 1 <u>1/</u>	6,861	7,482	7,811	114	104
Placed on Feed During Mar	1,424	1,431	1,488	104	104
Fed Cattle Marketed During Mar	1,383	1,401	1,437	104	103
Other Disappearance During Mar <u>2/</u>	98	82	72	73	88
On Feed Apr 1 <u>1/</u> -	6,804	7,430	7,790	114	105

- 1/ Cattle and calves on feed are animals for slaughter market being fed a ration of grain or other concentrates and are expected to produce a carcass that will grade select or better.
- 2/ Includes death losses, movement from feedlots to pastures and shipments to other feedlots for further feeding.

Cattle on Feed: Number on Feed and Placements, 1,000+ Capacity
Feedlots by State and 7-State Total, Oct-Dec 1992-93

State	Number on Feed				Placements			
	1992	1993	as % of 1992	as % of Prev Mo	1992	1993	as % of 1992	as % of Prev Mo
	1,000 Head		Percent		1,000 Head		Percent	
	Oct 1				During Oct			
AZ	180	189	105	112	58	59	102	137
CA	385	355	92	103	105	70	67	108
CO	833	882	106	115	301	273	91	86
IA	180	155	86	91	76	68	89	309
KS	1,620	1,690	104	103	480	490	102	118
NE	1,480	1,590	107	113	545	505	93	94
TX	1,956	2,466	126	105	831	743	89	124
7 Sts	6,634	7,327	110	107	2,396	2,208	92	110
	Nov 1				During Nov			
AZ	214	221	103	117	43	43	100	73
CA	430	375	87	106	70	75	107	107
CO	945	961	102	109	184	219	119	80
IA	205	180	88	116	57	66	116	97
KS	1,800	1,870	104	111	365	310	85	63
NE	1,690	1,760	104	111	415	380	92	75
TX	2,340	2,717	116	110	432	458	106	62
7 Sts	7,624	8,084	106	110	1,566	1,551	99	70
	Dec 1				During Dec			
AZ	234	227	97	103	24	*25	104	58
CA	430	380	88	101	90	60	67	80
CO	965	991	103	103	174	159	91	73
IA	210	200	95	111	43	36	84	55
KS	1,860	1,880	101	101	330	330	100	106
NE	1,750	1,800	103	102	375	275	73	72
TX	2,396	2,770	116	102	372	328	88	72
7 Sts	7,845	8,248	105	102	1,408	*1,213	86	78

1/ AZ and CA include all feedlot operations to avoid disclosing individual information.

* Revised.

Cattle on Feed: Marketings and Other Disappearance, 1,000+ Capacity
Feedlots by State and 7-State Total, Oct-Dec 1992-93 1/

State	Marketings				Other Disappearance			
	1992	1993	as % of 1992	as % of Prev Mo	1992	1993	as % of 1992	as % of Prev Mo
	1,000 Head		Percent		1,000 Head		Percent	
	During Oct							
AZ	23	26	113	118	1	1	100	100
CA	45	40	89	89	15	10	67	100
CO	184	189	103	95	5	5	100	100
IA	50	42	84	117	1	1	100	100
KS	290	300	103	85	10	10	100	100
NE	320	310	97	91	15	25	167	167
TX	432	477	110	100	15	15	100	115
7 Sts	1,344	1,384	103	94	62	67	108	122
	During Nov							
AZ	22	29	132	112	1	8	800	800
CA	50	50	100	125	20	20	100	200
CO	159	179	113	95	5	10	200	200
IA	50	45	90	107	2	1	50	100
KS	295	285	97	95	10	15	150	150
NE	340	320	94	103	15	20	133	80
TX	361	390	108	82	15	15	100	100
7 Sts	1,277	1,298	102	94	68	89	131	133
	During Dec							
AZ	24	26	108	90	1	1	100	13
CA	60	45	75	90	20	20	100	100
CO	164	159	97	89	5	10	200	100
IA	32	25	78	56	1	1	100	100
KS	320	360	113	126	10	10	100	67
NE	380	330	87	103	15	15	100	75
TX	296	368	124	94	25	10	40	67
7 Sts	1,276	1,313	103	101	77	67	87	75

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Cattle on Feed: Number on Feed and Placements, 1,000+ Capacity
Feedlots by State and 7-State Total, Jan-Apr 1993-94 ^{1/}

State	Number on Feed				Placements			
	1993	1994	as % of 1993	as % of Prev Mo	1993	1994	as % of 1993	as % of Prev Mo
	1,000 Head		Percent		1,000 Head		Percent	
	Jan 1				During Jan			
AZ	233	*225	97	99	26	23	88	92
CA	440	375	85	99	50	50	100	83
CO	970	981	101	99	184	169	92	106
IA	220	210	95	105	45	45	100	125
KS	1,860	1,840	99	98	320	330	103	100
NE	1,730	1,730	100	96	390	420	108	153
TX	2,447	2,720	111	98	330	364	110	111
7 Sts	7,900	*8,081	102	98	1,345	1,401	104	115
	Feb 1				During Feb			
AZ	215	217	101	96	22	16	73	70
CA	415	365	88	97	55	70	127	140
CO	925	925	100	94	154	164	106	97
IA	230	220	96	105	27	28	104	62
KS	1,810	1,800	99	98	240	310	129	94
NE	1,750	1,770	101	102	280	340	121	81
TX	2,413	2,652	110	98	290	319	110	88
7 Sts	7,758	7,949	102	98	1,068	1,247	117	89
	Mar 1				During Mar			
AZ	201	201	100	93	31	25	81	156
CA	400	380	95	104	55	45	82	64
CO	875	898	103	97	224	224	100	137
IA	230	220	96	100	35	31	89	111
KS	1,730	1,780	103	99	330	385	117	124
NE	1,720	1,800	105	102	290	330	114	97
TX	2,326	2,532	109	95	466	448	96	140
7 Sts	7,482	7,811	104	98	1,431	1,488	104	119
	Apr 1							
AZ	196	192	98	96				
CA	365	355	97	93				
CO	895	922	103	103				
IA	230	220	96	100				
KS	1,720	1,830	106	103				
NE	1,730	1,790	103	99				
TX	2,294	2,481	108	98				
7 Sts	7,430	7,790	105	100				

^{1/} AZ and CA include all feedlot operations to avoid disclosing individual information.

* Revised.

Cattle on Feed: Marketings and Other Disappearance, 1,000+ Capacity
Feedlots by State and 7-State Total, Jan-Mar 1993-94 1/

State	Marketings				Other Disappearance			
	1993	1994	as % of 1993	as % of Prev Mo	1993	1994	as % of 1993	as % of Prev Mo
	1,000 Head		Percent		1,000 Head		Percent	
	During Jan							
AZ	39	*30	77	115	5	1	20	100
CA	60	45	75	100	15	15	100	75
CO	219	220	100	138	10	5	50	50
IA	34	34	100	136	1	1	100	100
KS	340	360	106	100	30	10	33	100
NE	340	370	109	112	30	10	33	67
TX	345	422	122	115	19	10	53	100
7 Sts	1,377	*1,481	108	113	110	52	47	78
	During Feb							
AZ	31	31	100	103	5	1	20	100
CA	50	40	80	89	20	15	75	100
CO	199	186	93	85	5	5	100	100
IA	26	27	104	79	1	1	100	100
KS	300	325	108	90	20	5	25	50
NE	290	290	100	78	20	20	100	200
TX	357	429	120	102	20	10	50	100
7 Sts	1,253	1,328	106	90	91	57	63	110
	During Mar							
AZ	35	33	94	106	1	1	100	100
CA	55	45	82	113	35	25	71	167
CO	199	190	95	102	5	10	200	200
IA	34	30	88	111	1	1	100	100
KS	335	325	97	100	5	10	200	200
NE	260	325	125	112	20	15	75	75
TX	483	489	101	114	15	10	67	100
7 Sts	1,401	1,437	103	108	82	72	88	126

1/ AZ and CA include all feedlot operations to avoid disclosing individual information.

* Revised.

Reliability of April 1 Cattle on Feed Estimates

Terminology: *Cattle on feed* are animals being fed a ration of grain, silage, hay and/or protein supplement for slaughter market that are expected to produce a carcass that will grade select or better. It excludes cattle being "backgrounded only" for later sale as feeders or later placement in another feedlot.

Placements are cattle put into a feedlot, fed a ration which will produce a carcass that will grade select or better, and are intended for the slaughter market.

Marketings are cattle shipped out of feedlots to a slaughter market.

Other disappearance includes death losses, movement from feedlots to pastures and shipments to other feedlots for further feeding.

Survey Procedures: A random sample of producers in the 13 major cattle on feed States were surveyed to provide data for these estimates. Survey procedures ensured that all cattle on feed producers, regardless of size, had a chance to be included in the survey. Large producers were sampled more heavily than small operations. About 6,000 operators were contacted during the first half of April by mail, telephone and face-to-face personal interviews and 82 percent of the reports were usable. Regardless of when operators responded, they were asked to report inventories as of April 1.

Estimation Procedures: These cattle on feed estimates were prepared by the Agricultural Statistics Board after reviewing recommendations and analysis submitted by each State office. Regional and State survey data were reviewed for reasonableness with each other and with estimates from the previous month and/or quarter when setting the current estimates.

Revision Policy: Revisions to previous estimates are made to improve month to month and/or quarter to quarter relationships. Estimates for the previous month/quarter are subject to revision in all 13 States each quarter when current quarterly estimates are made. In January, all monthly and quarterly estimates for the previous year are reviewed and subject to revisions. The reviews are primarily based on slaughter data, state check-off or brand data, and any other data that may have been received after the original estimate was made. Estimates will also be reviewed after data from the Department of Commerce's five-year Census of Agriculture are available. No revisions will be made after that date and estimates become final.

Reliability: Since all cattle on feed operators are not included in the sample, survey estimates are subject to sampling variability. Survey results are also subject to non-sampling errors such as omissions, duplications, and mistakes in reporting, recording, and processing the data. The effects of these errors cannot be measured directly. They are minimized through rigid quality controls in the data collection process and through a careful review of all reported data for consistency and reasonableness.

To assist users in evaluating the reliability of the estimates in this report, the "Root Mean Square Error" is shown for selected items in the table below. The "Root Mean Square Error" is a statistical measure based on past performance and is computed using the differences between first and latest estimates. The "Root Mean Square Error" for the April 1 cattle on feed inventory estimate over the past 10 years is 2.0 percent. This means that chances are 2 out of 3 that the final estimate will not be above or below the current estimate of 10.6 million head by more than 2.0 percent, or about 212,000 head. Chances are 9 out of 10 that the difference will not exceed 3.6 percent, or about 382,000 head (the 90 percent confidence level). The table below also shows a 10 year record of the range of differences between first and latest estimates for selected items. Using estimates of cattle on feed inventory as an example, changes between the first inventory estimate and the latest estimate during the past 10 years have averaged 100,000 head, ranging from 0 to 330,000 head. During this period the initial inventory estimate has been below the latest estimate 5 times, above the final estimate 3 times, and unchanged 2 times. This does not imply that the April 1 estimate is likely to understate or overstate final inventory.

Reliability of April 1 Cattle on Feed Estimates ^{1/}

Item	Root Mean Square Error	90% Confidence Level		Difference Between First and Latest Estimates	Difference Between First and Latest Estimates		Number of Quarters	
		Percent	Head		Average	Smallest	Largest	First Above Latest
	--Percent--		-----1,000 Head-----				--Number--	
Inventory	2.0	3.6	382	100	0	330	3	5
Placements	1.2	2.2	117	25	0	190	5	4
Marketings	1.4	2.6	144	15	0	210	3	5

^{1/} Based on April 1 estimates for the past 10 years.

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