

Cattle on Feed



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U.S. Cattle on Feed

Cattle and calves on feed for slaughter market in the United States for feedlots with capacity of 1,000 or more head totaled 9.70 million head on March 1, 1996.

Placements in feedlots during February totaled 1.71 million. Net placements were 1.64 million. During February, placements of cattle and calves weighing less than 600 pounds were 229,000, 600-699 pounds were 566,000, 700-799 pounds were 629,000, and 800 pounds and greater were 289,000.

Marketings of fed cattle during February totaled 1.85 million.

Other disappearance totaled 72,000 during February.

Cattle on Feed in Historic 7 Monthly States Down 1 Percent

Cattle on feed March 1, 1996, in the historic 7 monthly States for feedlots with capacity of 1,000 or more head totaled 8.15 million, down 1 percent from the previous year but 2 percent above March 1, 1994.

Placements in feedlots during February totaled 1.44 million, 6 percent below 1995 but 15 percent above 1994.

Marketings during February totaled 1.54 million, up 12 percent from a year ago and 14 percent above 1994.

Other disappearance during February was 52,000 head, the same as last year but 9 percent below 1994.

Cattle on Feed: Number on Feed, Placements, Marketings, and
Other Disappearance, 1,000+ Capacity Feedlots,
7 States, March 1, 1994-96

Item	Number			1996 as % of	
	1994	1995	1996	1994	1995
	----- 1,000 Head -----			Percent	
On Feed Feb 1/	8,139	8,119	8,304	102	102
Placed on Feed During Feb	1,256	1,532	1,441	115	94
Fed Cattle Marketed During Feb	1,357	1,372	1,541	114	112
Other Disappearance During Feb 2/	57	52	52	91	100
On Feed Mar 1 1/	7,981	8,227	8,152	102	99

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Item	Number			1996 as % of	
	1994	1995	1996	1994	1995
	----- 1,000 Head -----			Percent	
On Feed Jan 1 1/	8,256	8,031	8,667	105	108
Placed on Feed During Jan	1,416	1,631	*1,372	97	84
Fed Cattle Marketed During Jan	1,481	1,484	*1,686	114	114
Other Disappearance During Jan 2/	52	59	49	94	83
On Feed Feb 1 1/	8,139	8,119	8,304	102	102

* Revised.

- 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, 1,000+ Capacity Feedlots,
by Month, State, and United States 1995-96 1/ 2/

		Mar 1, 1996			
State	Mar 1, 1995	Feb 1, 1996	Number	as % of 1995	as % of Prev. Mo.
	1,000 Head		Percent		
AZ	196	204	202	103	99
CA	380	340	320	84	94
CO	961	1,000	990	103	99
ID		235	220		94
IA	400	*370	370	93	100
KS	2,100	*2,060	2,020	96	98
NE	1,830	1,870	1,880	103	101
NM		120	116		97
OK		400	390		98
SD		180	177		98
TX	2,360	2,460	2,370	100	96
WA		151	141		93
Oth Sts:		510	500		98
US		9,900	9,696		98

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2/ Missing data not available.

Cattle on Feed: Number Placed on Feed, 1,000+ Capacity Feedlots,
by Month, State, and United States 1995-96 1/

State	During		During Feb 1996		
	Feb 1995	Jan 1996	Number	as % of 1995	as % of Prev. Mo.
	1,000 Head		Percent		
AZ	22	15	27	123	180
CA	45	50	40	89	80
CO	239	180	215	90	119
ID		28	39		139
IA	62	*50	54	87	108
KS	385	400	360	94	90
NE	350	360	370	106	103
NM		10	15		150
OK		70	73		104
SD		25	33		132
TX	429	317	375	87	118
WA		29	32		110
Oth Sts:		75	80		107
US		*1,609	1,713		106

* Revised.

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Cattle on Feed: Number Placed on Feed by Weight Group, 1,000+ Capacity
Feedlots, by Month, State, and United States, 1996

During Feb					
State	Less 600	600-699	700-799	800 Plus	Total
1,000 Head					
CO	10	38	105	62	215
KS	32	134	143	51	360
NE	32	106	145	87	370
TX	60	180	116	19	375
Oth Sts:	95	108	120	70	393
US	229	566	629	289	1,713

Cattle on Feed: Number Placed on Feed by Weight Group, 1,000+ Capacity
Feedlots, by Month, State, and United States, 1996 1/

During Jan					
State	Less 600	600-699	700-799	800 Plus	Total
1,000 Head					
CO	15	50	75	40	180
KS	55	162	129	54	400
NE	32	120	127	81	360
TX	79	143	82	13	317
Oth Sts:	87	*100	105	60	*352
US	268	*575	518	248	*1,609

* Revised.

Cattle on Feed: Number Marketed, 1,000+ Capacity Feedlots,
by Month, State, and United States 1995-96

State	During Feb 1996		During Feb 1996		
	During Feb 1995	During Jan 1996	Number	as % of 1995	as % of Prev. Mo.
	----- 1,000 Head -----		----- Percent -----		
AZ	26	32	28	108	88
CA	50	50	50	100	100
CO	221	225	220	100	98
ID		51	53		104
IA	56	*54	53	95	98
KS	325	*490	385	118	79
NE	295	380	350	119	92
NM		24	18		75
OK		80	81		101
SD		31	34		110
TX	399	455	455	114	100
WA		38	38		100
Oth Sts:		80	80		100
US		*1,990	1,845		93

* Revised.

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Cattle on Feed: Other Disappearance, 1,000+ Capacity Feedlots,
by Month, State, and United States 1995-96 1/ 2/

State	During Feb 1996		During Feb 1996		
	During Feb 1995	During Jan 1996	Number	as % of 1995	as % of Prev. Mo.
	----- 1,000 Head -----		----- Percent -----		
AZ	1	1	1	100	100
CA	10	10	10	100	100
CO	5	5	5	100	100
ID		2	1		50
IA	1	1	1	100	100
KS	10	10	15	150	150
NE	15	10	10	67	100
NM		2	1		50
OK		2	2		100
SD		4	2		50
TX	10	12	10	100	83
WA		1	4		400
Oth Sts:		5	10		200
US		65	72		111

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

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