

# 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 9.17 million head on May 1, 1996.

**Placements** in feedlots during April totaled 1.36 million. Net placements were 1.26 million. During April, placements of cattle and calves weighing less than 600 pounds were 204,000, 600-699 pounds were 386,000, 700-799 pounds were 478,000, and 800 pounds and greater were 296,000.

**Marketings** of fed cattle during April totaled 1.90 million.

**Other disappearance** totaled 107,000 during April.

## Cattle on Feed in Historic 7 Monthly States Down 6 Percent

**Cattle on feed** May 1, 1996, in the historic 7 monthly States for feedlots with capacity of 1,000 or more head totaled 7.76 million, down 6 percent from the previous year and slightly below May 1, 1994.

**Placements** in feedlots during April totaled 1.15 million, 18 percent below 1995 and 12 percent below 1994.

**Marketings** during April totaled 1.61 million, 12 percent above 1995 and 13 percent above 1994.

**Other disappearance** during April was 65,000 head, 7 percent above last year but 4 percent below 1994.

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

| Item                              | Number                 |       |       | 1996 as % of |      |
|-----------------------------------|------------------------|-------|-------|--------------|------|
|                                   | 1994                   | 1995  | 1996  | 1994         | 1995 |
|                                   | ----- 1,000 Head ----- |       |       | Percent      |      |
| On Feed Apr 1/                    | 7,960                  | 8,328 | 8,286 | 104          | 99   |
| Placed on Feed During Apr         | 1,310                  | 1,403 | 1,150 | 88           | 82   |
| Fed Cattle Marketed During Apr    | 1,430                  | 1,437 | 1,613 | 113          | 112  |
| Other Disappearance During Apr 2/ | 68                     | 61    | 65    | 96           | 107  |
| On Feed May 1 1/                  | 7,772                  | 8,233 | 7,758 | 100          | 94   |

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|-----------------------------------|------------------------|-------|-------|--------------|------|
|                                   | 1994                   | 1995  | 1996  | 1994         | 1995 |
|                                   | ----- 1,000 Head ----- |       |       | Percent      |      |
| On Feed Mar 1 1/                  | 7,981                  | 8,227 | 8,152 | 102          | 99   |
| Placed on Feed During Mar         | 1,518                  | 1,681 | 1,666 | 110          | 99   |
| Fed Cattle Marketed During Mar    | 1,467                  | 1,513 | 1,476 | 101          | 98   |
| Other Disappearance During Mar 2/ | 72                     | 67    | 56    | 78           | 84   |
| On Feed Apr 1 1/                  | 7,960                  | 8,328 | 8,286 | 104          | 99   |

- 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/

|          |             | May 1, 1996 |        |              |                   |
|----------|-------------|-------------|--------|--------------|-------------------|
| State    | May 1, 1995 | Apr 1, 1996 | Number | as % of 1995 | as % of Prev. Mo. |
|          |             | 1,000 Head  |        | Percent      |                   |
| AZ       | 190         | 206         | 188    | 99           | 91                |
| CA       | 340         | 305         | 305    | 90           | 100               |
| CO       | 998         | 1,030       | 1,000  | 100          | 97                |
| ID       |             | 235         | 225    |              | 96                |
| IA       | 375         | 355         | 325    | 87           | 92                |
| KS       | 2,150       | 2,080       | 2,010  | 93           | 97                |
| NE       | 1,800       | 1,900       | 1,740  | 97           | 92                |
| NM       |             | 102         | 91     |              | 89                |
| OK       |             | 400         | 380    |              | 95                |
| SD       |             | 177         | 172    |              | 97                |
| TX       | 2,380       | 2,410       | 2,190  | 92           | 91                |
| WA       |             | 142         | 127    |              | 89                |
| Oth Sts: |             | 470         | 420    |              | 89                |
| US       |             | 9,812       | 9,173  |              | 93                |

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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 Apr 1996     |              |                   |
|----------|------------------------|----------|---------------------|--------------|-------------------|
|          | Apr 1995               | Mar 1996 | Number              | as % of 1995 | as % of Prev. Mo. |
|          | ----- 1,000 Head ----- |          | ----- Percent ----- |              |                   |
| AZ       | 35                     | 37       | 27                  | 77           | 73                |
| CA       | 50                     | 40       | 55                  | 110          | 138               |
| CO       | 178                    | 240      | 130                 | 73           | 54                |
| ID       |                        | 50       | 40                  |              | 80                |
| IA       | 46                     | 44       | 33                  | 72           | 75                |
| KS       | 360                    | 430      | 345                 | 96           | 80                |
| NE       | 295                    | 350      | 230                 | 78           | 66                |
| NM       |                        | 27       | 21                  |              | 78                |
| OK       |                        | 82       | 55                  |              | 67                |
| SD       |                        | 27       | 20                  |              | 74                |
| TX       | 439                    | 525      | 330                 | 75           | 63                |
| WA       |                        | 31       | 18                  |              | 58                |
| Oth Sts: |                        | 65       | 60                  |              | 92                |
| US       |                        | 1,948    | 1,364               |              | 70                |

1/ Missing data not available.

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

| During Apr |          |         |         |          |       |
|------------|----------|---------|---------|----------|-------|
| State      | Less 600 | 600-699 | 700-799 | 800 Plus | Total |
| 1,000 Head |          |         |         |          |       |
| CO         | 12       | 23      | 55      | 40       | 130   |
| KS         | 30       | 100     | 141     | 74       | 345   |
| NE         | 17       | 58      | 83      | 72       | 230   |
| TX         | 50       | 135     | 109     | 36       | 330   |
| Oth Sts:   | 95       | 70      | 90      | 74       | 329   |
| US         | 204      | 386     | 478     | 296      | 1,364 |

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

| During Mar |          |         |         |          |       |
|------------|----------|---------|---------|----------|-------|
| State      | Less 600 | 600-699 | 700-799 | 800 Plus | Total |
| 1,000 Head |          |         |         |          |       |
| CO         | 10       | 40      | 110     | 80       | 240   |
| KS         | 39       | 124     | 180     | 87       | 430   |
| NE         | 24       | 87      | 147     | 92       | 350   |
| TX         | 89       | 200     | 205     | 31       | 525   |
| Oth Sts:   | 100      | 93      | 130     | 80       | 403   |
| US         | 262      | 544     | 772     | 370      | 1,948 |

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

| State    | During<br>Apr 1995 | During<br>Mar 1996 | During Apr 1996 |                 |                      |
|----------|--------------------|--------------------|-----------------|-----------------|----------------------|
|          |                    |                    | Number          | as % of<br>1995 | as % of<br>Prev. Mo. |
|          |                    |                    | 1,000 Head      |                 |                      |
|          |                    |                    | Percent         |                 |                      |
| AZ       | 32                 | 33                 | 41              | 128             | 124                  |
| CA       | 45                 | 45                 | 45              | 100             | 100                  |
| CO       | 161                | 195                | 155             | 96              | 79                   |
| ID       |                    | 33                 | 39              |                 | 118                  |
| IA       | 50                 | 58                 | 62              | 124             | 107                  |
| KS       | 370                | 360                | 400             | 108             | 111                  |
| NE       | 330                | 320                | 370             | 112             | 116                  |
| NM       |                    | 37                 | 31              |                 | 84                   |
| OK       |                    | 70                 | 73              |                 | 104                  |
| SD       |                    | 26                 | 23              |                 | 88                   |
| TX       | 449                | 465                | 540             | 120             | 116                  |
| WA       |                    | 29                 | 32              |                 | 110                  |
| Oth Sts: |                    | 85                 | 85              |                 | 100                  |
| US       |                    | 1,756              | 1,896           |                 | 108                  |

1/ Missing data not available.

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

| State    | During<br>Apr 1995 | During<br>Mar 1996 | During Apr 1996 |                 |                      |
|----------|--------------------|--------------------|-----------------|-----------------|----------------------|
|          |                    |                    | Number          | as % of<br>1995 | as % of<br>Prev. Mo. |
|          |                    |                    | 1,000 Head      |                 |                      |
|          |                    |                    | Percent         |                 |                      |
| AZ       | 5                  | 0                  | 4               | 80              |                      |
| CA       | 15                 | 10                 | 10              | 67              | 100                  |
| CO       | 5                  | 5                  | 5               | 100             | 100                  |
| ID       |                    | 2                  | 11              |                 | 550                  |
| IA       | 1                  | 1                  | 1               | 100             | 100                  |
| KS       | 10                 | 10                 | 15              | 150             | 150                  |
| NE       | 15                 | 10                 | 20              | 133             | 200                  |
| NM       |                    | 4                  | 1               |                 | 25                   |
| OK       |                    | 2                  | 2               |                 | 100                  |
| SD       |                    | 1                  | 2               |                 | 200                  |
| TX       | 10                 | 20                 | 10              | 100             | 50                   |
| WA       |                    | 1                  | 1               |                 | 100                  |
| Oth Sts: |                    | 10                 | 25              |                 | 250                  |
| US       |                    | 76                 | 107             |                 | 141                  |

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

2/ Missing data not available.

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