

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 8.84 million head on October 1, 1996. The inventory included 5.55 million steers and steer calves. This group accounts for 63 percent of the total inventory. Heifers and heifer calves accounted for 3.25 million head.

Placements in feedlots during September totaled 2.64 million. Net placements were 2.57 million. During September, placements of cattle and calves weighing less than 600 pounds were 413,000, 600-699 pounds were 519,000, 700-799 pounds were 870,000, and 800 pounds and greater were 841,000.

Marketings of fed cattle during September totaled 1.56 million.

Other disappearance totaled 70,000 during September.

Cattle on Feed in Historic 7 Monthly States Down 3 Percent

Cattle on feed October 1, 1996, in the historic 7 monthly States for feedlots with capacity of 1,000 or more head totaled 7.49 million, down 3 percent from the previous year but up 3 percent from October 1, 1994. The inventory included 4.66 million steers and steer calves, down 8 percent from the previous year. This group accounts for 62 percent of the total inventory. Heifers and heifer calves accounted for 2.80 million head, up 7 percent from 1995.

Placements in feedlots during September totaled 2.26 million, 4 percent above 1995 and 18 percent above 1994.

Marketings during September totaled 1.33 million, 16 percent below 1995 and 13 percent below 1994.

Other disappearance during September was 51,000 head, 11 percent above last year and 16 percent above 1994.

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

Item	Number			1996 as % of	
	1994	1995	1996	1994	1995
	----- 1,000 Head -----			Percent	
On Feed Sep 1/	6,949	7,189	6,612	95	92
Placed on Feed During Sep	1,915	2,173	2,257	118	104
Fed Cattle Marketed During Sep	1,525	1,594	1,332	87	84
Other Disappearance During Sep 2/	44	46	51	116	111
On Feed Oct 1 1/	7,295	7,722	7,486	103	97

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

Item	Number			1996 as % of	
	1994	1995	1996	1994	1995
	----- 1,000 Head -----			Percent	
On Feed Aug 1 1/	6,841	7,391	6,337	93	86
Placed on Feed During Aug	1,761	1,653	1,965	112	119
Fed Cattle Marketed During Aug	1,602	1,815	1,653	103	91
Other Disappearance During Aug 2/	51	40	37	73	93
On Feed Sep 1 1/	6,949	7,189	6,612	95	92

- 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 by Class, 1,000+ Capacity Feedlots,
7 States, October 1, 1994-96

Class	Number			1996 as % of	
	1994	1995	1996	1994	1995
	----- 1,000 Head -----			Percent	
Class on Feed Oct 1					
Steers and Steer Calves	4,900	5,078	4,656	95	92
Heifers and Heifer Calves	2,367	2,608	2,798	118	107
Cows and Bulls	28	36	32	114	89

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

				Oct 1, 1996	
State	Oct 1, 1995	Sep 1, 1996	Number	as % of 1995	as % of Prev. Mo.
		1,000 Head	Percent		
AZ	173	182	201	116	110
CA	355	350	355	100	101
CO	934	710	960	103	135
ID	252	250	275	109	110
IA	330	230	260	79	113
KS	2,000	1,790	1,930	97	108
NE	1,570	1,310	1,570	100	120
NM		90	95		106
OK	387	300	330	85	110
SD	120	101	110	92	109
TX	2,360	2,040	2,210	94	108
WA	185	168	185	100	110
Oth Sts:		310	360		116
US		7,831	8,841		113

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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 Sep 1995	During Aug 1996	During Sep 1996		
			Number	as % of 1995	as % of Prev. Mo.
	1,000 Head		Percent		
AZ	42	40	48	114	120
CA	65	55	55	85	100
CO	312	275	395	127	144
ID		67	73		109
IA	86	55	74	86	135
KS	520	570	520	100	91
NE	519	460	565	109	123
NM		14	16		114
OK		68	85		125
SD		21	40		190
TX	629	510	600	95	118
WA		55	47		85
Oth Sts:		75	125		167
US		2,265	2,643		117

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 Sep					
State	Less 600	600-699	700-799	800 Plus	Total
1,000 Head					
CO	18	33	156	188	395
KS	69	135	172	144	520
NE	37	95	178	255	565
TX	156	156	204	84	600
Oth Sts	133	100	160	170	563
US	413	519	870	841	2,643

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

During Aug					
State	Less 600	600-699	700-799	800 Plus	Total
1,000 Head					
CO	11	25	121	118	275
KS	50	138	250	132	570
NE	22	57	184	197	460
TX	173	148	138	51	510
Oth Sts	115	70	115	150	450
US	371	438	808	648	2,265

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

State	During Sep 1995	During Aug 1996	During Sep 1996		
			Number	as % of 1995	as % of Prev. Mo.
			----- 1,000 Head -----		
			----- Percent -----		
AZ	31	34	29	94	85
CA	45	45	45	100	100
CO	199	220	140	70	64
ID		44	45		102
IA	45	49	43	96	88
KS	405	475	370	91	78
NE	360	350	290	81	83
NM		15	10		67
OK		82	52		63
SD		25	30		120
TX	509	480	415	82	86
WA		31	29		94
Oth Sts:		80	65		81
US		1,930	1,563		81

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 Sep 1995	During Aug 1996	During Sep 1996		
			Number	as % of 1995	as % of Prev. Mo.
			----- 1,000 Head -----		
			----- Percent -----		
AZ	1	1	0		
CA	5	5	5	100	100
CO	5	5	5	100	100
ID		3	3		100
IA	1	1	1	100	100
KS	5	5	10	200	200
NE	9	10	15	167	150
NM		3	1		33
OK		1	3		300
SD		0	1		
TX	20	10	15	75	150
WA		1	1		100
Oth Sts:		5	10		200
US		50	70		140

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

2/ Missing data not available.

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

State	: Steers & Steer Calves			:Heifers & Heifer Calves:			Cows and Bulls		
	:Oct 1, : 1995	:Jul 1, : 1996	:Oct 1, : 1996	:Oct 1, : 1995	:Jul 1, : 1996	:Oct 1, : 1996	:Oct 1, : 1995	:Jul 1, : 1996	:Oct 1, : 1996
	: 1,000 Head								
AZ	: 163	160	185	10	13	16	0	0	0
CA	: 310	310	320	44	34	34	1	1	1
CO	: 561	450	570	358	295	380	15	5	10
ID	: 187	163	195	63	61	78	2	1	2
IA	: 205	147	161	125	103	99	0	0	0
KS	: 1,365	1,030	1,210	630	640	710	5	20	10
NE	: 930	740	880	626	530	680	14	10	10
NM	: :	56	51	:	42	44	:	0	0
OK	: 242	205	200	145	123	130	0	2	0
SD	: 60	67	66	55	52	43	5	2	1
TX	: 1,544	1,340	1,330	815	749	879	1	1	1
WA	: 112	85	111	73	53	74	0	0	0
Oth Sts	:	255	270	:	90	85	:	5	5
US	:	5,008	5,549	:	2,785	3,252	:	47	40

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