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CATTLE ON FEED

ARIZONA

The number of cattle and calves on feed for the slaughter market in Arizona feedlots with a capacity of 1,000 head or larger was estimated at 254,000 head as of May 1, 2024. The latest inventory was down 1 percent from last month's inventory and 2 percent below the May 1, 2023 inventory. Cattle feeders with 1,000 head or larger capacity marketed an estimated 24,000 head of fed cattle during April 2024, up 4 percent from the previous month, but down 4 percent from the April 2023 marketings. An estimated 23,000 cattle and calves were placed on feed during April 2024, 5 percent above last month, but down 18 percent from April 2023 placements of 28,000 head. Other disappearance for April 2024, at 1,000 head, was no change from last month or last year.

UNITED STATES

Cattle and calves on feed for the slaughter market in the United States for feedlots with capacity of 1,000 or more head totaled 11.6 million head on May 1, 2024. The inventory was 1 percent below May 1, 2023. Placements in feedlots during April totaled 1.66 million head, 6 percent below 2023. Net placements were 1.60 million head. During April, placements of cattle and calves weighing less than 600 pounds were 335,000 head, 600-699 pounds were 220,000 head, 700-799 pounds were 375,000 head, 800-899 pounds were 451,000 head, 900-999 pounds were 205,000 head, and 1,000 pounds and greater were 70,000 head. Marketings of fed cattle during April totaled 1.87 million head, 10 percent above 2023. Other disappearance totaled 56,000 head during April, 10 percent above 2023.

For a full copy of the May 2024 Cattle on Feed report, please visit www.nass.usda.gov.