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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 230,000 head as of October 1, 2024. The latest inventory was 1 percent below last month's inventory and 9 percent below the October 1, 2023 inventory. The inventory included 220,000 steers and steer calves, 10 percent below last year. Heifers and heifer calves, at 10,000 head, are unchanged from last year. Cattle feeders with 1,000 head or larger capacity marketed an estimated 18,000 head of fed cattle during September 2024, 14 percent below the previous month, but 6 percent above the September 2023 marketings. An estimated 16,000 head of cattle and calves were placed on feed, 7 percent above the previous month, but 36 percent below the September 2023 placements. Other disappearance for September 2024 was 1,000 head, the same as last month and 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 October 1, 2024. The inventory was slightly below October 1, 2023. The inventory included 7.00 million steers and steer calves, up 1 percent from the previous year. This group accounted for 60 percent of the total inventory. Heifers and heifer calves accounted for 4.60 million head, down 1 percent from 2023. Placements in feedlots during September totaled 2.16 million head, 2 percent below 2023. Net placements were 2.10 million head. During September, placements of cattle and calves weighing less than 600 pounds were 430,000 head, 600-699 pounds were 330,000 head, 700-799 pounds were 465,000 head, 800-899 pounds were 526,000 head, 900-999 pounds were 305,000 head, and 1,000 pounds and greater were 100,000 head. Marketings of fed cattle during September totaled 1.70 million head, 2 percent above 2023. Other disappearance totaled 56,000 head during September, 2 percent below 2023.

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