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Cattle and calves on feed for the slaughter market in California for feedlots with capacity of 1,000 or more head totaled 525,000 head on May 1, 2024. The inventory was 1% below last month and 2% below May 1, 2023. During April, placements in feedlots totaled 60,000 head, 13% below 2023. Net placements were 54,000 head. Marketings of fed cattle during April totaled 59,000 head, 11% above 2023. Other disappearance totaled 6,000 head during April, unchanged from 2023.

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% below May 1, 2023. Placements in feedlots during April totaled 1.66 million head, 6% below 2023. Net placements were 1.60 million head. Marketings of fed cattle during April totaled 1.87 million head, 10% above 2023. Other disappearance totaled 56,000 head during April, 10% above 2023.

Cattle on Feed on 1,000+ Capacity Feedlots – States and United States

State	Number on Feed ¹				
	May 1 2023	April 1 2024	May 1 2024	Percent of previous year	Percent of previous month
	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>percent</i>	<i>percent</i>
Arizona	259	256	254	98	99
California	535	530	525	98	99
Colorado	980	990	950	97	96
Idaho.....	315	345	340	108	99
Iowa.....	650	660	660	102	100
Kansas.....	2,440	2,400	2,300	94	96
Minnesota	100	105	110	110	105
Nebraska	2,540	2,540	2,510	99	99
Oklahoma	250	330	320	128	97
South Dakota.....	220	250	245	111	98
Texas.....	2,790	2,840	2,770	99	98
Washington.....	255	250	245	96	98
Other States	320	330	325	102	98
United States	11,654	11,826	11,554	99	98

State	Placed during April		Marketed during April		Other disappearance ² during April	
	2023	2024	2023	2024	2023	2024
	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>
Arizona	28	23	25	24	1	1
California	69	60	53	59	6	6
Colorado	145	135	140	170	5	5
Idaho.....	37	39	41	43	1	1
Iowa.....	91	89	79	87	2	2
Kansas.....	420	370	400	460	10	10
Minnesota	16	16	10	10	1	1
Nebraska	430	445	410	465	10	10
Oklahoma	45	44	54	53	1	1
South Dakota.....	31	30	30	34	1	1
Texas.....	370	330	380	385	10	15
Washington.....	37	34	36	38	1	1
Other States	39	41	42	44	2	2
United States	1,758	1,656	1,700	1,872	51	56

¹ Cattle on feed are steers and heifers being fed a ration of silage, hay and/or protein supplement for slaughter market that are expected to produce a carcass that will grade select or better.

² Includes death losses, movement from feedlot to pasture, and shipments to other feedlots for further feeding.