



Iowa Ag News – Cattle on Feed

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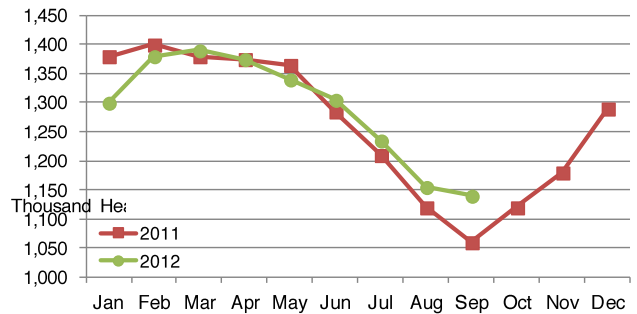
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Cattle and calves on feed for slaughter market in Iowa for all feedlots totaled 1,140,000 on September 1, 2012 according to the USDA, National Agricultural Statistics Service, Iowa Field Office. The inventory is down 1 percent from August 1, 2012, but up 8 percent from September 1, 2011. Feedlots with a capacity greater than 1,000 head had 590,000 head on feed, down 2 percent from last month, but up 11 percent from last year. Feedlots with a capacity less than 1,000 head had 550,000 head on feed, down 1 percent from last month, but up 4 percent from last year.

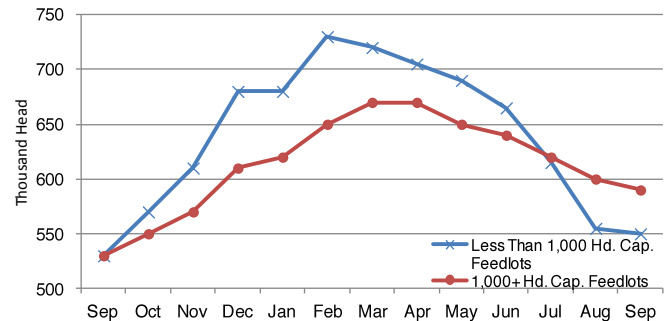
Placements during August totaled 159,000 head, an increase of 67 percent from last month and up 13 percent from last year. Feedlots with a capacity greater than 1,000 head placed 76,000 head, up 46 percent from last month, but down 1 percent from last year. Feedlots with a capacity less than 1,000 head placed 83,000 head. This is up 93 percent from last month and up 30 percent from last year.

Marketings for August were 169,000 head, down 1 percent from last month and down 13 percent from last year. Feedlots with a capacity greater than 1,000 head marketed 84,000 head, up 20 percent from last month, but down 12 percent from last year. Feedlots with a capacity less than 1,000 head marketed 85,000 head, down 15 percent from last month and last year. Other disappearance totaled 5,000 head.

Cattle on Feed, Inventory on all Feedlots, Iowa: 2011-2012



Cattle on Feed, Inventory by Feedlot Capacity, Iowa: Past 12 Months



All Cattle on Feed, Iowa

Item	Lots 1,000+ Head (1,000 Head)	Lots Less than 1,000 Head (1,000 Head)	All Lots (1,000 Head)
Cattle on Feed, August 1, 2012	600	555	1,155
August Placements	76	83	159
August Marketings	84	85	169
August Other Disappearance	2	3	5
Cattle on Feed, September 1, 2012	590	550	1,140

Cattle on Feed: Number on Feed, Placements, Marketings, and Other Disappearance by Month, 1,000+ Capacity Feedlots

[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.]

State	Cattle on Feed September 1			Placements during August			Marketings during August			August Disappearance other than Slaughter ¹		
	2011	2012	'12 as % of '11	2011	2012	'12 as % of '11	2011	2012	'12 as % of '11	2011	2012	'12 as % of '11
	(1,000 Head)	(1,000 Head)	(Percent)	(1,000 Head)	(1,000 Head)	(Percent)	(1,000 Head)	(1,000 Head)	(Percent)	(1,000 Head)	(1,000 Head)	(Percent)
Arizona	283	271	96	19	18	95	22	20	91	1	1	100
California	475	480	101	56	63	113	56	55	98	5	3	60
Colorado	990	930	94	230	190	83	205	195	95	5	5	100
Idaho	195	205	105	43	53	123	42	37	88	1	1	100
Iowa	530	590	111	77	76	99	95	84	88	2	2	100
Kansas	2,210	2,170	98	520	430	83	475	410	86	15	10	67
Nebraska	2,010	2,240	111	445	470	106	400	445	111	15	15	100
Oklahoma	365	325	89	75	67	89	67	60	90	3	2	67
South Dakota ..	190	185	97	45	34	76	48	38	79	2	1	50
Texas	2,890	2,620	91	620	495	80	540	510	94	20	15	75
Washington	193	208	108	48	47	98	44	48	109	1	1	100
Other States	369	413	112	68	59	87	59	58	98	2	5	250
United States ..	10,700	10,637	99	2,246	2,002	89	2,053	1,960	95	72	61	85

¹ Includes death loss, movement from feedlots to pasture, and shipments to other feedlots for further feeding.

United States 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 10.6 million head on September 1, 2012. The inventory was 1 percent below September 1, 2011.

Placements in feedlots during August totaled 2.00 million, 11 percent below 2011. This is the second lowest cattle placements for the month of August since the series began in 1996. Net placements were 1.94 million head. During August, placements of cattle and calves weighing less than 600 pounds were 482,000, 600-699 pounds were 385,000, 700-799 pounds were 475,000, and 800 pounds and greater were 660,000.

Marketings of fed cattle during August totaled 1.96 million, 5 percent below 2011.

Other disappearance totaled 61,000 during August, 15 percent below 2011.

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

