



Iowa Ag News – Cattle on Feed

Upper Midwest Region - Iowa Field Office · 210 Walnut Street Ste 833 · Des Moines IA 50309 · (515) 284-4340 · (800) 772-0825
fax (855) 271-9802 · www.nass.usda.gov/ia

Cooperating with the Iowa Department of Agriculture and Land Stewardship

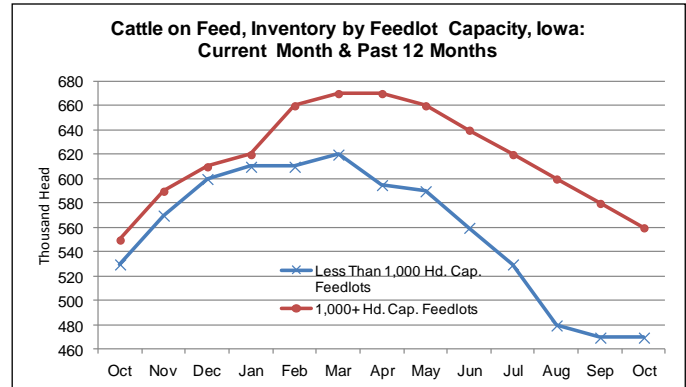
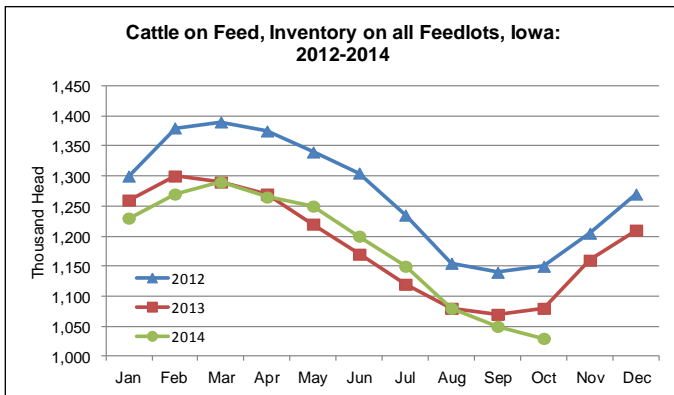
October 24, 2014

Media Contact: Greg Thessen

Cattle and calves on feed for slaughter market in Iowa for all feedlots totaled 1,030,000 on October 1, 2014, according to the USDA, National Agricultural Statistics Service, Iowa Field Office. The inventory is down 2 percent from September 1, 2014, and down 5 percent from October 1, 2013. Feedlots with a capacity greater than 1,000 head had 560,000 head on feed, down 3 percent from last month but up 2 percent from last year. Feedlots with a capacity less than 1,000 head had 470,000 head on feed unchanged from last month but down 11 percent from last year.

Placements during September totaled 192,000 head, an increase of 60 percent from last month but down 4 percent from last year. Feedlots with a capacity greater than 1,000 head placed 99,000 head, up 57 percent from last month and up 11 percent from last year. Feedlots with a capacity less than 1,000 head placed 93,000 head. This is up 63 percent from last month but down 17 percent from last year.

Marketings for September were 204,000 head, up 43 percent from last month and up 10 percent from last year. Feedlots with a capacity greater than 1,000 head marketed 114,000 head, up 43 percent from last month and up 31 percent from last year. This marks Iowa's second largest number of cattle on feed marketed for feedlots with a capacity greater than 1,000 head in any month since records began in 1994. Feedlots with a capacity less than 1,000 head marketed 90,000 head, up 43 percent from last month but down 8 percent from last year. **Other disappearance** totaled 8,000 head.



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, September 1, 2014 | 580 | 470 | 1,050 |
| September Placements | 99 | 93 | 192 |
| September Marketings | 114 | 90 | 204 |
| September Other Disappearance | 5 | 3 | 8 |
| Cattle on Feed, October 1, 2014 | 560 | 470 | 1,030 |

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 10.1 million head on October 1, 2014. The inventory was 1 percent below October 1, 2013. The inventory included 6.46 million steers and steer calves, up 1 percent from the previous year. This group accounted for 64 percent of the total inventory. Heifers and heifer calves accounted for 3.55 million head, down 3 percent from 2013.

Placements in feedlots during September totaled 2.01 million, 1 percent above 2013. Net placements were 1.94 million head. During September, placements of cattle and calves weighing less than 600 pounds were 460,000, 600-699 pounds were 340,000, 700-799 pounds were 437,000, and 800 pounds and greater were 770,000. For the month of September, placements are the second lowest since the series began in 1996.

Marketings of fed cattle during September totaled 1.68 million, 1 percent below 2013.

Other disappearance totaled 65,000 during September, 5 percent above 2013.

Cattle on Feed: Number on Feed, Placements, Marketings, and Other Disappearance by Month, 1,000+ Capacity Feedlots – States and United States: 2013 and 2014

[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 October 1 | | | Placements during September | | | Marketings during September | | | September disappearance other than Slaughter ¹ | | |
|-------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------|--------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------|--------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------|--------------------|---|-----------------|--------------------|
| | 2013 | 2014 | '14 as % of '13 | 2013 | 2014 | '14 as % of '13 | 2013 | 2014 | '14 as % of '13 | 2013 | 2014 | '14 as % of '13 |
| | (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 | 268 | 252 | 94 | 23 | 20 | 87 | 20 | 24 | 120 | 1 | 1 | 100 |
| California | 495 | 415 | 84 | 45 | 43 | 96 | 53 | 38 | 72 | 2 | 5 | 250 |
| Colorado | 870 | 840 | 97 | 190 | 200 | 105 | 145 | 155 | 107 | 5 | 5 | 100 |
| Idaho | 210 | 205 | 98 | 62 | 64 | 103 | 41 | 38 | 93 | 1 | 1 | 100 |
| Iowa | 550 | 560 | 102 | 89 | 99 | 111 | 87 | 114 | 131 | 2 | 5 | 250 |
| Kansas | 2,000 | 2,010 | 101 | 390 | 400 | 103 | 355 | 325 | 92 | 15 | 15 | 100 |
| Minnesota | 103 | 114 | 111 | 17 | 20 | 118 | 14 | 18 | 129 | 1 | 1 | 100 |
| Nebraska | 2,200 | 2,240 | 102 | 510 | 520 | 102 | 390 | 400 | 103 | 10 | 10 | 100 |
| Oklahoma | 285 | 245 | 86 | 67 | 55 | 82 | 60 | 54 | 90 | 2 | 1 | 50 |
| South Dakota .. | 180 | 190 | 106 | 43 | 50 | 116 | 32 | 42 | 131 | 1 | 3 | 300 |
| Texas | 2,450 | 2,470 | 101 | 470 | 445 | 95 | 430 | 410 | 95 | 20 | 15 | 75 |
| Washington | 184 | 212 | 115 | 37 | 46 | 124 | 36 | 32 | 89 | 1 | 1 | 100 |
| Other States | 315 | 305 | 97 | 45 | 45 | 100 | 29 | 33 | 114 | 1 | 2 | 200 |
| United States | 10,110 | 10,058 | 99 | 1,988 | 2,007 | 101 | 1,692 | 1,683 | 99 | 62 | 65 | 105 |

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

Cattle on Feed: Number on Feed by Class on 1,000+ Capacity Feedlots by Quarter – States and United States: 2013-2014

| State | Steers & Steer Calves | | | Heifers & Heifer Calves | | | Cows & Bulls | | |
|-------------------|-----------------------|-----------------|--------------------|-------------------------|-----------------|--------------------|--------------------|-----------------|--------------------|
| | October 1, 2013 | July 1, 2014 | October 1, 2014 | October 1, 2013 | July 1, 2014 | October 1, 2014 | October 1, 2013 | July 1, 2014 | October 1, 2014 |
| | (1,000 head) | (1,000 head) | (1,000 head) | (1,000 head) | (1,000 head) | (1,000 head) | (1,000 head) | (1,000 head) | (1,000 head) |
| Arizona | 261 | 268 | 249 | 7 | 4 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| California | 450 | 390 | 365 | 44 | 42 | 50 | 1 | 3 | 0 |
| Colorado | 560 | 560 | 530 | 305 | 305 | 305 | 5 | 5 | 5 |
| Idaho | 115 | 101 | 112 | 90 | 88 | 88 | 5 | 1 | 5 |
| Iowa | 350 | 430 | 430 | 200 | 190 | 130 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Kansas | 1,060 | 970 | 1,050 | 935 | 925 | 955 | 5 | 5 | 5 |
| Minnesota | 92 | 95 | 96 | 10 | 26 | 17 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| Nebraska | 1,380 | 1,470 | 1,450 | 810 | 765 | 765 | 10 | 25 | 25 |
| Oklahoma | 190 | 170 | 165 | 95 | 85 | 80 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| South Dakota .. | 104 | 113 | 104 | 67 | 80 | 78 | 9 | 17 | 8 |
| Texas | 1,530 | 1,580 | 1,590 | 919 | 909 | 879 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| Washington | 109 | 107 | 119 | 72 | 85 | 92 | 3 | 1 | 1 |
| Other States ... | 210 | 210 | 200 | 105 | 99 | 105 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| United States | 6,411 | 6,464 | 6,460 | 3,659 | 3,603 | 3,547 | 40 | 60 | 51 |

The complete report can be found under **Publications** on the USDA NASS website at www.nass.usda.gov.