



Iowa Ag News – Cattle on Feed

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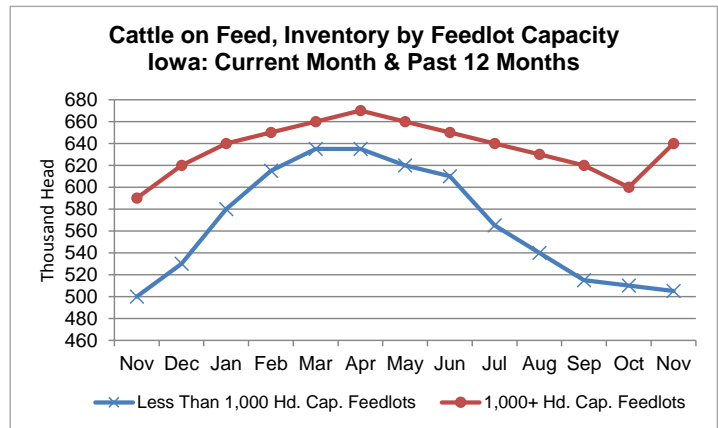
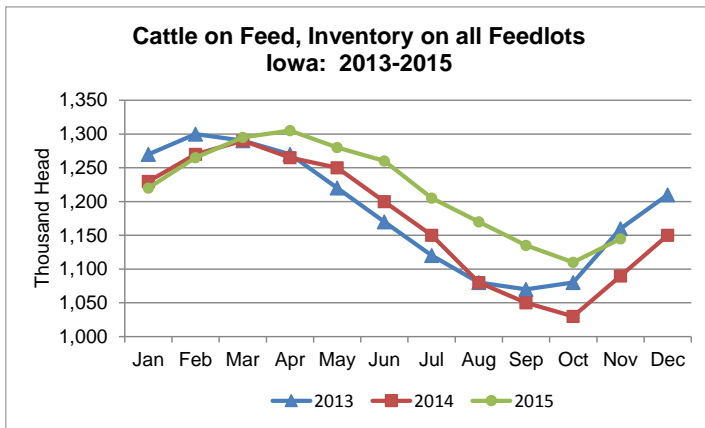
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Cattle and calves on feed for slaughter market in Iowa for all feedlots totaled 1,145,000 on November 1, 2015, according to the latest USDA, National Agricultural Statistics Service – *Cattle on Feed* report. The inventory is up 3 percent from October 1, 2015, and up 5 percent from November 1, 2014. Feedlots with a capacity greater than 1,000 head had 640,000 head on feed, up 7 percent from last month and up 8 percent from last year. This marks the highest November inventory since estimates began in 1994. Feedlots with a capacity less than 1,000 head had 505,000 head on feed, down 1 percent from last month but up 1 percent from last year.

Placements during October totaled 238,000 head, an increase of 65 percent from last month and up 5 percent from last year. Feedlots with a capacity greater than 1,000 head placed 156,000 head, up 84 percent from last month and up 18 percent from last year. This is the greatest number of cattle on feed placed in a month since estimates began in 1994. Feedlots with a capacity less than 1,000 head placed 82,000 head. This is up 39 percent from last month but down 14 percent from last year.

Marketings for October were 198,000 head, up 21 percent from last month and up 23 percent from last year. Feedlots with a capacity greater than 1,000 head marketed 113,000 head, up 12 percent from last month and up 13 percent from last year. Feedlots with a capacity less than 1,000 head marketed 85,000 head, up 37 percent from last month and up 39 percent from last year. **Other disappearance** totaled 5,000 head.



All Cattle on Feed¹, Iowa

Item	Lots 1,000+ Head	Lots Less than 1,000 Head	All Lots
	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)
Cattle on Feed, October 1, 2015.....	600	510	1,110
October Placements	156	82	238
October Marketing	113	85	198
October Other Disappearance ²	3	2	5
Cattle on Feed, November 1, 2015	640	505	1,145

¹ Cattle on feed are steers and heifers being fed a ration of grain, silage, hay and/or protein supplement for slaughter market that are expected to produce a carcass that will grade select or better. It excludes cattle being "backgrounded only" for later sale as feeders or later placement in another feedlot.

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

Cattle on Feed, Placements, Marketings, and Other Disappearance by Month, 1,000+ Capacity Feedlots – Selected States and United States: 2014-2015

State	Cattle on Feed ¹ November 1			Placements during October			Marketings during October			October Disappearance other than Slaughter ²		
	2014	2015	'15 as % of '14	2014	2015	'15 as % of '14	2014	2015	'15 as % of '14	2014	2015	'15 as % of '14
	(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	250	243	97	22	23	105	21	19	90	3	1	33
California	420	460	110	53	43	81	40	38	95	8	5	63
Colorado	880	880	100	210	195	93	145	140	97	5	5	100
Idaho	210	230	110	61	58	95	45	47	104	1	1	100
Iowa	590	640	108	132	156	118	100	113	113	2	3	150
Kansas	2,080	2,150	103	420	445	106	320	300	94	30	15	50
Minnesota	131	151	115	30	30	100	11	16	145	1	1	100
Nebraska	2,440	2,450	100	660	645	98	430	445	103	20	20	100
Oklahoma	260	270	104	60	61	102	43	45	105	2	1	50
South Dakota ..	220	240	109	84	75	89	43	39	91	1	1	100
Texas	2,550	2,560	100	520	450	87	420	360	86	20	20	100
Washington	215	205	95	62	50	81	35	39	111	2	1	50
Other States ...	325	315	97	54	50	93	32	29	91	2	1	50
United States ...	10,571	10,794	102	2,368	2,281	96	1,685	1,630	97	97	75	77

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United States Cattle on Feed

Cattle and calves on feed for the slaughter market in the United States for feedlots with capacity of 1,000 or more head totaled 10.8 million head on November 1, 2015. The inventory was 2 percent above November 1, 2014.

Placements in feedlots during October totaled 2.28 million head, 4 percent below 2014. Net placements were 2.21 million head. During October, placements of cattle and calves weighing less than 600 pounds were 645,000 head, 600-699 pounds were 530,000 head, 700-799 pounds were 431,000 head, and 800 pounds and greater were 675,000 head.

Marketings of fed cattle during October totaled 1.63 million head, 3 percent below 2014. Marketings are the lowest for October since the series began in 1996.

Other disappearance totaled 75,000 head during October, 23 percent below 2014.

