



# Iowa Ag News – Cattle on Feed

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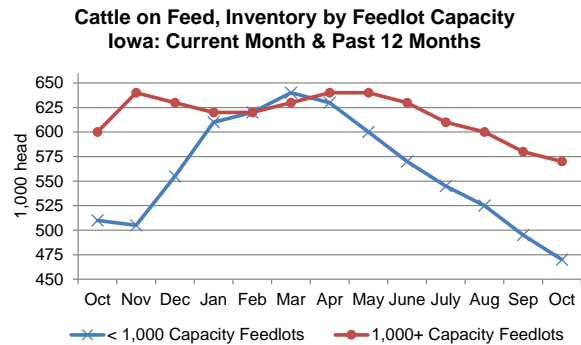
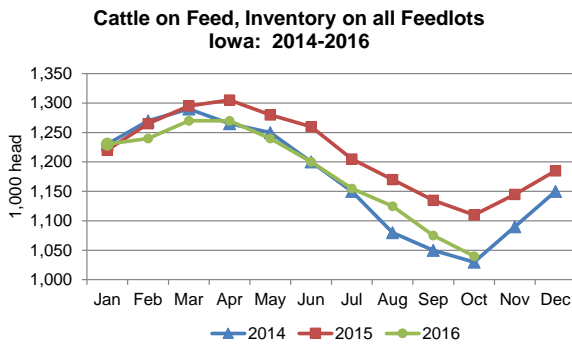
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**Cattle and calves on feed** for the slaughter market in Iowa feedlots with a capacity of 1,000 or more head totaled 570,000 head on October 1, 2016, according to the latest USDA, National Agricultural Statistics Service – *Cattle on Feed* report. This was down 2 percent from September 1, 2016, and down 5 percent from October 1, 2015. Iowa feedlots with a capacity of less than 1,000 head had 470,000 head on feed, down 5 percent from last month and down 8 percent from last year. Cattle and calves on feed for the slaughter market in all Iowa feedlots totaled 1,040,000 head, down 3 percent from last month and down 6 percent from last year.

**Placements** of cattle and calves in Iowa feedlots with a capacity of 1,000 or more head during September totaled 79,000 head, an increase of 11 percent from last month but down 7 percent from last year. Feedlots with a capacity of less than 1,000 head placed 70,000 head, up 94 percent from last month and up 19 percent from last year. Placements for all feedlots in Iowa totaled 149,000 head, up 39 percent from last month and up 3 percent from last year.

**Marketings** of fed cattle from Iowa feedlots with a capacity of 1,000 or more head during September totaled 87,000 head, down 3 percent from last month and down 14 percent from last year. Feedlots with a capacity of less than 1,000 head marketed 93,000 head, up 45 percent from last month and up 50 percent from last year. Marketings for all feedlots in Iowa were 180,000 head, up 17 percent from last month and up 10 percent from last year. **Other disappearance** from all feedlots in Iowa totaled 4,000 head.



## All Cattle on Feed<sup>1</sup>, Iowa

Item	Feedlots 1,000+ capacity	Feedlots less than 1,000 capacity	All feedlots
	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)
Cattle on feed, September 1, 2016 .....	580	495	1,075
September placements .....	79	70	149
September marketings .....	87	93	180
September other disappearance <sup>2</sup> .....	2	2	4
Cattle on feed, October 1, 2016 .....	570	470	1,040

<sup>1</sup> 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.

<sup>2</sup> 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: 2015-2016**

State	Cattle on feed <sup>1</sup> October 1			Placements during September			Marketings during September			September disappearance other than slaughter <sup>2</sup>		
	2015	2016	'16 as % of '15	2015	2016	'16 as % of '15	2015	2016	'16 as % of '15	2015	2016	'16 as % of '15
	(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 .....	240	263	110	18	14	78	17	21	124	2	1	50
California .....	460	415	90	48	52	108	38	40	105	5	2	40
Colorado .....	830	860	104	210	235	112	155	170	110	5	5	100
Idaho .....	220	240	109	49	58	118	43	41	95	1	2	200
<b>Iowa .....</b>	<b>600</b>	<b>570</b>	<b>95</b>	<b>85</b>	<b>79</b>	<b>93</b>	<b>101</b>	<b>87</b>	<b>86</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>50</b>
Kansas .....	2,020	2,220	110	400	420	105	320	360	113	10	10	100
Minnesota .....	138	118	86	17	22	129	18	22	122	1	1	100
Nebraska .....	2,270	2,160	95	510	470	92	430	405	94	10	5	50
Oklahoma .....	255	290	114	52	48	92	46	57	124	1	1	100
South Dakota ..	205	210	102	43	43	100	42	47	112	1	1	100
Texas .....	2,500	2,450	98	430	385	90	365	415	114	15	10	67
Washington .....	195	185	95	36	40	111	35	34	97	1	1	100
Other States ...	295	285	97	43	39	91	32	33	103	1	1	100
United States ...	10,228	10,266	100	1,941	1,905	98	1,642	1,732	105	57	42	74

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

**Cattle on Feed, Number on Feed by Class, 1,000+ Capacity Feedlots by Quarter – Selected States and United States: 2015-2016**

State	Steers & Steer Calves			Heifers & Heifer Calves		
	October 1, 2015	July 1, 2016	October 1, 2016	October 1, 2015	July 1, 2016	October 1, 2016
	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)
Arizona .....	236	280	258	4	6	5
California .....	430	380	385	30	45	30
Colorado .....	570	550	570	260	300	290
Idaho .....	145	155	155	75	80	85
<b>Iowa .....</b>	<b>450</b>	<b>440</b>	<b>410</b>	<b>150</b>	<b>170</b>	<b>160</b>
Kansas .....	1,100	1,070	1,200	920	980	1,020
Minnesota .....	118	124	101	20	21	17
Nebraska .....	1,520	1,430	1,410	750	750	750
Oklahoma .....	180	195	185	75	115	105
South Dakota ...	118	140	125	87	95	85
Texas .....	1,750	1,780	1,730	750	770	720
Washington .....	120	125	115	75	70	70
Other States ....	200	200	185	95	85	100
United States ....	6,937	6,869	6,829	3,291	3,487	3,437

**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 10.3 million head on October 1, 2016. The inventory was slightly above October 1, 2015. The inventory included 6.83 million steers and steer calves, down 2 percent from the previous year. This group accounted for 67 percent of the total inventory. Heifers and heifer calves accounted for 3.44 million head, up 4 percent from 2015.

**Placements** in feedlots during September totaled 1.91 million head, 2 percent below 2015. Placements were the lowest for September since the series began in 1996. Net placements were 1.86 million head. During September, placements of cattle and calves weighing less than 600 pounds were 345,000 head, 600-699 pounds were 300,000 head, 700-799 pounds were 455,000 head, and 800 pounds and greater were 805,000 head.

**Marketings** of fed cattle during September totaled 1.73 million head, 5 percent above 2015.

**Other disappearance** totaled 42,000 head during September, 26 percent below 2015.