



Iowa Ag News – Cattle on Feed

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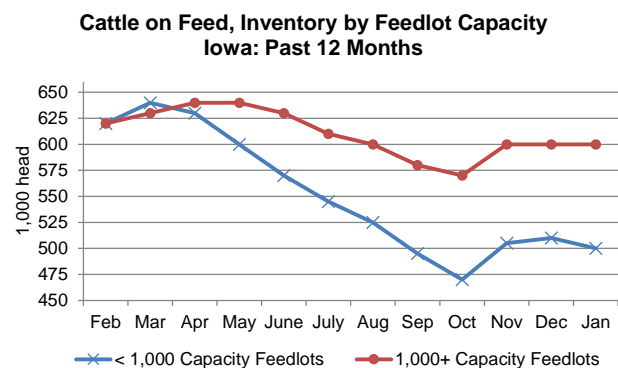
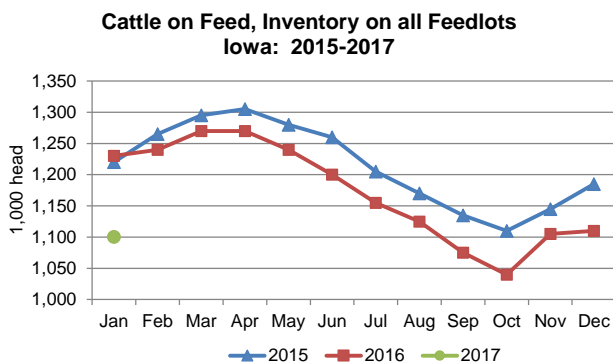
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Cattle and calves on feed for the slaughter market in Iowa feedlots with a capacity of 1,000 or more head totaled 600,000 head on January 1, 2017, according to the latest USDA, National Agricultural Statistics Service – *Cattle on Feed* report. This was unchanged from December 1, 2016, but down 3 percent from January 1, 2016. Iowa feedlots with a capacity of less than 1,000 head had 500,000 head on feed, down 2 percent from last month and down 18 percent from last year. Cattle and calves on feed for the slaughter market in all Iowa feedlots totaled 1,100,000 head, down 1 percent from last month and down 11 percent from last year.

Placements of cattle and calves in Iowa feedlots with a capacity of 1,000 or more head during December totaled 104,000 head, an increase of 2 percent from last month and up 16 percent from last year. Feedlots with a capacity of less than 1,000 head placed 39,000 head, down 43 percent from last month and down 61 percent from last year. Placements for all feedlots in Iowa totaled 143,000 head, down 16 percent from last month and down 25 percent from last year.

Marketings of fed cattle from Iowa feedlots with a capacity of 1,000 or more head during December totaled 102,000 head, up 2 percent from last month and up 5 percent from last year. Feedlots with a capacity of less than 1,000 head marketed 47,000 head, down 23 percent from last month but up 18 percent from last year. Marketings for all feedlots in Iowa were 149,000 head, down 7 percent from last month but up 9 percent from last year.

Other disappearance from all feedlots in Iowa totaled 4,000 head.



All Cattle on Feed¹, 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, December 1, 2016.....	600	510	1,110
December placements	104	39	143
December marketings	102	47	149
December other disappearance ²	2	2	4
Cattle on feed, January 1, 2017.....	600	500	1,100

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: 2015-2017

State	Cattle on feed ¹ January 1			Placements during December			Marketings during December			December disappearance other than slaughter ²		
	2016	2017	'17 as % of '16	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	255	250	98	33	30	91	21	30	143	5	1	20
California	450	430	96	49	65	133	49	52	106	5	3	60
Colorado	870	900	103	115	130	113	130	135	104	5	5	100
Idaho	240	260	108	43	38	88	37	36	97	1	2	200
Iowa	620	600	97	90	104	116	97	102	105	3	2	67
Kansas	2,090	2,170	104	335	395	118	370	430	116	15	15	100
Minnesota	155	150	97	16	19	119	12	14	117	1	1	100
Nebraska	2,420	2,370	98	390	450	115	440	440	100	20	10	50
Oklahoma	270	300	111	35	54	154	38	43	113	2	1	50
South Dakota ..	255	230	90	41	38	93	35	46	131	1	2	200
Texas	2,430	2,420	100	305	375	123	370	375	101	15	10	67
Washington	195	185	95	38	32	84	45	41	91	3	1	33
Other States ...	325	340	105	37	65	176	30	43	143	2	2	100
United States ...	10,575	10,605	100	1,527	1,795	118	1,674	1,787	107	78	55	71

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Cattle on Feed, Number on Feed by Class, 1,000+ Capacity Feedlots by Quarter – Selected States and United States: 2016-2017

State	Steers & Steer Calves			Heifers & Heifer Calves		
	January 1, 2016	October 1, 2016	January 1, 2017	January 1, 2016	October 1, 2016	January 1, 2017
	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)
Arizona	247	258	242	8	5	8
California	420	385	400	30	30	30
Colorado	590	560	570	280	290	330
Idaho	165	155	180	75	85	80
Iowa	470	410	460	150	160	140
Kansas	1,160	1,200	1,170	930	1,020	1,000
Minnesota	127	101	125	28	17	25
Nebraska	1,560	1,410	1,510	860	750	860
Oklahoma	185	185	190	85	105	110
South Dakota ...	150	125	135	105	85	95
Texas	1,740	1,730	1,710	690	720	710
Washington	125	115	115	70	70	70
Other States	225	185	215	100	100	125
United States....	7,164	6,819	7,022	3,411	3,437	3,583

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 10.6 million head on January 1, 2017. The inventory was slightly above January 1, 2016. The inventory included 7.02 million steers and steer calves, down 2 percent from the previous year. This group accounted for 66 percent of the total inventory. Heifers and heifer calves accounted for 3.58 million head, up 5 percent from 2016.

Placements in feedlots during December totaled 1.80 million head, 18 percent above 2015. Net placements were 1.74 million head. During December, placements of cattle and calves weighing less than 600 pounds were 435,000 head, 600-699 pounds were 450,000 head, 700-799 pounds were 450,000 head, and 800 pounds and greater were 460,000 head.

Marketings of fed cattle during December totaled 1.79 million head, 7 percent above 2015.

Other disappearance totaled 55,000 head during December, 29 percent below 2015.