



# Iowa Ag News – Cattle on Feed

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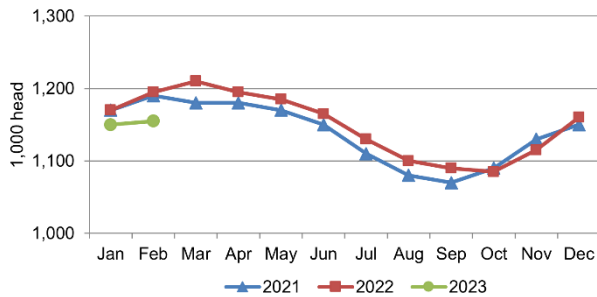
**Cattle and calves on feed** for the slaughter market in Iowa feedlots with a capacity of 1,000 or more head totaled 620,000 head on February 1, 2023, according to the latest USDA, National Agricultural Statistics Service -- *Cattle on Feed* report. This was unchanged from January but up 2 percent from February 1, 2022. Iowa feedlots with a capacity of less than 1,000 head had 535,000 head on feed, up 1 percent from last month but down 9 percent from last year. Cattle and calves on feed for the slaughter market in all Iowa feedlots totaled 1,155,000 head, up slightly from last month but down 3 percent from last year.

**Placements** of cattle and calves in Iowa feedlots with a capacity of 1,000 or more head during January 2023 totaled 105,000 head, up 25 percent from December but down 5 percent from January 2022. Feedlots with a capacity of less than 1,000 head placed 58,000 head, up 16 percent from December but down 32 percent from January 2022. Placements for all feedlots in Iowa totaled 163,000 head, up 22 percent from December but down 16 percent from January 2022.

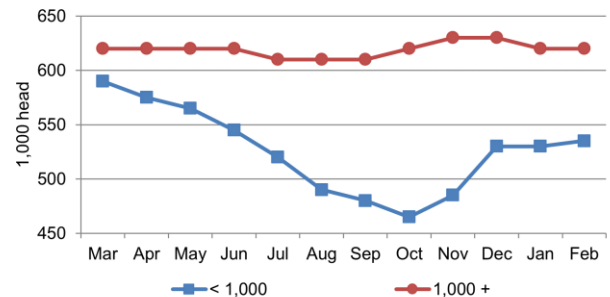
**Marketings** of fed cattle from Iowa feedlots with a capacity of 1,000 or more head during January 2023 totaled 103,000 head, up 12 percent from December and up 5 percent from January 2022. Feedlots with a capacity of less than 1,000 head marketed 50,000 head, up 6 percent from December but down 21 percent from January 2022. Marketings for all feedlots in Iowa were 153,000 head, up 10 percent from December but down 5 percent from January 2022. **Other disappearance** from all feedlots in Iowa totaled 5,000 head.

Note: This report is a combination of estimates from the USDA Cattle on Feed survey for Iowa feedlots with a capacity of 1,000 or more head and the Iowa Department of Agriculture and Land Stewardship-funded Cattle on Feed survey for Iowa feedlots with a capacity of less than 1,000 head.

**Cattle on Feed, Inventory in all Feedlots  
Iowa: 2021-2023**



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



## All Cattle on Feed – Iowa

Item	Feedlots 1,000+ capacity (1,000 head)	Feedlots less than 1,000 capacity (1,000 head)	All feedlots (1,000 head)
Cattle on feed <sup>1</sup> , January 1, 2023 .....	620	530	1,150
January placements .....	105	58	163
January marketings .....	103	50	153
January other disappearance <sup>2</sup> .....	2	3	5
Cattle on feed, February 1, 2023 .....	620	535	1,155

<sup>1</sup> Cattle and calves 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: 2022-2023**

State	Cattle on Feed <sup>1</sup> February 1			Placements during January			Marketings during January			Other disappearance <sup>2</sup> during January		
	2022	2023	'23 as % of '22	2022	2023	'23 as % of '22	2022	2023	'23 as % of '22	2022	2023	'23 as % of '22
	(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 .....	279	264	95	31	24	77	23	26	113	1	1	100
California .....	560	520	93	52	61	117	41	49	120	6	7	117
Colorado .....	1,140	1,030	90	200	165	83	185	170	92	5	5	100
Idaho .....	305	325	107	37	41	111	40	35	88	2	1	50
<b>Iowa .....</b>	<b>610</b>	<b>620</b>	<b>102</b>	<b>110</b>	<b>105</b>	<b>95</b>	<b>98</b>	<b>103</b>	<b>105</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>100</b>
Kansas .....	2,540	2,450	96	480	500	104	420	430	102	10	10	100
Minnesota .....	100	95	95	12	13	108	11	12	109	1	1	100
Nebraska .....	2,660	2,570	97	535	490	92	460	500	109	15	20	133
Oklahoma .....	310	275	89	39	38	97	37	37	100	2	1	50
South Dakota ..	235	215	91	37	40	108	30	33	110	2	2	100
Texas .....	2,940	2,770	94	390	380	97	355	370	104	15	10	67
Washington .....	220	255	116	36	28	78	30	37	123	1	1	100
Other States ....	310	315	102	45	47	104	43	45	105	2	2	100
United States ..	12,209	11,704	96	2,004	1,932	96	1,773	1,847	104	64	63	98

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**CATTLE ON FEED REVISIONS**

Revision Policy: Revisions to previous estimates are made to improve month to month relationships. Estimates for the previous month are subject to revision in all States each month when current estimates are made. In February, all monthly estimates for the previous twelve months are reviewed and subject to revisions. The reviews are primarily based on slaughter data, state check-off and any other data that may have been received after the original estimate was made.

**Cattle on Feed Revisions - Iowa: December 2021-January 2023**

	Inventory <sup>1</sup>			Placements			Marketings			Other disappearance		
	Lots 1,000+ head	Lots less than 1,000 head	All lots	Lots 1,000+ head	Lots less than 1,000 head	All lots	Lots 1,000+ head	Lots less than 1,000 head	All lots	Lots 1,000+ head	Lots less than 1,000 head	All lots
	(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)	(1,000) (head)	(1,000) (head)	(1,000) (head)
December 2021 .	610	540	1,150	85	62	147	92	30	122	3	2	5
January 2022 .....	600	570	1,170	110	85	195	98	63	161	2	7	9
February .....	610	585	1,195	116	71	187	103	62	165	3	4	7
March .....	620	590	1,210	110	42	152	108	55	163	2	2	4
April .....	620	575	1,195	94	48	142	92	55	147	2	3	5
May .....	620	565	1,185	74	46	120	71	62	133	3	4	7
June .....	620	545	1,165	58	33	91	66	56	122	2	2	4
July .....	610	520	1,130	58	56	114	56	83	139	2	3	5
August .....	610	490	1,100	81	38	119	80	44	124	1	4	5
September .....	610	480	1,090	85	44	129	73	57	130	2	2	4
October .....	620	465	1,085	101	67	168	89	45	134	2	2	4
November .....	630	485	1,115	95	94	189	94	47	141	1	2	3
December .....	630	530	1,160	84	50	134	92	47	139	2	3	5
January 2023 .....	620	530	1,150	105	58	163	103	50	153	2	3	5

<sup>1</sup> Inventory as of the first of the month.