



# Iowa Ag News – Cattle on Feed

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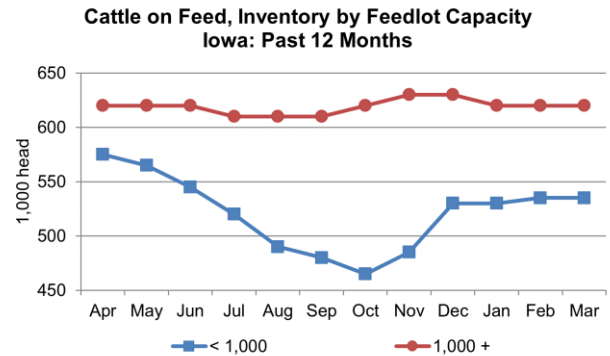
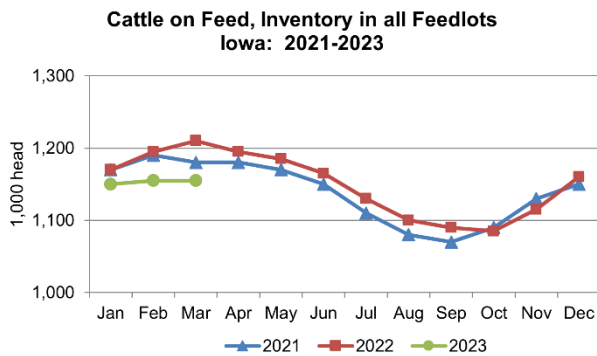
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**Cattle and calves on feed** for the slaughter market in Iowa feedlots with a capacity of 1,000 or more head totaled 620,000 head on March 1, 2023, according to the latest USDA, National Agricultural Statistics Service – *Cattle on Feed* report. This was unchanged from February and unchanged from March 1, 2022. Iowa feedlots with a capacity of less than 1,000 head had 535,000 head on feed, unchanged 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, unchanged from last month but down 5 percent from last year.

**Placements** of cattle and calves in Iowa feedlots with a capacity of 1,000 or more head during February 2023 totaled 105,000 head, unchanged from January but down 9 percent from February 2022. Feedlots with a capacity of less than 1,000 head placed 50,000 head, down 14 percent from January and down 30 percent from February 2022. Placements for all feedlots in Iowa totaled 155,000 head, down 5 percent from January and down 17 percent from February 2022.

**Marketings** of fed cattle from Iowa feedlots with a capacity of 1,000 or more head during February 2023 totaled 103,000 head, unchanged from January and unchanged from February 2022. Feedlots with a capacity of less than 1,000 head marketed 47,000 head, down 6 percent from January and down 24 percent from February 2022. Marketings for all feedlots in Iowa were 150,000 head, down 2 percent from January and down 9 percent from February 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.



## 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> , February 1, 2023 .....	620	535	1,155
February placements .....	105	50	155
February marketings .....	103	47	150
February other disappearance <sup>2</sup> .....	2	3	5
Cattle on feed, March 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> March 1			Placements during February			Marketings during February			Other disappearance <sup>2</sup> during February		
	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 .....	283	260	92	30	23	77	25	26	104	1	1	100
California .....	560	515	92	61	55	90	54	53	98	7	7	100
Colorado .....	1,120	1,010	90	175	140	80	190	155	82	5	5	100
Idaho .....	310	325	105	42	36	86	36	35	97	1	1	100
<b>Iowa .....</b>	<b>620</b>	<b>620</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>116</b>	<b>105</b>	<b>91</b>	<b>103</b>	<b>103</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>67</b>
Kansas .....	2,510	2,460	98	430	425	99	450	405	90	10	10	100
Minnesota .....	100	95	95	15	14	93	14	13	93	1	1	100
Nebraska .....	2,690	2,530	94	495	435	88	455	460	101	10	15	150
Oklahoma .....	300	270	90	35	26	74	44	30	68	1	1	100
South Dakota ..	235	215	91	39	37	95	37	35	95	2	2	100
Texas .....	2,940	2,780	95	350	360	103	335	340	101	15	10	67
Washington .....	220	255	116	35	36	103	34	35	103	1	1	100
Other States ....	305	310	102	45	42	93	48	45	94	2	2	100
United States ..	12,193	11,645	96	1,868	1,734	93	1,825	1,735	95	59	58	98

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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 11.6 million head on March 1, 2023. The inventory was 4 percent below March 1, 2022.

Placements in feedlots during February totaled 1.73 million head, 7 percent below 2022. Net placements were 1.68 million head. During February, placements of cattle and calves weighing less than 600 pounds were 345,000 head, 600-699 pounds were 315,000 head, 700-799 pounds were 470,000 head, 800-899 pounds were 424,000 head, 900-999 pounds were 130,000 head, and 1,000 pounds and greater were 50,000 head.

Marketings of fed cattle during February totaled 1.74 million head, 5 percent below 2022.

Other disappearance totaled 58,000 head during February, 2 percent below 2022.

The complete report can be found on the USDA NASS website at [www.nass.usda.gov/Publications](http://www.nass.usda.gov/Publications).

### Cattle on Feed Inventory on 1,000+ Capacity Feedlots – United States

