



Iowa Ag News – Cattle on Feed

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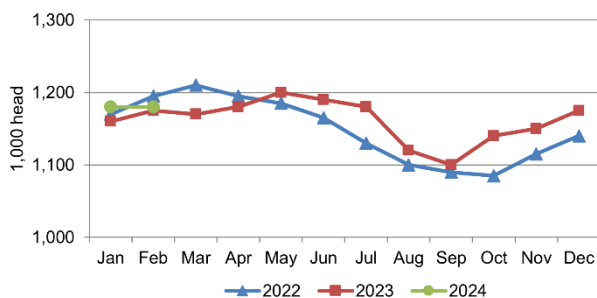
Cattle and calves on feed for the slaughter market in Iowa feedlots with a capacity of 1,000 or more head totaled 640,000 head on February 1, 2024, according to the latest USDA, National Agricultural Statistics Service – *Cattle on Feed* report. This was up 2 percent from January but down 2 percent from February 1, 2023. Iowa feedlots with a capacity of less than 1,000 head had 540,000 head on feed, down 2 percent from last month but up 3 percent from last year. Cattle and calves on feed for the slaughter market in all Iowa feedlots totaled 1,180,000 head, unchanged from last month but up slightly from last year.

Placements of cattle and calves in Iowa feedlots with a capacity of 1,000 or more head during January 2024 totaled 115,000 head, up 39 percent from December and up 10 percent from January 2023. Feedlots with a capacity of less than 1,000 head placed 59,000 head, up 7 percent from December but down 6 percent from January 2023. Placements for all feedlots in Iowa totaled 174,000 head, up 26 percent from December and up 4 percent from January 2023.

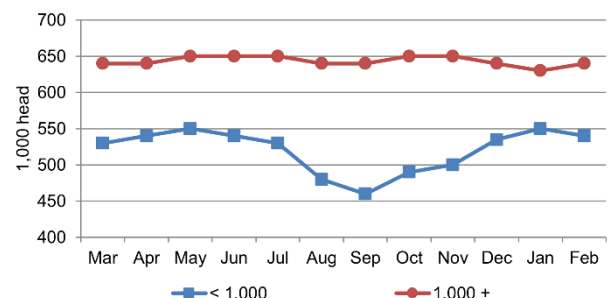
Marketings of fed cattle from Iowa feedlots with a capacity of 1,000 or more head during January 2024 totaled 103,000 head, up 12 percent from December but unchanged from January 2023. Feedlots with a capacity of less than 1,000 head marketed 64,000 head, up 88 percent from December and up 42 percent from January 2023. Marketings for all feedlots in Iowa were 167,000 head, up 33 percent from December and up 13 percent from January 2023. **Other disappearance** from all feedlots in Iowa totaled 7,000 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: 2022-2024**



**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 ¹ , January 1, 2024	630	550	1,180
January placements	115	59	174
January marketings	103	64	167
January other disappearance ²	2	5	7
Cattle on feed, February 1, 2024	640	540	1,180

¹ 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.
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: 2023-2024

State	Cattle on Feed ¹ February 1			Placements during January			Marketings during January			Other disappearance ² during January		
	2023	2024	'24 as % of '23	2023	2024	'24 as % of '23	2023	2024	'24 as % of '23	2023	2024	'24 as % of '23
	(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	264	262	99	24	24	100	26	26	100	1	1	100
California	520	520	100	61	63	103	49	57	116	7	6	86
Colorado	1,030	1,010	98	165	140	85	170	140	82	5	10	200
Idaho	325	345	106	41	46	112	35	35	100	1	1	100
Iowa	650	640	98	105	115	110	103	103	100	2	2	100
Kansas	2,450	2,390	98	500	385	77	430	460	107	10	15	150
Minnesota	95	105	111	13	11	85	12	10	83	1	1	100
Nebraska	2,570	2,550	99	490	505	103	500	490	98	20	25	125
Oklahoma	275	330	120	37	35	95	36	39	108	1	1	100
South Dakota ..	215	240	112	40	41	103	33	30	91	2	1	50
Texas	2,770	2,820	102	380	345	91	370	370	100	10	15	150
Washington	255	260	102	28	32	114	37	41	111	1	1	100
Other States	335	325	97	52	50	96	45	43	96	2	2	100
United States ..	11,754	11,797	100	1,936	1,792	93	1,846	1,844	100	63	81	129

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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 2022-January 2024

	Inventory ¹			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 2022 .	630	510	1,140	84	50	134	92	47	139	2	3	5
January 2023	650	510	1,160	105	63	168	103	45	148	2	3	5
February	650	525	1,175	100	55	155	108	47	155	2	3	5
March	640	530	1,170	109	52	161	107	40	147	2	2	4
April	640	540	1,180	91	55	146	79	43	122	2	2	4
May	650	550	1,200	75	60	135	73	68	141	2	2	4
June	650	540	1,190	60	43	103	58	51	109	2	2	4
July	650	530	1,180	51	27	78	59	75	134	2	2	4
August	640	480	1,120	77	58	135	76	75	151	1	3	4
September	640	460	1,100	78	64	142	67	30	97	1	4	5
October	650	490	1,140	83	79	162	82	66	148	1	3	4
November	650	500	1,150	88	90	178	97	49	146	1	6	7
December	640	535	1,175	83	55	138	92	34	126	1	6	7
January 2024	630	550	1,180	115	59	174	103	64	167	2	5	7

¹ Inventory as of the first of the month.