



# Cattle on Feed

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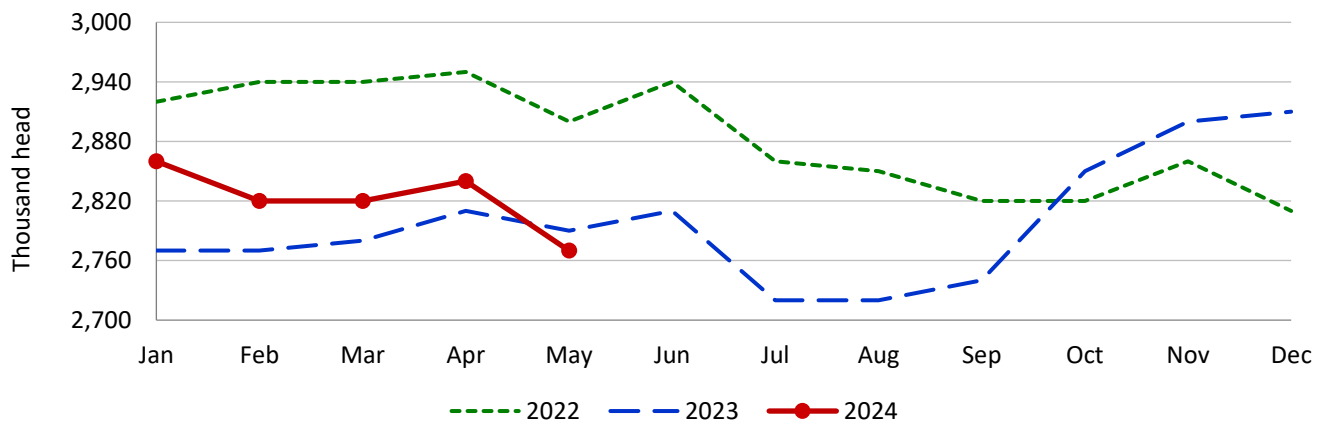
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This report contains results from the May 2024 Cattle on Feed Survey collected during the first two weeks of May. Data provided by Oklahoma and Texas producers are the foundation of the estimates made for the Southern Plains region. We would like to thank all producers who responded to the survey. Results from the next monthly survey will be made available on June 21, 2024.

Cattle and calves on feed for slaughter market in **Texas** feedlots with capacity of 1,000 head or more totaled 2.77 million head on May 1, 2024, down 1 percent from a year ago. Producers placed 330 thousand head in commercial feedlots during April, down 11 percent from a year ago. Texas commercial feeders marketed 385 thousand head during April, up 1 percent from 2023.

On May 1, there were 2.46 million head of cattle and calves on feed in the Northern High Plains, 89 percent of the state's total. The number on feed across the area was down 1 percent from last year and down 2 percent from the April 1 total. April placements in the Northern High Plains totaled 299 thousand head, down 7 percent from the March total. Marketings were up 19 percent from last month at 345 thousand head.

## Texas Cattle on Feed Inventory

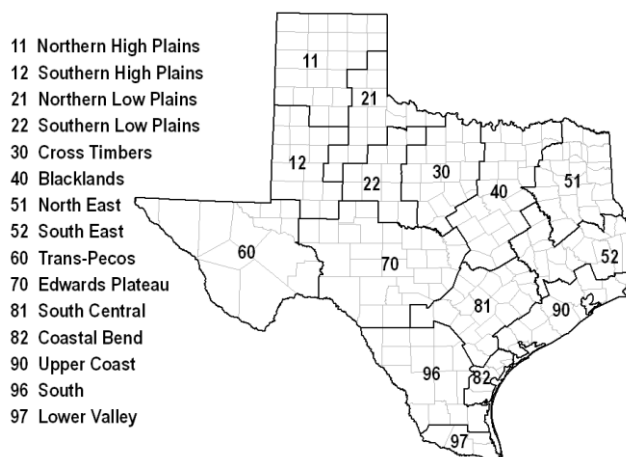


### Texas Cattle and Calves on Feed in 1,000+ Capacity Feedlots, by District

Cattle and Calves	District 11	District 12	District 21	District 70	District 81	District 96	Other districts	State total
	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head
On feed April 1, 2024 <sup>1</sup> .....	2,519	173	56	7	13	38	34	2,840
Placed on feed during April .....	299	17	3	2	2	4	3	330
Fed cattle marketed during April.....	345	25	3	0	3	4	5	385
Other disappearance during April <sup>2</sup> .....	14	1	0	0	0	0	0	15
On feed May 1, 2024 <sup>1</sup> .....	2,459	164	56	9	12	38	32	2,770

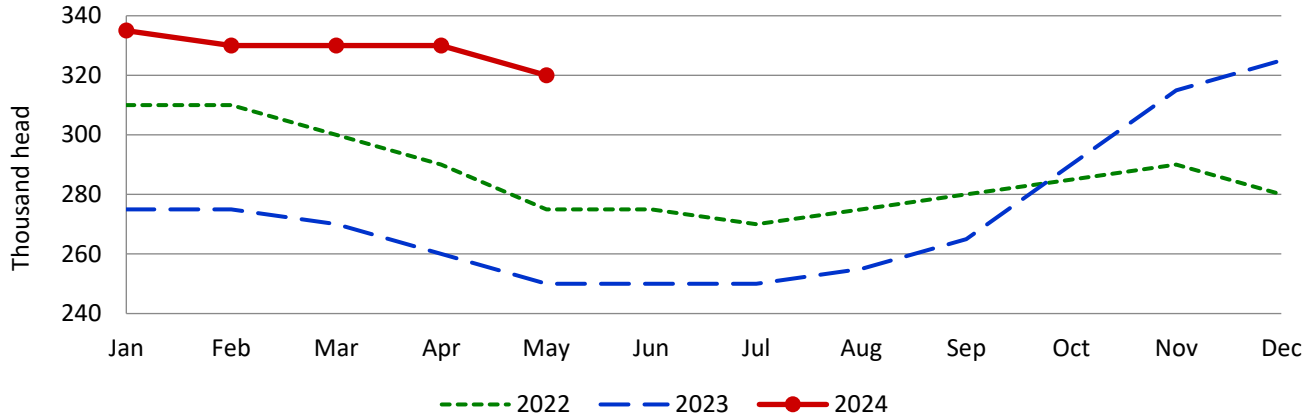
<sup>1</sup> Cattle and calves on feed are animals for slaughter market being fed a ration of grain or other concentrates and are expected to produce a carcass that will grade select or better.

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



Cattle and calves on feed for slaughter market in **Oklahoma** feedlots with capacity of 1,000 head or more totaled 320 thousand head on May 1, 2024, up 28 percent from a year ago. Producers placed 44 thousand head in commercial feedlots during April, down 2 percent from a year ago. Oklahoma commercial feeders marketed 53 thousand head during April, down 2 percent from 2023. Other disappearance during April totaled 1 thousand head, unchanged from a year ago.

### Oklahoma Cattle on Feed Inventory



### Cattle and Calves: Placements, Marketings, Other Disappearance and Inventory in 1,000+ Capacity Feedlot

State	Cattle and Calves										
	On feed April 1		Placed on feed during April		Marketed during April		Other Disappearance during April		On feed May 1		
	2023	2024	2023	2024	2023	2024	2023	2024	2023	2024	
	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>
Arizona .....	257	256	28	23	25	24	1	1	259	254	
California .....	525	530	69	60	53	59	6	6	535	525	
Colorado .....	980	990	145	135	140	170	5	5	980	950	
Idaho .....	320	345	37	39	41	43	1	1	315	340	
Iowa .....	640	660	91	89	79	87	2	2	650	660	
Kansas .....	2,430	2,400	420	370	400	460	10	10	2,440	2,300	
Minnesota .....	95	105	16	16	10	10	1	1	100	110	
Nebraska .....	2,530	2,540	430	445	410	465	10	10	2,540	2,510	
<b>Oklahoma .....</b>	<b>260</b>	<b>330</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>250</b>	<b>320</b>	
South Dakota .....	220	250	31	30	30	34	1	1	220	245	
<b>Texas .....</b>	<b>2,810</b>	<b>2,840</b>	<b>370</b>	<b>330</b>	<b>380</b>	<b>385</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>2,790</b>	<b>2,770</b>	
Washington .....	255	250	37	34	36	38	1	1	255	245	
Other States .....	325	330	39	41	42	44	2	2	320	325	
United States .....	11,647	11,826	1,758	1,656	1,700	1,872	51	56	11,654	11,554	

### Cattle on Feed: Number Placed on Feed by Weight Group, 1,000+ Capacity Feedlots<sup>1</sup>

State	During April 2023					
	Under 600 lbs	600-699 lbs	700-799 lbs	800-899 lbs	900+ lbs <sup>2</sup>	Total
	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>
Colorado .....	25	25	35	35	25	145
Kansas .....	45	60	125	125	65	420
Nebraska .....	30	45	95	150	110	430
<b>Texas .....</b>	<b>140</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>370</b>
Other States .....	120	50	75	98	50	393
United States .....	360	245	410	468	275	1,758
State	During April 2024					
	Under 600 lbs	600-699 lbs	700-799 lbs	800-899 lbs	900+ lbs <sup>2</sup>	Total
	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>
Colorado .....	25	20	30	35	25	135
Kansas .....	40	50	110	105	65	370
Nebraska .....	30	45	100	160	110	445
<b>Texas .....</b>	<b>125</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>330</b>
Other States .....	115	50	70	91	50	376
United States .....	335	220	375	451	275	1,656

<sup>1</sup> Oklahoma is included in *Other States*.

<sup>2</sup> For the U.S., the 900+ category represents the sum of 900-999 pound and 1,000+ pound weight groups.