



Cattle on Feed

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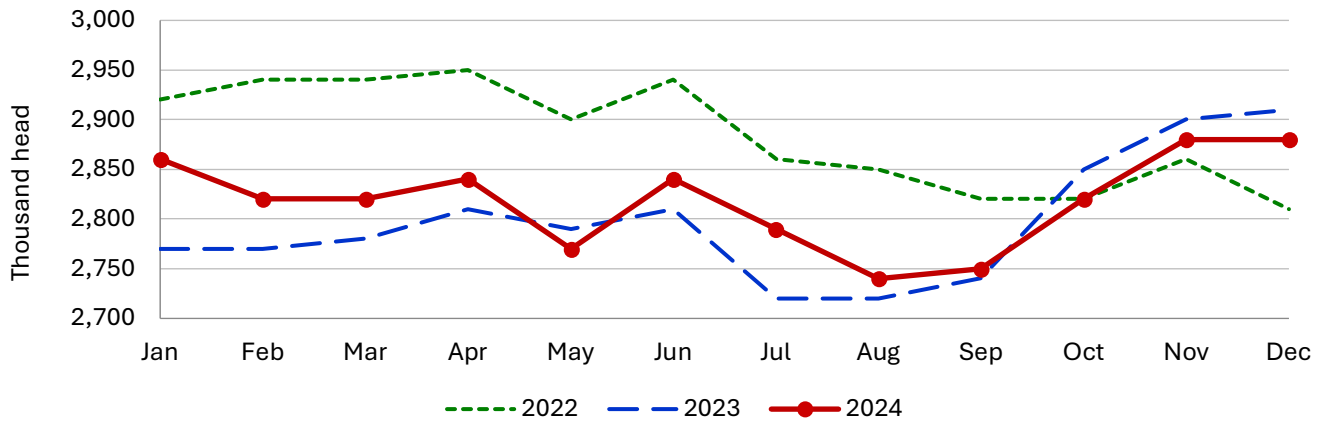
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This report contains results from the December 2024 Cattle on Feed Survey collected during the first two weeks of December. Data provided by Oklahoma and Texas producers are the foundation of the estimates made for the Southern Plains region. We would like to thank all producers who responded to the survey. Results from the next monthly survey will be made available on January 24, 2025.

Cattle and calves on feed for slaughter market in **Texas** feedlots with capacity of 1,000 head or more totaled 2.88 million head on December 1, 2024, down 1 percent from a year ago. Producers placed 345 thousand head in commercial feedlots during November, down 12 percent from a year ago. Texas commercial feeders marketed 330 thousand head during November, down 10 percent from 2023.

On December 1, there were 2.57 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 unchanged from last year and from the November 1 total. November placements in the Northern High Plains totaled 309 thousand head, down 28 percent from the October total. Marketings were down 19 percent from last month at 297 thousand head.

Texas Cattle on Feed Inventory

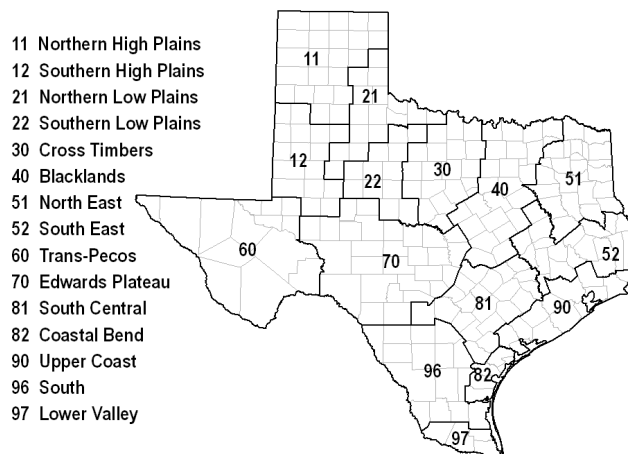


Texas Cattle and Calves on Feed in 1,000+ Capacity Feedlots, by District

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 November 1, 2024 ¹	2,570	174	50	8	9	38	31	2,880
Placed on feed during November	309	18	5	1	3	5	4	345
Fed cattle marketed during November	297	17	4	1	3	5	3	330
Other disappearance during November ²	14	1	0	0	0	0	0	15
On feed December 1, 2024 ¹	2,568	174	51	8	9	38	32	2,880

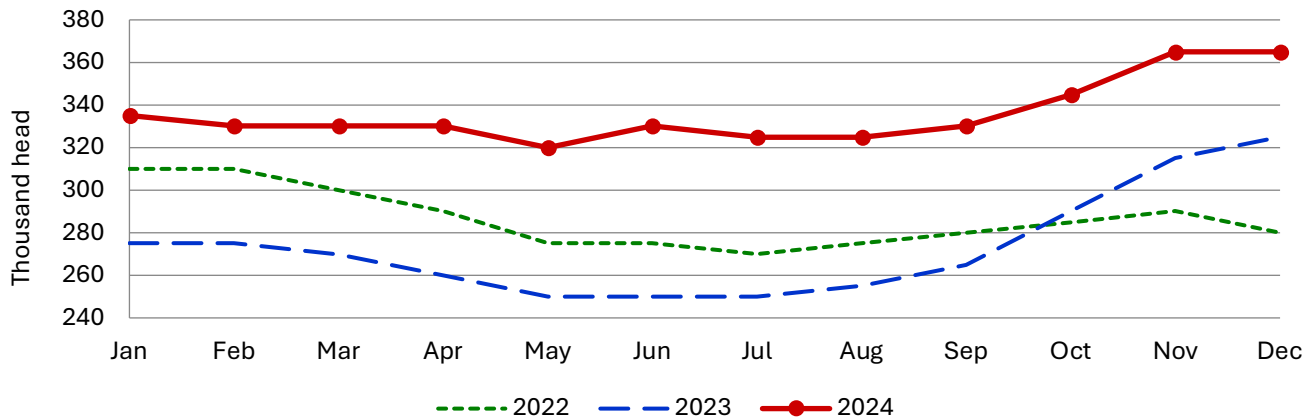
¹ Cattle and calves on feed are animals for slaughter market being fed a ration of grain or other concentrates and are expected to produce a carcass that will grade select or better.

² 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 365 thousand head on December 1, 2024, up 12 percent from a year ago. Producers placed 44 thousand head in commercial feedlots during November, down 10 percent from a year ago. Oklahoma commercial feeders marketed 42 thousand head during November, up 11 percent from 2023. Other disappearance during November totaled 2 thousand head, up 1,000 head 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 November 1		Placed on feed during November		Marketed during November		Other Disappearance during November		On feed December 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>
Arizona	261	231	26	22	20	20	1	1	266	232
California	505	515	65	52	55	51	5	6	510	510
Colorado	1,030	1,060	155	135	150	130	5	5	1,030	1,060
Idaho	320	330	55	45	43	44	2	1	330	330
Iowa	650	670	88	91	97	100	1	1	640	660
Kansas	2,520	2,410	385	400	395	380	10	10	2,500	2,420
Minnesota	100	105	15	15	14	14	1	1	100	105
Nebraska	2,540	2,580	490	510	440	480	10	10	2,580	2,600
Oklahoma	315	365	49	44	38	42	1	2	325	365
South Dakota	220	225	59	56	48	45	1	1	230	235
Texas	2,900	2,880	390	345	365	330	15	15	2,910	2,880
Washington	270	270	41	34	40	43	1	1	270	260
Other States	325	325	47	47	46	46	1	1	325	325
United States	11,956	11,966	1,865	1,796	1,751	1,725	54	55	12,016	11,982

Cattle on Feed: Number Placed on Feed by Weight Group, 1,000+ Capacity Feedlots¹

State	During November 2023					
	Under 600 lbs	600-699 lbs	700-799 lbs	800-899 lbs	900+ lbs ²	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	50	35	30	20	20	155
Kansas	55	90	115	80	45	385
Nebraska	95	115	90	90	100	490
Texas	160	100	75	40	15	390
Other States	170	100	70	60	45	445
United States	530	440	380	290	225	1,865
State	During November 2024					
	Under 600 lbs	600-699 lbs	700-799 lbs	800-899 lbs	900+ lbs ²	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	40	30	25	20	20	135
Kansas	60	95	120	80	45	400
Nebraska	100	120	95	90	105	510
Texas	140	85	70	35	15	345
Other States	155	90	65	51	45	406
United States	495	420	375	276	230	1,796

¹ Oklahoma is included in *Other States*.

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