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Cattle and calves on feed for the slaughter market in California for feedlots with capacity of 1,000 or more head totaled 515,000 head on January 1, 2023. The inventory was 2% above last month and 7% below January 1, 2022. The inventory included 435,000 steers and steer calves, down 7% from the previous year. This group accounted for 84% of the total inventory. Heifers and heifer calves accounted for 80,000 head, down 6% from the previous year. Placements in feedlots during December totaled 69,000 head, up 5% from 2021. Net placements were 63,000 head. Marketings of fed cattle during December totaled 53,000 head, down 5% from 2021. Other disappearance totaled 6,000 head during December, up 20% from 2021.

Cattle and calves on feed for the slaughter market in the United States for feedlots with capacity of 1,000 or more head totaled 11.7 million head on January 1, 2023. The inventory was 3% below January 1, 2022. The inventory included 7.03 million steers and steer calves, down 4% from the previous year. This group accounted for 60% of the total inventory. Heifers and heifer calves accounted for 4.65 million head, down 1% from 2022. Placements in feedlots during December totaled 1.80 million head, 8% below 2021. Net placements were 1.75 million head. Marketings of fed cattle during December totaled 1.74 million head, 6% below 2021. Other disappearance totaled 54,000 head during December, unchanged from 2021.

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

State	Number on Feed ¹				
	January 1 2022	December 1 2022	January 1 2023	Percent of previous year	Percent of previous month
	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>percent</i>	<i>percent</i>
Arizona	272	268	267	98	100
California	555	505	515	93	102
Colorado	1,130	1,040	1,040	92	100
Idaho	310	315	320	103	102
Iowa	600	630	620	103	98
Kansas	2,490	2,330	2,390	96	103
Minnesota	100	95	95	95	100
Nebraska	2,600	2,610	2,600	100	100
Oklahoma	310	280	275	89	98
South Dakota	230	220	210	91	95
Texas	2,920	2,810	2,770	95	99
Washington	210	250	265	126	106
Other States	310	320	315	102	98
United States	12,037	11,673	11,682	97	100

State	Placed during December		Marketed during December		Other disappearance ² during December	
	2021	2022	2021	2022	2021	2022
	<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	30	24	27	24	1	1
California	66	69	56	53	5	6
Colorado	165	145	170	140	5	5
Idaho	41	46	40	40	1	1
Iowa	85	84	92	92	3	2
Kansas	450	440	430	370	10	10
Minnesota	11	13	15	12	1	1
Nebraska	505	470	475	470	10	10
Oklahoma	46	35	34	39	2	1
South Dakota	43	34	45	40	3	4
Texas	445	350	395	380	10	10
Washington	30	52	29	36	1	1
Other States	43	42	46	45	2	2
United States	1,960	1,804	1,854	1,741	54	54

¹ Cattle on feed are steers and heifers being fed a ration of silage, hay and/or protein supplement for slaughter market that are expected to produce a carcass that will grade select or better.

² Includes death losses, movement from feedlot to pasture, and shipments to other feedlots for further feeding.

Cattle on Feed Inventory by Class in 1,000+ Capacity Feedlots – States and United States

State	Number on Feed ¹					
	Steers and steer calves			Heifers and heifer calves		
	January 1 2022	October 1 2022	January 1 2023	January 1 2022	October 1 2022	January 1 2023
	<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.....	267	264	257	5	10	10
California.....	470	435	435	85	75	80
Colorado.....	635	590	580	495	480	460
Idaho.....	160	155	165	150	135	155
Iowa.....	450	465	465	150	135	155
Kansas.....	1,340	1,270	1,270	1,150	1,090	1,120
Minnesota.....	85	70	80	15	15	15
Nebraska.....	1,590	1,490	1,600	1,010	980	1,000
Oklahoma.....	165	155	150	145	130	125
South Dakota.....	135	105	125	95	80	85
Texas.....	1,760	1,610	1,560	1,160	1,210	1,210
Washington.....	110	110	150	100	100	115
Other States.....	195	185	195	115	110	120
United States.....	7,362	6,904	7,032	4,675	4,550	4,650

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