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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 505,000 head on October 1, 2023. The inventory was 2% below last month and 1% below October 1, 2022. The inventory included 405,000 steers and steer calves, down 7% from the previous year. This group accounted for 80% of the total inventory. Heifers and heifer calves accounted for 100,000 head, up 33% from 2022. Placements in feedlots during September totaled 43,000 head, 4% below 2022. Net placements were 36,000 head. Marketings of fed cattle during September totaled 46,000 head, 4% below 2022. Other disappearance totaled 7,000 head during September, unchanged from 2022.

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 October 1, 2023. The inventory was 1% above October 1, 2022. The inventory included 6.95 million steers and steer calves, up slightly from the previous year. This group accounted for 60% of the total inventory. Heifers and heifer calves accounted for 4.64 million head, up 1% from 2022. Placements in feedlots during September totaled 2.21 million head, 6% above 2022. Net placements were 2.15 million head. Marketings of fed cattle during September totaled 1.66 million head, 11% below 2022. Other disappearance totaled 57,000 head during September, 8% above 2022.

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

State	Number on Feed ¹				
	October 1 2022	September 1 2023	October 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.....	274	244	250	91	102
California.....	510	515	505	99	98
Colorado.....	1,070	950	990	93	104
Idaho.....	290	285	295	102	104
Iowa.....	620	620	640	103	103
Kansas.....	2,360	2,410	2,500	106	104
Minnesota.....	85	95	95	112	100
Nebraska.....	2,470	2,270	2,420	98	107
Oklahoma.....	285	265	290	102	109
South Dakota.....	185	170	185	100	109
Texas.....	2,820	2,740	2,850	101	104
Washington.....	245	245	255	104	104
Other States.....	295	285	305	103	107
United States.....	11,509	11,094	11,580	101	104

State	Placed during September		Marketed during September		Other disappearance ² during September	
	2022	2023	2022	2023	2022	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.....	19	24	21	17	1	1
California.....	45	43	48	46	7	7
Colorado.....	210	195	165	150	5	5
Idaho.....	61	56	44	44	2	2
Iowa.....	85	88	73	67	2	1
Kansas.....	445	505	455	405	10	10
Minnesota.....	14	14	18	13	1	1
Nebraska.....	590	610	480	450	10	10
Oklahoma.....	52	56	45	29	2	2
South Dakota.....	45	49	34	33	1	1
Texas.....	410	465	400	340	10	15
Washington.....	43	43	37	32	1	1
Other States.....	61	58	40	37	1	1
United States.....	2,080	2,206	1,860	1,663	53	57

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		
	October 1 2022	July 1 2023	October 1 2023	October 1 2022	July 1 2023	October 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	264	239	240	10	10	10
California	435	450	405	75	90	100
Colorado	590	550	530	480	440	460
Idaho	155	160	165	135	135	130
Iowa	475	480	470	145	150	170
Kansas	1,270	1,270	1,350	1,090	1,130	1,150
Minnesota	70	85	80	15	15	15
Nebraska	1,490	1,450	1,490	980	880	930
Oklahoma	155	135	155	130	115	135
South Dakota	105	110	105	80	70	80
Texas	1,610	1,500	1,630	1,210	1,220	1,220
Washington	130	125	135	115	115	120
Other States	185	180	190	110	100	115
United States	6,934	6,734	6,945	4,575	4,470	4,635

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