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## CATTLE ON FEED

### ARIZONA

The number of cattle and calves on feed for the slaughter market in Arizona feedlots with a capacity of 1,000 head or larger was estimated at 266,000 head as of December 1, 2023. The latest inventory was up 3 percent from last month's inventory but 1 percent below the December 1, 2022, inventory. Cattle feeders with 1,000 head or larger capacity marketed an estimated 20,000 head of fed cattle during November 2023, 11 percent above the previous month, but 20 percent below the November 2022 marketings. An estimated 29,000 cattle and calves were placed on feed during November 2023, 7 percent above last month, and 26 percent above the November 2022 placements. Other disappearance for November 2023, at 1,000 head, was the same as last month and last year.

### UNITED STATES

Cattle and calves on feed for the slaughter market in the United States for feedlots with capacity of 1,000 or more head totaled 12.0 million head on December 1, 2023. The inventory was 3 percent above December 1, 2022. Placements in feedlots during November totaled 1.87 million head, 2 percent below 2022. Net placements were 1.81 million head. During November, placements of cattle and calves weighing less than 600 pounds were 535,000 head, 600-699 pounds were 440,000 head, 700-799 pounds were 380,000 head, 800-899 pounds were 288,000 head, 900-999 pounds were 140,000 head, and 1,000 pounds and greater were 85,000 head. Marketings of fed cattle during November totaled 1.75 million head, 7 percent below 2022. Other disappearance totaled 54,000 head during November, 5 percent below 2022.

For a full copy of the December 2023 *Cattle on Feed* report, please visit [www.nass.usda.gov](http://www.nass.usda.gov).