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## Cattle on Feed

**Iowa:** There were 790,000 cattle on feed for the slaughter market in all feedlots in Iowa on November 1, 2005, up 10 percent from October 1, 2005, but down 7 percent from November 1, 2004. Feedlots with a capacity greater than 1,000 head had 475,000 head on feed, up 16 percent and 10 percent from last month and last year, respectively. Feedlots with a capacity less than 1,000 head had 315,000 head on feed, up 2 percent from last month, but down 25 percent from last year.

Placements during October totaled 199,000 head, this is an increase of 49 percent from last month, but a 12 percent decrease from last year. Feedlots with a capacity greater than 1,000 head placed 131,000 head, up 46 percent and 5 percent from last month and last year, respectively. Feedlots with a capacity less than 1,000 head placed 68,000 head. This is up 55 percent from last month, but down 32 percent from last year.

Marketings for October were 125,000 head, down 7 percent and 8 percent from last month and last year, respectively. Feedlots with a capacity greater than 1,000 head marketed 65,000 head, down 12 percent and 4 percent from last month and last year, respectively. Feedlots with a capacity less than 1,000 head marketed 60,000 head, down 2 percent and 12 percent from last

month and last year, respectively. Other disappearance totaled 4,000 head.

**United States:** Cattle and calves on feed for slaughter market in the United States for feedlots with capacity of 1,000 or more head totaled 11.5 million head on November 1, 2005. The inventory was 1 percent above November 1, 2004 and 4 percent above November 1, 2003.

Placements in feedlots during October totaled 2.80 million, 3 percent above 2004 and 1 percent above 2003. Net placements were 2.74 million head. During October, placements of cattle and calves weighing less than 600 pounds were 880,000, 600-699 pounds were 790,000, 700-799 pounds were 600,000, and 800 pounds and greater were 525,000.

Marketings of fed cattle during October totaled 1.74 million, 3 percent below 2004 and 6 percent below 2003. This is the second lowest fed cattle marketings for the month of October since the series began in 1996.

Other disappearance totaled 58,000 during October, 12 percent below 2004 and 43 percent below 2003.

### All Cattle on Feed, Iowa

Item	Lots 1,000+ Head	Lots Less than 1,000 Head	All Lots
	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>
Cattle on Feed, October 1, 2005	410	310	720
October Placements	131	68	199
October Marketings	65	60	125
October Other Disappearance	1	3	4
Cattle on Feed, November 1, 2005	475	315	790

**Cattle on Feed: Number on Feed, Placements and Marketings by Month,  
1,000+ Capacity Feedlots <sup>1</sup>**

State	Cattle on Feed November 1			Placements during October			Marketings during October			October Disappearance other than Slaughter <sup>2</sup>		
	2004	2005	'05 as % of '04	2004	2005	'05 as % of '04	2004	2005	'05 as % of '04	2004	2005	'05 as % of '04
	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AZ	321	325	101	48	35	73	21	27	129	4	1	25
CA	525	545	104	70	64	91	59	50	85	6	4	67
CO	1,090	1,030	94	260	290	112	185	155	84	5	5	100
ID	305	290	95	78	76	97	47	55	117	1	1	100
<b>IA</b>	<b>430</b>	<b>475</b>	<b>110</b>	<b>125</b>	<b>131</b>	<b>105</b>	<b>68</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>96</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>50</b>
KS	2,400	2,410	100	570	580	102	375	400	107	15	20	133
NE	2,210	2,280	103	600	660	110	325	310	95	5	10	200
NM	134	141	105	29	22	76	29	16	55	2	1	50
OK	360	360	100	87	79	91	64	53	83	3	1	33
SD	169	161	95	65	68	105	38	35	92	1	2	200
TX	2,880	2,970	103	650	670	103	520	520	100	20	10	50
WA	185	163	88	43	34	79	37	23	62	1	1	100
Oth Sts	325	325	100	76	86	113	35	35	100	1	1	100
US	11,334	11,475	101	2,701	2,795	103	1,803	1,744	97	66	58	88

<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> Includes death loss, movement from feedlots to pasture, and shipments to other feedlots for further feeding.

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