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## Cattle on Feed

**Iowa:** There were 771,000 cattle on feed for the slaughter market in all feedlots in Iowa on August 1, 2006, down 5 percent from July 1, 2006, but up 3 percent from August 1, 2005. Feedlots with a capacity greater than 1,000 head had 445,000 head on feed, down 3 percent from last month but up 11 percent from last year. Feedlots with a capacity less than 1,000 head had 326,000 head on feed, down 8 percent from last month, and down 6 percent from last year.

Placements during July totaled 81,000 head, a decrease of 7 percent from last month but an increase of 23 percent from last year. Feedlots with a capacity greater than 1,000 head placed 60,000 head, up 2 percent from last month and 22 percent from last year. Feedlots with a capacity less than 1,000 head placed 21,000 head. This is down 25 percent from last month but up 24 percent from last year.

Marketings for July were 121,000 head, up 15 percent from last month, but were unchanged from last year. Feedlots with a capacity greater than 1,000 head marketed 73,000 head, up 11 percent from last month and up 16 percent from last year. Feedlots with a capacity less than 1,000 head marketed 48,000 head, up 23 percent

from last month, but down 17 percent from last year. 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 10.8 million head on August 1, 2006. The inventory was 7 percent above August 1, 2005 and 10 percent above August 1, 2004. This is the second highest August 1 inventory since the series began in 1996.

Placements in feedlots during July totaled 1.96 million, 17 percent above 2005 and 14 percent above 2004. Net placements were 1.91 million. During July, placements of cattle and calves weighing less than 600 pounds were 570,000, 600-699 pounds were 403,000, 700-799 pounds were 490,000, and 800 pounds and greater were 500,000.

Marketings of fed cattle during July totaled 1.96 million, 2 percent above 2005 and 2 percent above 2004.

Other disappearance totaled 58,000 during July, 5 percent below 2005 but unchanged from 2004.

### 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, July 1, 2006	460	355	815
July Placements	60	21	81
July Marketings	73	48	121
July Other Disappearance	2	2	4
Cattle on Feed, August 1, 2006	445	326	771

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

State	Cattle on Feed August 1			Placements during July			Marketings during July			July Disappearance other than Slaughter <sup>2</sup>		
	2005	2006	'06 as % of '05	2005	2006	'06 as % of '05	2005	2006	'06 as % of '05	2005	2006	'06 as % of '05
	<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	314	339	108	29	31	107	37	34	92	2	2	100
CA	530	515	97	72	55	76	59	67	114	3	3	100
CO	820	940	115	125	150	120	200	180	90	5	10	200
ID	250	225	90	36	36	100	45	40	89	1	1	100
<b>IA</b>	<b>400</b>	<b>445</b>	<b>111</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>122</b>	<b>63</b>	<b>73</b>	<b>116</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>200</b>
KS	2,190	2,360	108	480	590	123	470	495	105	20	15	75
NE	1,730	1,950	113	325	380	117	405	410	101	10	10	100
NM	134	144	107	23	23	100	18	18	100	3	1	33
OK	320	345	108	62	58	94	61	52	85	1	1	100
SD	143	165	115	15	24	160	30	38	127	3	1	33
TX	2,890	2,970	103	400	480	120	450	480	107	10	10	100
WA	137	154	112	26	33	127	30	26	87	1	1	100
Oth Sts	235	270	115	36	43	119	50	42	84	1	1	100
US	10,093	10,822	107	1,678	1,963	117	1,918	1,955	102	61	58	95

<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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