



Cattle on Feed

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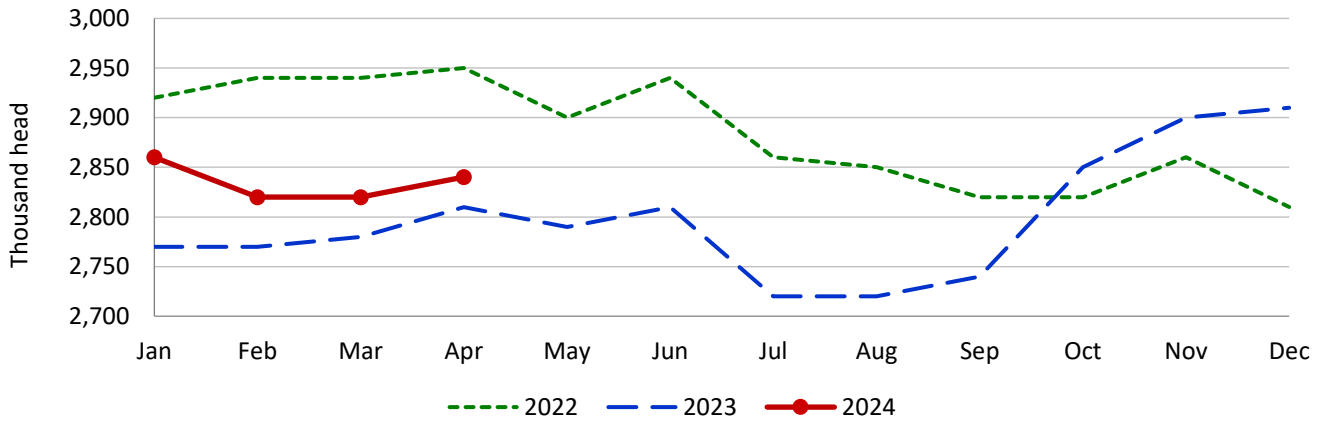
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This report contains results from the April 2024 Cattle on Feed Survey collected during the first two weeks of April. Data provided by Oklahoma and Texas producers are the foundation of the estimates made for the Southern Plains region. We would like to thank all producers who responded to the survey. Results from the next monthly survey will be made available on May 24, 2024.

Cattle and calves on feed for slaughter market in **Texas** feedlots with capacity of 1,000 head or more totaled 2.84 million head on April 1, 2024, up 1 percent from a year ago. Producers placed 365 thousand head in commercial feedlots during March, down 20 percent from a year ago. Texas commercial feeders marketed 330 thousand head during March, down 20 percent from 2023.

On April 1, there were 2.52 million head of cattle and calves on feed in the Northern High Plains, 89 percent of the state's total. The number on feed across the area was unchanged from last year but up 1 percent from the March 1 total. March placements in the Northern High Plains totaled 323 thousand head, up 1 percent from the February total. Marketings were down 6 percent from last month at 289 thousand head.

Texas Cattle on Feed Inventory

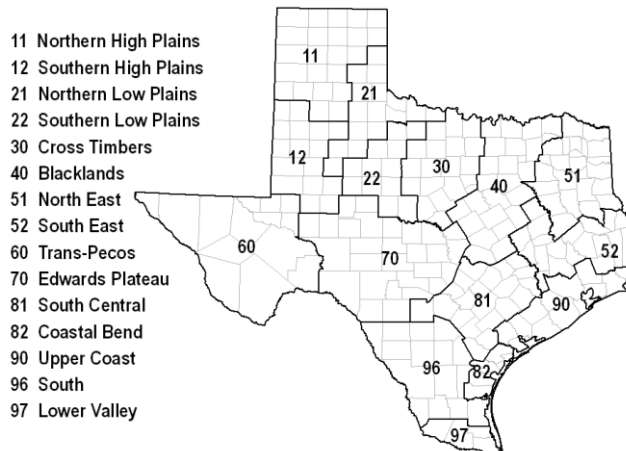


Texas Cattle and Calves on Feed in 1,000+ Capacity Feedlots, by District

Cattle and Calves	District 11	District 12	District 21	District 70	District 81	District 96	Other districts	State total
	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head
On feed March 1, 2024 ¹	2,499	174	57	6	12	37	35	2,820
Placed on feed during March	323	24	4	2	3	6	3	365
Fed cattle marketed during March	289	24	5	1	2	5	4	330
Other disappearance during March ²	14	1	0	0	0	0	0	15
On feed April 1, 2024 ¹	2,519	173	56	7	13	38	34	2,840

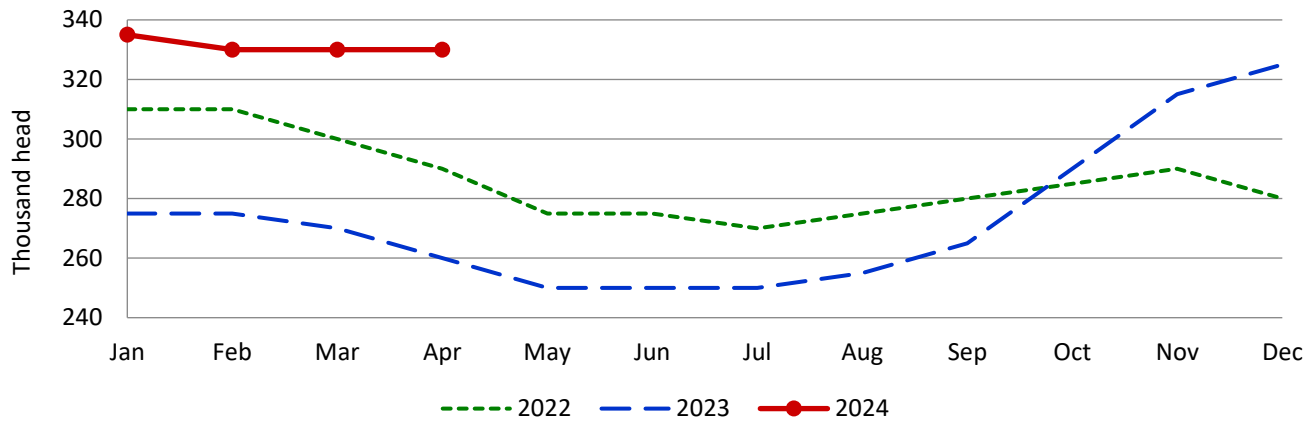
¹ Cattle and calves on feed are animals for slaughter market being fed a ration of grain or other concentrates and are expected to produce a carcass that will grade select or better.

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



Cattle and calves on feed for slaughter market in **Oklahoma** feedlots with capacity of 1,000 head or more totaled 330 thousand head on April 1, 2024, up 27 percent from a year ago. Producers placed 41 thousand head in commercial feedlots during March, down 5 percent from a year ago. Oklahoma commercial feeders marketed 40 thousand head during March, down 23 percent from 2023. Other disappearance during March totaled 1 thousand head, unchanged from a year ago.

Oklahoma Cattle on Feed Inventory



Cattle and Calves: Placements, Marketings, Other Disappearance and Inventory in 1,000+ Capacity Feedlot

State	Cattle and Calves										
	On feed March 1		Placed on feed during March		Marketed during March		Other Disappearance during March		On feed April 1		
	2023	2024	2023	2024	2023	2024	2023	2024	2023	2024	
	<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>	<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.....	260	258	28	22	30	23	1	1	257	256	
California.....	520	520	73	65	61	49	7	6	525	530	
Colorado.....	1,010	1,020	155	135	180	160	5	5	980	990	
Idaho.....	325	345	37	36	41	35	1	1	320	345	
Iowa.....	640	650	109	105	107	93	2	2	640	660	
Kansas.....	2,460	2,400	460	400	480	390	10	10	2,430	2,400	
Minnesota.....	95	105	15	14	14	13	1	1	95	105	
Nebraska.....	2,530	2,560	480	450	470	460	10	10	2,530	2,540	
Oklahoma.....	270	330	43	41	52	40	1	1	260	330	
South Dakota.....	215	245	44	40	37	33	2	2	220	250	
Texas.....	2,780	2,820	455	365	415	330	10	15	2,810	2,840	
Washington.....	255	255	40	29	39	38	1	1	255	245	
Other States.....	325	330	53	44	51	42	2	2	325	330	
United States.....	11,685	11,838	1,992	1,746	1,977	1,706	53	57	11,647	11,821	

Cattle on Feed: Number Placed on Feed by Weight Group, 1,000+ Capacity Feedlots¹

State	During March 2023					
	Under 600 lbs	600-699 lbs	700-799 lbs	800-899 lbs	900+ lbs ²	Total
	<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>
Colorado.....	30	25	35	45	20	155
Kansas.....	50	70	150	135	55	460
Nebraska.....	30	65	140	150	95	480
Texas.....	160	95	105	75	20	455
Other States.....	120	60	110	112	40	442
United States.....	390	315	540	517	230	1,992

State	During March 2024					
	Under 600 lbs	600-699 lbs	700-799 lbs	800-899 lbs	900+ lbs ²	Total
	<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>
Colorado.....	25	20	30	40	20	135
Kansas.....	40	55	125	125	55	400
Nebraska.....	25	60	130	140	95	450
Texas.....	135	70	80	60	20	365
Other States.....	105	55	95	101	40	396
United States.....	330	260	460	466	230	1,746

¹ Oklahoma is included in *Other States*.

² For the U.S., the 900+ category represents the sum of 900-999 pound and 1,000+ pound weight groups.