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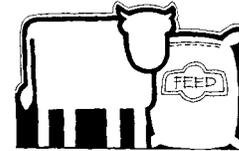
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February 1 Cattle on Feed

Iowa: There were 980,000 cattle on feed for the slaughter market in all feedlots in Iowa on February 1, up 3 percent from January 1, 2004 but down 6 percent from February 1, 2003. Feedlots with a capacity greater than 1,000 head had 380,000 head on feed, an increase of 3 percent from last month but a decrease of 3 percent from last year. Feedlots with a capacity less than 1,000 head had 600,000 head on feed, up 3 percent from last month but down 8 percent from last year.

Placements during January totaled 143,000 head, up 4 percent from last month but down 14 percent from last year. Feedlots with a capacity greater than 1,000 head placed 59,000 head, up 18 percent from last month but down 14 percent from last year. Feedlots with a capacity less than 1,000 head placed 84,000 head, down 5 percent and 14 percent from last month and last year, respectively.

Marketings for January were 104,000 head, up 12 percent from last month but down 21 percent from last year. Feedlots with a capacity greater than 1,000 head marketed 47,000 head, down 2 percent and 35 percent from last month and last year, respectively. Feedlots with a capacity less than

1,000 head marketed 57,000 head, up 27 percent from last month but down 5 percent from last year. Other disappearance totaled 9,000 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 11.1 million head on February 1, 2004. The inventory was 4 percent above February 1, 2003 but 4 percent below February 1, 2002.

Placements in feedlots during January totaled 1.75 million, 16 percent below 2003 and 20 percent below 2002. Net placements were 1.65 million. During January, placements of cattle and calves weighing less than 600 pounds were 362,000, 600-699 pounds were 466,000, 700-799 pounds were 576,000, and 800 pounds and greater were 342,000.

Marketings of fed cattle during January totaled 1.78 million, down 10 percent from 2003 and down 14 percent from 2002.

Other disappearance totaled 94,000 during January, 25 percent above 2003 and 6 percent above 2002.

Cattle on Feed: Number on Feed, Placements and Marketings by Month, 1,000+ Capacity Feedlots¹

State	Cattle on feed February 1			Placements during January			Marketings During January			January disappearance other than slaughter ²		
	2003	2004	<u>2004</u> 2003	2003	2004	<u>2004</u> 2003	2003	2004	<u>2004</u> 2003	2003	2004	<u>2004</u> 2003
	1,000 head		Percent	1,000 head		Percent	1,000 head		Percent	1,000 head		Percent
Arizona	291	296	102	29	32	110	24	26	108	3	3	100
California	*480	500	104	58	55	95	67	60	90	6	5	83
Colorado	1,030	1,040	101	225	165	73	205	160	78	10	5	50
Idaho	*290	275	95	56	41	73	65	64	98	1	2	200
<u>Iowa</u>	<u>*390</u>	<u>380</u>	<u>97</u>	<u>69</u>	<u>59</u>	<u>86</u>	<u>*72</u>	<u>47</u>	<u>65</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>100</u>
Kansas	2,220	2,420	109	540	455	84	500	440	88	20	25	125
Nebraska	2,220	2,280	103	480	380	79	390	360	92	10	20	200
New Mexico	114	117	103	9	17	189	13	13	100	1	2	200
Oklahoma	330	350	106	*46	50	109	49	53	108	2	2	100
S. Dakota	215	200	93	*46	30	65	*45	29	64	1	1	100
Texas	2,600	2,770	107	420	390	93	435	430	99	15	20	133
Washington	180	185	103	36	26	72	39	40	103	2	1	50
Other States	340	310	91	75	46	61	68	60	88	2	6	300
U.S.	*10,700	11,123	104	*2,089	1,746	84	*1,972	1,782	90	75	94	125

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

**Cattle on Feed: Number of Feedlots, Inventory, and Marketings,
Feedlots with Less Than 1,000 Head Capacity,
by State, and United States, 2002-2003¹**

State	2002			2003		
	Lots	Inventory	Cattle Marketed	Lots	Inventory	Cattle Marketed
	Number	1,000 head	1,000 head	Number	1,000 head	1,000 head
Illinois	5,500	*173	*270	5,400	154	250
Indiana	5,900	110	180	5,800	101	170
Iowa	<u>11,000</u>	<u>*695</u>	<u>*1,030</u>	<u>10,500</u>	<u>580</u>	<u>970</u>
Michigan	4,000	144	*220	3,900	171	250
Minnesota	7,000	*216	*330	6,600	229	320
Missouri	3,100	58	90	2,800	47	80
Nebraska	4,260	*160	300	4,140	170	300
North Dakota	1,400	44	80	1,300	40	70
Ohio	6,700	171	290	6,700	188	290
Pennsylvania	4,900	68	*110	4,900	69	120
South Dakota	3,100	*180	*270	3,100	175	270
Wisconsin	6,900	*191	*300	6,800	200	310
Oth Sts	29,240	*351.8	600	29,060	433.9	700
U.S.	93,000	*2,561.8	*4,070	91,000	2,557.9	4,100

¹Number of feedlots is the number of lots operating at the end of the year. Inventory is the number on hand January 1 of the following year.

*Revised.

**Soybeans for Beans: Price per Bushel and Value of Production,
By State and United States, 2001-2003**

State	Price per Bushel			Value of Production		
	2001	2002	2003	2001	2002	2003
	----- Dollars -----			----- 1,000 Dollars -----		
Alabama	4.60	5.55	7.10	21,735	20,646	40,896
Arkansas	4.37	5.65	7.25	398,544	545,112	796,195
Delaware	4.25	5.70	7.25	33,316	26,363	46,458
Florida	4.20	5.35	7.00	1,096	1,589	2,520
Georgia	4.35	5.45	7.25	17,531	16,023	43,065
Illinois	4.55	5.66	7.35	2,174,445	2,567,659	2,749,819
Indiana	4.42	5.55	7.35	1,210,682	1,328,975	1,494,255
Iowa	4.35	5.54	7.30	2,090,088	2,765,568	2,464,480
Kansas	4.16	5.49	7.60	363,418	320,726	433,504
Kentucky	4.47	5.74	7.60	218,136	238,669	405,232
Louisiana	4.39	5.52	6.90	88,371	116,582	173,604
Maryland	4.20	5.70	7.25	84,357	61,617	115,348
Michigan	4.47	5.62	7.20	285,633	441,395	386,856
Minnesota	4.32	5.42	7.00	1,150,848	1,673,967	1,605,800
Mississippi	4.39	5.52	6.85	162,254	241,997	382,025
Missouri	4.32	5.54	7.55	804,384	941,800	1,081,613
Nebraska	4.19	5.43	7.10	934,161	957,472	1,275,160
New Jersey	4.15	5.40	7.00	12,994	12,047	20,944
New York	4.55	5.85	7.00	23,724	26,957	33,810
North Carolina	4.29	5.63	7.40	185,328	174,305	310,800
North Dakota	4.05	5.32	6.85	286,274	461,723	601,910
Ohio	4.46	5.59	7.20	837,499	817,929	1,171,008
Oklahoma	4.30	5.50	6.80	20,834	35,750	43,316
Pennsylvania	4.26	5.90	7.00	58,895	59,826	107,625
South Carolina	4.45	5.60	7.00	39,249	39,508	82,320
South Dakota	4.13	5.33	6.95	590,755	675,791	786,254
Tennessee	4.46	5.70	7.25	157,706	197,904	332,920
Texas	4.60	5.10	6.60	26,910	29,274	33,264
Virginia	4.30	5.54	7.15	73,272	56,065	116,688
West Virginia	4.33	5.64	7.00	2,910	3,548	4,305
Wisconsin	4.31	5.35	7.00	250,368	357,808	323,400
United States	4.38	5.53	7.25	12,605,717	15,214,595	17,465,394

All Cattle on Feed, Iowa

	Lots 1,000+ Head	Lots Less than 1,000 Head	All Lots
----- Thousand head -----			
Cattle on Feed, January 1, 2004	370	580	950
January Placements	59	84	143
January Marketings	47	57	104
January Other Disappearance	2	7	9
Cattle on Feed, February 1, 2004	380	600	980

Corn for Grain: Price per Bushel and Value of Production, By State and United States, 2001-2003

State	Price per Bushel			Value of Production		
	2001	2002	2003	2001	2002	2003
	----- Dollars -----			----- 1,000 Dollars -----		
Alabama	2.35	2.72	2.35	37,718	43,085	54,473
Arizona	2.79	3.14	3.20	16,249	16,265	13,376
Arkansas	2.02	2.43	2.40	54,187	84,661	117,600
California	2.45	2.73	2.85	66,640	69,615	77,520
Colorado	2.13	2.53	2.55	319,074	284,170	306,383
Delaware	2.15	2.85	2.80	50,852	39,504	55,793
Florida	2.25	2.60	2.55	5,090	8,486	8,155
Georgia	2.32	2.70	2.35	68,394	90,045	86,398
Idaho	2.64	2.91	2.95	17,820	23,280	20,650
Illinois	2.04	2.35	2.50	3,364,368	3,515,600	4,530,500
Indiana	1.98	2.41	2.50	1,751,350	1,522,204	1,967,350
Iowa	1.90	2.22	2.40	3,162,360	4,358,970	4,521,600
Kansas	2.03	2.48	2.55	786,321	719,200	765,000
Kentucky	2.08	2.58	2.55	324,896	273,686	377,298
Louisiana	2.20	2.40	2.40	99,959	163,968	160,800
Maryland	2.18	2.85	2.75	121,557	92,055	138,683
Michigan	1.97	2.34	2.40	393,015	543,582	632,016
Minnesota	1.90	2.15	2.35	1,531,400	2,261,585	2,281,615
Mississippi	1.99	2.33	2.25	99,600	154,363	160,988
Missouri	1.96	2.45	2.50	677,768	694,575	756,000
Montana	1.89	2.45	2.65	3,636	4,459	6,307
Nebraska	1.94	2.32	2.45	2,210,145	2,182,656	2,754,290
New Jersey	2.09	2.77	2.75	15,449	11,246	18,956
New Mexico	2.40	2.84	2.90	19,872	25,049	25,056
New York	2.51	2.87	2.80	142,317	125,276	149,072
North Carolina	2.36	2.89	2.70	184,375	167,909	194,616
North Dakota	1.87	2.16	2.35	151,610	247,158	307,944
Ohio	2.00	2.48	2.45	874,920	626,349	1,173,354
Oklahoma	2.10	2.45	2.50	55,125	60,515	59,375
Oregon	2.54	2.88	3.00	6,401	8,942	15,300
Pennsylvania	2.33	2.97	2.90	226,057	175,705	296,815
South Carolina	2.20	2.70	2.55	57,024	32,292	57,566
South Dakota	1.75	2.17	2.25	648,550	659,680	961,538
Tennessee	2.06	2.58	2.35	168,590	171,157	193,946
Texas	2.29	2.57	2.60	383,712	528,546	506,220
Utah	2.85	3.18	3.00	6,071	6,455	6,045
Virginia	2.14	2.73	2.60	86,863	54,955	98,670
Washington	2.56	2.84	2.90	26,752	37,772	39,585
West Virginia	2.29	2.85	2.65	7,145	8,978	8,228
Wisconsin	1.97	2.22	2.40	650,494	869,130	882,360
Wyoming	2.30	2.60	2.50	14,663	11,606	16,125
United States	1.97	2.32	2.45	18,888,389	20,974,734	24,803,566

January Milk Production

Iowa: Milk production in Iowa in January totaled 314 million pounds, down 4.8 percent from January 2003. The average number of milk cows, 196 thousand head, was 11,000 head below January 2003. Production per cow averaged 1,600 pounds, five pounds higher than production levels one year ago.

United States: Milk production in the 20 major States during January totaled 12.5 billion pounds, down 0.9 percent from January 2003. December revised production, at 12.3 billion pounds, was down 0.2 percent from December 2002. The December revision

represented an increase of 0.5 percent or 62 million pounds from last month's preliminary production estimate.

Production per cow in the 20 major States averaged 1,620 pounds for January, 5 pounds above January 2003.

The number of cows on farms in the 20 major States was 7.72 million head, 92,000 head less than January 2003, but 5,000 head more than December 2003.

January Milk Cows and Milk Production

State	Milk cows ¹		Milk per cow ²		Milk production ²		
	2003	2004	2003	2004	2003	2004	'04 as % '03
	Thousands		Pounds		Million pounds		
California	1,672	1,702	1,790	1,755	2,993	2,987	-0.2
Illinois	114	108	1,580	1,610	180	174	-3.3
<u>Iowa</u>	<u>207</u>	<u>196</u>	<u>1,595</u>	<u>1,600</u>	<u>330</u>	<u>314</u>	<u>-4.8</u>
Minnesota	480	465	1,520	1,515	730	704	-3.6
Missouri	134	125	1,240	1,265	166	158	-4.8
Wisconsin	1,265	1,245	1,500	1,510	1,898	1,880	-0.9
20 State Total ³	7,810	7,718	1,615	1,620	12,616	12,502	-0.9

¹ Includes dry cows. Excludes heifers not yet fresh. ² Excludes milk sucked by calves. ³ The 20 states are Arizona, California, Florida, Idaho, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kentucky, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, New Mexico, New York, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Texas, Vermont, Virginia, Washington, and Wisconsin.

2003 Annual Milk Production Up 0.1 Percent from 2002

The annual production of milk for the U.S. during 2003 was 170.3 billion pounds, 0.1 percent above 2002. Revisions to 2002 production increased the annual total by 0.2 percent. Revised 2003 production was up 0.4 percent from last month's publication.

Production per cow in the U.S. averaged 18,749 pounds for 2003, 141 pounds above 2002. The average annual rate of milk production per cow has increased 16 percent from 1994.

The average number of milk cows on farms in the U.S. during 2003 was 9.08 million head, down 0.6 percent from 2002. The average number of milk cows was revised down 2,000 head for 2002, and down 1,000 head for 2003.

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