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CATTLE ON FEED

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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 241,000 head as of September 1, 2015. The latest inventory was 1 percent above last month's inventory of 239,000 head but 6 percent below September 1, 2014. Cattle feeders with 1,000 head or larger capacity marketed an estimated 17,000 head of fed cattle during August 2015, down 23 percent from the previous month and down 32 percent from the August 2014 marketings. An estimated 21,000 head of cattle and calves were placed on feed during August 2015, 9 percent below last month but no change from the August 2014 placements. Other disappearance for August 2015 was 2,000 head, no change from last month but 1,000 head above last year.

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Cattle and calves on feed for the slaughter market in the United States for feedlots with capacity of 1,000 or more head totaled 9.99 million head on September 1, 2015. The inventory was 3 percent above September 1, 2014. Placements in feedlots during August totaled 1.63 million head, 5 percent below 2014. Net placements were 1.57 million head. During August, placements of cattle and calves weighing less than 600 pounds were 395,000 head, 600-699 pounds were 215,000 head, 700-799 pounds were 362,000 head, and 800 pounds and greater were 660,000 head. Placements are the lowest for August since the series began in 1996. Marketings of fed cattle during August totaled 1.59 million head, 6 percent below 2014. Marketings are the lowest for August since the series began in 1996. Other disappearance totaled 60,000 head during August, 9 percent below 2014.

For a full copy of the September 2015 *Cattle on Feed* report please visit www.nass.usda.gov.