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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 311,000 head as of March 1, 2019. The latest inventory was 3 percent above last month's inventory and up 9 percent from March 1, 2018. Cattle feeders with 1,000 head or larger capacity marketed an estimated 19,000 head of fed cattle during February 2019, down 27 percent from the previous month and 21 percent below the February 2018 marketings of 24,000 head. An estimated 28,000 cattle and calves were placed on feed during February 2019, 20 percent below last month and 7 percent below the February 2018 placements of 30,000 head. Other disappearance for February, at 1,000 head, was the same as last month and 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 11.8 million head on March 1, 2019. The inventory was 1 percent above March 1, 2018. Placements in feedlots during February totaled 1.86 million head, 2 percent above 2018. Net placements were 1.79 million head. During February, placements of cattle and calves weighing less than 600 pounds were 340,000 head, 600-699 pounds were 345,000 head, 700-799 pounds were 530,000 head, 800-899 pounds were 442,000 head, 900-999 pounds were 135,000 head, and 1,000 pounds and greater were 65,000 head. Marketings of fed cattle during February totaled 1.68 million head, slightly above 2018. Other disappearance totaled 66,000 head during February, 16 percent above 2018.

For a full copy of the March 2019 *Cattle on Feed* report please visit www.nass.usda.gov.