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## CATTLE ON FEED

### ARIZONA

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 265,000 head as of May 1, 2020. The latest inventory was 1 percent above last month's inventory, but 12 percent below the May 1, 2019 inventory. Cattle feeders with 1,000 head or larger capacity marketed an estimated 21,000 head of fed cattle during April 2020, down 12 percent from the previous month and down 16 percent from the April 2019 marketings. An estimated 25,000 cattle and calves were placed on feed during April 2020, 19 percent below last month and unchanged from April 2019 placements of 25,000 head. Other disappearance for April 2020, at 1,000 head, was no change from last month or last year.

### UNITED STATES

Cattle and calves on feed for the slaughter market in the United States for feedlots with capacity of 1,000 or more head totaled 11.2 million head on May 1, 2020. The inventory was 5 percent below May 1, 2019. Placements in feedlots during April totaled 1.43 million head, 22 percent below 2019. Placements were the second lowest for April since the series began in 1996. Net placements were 1.36 million head. During April, placements of cattle and calves weighing less than 600 pounds were 295,000 head, 600-699 pounds were 180,000 head, 700-799 pounds were 315,000 head, 800-899 pounds were 392,000 head, 900-999 pounds were 180,000 head, and 1,000 pounds and greater were 70,000 head. Marketings of fed cattle during April totaled 1.46 million head, 24 percent below 2019. April marketings are the lowest since the series began in 1996. Other disappearance totaled 70,000 head during April, 17 percent above 2019.

For a full copy of the May 2020 *Cattle on Feed* report please visit [www.nass.usda.gov](http://www.nass.usda.gov).