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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 270,000 head as of March 1, 2021. The latest inventory was 2 percent above last month's inventory and up 5 percent from March 1, 2020. Cattle feeders with 1,000 head or larger capacity marketed an estimated 24,000 head of fed cattle during February 2021, up 4 percent from the previous month and up 9 percent from the February 2020 marketings of 22,000 head. An estimated 29,000 cattle and calves were placed on feed during February 2021, 4 percent above last month and 12 percent above the February 2020 placements of 26,000 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 12.0 million head on March 1, 2021. The inventory was 2 percent above March 1, 2020. This is the second highest March 1 inventory since the series began in 1996. Placements in feedlots during February totaled 1.68 million head, 2 percent below 2020. Net placements were 1.63 million head. During February, placements of cattle and calves weighing less than 600 pounds were 335,000 head, 600-699 pounds were 295,000 head, 700-799 pounds were 465,000 head, 800-899 pounds were 409,000 head, 900-999 pounds were 125,000 head, and 1,000 pounds and greater were 55,000 head. Marketings of fed cattle during February totaled 1.73 million head, 2 percent below 2020. Other disappearance totaled 58,000 head during February, unchanged from 2020.

For a full copy of the March 2021 *Cattle on Feed* report please visit www.nass.usda.gov.