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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 279,000 head as of February 1, 2022. The latest inventory was 3 percent above last month's inventory and up 5 percent from February 1, 2021. Cattle feeders with 1,000 head or larger capacity marketed an estimated 23,000 head of fed cattle during January 2022, down 15 percent from the previous month but unchanged from the January 2021. An estimated 31,000 cattle and calves were placed on feed during January 2022, 3 percent above last month and 11 percent above the January 2021 placements of 28,000 head. Other disappearance for January, at 1,000 head, was the same as last month and 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 12.2 million head on February 1, 2022. The inventory was 1 percent above February 1, 2021. This is the highest February 1 inventory since the series began in 1996. Placements in feedlots during January totaled 2.00 million head, 1 percent below 2021. Net placements were 1.94 million head. During January, placements of cattle and calves weighing less than 600 pounds were 420,000 head, 600-699 pounds were 445,000 head, 700-799 pounds were 545,000 head, 800-899 pounds were 414,000 head, 900-999 pounds were 105,000 head, and 1,000 pounds and greater were 70,000 head. Marketings of fed cattle during January totaled 1.77 million head, 3 percent below 2021. Other disappearance totaled 64,000 head during January, 14 percent above 2021. Cattle on Feed and Annual Size Group Estimates Cattle and calves on feed for slaughter market in the United States for feedlots with capacity of 1,000 or more head represented 81.9 percent of all cattle and calves on feed in the United States on January 1, 2022. This is comparable to the 81.6 percent on January 1, 2021. Marketings of fed cattle for feedlots with capacity of 1,000 or more head during 2021 represented 87.2 percent of total cattle marketed from all feedlots in the United States, up slightly from 87.0 percent during 2020.

For a full copy of the February 2022 *Cattle on Feed* report, please visit [www.nass.usda.gov](http://www.nass.usda.gov).