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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 260,000 head as of March 1, 2023. The latest inventory was 2 percent below last month's inventory and down 8 percent from March 1, 2022. Cattle feeders with 1,000 head or larger capacity marketed an estimated 26,000 head of fed cattle during February 2023, unchanged from the previous month, but up 4 percent from the March 2022 marketings. An estimated 23,000 cattle and calves were placed on feed during February 2023, 4 percent below last month and 23 percent below the February 2022 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 11.6 million head on March 1, 2023. The inventory was 4 percent below March 1, 2022. Placements in feedlots during February totaled 1.73 million head, 7 percent below 2022. Net placements were 1.68 million head. During February, placements of cattle and calves weighing less than 600 pounds were 345,000 head, 600-699 pounds were 315,000 head, 700-799 pounds were 470,000 head, 800-899 pounds were 424,000 head, 900-999 pounds were 130,000 head, and 1,000 pounds and greater were 50,000 head. Marketings of fed cattle during February totaled 1.74 million head, 5 percent below 2022. Other disappearance totaled 58,000 head during February, 2 percent below 2022.

For a full copy of the March 2023 *Cattle on Feed* report, please visit www.nass.usda.gov.