CATTLE ON FEED
COLORADO

The number of cattle and calves on feed for the slaughter market in Colorado feedlots with a capacity of 1,000 head or larger was estimated at 1,080,000 head as of June 1, 2021. This latest inventory is 4 percent above last month’s inventory and 7 percent above the June 1, 2020 inventory. Cattle feeders with 1,000 head or larger capacity marketed an estimated 140,000 head of fed cattle during May 2021, 20 percent below last month and 3 percent below the May 2020 marketings. An estimated 190,000 cattle and calves were placed on feed during May 2021, 19 percent above a month ago but 12 percent below the May 2020 placements. Of the number placed in May, 16 percent weighed less than 600 pounds, 13 percent weighed from 600 to 699 pounds, 24 percent weighed from 700 to 799 pounds, 26 percent weighed 800 to 899 pounds and 21 percent weighed 900 pounds or greater. Other disappearance for May 2021 is estimated at 10,000 head, up 5,000 head from last month, but no change from 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 11.7 million head on June 1, 2021. The inventory was slightly above June 1, 2020. This is the second highest June 1 inventory since the series began in 1996. Placements in feedlots during May totaled 1.91 million head, 7 percent below 2020. Net placements were 1.84 million head. During May, placements of cattle and calves weighing less than 600 pounds were 355,000 head, 600-699 pounds were 255,000 head, 700-799 pounds were 470,000 head, 800-899 pounds were 501,000 head, 900-999 pounds were 235,000 head, and 1,000 pounds and greater were 95,000 head. Marketings of fed cattle during May totaled 1.87 million head, 23 percent above 2020. Other disappearance totaled 67,000 head during May, 2 percent above 2020.

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