



# Iowa Ag News – Cattle on Feed

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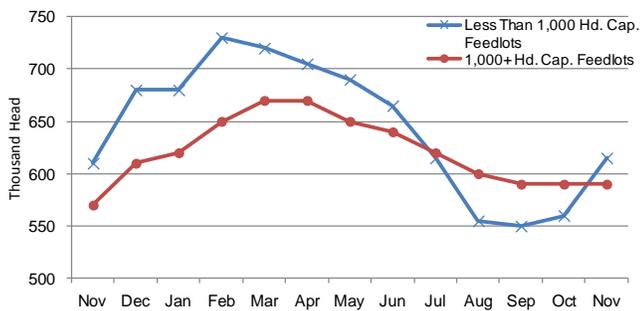
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Cattle and calves on feed for slaughter market in Iowa for all feedlots totaled 1,205,000 on November 1, 2012 according to the USDA, National Agricultural Statistics Service, Iowa Field Office. The inventory is up 5 percent from October 1, 2012 and up 2 percent from November 1, 2011. Feedlots with a capacity greater than 1,000 head had 590,000 head on feed, unchanged from last month but up 4 percent from last year. Feedlots with a capacity less than 1,000 head had 615,000 head on feed, up 10 percent from last month and up 1 percent from last year.

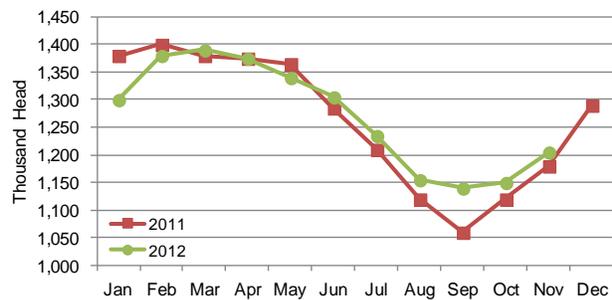
Placements during October totaled 278,000 head, an increase of 55 percent from last month but unchanged from last year. Feedlots with a capacity greater than 1,000 head placed 146,000 head, up 64 percent from last month and up 7 percent from last year. Feedlots with a capacity less than 1,000 head placed 132,000 head. This is up 47 percent from last month but down 6 percent from last year.

Marketings for October were 218,000 head, up 33 percent from last month and up 2 percent from last year. Feedlots with a capacity greater than 1,000 head marketed 143,000 head, up 64 percent from last month and up 24 percent from last year. Feedlots with a capacity less than 1,000 head marketed 75,000 head, down 3 percent from last month and down 23 percent from last year. Other disappearance totaled 5,000 head.

**Cattle on Feed, Inventory by Feedlot Capacity, Iowa: Past 12 Months**



**Cattle on Feed, Inventory on all Feedlots, Iowa: 2011-2012**



## All Cattle on Feed, Iowa

| Item                                   | Lots 1,000+ Head<br>(1,000 Head) | Lots Less than<br>1,000 Head<br>(1,000 Head) | All Lots<br>(1,000 Head) |
|--|----------------------------------|--|--------------------------|
| Cattle on Feed, October 1, 2012 .....  | 590                              | 560  | 1,150                    |
| October Placements .....               | 146                              | 132  | 278                      |
| October Marketings .....               | 143                              | 75   | 218                      |
| October Other Disappearance .....      | 3                                | 2  | 5                        |
| Cattle on Feed, November 1, 2012 ..... | 590                              | 615  | 1,205                    |

## Cattle on Feed: Number on Feed, Placements, Marketings, and Other Disappearance by Month, 1,000+ Capacity Feedlots

[Cattle and calves on feed are animals for slaughter market being fed a ration of grain or other concentrates and are expected to produce a carcass that will grade select or better.]

| State             | Cattle on Feed<br>November 1 |                 |                    | Placements<br>during October |                 |                    | Marketings<br>during October |                 |                    | October Disappearance<br>other than<br>Slaughter <sup>1</sup> |                 |                    |
|-------------------|------------------------------|-----------------|--------------------|------------------------------|-----------------|--------------------|------------------------------|-----------------|--------------------|---|-----------------|--------------------|
|                   | 2011                         | 2012            | '12 as<br>% of '11 | 2011                         | 2012            | '12 as<br>% of '11 | 2011                         | 2012            | '12 as<br>% of '11 | 2011  | 2012            | '12 as<br>% of '11 |
|                   | (1,000<br>Head)              | (1,000<br>Head) | (Percent)          | (1,000<br>Head)              | (1,000<br>Head) | (Percent)          | (1,000<br>Head)              | (1,000<br>Head) | (Percent)          | (1,000<br>Head)   | (1,000<br>Head) | (Percent)          |
| Arizona .....     | 292                          | 265             | 91                 | 32                           | 19              | 59                 | 19                           | 25              | 132                | 1   | 1               | 100                |
| California .....  | 490                          | 480             | 98                 | 54                           | 62              | 115                | 49                           | 54              | 110                | 5   | 3               | 60                 |
| Colorado .....    | 1,140                        | 1,030           | 90                 | 230                          | 195             | 85                 | 155                          | 160             | 103                | 5   | 5               | 100                |
| Idaho .....       | 225                          | 240             | 107                | 55                           | 55              | 100                | 48                           | 44              | 92                 | 2   | 1               | 50                 |
| <b>Iowa .....</b> | <b>570</b>                   | <b>590</b>      | <b>104</b>         | <b>137</b>                   | <b>146</b>      | <b>107</b>         | <b>115</b>                   | <b>143</b>      | <b>124</b>         | <b>2</b>  | <b>3</b>        | <b>150</b>         |
| Kansas .....      | 2,400                        | 2,220           | 93                 | 440                          | 380             | 86                 | 340                          | 365             | 107                | 20  | 25              | 125                |
| Nebraska .....    | 2,470                        | 2,480           | 100                | 665                          | 590             | 89                 | 390                          | 425             | 109                | 15  | 15              | 100                |
| Oklahoma .....    | 390                          | 345             | 88                 | 86                           | 65              | 76                 | 63                           | 54              | 86                 | 3   | 1               | 33                 |
| South Dakota ..   | 240                          | 220             | 92                 | 75                           | 71              | 95                 | 39                           | 45              | 115                | 1   | 1               | 100                |
| Texas .....       | 3,000                        | 2,670           | 89                 | 560                          | 450             | 80                 | 465                          | 440             | 95                 | 35  | 20              | 57                 |
| Washington .....  | 226                          | 248             | 110                | 59                           | 74              | 125                | 40                           | 38              | 95                 | 1   | 1               | 100                |
| Other States .... | 446                          | 466             | 104                | 99                           | 73              | 74                 | 64                           | 44              | 69                 | 8   | 2               | 25                 |
| United States ..  | 11,889                       | 11,254          | 95                 | 2,492                        | 2,180           | 87                 | 1,787                        | 1,837           | 103                | 98  | 78              | 80                 |

<sup>1</sup> Includes death loss, movement from feedlots to pasture, and shipments to other feedlots for further feeding.

## United States Cattle on Feed

Cattle and calves on feed for slaughter market in the United States for feedlots with capacity of 1,000 or more head totaled 11.3 million head on November 1, 2012. The inventory was 5 percent below November 1, 2011.

Placements in feedlots during October totaled 2.18 million, 13 percent below 2011. This is the lowest cattle placements for the month of October since the series began in 1996. Net placements were 2.10 million head. During October, placements of cattle and calves weighing less than 600 pounds were 680,000, 600-699 pounds were 505,000, 700-799 pounds were 435,000, and 800 pounds and greater were 560,000.

Marketings of fed cattle during October totaled 1.84 million, 3 percent above 2011.

Other disappearance totaled 78,000 during October, 20 percent below 2011.

## Cattle on Feed Inventory on 1,000+ Capacity Feedlots – United States

Million head

