



Iowa Ag News – Cattle on Feed

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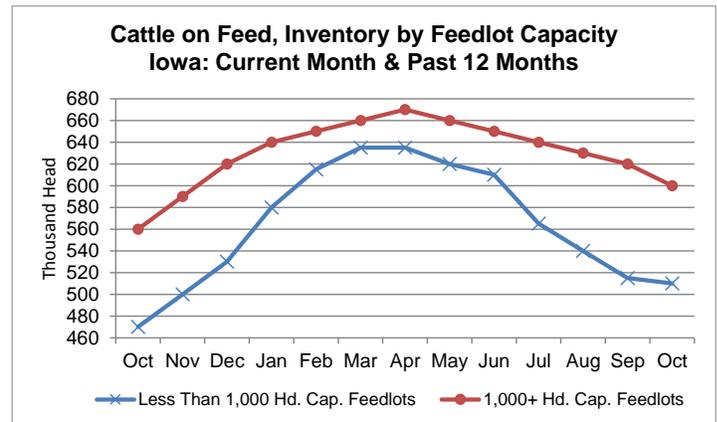
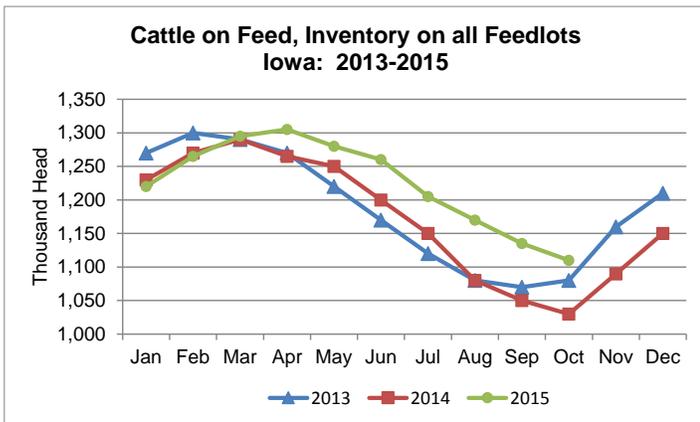
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Cattle and calves on feed for slaughter market in Iowa for all feedlots totaled 1,110,000 on October 1, 2015 according to the latest USDA, National Agricultural Statistics Service – Cattle on Feed report. The inventory is down 2 percent from September 1, 2015 but up 8 percent from October 1, 2014. Feedlots with a capacity greater than 1,000 head had 600,000 head on feed, down 3 percent from last month but up 7 percent from last year. This is the highest October 1 inventory for feedlots with greater than 1,000 head inventory on record since the series began in 1994. Feedlots with a capacity less than 1,000 head had 510,000 head on feed, down 1 percent from last month but up 9 percent from last year.

Placements during September totaled 144,000 head, an increase of 4 percent from last month but down 25 percent from last year. Feedlots with a capacity greater than 1,000 head placed 85,000 head, up 21 percent from last month but down 14 percent from last year. Feedlots with a capacity less than 1,000 head placed 59,000 head. This is down 14 percent from last month and down 37 percent from last year.

Marketings for September were 163,000 head, down 4 percent from last month and down 20 percent from last year. Feedlots with a capacity greater than 1,000 head marketed 101,000 head, up 31 percent from last month but down 11 percent from last year. Feedlots with a capacity less than 1,000 head marketed 62,000 head, down 33 percent from last month and down 31 percent from last year. **Other disappearance** totaled 6,000 head.



All Cattle on Feed¹, Iowa

Item	Lots 1,000+ Head	Lots Less than 1,000 Head	All Lots
	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)
Cattle on Feed, September 1, 2015	620	515	1,135
September Placements	85	59	144
September Marketing	101	62	163
September Other Disappearance ²	4	2	6
Cattle on Feed, October 1, 2015	600	510	1,110

¹ Cattle on feed are steers and heifers being fed a ration of grain, silage, hay and/or protein supplement for slaughter market that are expected to produce a carcass that will grade select or better. It excludes cattle being "backgrounded only" for later sale as feeders or later placement in another feedlot.

² Includes death loss, movement from feedlots to pasture, and shipments to other feedlots for further feeding.

Cattle on Feed, Placements, Marketings, and Other Disappearance by Month, 1,000+ Capacity Feedlots – Selected States and United States: 2014-2015

State	Cattle on Feed ¹ October 1			Placements during September			Marketings during September			September Disappearance other than Slaughter ²		
	2014	2015	'15 as % of '14	2014	2015	'15 as % of '14	2014	2015	'15 as % of '14	2014	2015	'15 as % of '14
	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(percent)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(percent)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(percent)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(percent)
Arizona	252	240	95	20	18	90	24	17	71	1	2	200
California	415	460	111	43	48	112	38	38	100	5	5	100
Colorado	820	830	101	200	210	105	155	155	100	5	5	100
Idaho	195	220	113	64	49	77	38	43	113	1	1	100
Iowa	560	600	107	99	85	86	114	101	89	5	4	80
Kansas	2,010	2,020	100	400	400	100	325	320	98	15	10	67
Minnesota	113	138	122	20	17	85	18	18	100	1	1	100
Nebraska	2,230	2,270	102	530	510	96	400	430	108	10	10	100
Oklahoma	245	255	104	55	52	95	54	46	85	1	1	100
South Dakota ..	180	205	114	50	43	86	42	42	100	3	1	33
Texas	2,470	2,490	101	445	420	94	410	365	89	15	15	100
Washington	190	195	103	43	36	84	32	35	109	1	1	100
Other States ...	305	295	97	45	43	96	33	32	97	2	1	50
United States ...	9,985	10,218	102	2,014	1,931	96	1,683	1,642	98	65	57	88

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Cattle on Feed, Number on Feed by Class on 1,000+ Capacity Feedlots by Quarter – States and United States: 2014-2015

State	Steers & Steer Calves			Heifers & Heifer Calves		
	October 1, 2014	July 1, 2015	October 1, 2015	October 1, 2014	July 1, 2015	October 1, 2015
	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)
Arizona	249	236	236	3	4	4
California	365	425	430	50	35	30
Colorado	520	560	570	300	270	260
Idaho	110	150	145	85	75	75
Iowa	430	490	450	130	150	150
Kansas	1,050	1,030	1,100	960	910	920
Minnesota	96	126	118	17	15	20
Nebraska	1,460	1,570	1,520	770	710	750
Oklahoma	165	190	180	80	70	75
South Dakota ...	102	142	118	78	88	87
Texas	1,590	1,650	1,740	880	830	750
Washington	110	135	120	80	80	75
Other States ...	200	205	200	105	90	95
United States	6,447	6,909	6,927	3,538	3,327	3,291

United States Cattle on Feed

Cattle and calves on feed for the slaughter market in the United States for feedlots with capacity of 1,000 or more head totaled 10.2 million head on October 1, 2015. The inventory was 2 percent above October 1, 2014. The inventory included 6.93 million steers and steer calves, up 7 percent from the previous year. This group accounted for 68 percent of the total inventory. Heifers and heifer calves accounted for 3.29 million head, down 7 percent from 2014. October 1, 2015 heifers and heifer calves inventory is the lowest percent of total October inventory since the series began in 1996.

Placements in feedlots during September totaled 1.93 million head, 4 percent below 2014. Net placements were 1.87 million head. During September, placements of cattle and calves weighing less than 600 pounds were 395,000 head, 600-699 pounds were 290,000 head, 700-799 pounds were 416,000 head, and 800 pounds and greater were 830,000 head. Placements are the lowest for September since the series began in 1996.

Marketings of fed cattle during September totaled 1.64 million head, 2 percent below 2014.

Other disappearance totaled 57,000 head during September, 12 percent below 2014.