



# Iowa Ag News – Cattle on Feed

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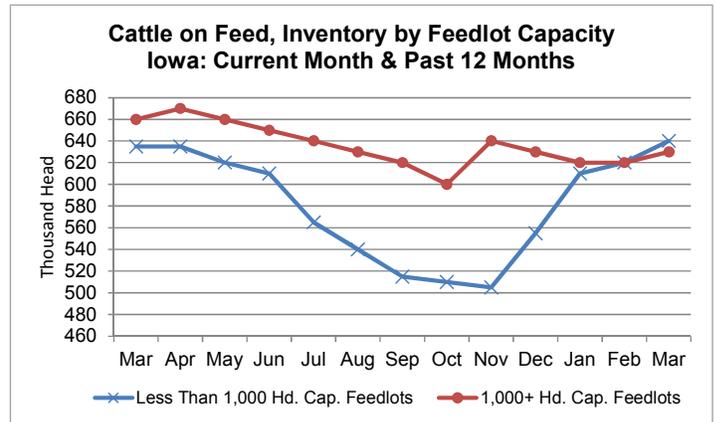
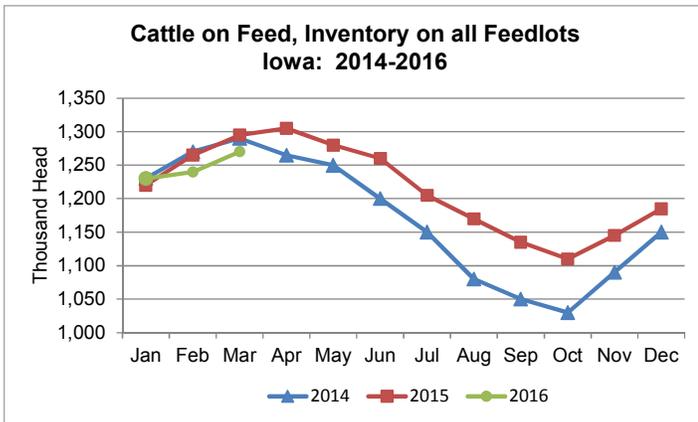
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**Cattle and calves on feed** for slaughter market in Iowa for all feedlots totaled 1,270,000 head on March 1, 2016, according to the latest USDA, National Agricultural Statistics Service - *Cattle on Feed* report. The inventory is up 2 percent from February 1, 2016, but down 2 percent from March 1, 2015. Feedlots with capacity of 1,000 or more had 630,000 head on feed, up 2 percent from last month but down 5 percent from last year. Feedlots with capacity of less than 1,000 had 640,000 head on feed, up 3 percent from last month and up 1 percent from last year.

**Placements** during February totaled 166,000 head, a decrease of 7 percent from last month but up 13 percent from last year. Feedlots with capacity of 1,000 or more head placed 92,000 head, up 3 percent from last month and up 8 percent from last year. Feedlots with capacity of less than 1,000 head placed 74,000 head. This is down 18 percent from last month but up 19 percent from last year.

**Marketings** for February were 130,000 head, down 19 percent from last month but up 14 percent from last year. Feedlots with capacity of 1,000 or more head marketed 78,000 head, down 9 percent from last month but up 5 percent from last year. Feedlots with capacity of less than 1,000 head marketed 52,000 head, down 31 percent from last month but up 30 percent from last year. **Other disappearance** totaled 6,000 head.



## All Cattle on Feed<sup>1</sup>, Iowa

Item	Feedlots 1,000+ capacity (1,000 head)	Feedlots less than 1,000 capacity (1,000 head)	All feedlots (1,000 head)
January placements <sup>2</sup> .....	89	90	179
January marketings <sup>2</sup> .....	86	75	161
Cattle on feed, February 1, 2016 <sup>2</sup> .....	620	620	1,240
February placements.....	92	74	166
February marketings.....	78	52	130
February other disappearance <sup>3</sup> .....	4	2	6
Cattle on feed, March 1, 2016.....	630	640	1,270

<sup>1</sup> 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.

<sup>2</sup> Revisions were made to feedlots with less than 1,000 capacity.

<sup>3</sup> 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: 2015-2016**

State	Cattle on feed <sup>1</sup> March 1			Placements during February			Marketings during February			February disappearance other than slaughter <sup>2</sup>		
	2015	2016	'16 as % of '15	2015	2016	'16 as % of '15	2015	2016	'16 as % of '15	2015	2016	'16 as % of '15
	(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 .....	243	297	122	19	43	226	19	21	111	4	1	25
California .....	440	440	100	48	46	96	43	46	107	5	5	100
Colorado .....	890	890	100	150	170	113	145	155	107	5	5	100
Idaho .....	230	240	104	31	38	123	29	41	141	2	2	100
<b>Iowa.....</b>	<b>660</b>	<b>630</b>	<b>95</b>	<b>85</b>	<b>92</b>	<b>108</b>	<b>74</b>	<b>78</b>	<b>105</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>400</b>
Kansas .....	2,080	2,160	104	355	375	106	355	345	97	10	10	100
Minnesota .....	145	163	112	18	23	128	13	17	131	1	1	100
Nebraska .....	2,500	2,420	97	400	395	99	385	420	109	15	15	100
Oklahoma .....	275	290	105	42	54	129	30	43	143	2	1	50
South Dakota ..	235	270	115	41	48	117	35	37	106	1	1	100
Texas .....	2,450	2,450	100	285	345	121	315	315	100	10	10	100
Washington .....	215	195	91	43	38	88	36	36	100	2	2	100
Other States ....	325	325	100	34	43	126	37	37	100	2	1	50
United States ...	10,688	10,770	101	1,551	1,710	110	1,516	1,591	105	60	58	97

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**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 10.8 million head on March 1, 2016. The inventory was 1 percent above March 1, 2015.

**Placements** in feedlots during February totaled 1.71 million head, 10 percent above 2015. Net placements were 1.65 million head. During February, placements of cattle and calves weighing less than 600 pounds were 335,000 head, 600-699 pounds were 300,000 head, 700-799 pounds were 445,000 head, and 800 pounds and greater were 630,000 head.

**Marketings** of fed cattle during February totaled 1.59 million head, 5 percent above 2015.

**Other disappearance** totaled 58,000 head during February, 3 percent below 2015.

