



Iowa Ag News – Cattle on Feed

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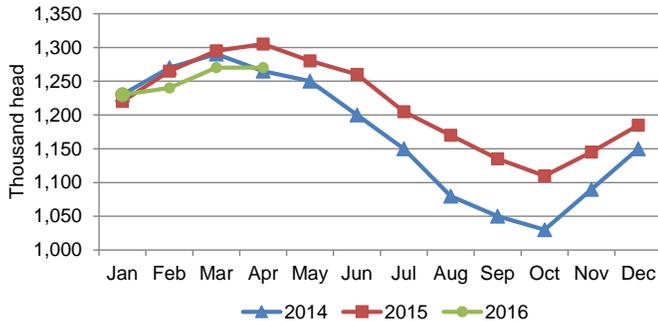
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Cattle and calves on feed for slaughter market in Iowa for all feedlots totaled 1,270,000 head on April 1, 2016, according to the latest USDA, National Agricultural Statistics Service – *Cattle on Feed* report. The inventory was unchanged from March 1, 2016, but down 3 percent from April 1, 2015. Feedlots with a capacity of 1,000 or more head had 640,000 head on feed, up 2 percent from last month but down 4 percent from last year. Feedlots with a capacity of less than 1,000 head had 630,000 head on feed, down 2 percent from last month and down 1 percent from last year.

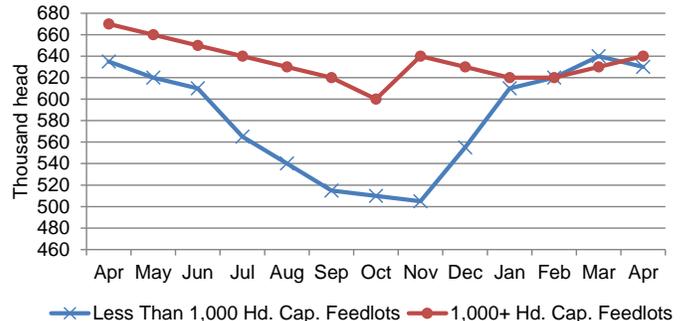
Placements during March totaled 143,000 head, a decrease of 14 percent from last month and down 5 percent from last year. Feedlots with a capacity of 1,000 or more head placed 94,000 head, up 2 percent from last month and up 4 percent from last year. Feedlots with a capacity of less than 1,000 head placed 49,000 head. This was down 34 percent from last month and down 18 percent from last year.

Marketings for March were 137,000 head, up 5 percent from last month and up 1 percent from last year. Feedlots with a capacity of 1,000 or more head marketed 81,000 head, up 4 percent from last month and up 3 percent from last year. Feedlots with a capacity of less than 1,000 head marketed 56,000 head, up 8 percent from last month but down 2 percent from last year. **Other disappearance** totaled 6,000 head.

**Cattle on Feed, Inventory on all Feedlots
Iowa: 2014-2016**



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



All Cattle on Feed¹, Iowa

Item	Feedlots 1,000+ capacity (1,000 head)	Feedlots less than 1,000 capacity (1,000 head)	All feedlots (1,000 head)
Cattle on feed, March 1, 2016.....	630	640	1,270
March placements	94	49	143
March marketings	81	56	137
March other disappearance ²	3	3	6
Cattle on feed, April 1, 2016	640	630	1,270

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: 2015-2016

State	Cattle on feed ¹ April 1			Placements during March			Marketings during March			March disappearance other than slaughter ²		
	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	241	303	126	25	31	124	21	24	114	6	1	17
California	445	420	94	55	44	80	46	58	126	4	6	150
Colorado	890	900	101	150	165	110	140	150	107	10	5	50
Idaho	230	240	104	30	37	123	29	35	121	1	2	200
Iowa	670	640	96	90	94	104	79	81	103	1	3	300
Kansas	2,110	2,180	103	410	425	104	370	390	105	10	15	150
Minnesota	146	160	110	23	17	74	21	19	90	1	1	100
Nebraska	2,530	2,440	96	440	455	103	395	425	108	15	10	67
Oklahoma	285	295	104	49	53	108	38	47	124	1	1	100
South Dakota ..	235	265	113	33	34	103	32	38	119	1	1	100
Texas	2,470	2,500	101	420	455	108	385	395	103	15	10	67
Washington	225	195	87	39	38	97	28	37	132	1	1	100
Other States ...	320	315	98	45	44	98	47	48	102	3	6	200
United States ...	10,797	10,853	101	1,809	1,892	105	1,631	1,747	107	69	62	90

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Cattle on Feed, Number on Feed by Class, 1,000+ Capacity Feedlots by Quarter – Selected States and United States: 2015-2016

State	Steers & Steer Calves			Heifers & Heifer Calves		
	April 1, 2015	January 1, 2016	April 1, 2016	April 1, 2015	January 1, 2016	April 1, 2016
	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)
Arizona	237	247	294	4	8	9
California	410	420	400	35	30	20
Colorado	610	590	610	280	280	290
Idaho	150	165	165	80	75	75
Iowa	520	470	460	150	150	180
Kansas	1,190	1,160	1,200	920	930	980
Minnesota	128	127	139	18	28	21
Nebraska	1,830	1,560	1,620	700	860	820
Oklahoma	200	185	185	85	85	110
South Dakota ...	150	150	153	85	105	112
Texas	1,680	1,740	1,800	790	690	700
Washington	140	125	125	85	70	70
Other States ...	210	225	210	110	100	105
United States	7,455	7,164	7,361	3,342	3,411	3,492

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 10.9 million head on April 1, 2016. The inventory was 1 percent above April 1, 2015. The inventory included 7.36 million steers and steer calves, down 1 percent from the previous year. This group accounted for 68 percent of the total inventory. Heifers and heifer calves accounted for 3.49 million head, up 4 percent from 2015.

Placements in feedlots during March totaled 1.89 million head, 5 percent above 2015. Net placements were 1.83 million head. During March, placements of cattle and calves weighing less than 600 pounds were 352,000 head, 600-699 pounds were 275,000 head, 700-799 pounds were 495,000 head, and 800 pounds and greater were 770,000 head.

Marketings of fed cattle during March totaled 1.75 million head, 7 percent above 2015.

Other disappearance totaled 62,000 head during March, 10 percent below 2015.