



# Iowa Ag News – Cattle on Feed

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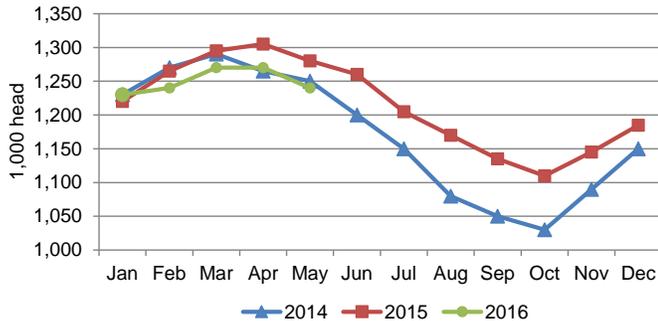
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**Cattle and calves on feed** for slaughter market in Iowa for all feedlots totaled 1,240,000 head on May 1, 2016, according to the latest USDA, National Agricultural Statistics Service – *Cattle on Feed* report. The inventory was down 2 percent from April 1, 2016, and down 3 percent from May 1, 2015. Feedlots with a capacity of 1,000 or more head had 640,000 head on feed, unchanged from last month but down 3 percent from last year. Feedlots with a capacity of less than 1,000 head had 600,000 head on feed, down 5 percent from last month and down 3 percent from last year.

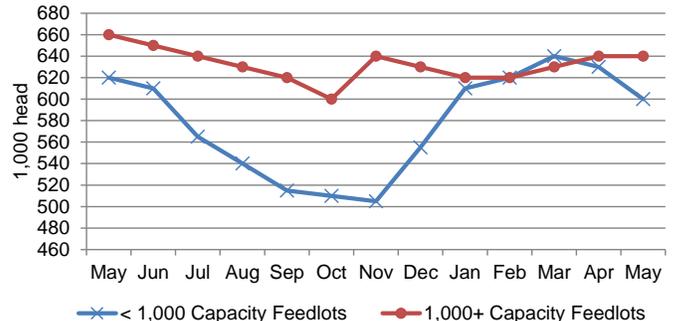
**Placements** during April totaled 116,000 head, a decrease of 19 percent from last month and down 2 percent from last year. Feedlots with a capacity of 1,000 or more head placed 78,000 head, down 17 percent from last month but up 24 percent from last year. Feedlots with a capacity of less than 1,000 head placed 38,000 head. This was down 22 percent from last month and down 31 percent from last year.

**Marketings** for April were 140,000 head, up 2 percent from last month and up 1 percent from last year. Feedlots with a capacity of 1,000 or more head marketed 75,000 head, down 7 percent from last month but up 4 percent from last year. Feedlots with a capacity of less than 1,000 head marketed 65,000 head, up 16 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 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)
Cattle on feed, April 1, 2016 .....	640	630	1,270
April placements .....	78	38	116
April marketings .....	75	65	140
April other disappearance <sup>2</sup> .....	3	3	6
Cattle on feed, May 1, 2016 .....	640	600	1,240

<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> 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> May 1			Placements during April			Marketings during April			April 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 .....	240	305	127	24	25	104	24	22	92	1	1	100
California .....	450	415	92	49	50	102	40	52	130	4	3	75
Colorado .....	900	900	100	145	145	100	120	135	113	15	10	67
Idaho .....	235	240	102	30	24	80	24	23	96	1	1	100
<b>Iowa .....</b>	<b>660</b>	<b>640</b>	<b>97</b>	<b>63</b>	<b>78</b>	<b>124</b>	<b>72</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>104</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>300</b>
Kansas .....	2,060	2,150	104	315	370	117	355	385	108	10	15	150
Minnesota .....	145	158	109	11	12	109	11	13	118	1	1	100
Nebraska .....	2,500	2,420	97	390	380	97	405	380	94	15	20	133
Oklahoma .....	270	300	111	34	56	165	48	50	104	1	1	100
South Dakota ..	240	265	110	28	24	86	21	22	105	2	2	100
Texas .....	2,410	2,490	103	385	435	113	435	435	100	10	10	100
Washington .....	230	195	85	42	34	81	35	33	94	2	1	50
Other States ...	300	305	102	32	31	97	49	33	67	3	8	267
United States ...	10,640	10,783	101	1,548	1,664	107	1,639	1,658	101	66	76	115

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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 May 1, 2016. The inventory was 1 percent above May 1, 2015.

**Placements** in feedlots during April totaled 1.66 million head, 7 percent above 2015. Net placements were 1.59 million head. During April, placements of cattle and calves weighing less than 600 pounds were 334,000 head, 600-699 pounds were 225,000 head, 700-799 pounds were 390,000 head, and 800 pounds and greater were 715,000 head.

**Marketings** of fed cattle during April totaled 1.66 million head, 1 percent above 2015.

**Other disappearance** totaled 76,000 head during April, 15 percent above 2015.

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

