



Iowa Ag News – Cattle on Feed

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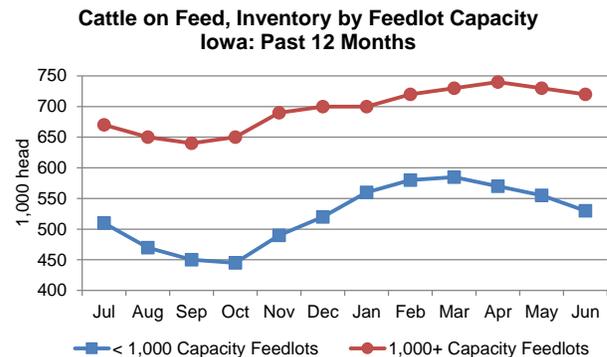
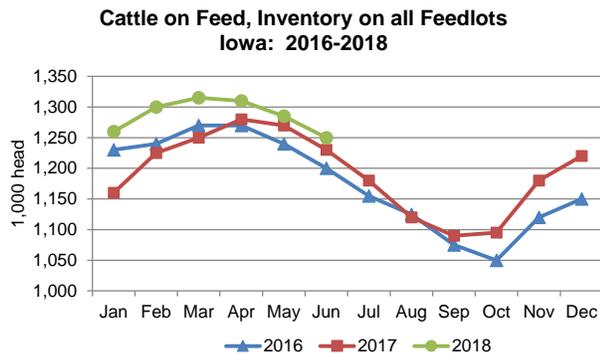
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Cattle and calves on feed for the slaughter market in Iowa feedlots with a capacity of 1,000 or more head totaled 720,000 head on June 1, 2018, according to the latest USDA, National Agricultural Statistics Service – *Cattle on Feed* report. This was down 1 percent from May 1, 2018, but up 6 percent from June 1, 2017. Iowa feedlots with a capacity of less than 1,000 head had 530,000 head on feed, down 5 percent from last month and down 4 percent from last year. Cattle and calves on feed for the slaughter market in all Iowa feedlots totaled 1,250,000 head, down 3 percent from last month but up 2 percent from last year.

Placements of cattle and calves in Iowa feedlots with a capacity of 1,000 or more head during May totaled 80,000 head, unchanged from last month but down 6 percent from last year. Feedlots with a capacity of less than 1,000 head placed 27,000 head, down 21 percent from last month and down 23 percent from last year. Placements for all feedlots in Iowa totaled 107,000 head, down 6 percent from last month and down 11 percent from last year.

Marketings of fed cattle from Iowa feedlots with a capacity of 1,000 or more head during May totaled 87,000 head, unchanged from last month but up 6 percent from last year. Feedlots with a capacity of less than 1,000 head marketed 50,000 head, up 6 percent from last month but down 28 percent from last year. Marketings for all feedlots in Iowa were 137,000 head, up 2 percent from last month but down 9 percent from last year. **Other disappearance** from all feedlots in Iowa totaled 5,000 head.

NOTE: This report is a combination of estimates from the USDA *Cattle on Feed* survey for Iowa feedlots with a capacity of 1,000 or more head and the Iowa Department of Agriculture and Land Stewardship-funded *Cattle on Feed* survey for Iowa feedlots with a capacity of less than 1,000 head.



All Cattle on Feed – 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 ¹ , May 1, 2018.....	730	555	1,285
May placements	80	27	107
May marketings	87	50	137
May other disappearance ²	3	2	5
Cattle on feed, June 1, 2018.....	720	530	1,250

¹ Cattle and calves 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: 2017-2018

State	Cattle on feed ¹ June 1			Placements during May			Marketings during May			Other disappearance ² during May		
	2017	2018	'18 as % of '17	2017	2018	'18 as % of '17	2017	2018	'18 as % of '17	2017	2018	'18 as % of '17
	(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	246	298	121	26	22	85	22	21	95	1	1	100
California	440	525	119	71	88	124	53	60	113	3	3	100
Colorado	970	950	98	160	170	106	140	150	107	10	10	100
Idaho	270	245	91	39	36	92	42	45	107	2	1	50
Iowa	680	720	106	85	80	94	82	87	106	3	3	100
Kansas	2,270	2,320	102	440	480	109	435	440	101	15	10	67
Minnesota	145	145	100	17	16	94	26	25	96	1	1	100
Nebraska	2,350	2,530	108	445	465	104	530	570	108	15	25	167
Oklahoma	330	315	95	80	70	88	58	64	110	2	1	50
South Dakota	240	235	98	39	29	74	51	45	88	3	4	133
Texas	2,650	2,730	103	640	570	89	440	460	105	10	10	100
Washington	205	220	107	41	42	102	35	31	89	1	1	100
Other States	300	320	107	36	56	156	37	58	157	4	3	75
United States ...	11,096	11,553	104	2,119	2,124	100	1,951	2,056	105	70	73	104

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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 11.6 million head on June 1, 2018. The inventory was 4 percent above June 1, 2017. This is the highest June 1 inventory since the series began in 1996.

Placements in feedlots during May totaled 2.12 million head, slightly above 2017. Net placements were 2.05 million head. During May, placements of cattle and calves weighing less than 600 pounds were 445,000 head, 600-699 pounds were 340,000 head, 700-799 pounds were 480,000 head, 800-899 pounds were 524,000 head, 900-999 pounds were 235,000 head, and 1,000 pounds and greater were 100,000 head.

Marketings of fed cattle during May totaled 2.06 million head, 5 percent above 2017.

Other disappearance totaled 73,000 head during May, 4 percent above 2017.

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

