



Iowa Ag News – Cattle on Feed

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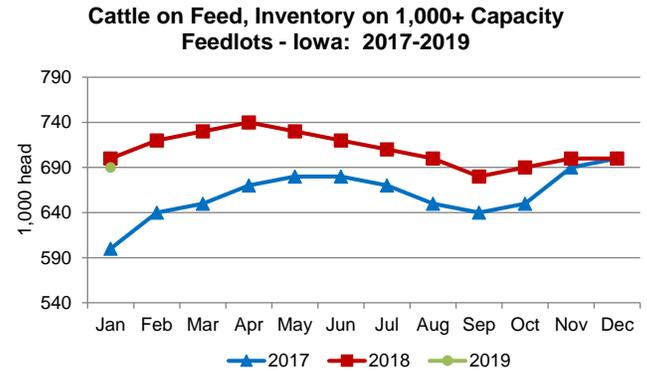
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Cattle and calves on feed for the slaughter market in Iowa feedlots with a capacity of 1,000 or more head totaled 690,000 head on January 1, 2019, according to the latest USDA, National Agricultural Statistics Service – *Cattle on Feed* report. This was down 1 percent from both December 1, 2018, and January 1, 2018.

Placements of cattle and calves in Iowa feedlots with a capacity of 1,000 or more head during December totaled 85,000 head, down 20 percent from last month and down 15 percent from last year. **Marketings** of fed cattle from Iowa feedlots with a capacity of 1,000 or more head during December totaled 92,000 head, down 12 percent from last month and down 6 percent from last year. **Other disappearance** from feedlots with a capacity of 1,000 or more head in Iowa totaled 3,000 head.



Note: Iowa cattle and calves on feed for the slaughter market in Iowa feedlots with a capacity of less than 1,000 head estimates will be released on February 28, 2019.

Cattle on Feed, Placements, Marketings, and Other Disappearance by Month, 1,000+ Capacity Feedlots – Selected States and United States: 2017-2019

State	Cattle on feed ¹ January 1			Placements during December			Marketings during December			Other disappearance ² during December		
	2018	2019	'19 as % of '18	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.....	269	295	110	29	31	107	20	24	120	1	1	100
California.....	490	535	109	83	73	88	60	70	117	3	3	100
Colorado.....	970	1,010	104	120	145	121	135	140	104	5	5	100
Idaho.....	255	280	110	35	33	94	38	36	95	2	2	100
Iowa.....	700	690	99	100	85	85	98	92	94	2	3	150
Kansas.....	2,290	2,330	102	400	395	99	405	410	101	15	15	100
Minnesota.....	160	155	97	21	12	57	15	16	107	1	1	100
Nebraska.....	2,610	2,560	98	460	410	89	425	430	101	15	20	133
Oklahoma.....	315	315	100	54	36	67	52	45	87	2	1	50
South Dakota....	250	245	98	32	50	156	39	40	103	3	5	167
Texas.....	2,640	2,730	103	385	410	106	385	345	90	20	15	75
Washington.....	210	225	107	27	27	100	30	36	120	2	1	50
Other States.....	330	320	97	53	60	113	50	57	114	3	3	100
United States....	11,489	11,690	102	1,799	1,767	98	1,752	1,741	99	74	75	101

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, Number on Feed by Class, 1,000+ Capacity Feedlots by Quarter – Selected States and United States: 2018-2019

State	Steers & Steer Calves			Heifers & Heifer Calves		
	January 1, 2018	October 1, 2018	January 1, 2019	January 1, 2018	October 1, 2018	January 1, 2019
	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)
Arizona	258	288	285	11	7	10
California	440	465	465	50	55	70
Colorado	565	550	570	405	430	440
Idaho	175	175	185	80	85	95
Iowa	530	500	510	170	190	180
Kansas	1,190	1,220	1,270	1,100	1,150	1,060
Minnesota	127	105	130	33	25	25
Nebraska	1,640	1,510	1,570	970	920	990
Oklahoma	185	185	180	130	140	135
South Dakota	145	115	135	105	100	110
Texas	1,730	1,650	1,640	910	1,010	1,090
Washington	140	140	140	70	80	85
Other States	210	190	200	120	115	120
United States	7,335	7,093	7,280	4,154	4,307	4,410

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 11.7 million head on January 1, 2019. The inventory was 2 percent above January 1, 2018. The inventory included 7.28 million steers and steer calves, down 1 percent from the previous year. This group accounted for 62 percent of the total inventory. Heifers and heifer calves accounted for 4.41 million head, up 6 percent from 2018.

Placements in feedlots during December totaled 1.77 million head, 2 percent below 2018. Net placements were 1.69 million head. During December, placements of cattle and calves weighing less than 600 pounds were 445,000 head, 600-699 pounds were 460,000 head, 700-799 pounds were 402,000 head, 800-899 pounds were 285,000 head, 900-999 pounds were 90,000 head, and 1,000 pounds and greater were 85,000 head.

Marketings of fed cattle during December totaled 1.74 million head, 1 percent below 2017.

Other disappearance totaled 75,000 head during December, 1 percent above 2017.

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

