



Iowa Ag News – Cattle on Feed

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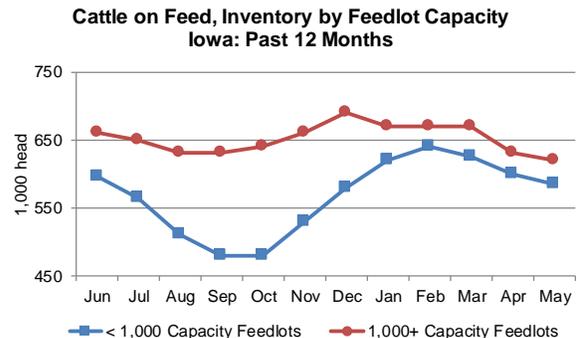
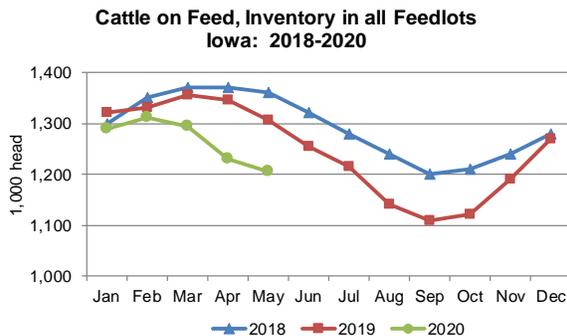
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Cattle and calves on feed for the slaughter market in Iowa feedlots with a capacity of 1,000 or more head totaled 620,000 head on May 1, 2020, according to the latest USDA, National Agricultural Statistics Service – *Cattle on Feed* report. This was down 2% from April and down 9% from May 1, 2019. Iowa feedlots with a capacity of less than 1,000 head had 585,000 head on feed, down 2% from last month and down 6% from last year. Cattle and calves on feed for the slaughter market in all Iowa feedlots totaled 1,205,000 head, down 2% from last month and down 8% from last year.

Placements of cattle and calves in Iowa feedlots with a capacity of 1,000 or more head during April totaled 62,000 head, down 10% from March and down 27% from last year. Feedlots with a capacity of less than 1,000 head placed 27,000 head, down 53% from March and down 59% from last year. Placements for all feedlots in Iowa totaled 89,000 head, down 29% from March and down 41% from last year.

Marketings of fed cattle from Iowa feedlots with a capacity of 1,000 or more head during April totaled 68,000 head, down 35% from March and down 40% from last year. Feedlots with a capacity of less than 1,000 head marketed 40,000 head, down 50% from March and down 44% from last year. Marketings for all feedlots in Iowa were 108,000 head, down 42% from both March and last year. **Other disappearance** from all feedlots in Iowa totaled 6,000 head.



All Cattle on Feed – Iowa

Item	Feedlots 1,000+ capacity	Feedlots less than 1,000 capacity	All feedlots
	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	
Cattle on feed ¹ , April 1, 2020	630	600	1,230
April placements	62	27	89
April marketings	68	40	108
April other disappearance ²	4	2	6
Cattle on feed, May 1, 2020	620	585	1,205

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: 2019-2020

State	Cattle on feed ¹ May 1			Placements during April			Marketings during April			Other disappearance ² during April		
	2019	2020	'20 as % of '19	2019	2020	'20 as % of '19	2019	2020	'20 as % of '19	2019	2020	'20 as % of '19
	(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	302	265	88	25	25	100	25	21	84	1	1	100
California	530	530	100	63	68	108	65	62	95	3	11	367
Colorado	1,060	950	90	170	115	68	165	120	73	5	5	100
Idaho	285	280	98	31	26	84	30	30	100	1	1	100
Iowa	680	620	91	85	62	73	113	68	60	2	4	200
Kansas	2,380	2,320	97	435	355	82	420	310	74	15	15	100
Minnesota	140	130	93	11	13	118	20	12	60	1	1	100
Nebraska	2,560	2,370	93	435	310	71	440	315	72	15	15	100
Oklahoma	305	295	97	58	37	64	67	46	69	1	1	100
South Dakota	245	205	84	27	23	85	30	30	100	2	3	150
Texas	2,790	2,690	96	415	330	80	465	390	84	10	10	100
Washington	235	245	104	40	34	85	28	23	82	2	1	50
Other States	295	300	102	47	34	72	60	32	53	2	2	100
United States ...	11,807	11,200	95	1,842	1,432	78	1,928	1,459	76	60	70	117

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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 11.2 million head on May 1, 2020. The inventory was 5% below May 1, 2019.

Placements in feedlots during April totaled 1.43 million head, 22% below 2019. Placements were the second lowest for April since the series began in 1996. Net placements were 1.36 million head. During April, placements of cattle and calves weighing less than 600 pounds were 295,000 head, 600-699 pounds were 180,000 head, 700-799 pounds were 315,000 head, 800-899 pounds were 392,000 head, 900-999 pounds were 180,000 head, and 1,000 pounds and greater were 70,000 head.

Marketings of fed cattle during April totaled 1.46 million head, 24% below 2019. April marketings are the lowest since the series began in 1996.

Other disappearance totaled 70,000 head during April, 17% above 2019.

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

