



Iowa Ag News – Cattle on Feed

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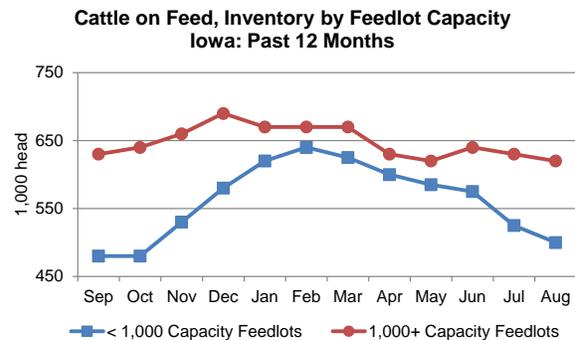
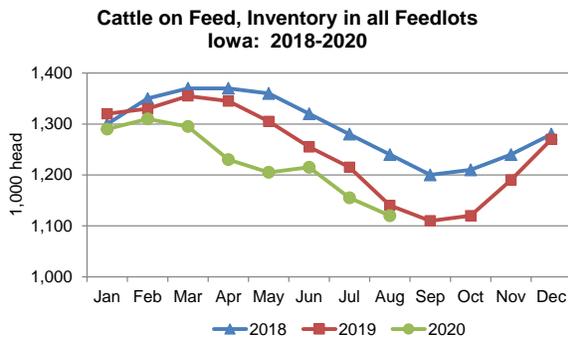
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Cattle and calves on feed for the slaughter market in Iowa feedlots with a capacity of 1,000 or more head totaled 620,000 head on August 1, 2020, according to the latest USDA, National Agricultural Statistics Service – *Cattle on Feed* report. This was down 2% from July 1, 2020, and August 1, 2019. Iowa feedlots with a capacity of less than 1,000 head had 500,000 head on feed, down 5% from last month and down 2% from last year. Cattle and calves on feed for the slaughter market in all Iowa feedlots totaled 1,120,000 head, down 3% from last month and down 2% from last year.

Placements of cattle and calves in Iowa feedlots with a capacity of 1,000 or more head during July totaled 63,000 head, up 9% from June and up 3% from last year. Feedlots with a capacity of less than 1,000 head placed 35,000 head, down 30% from June and down 17% from last year. Placements for all feedlots in Iowa totaled 98,000 head, down 9% from June and down 5% from last year.

Marketings of fed cattle from Iowa feedlots with a capacity of 1,000 or more head during July totaled 70,000 head, up 6% from June but down 9% from last year. Feedlots with a capacity of less than 1,000 head marketed 58,000 head, down 40% from June and down 38% from last year. Marketings for all feedlots in Iowa were 128,000 head, down 21% from June and down 25% 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 , July 1, 2020	630	525	1,155
July placements	63	35	98
July marketings	70	58	128
July other disappearance ²	3	2	5
Cattle on feed, August 1, 2020.....	620	500	1,120

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 August 1			Placements during July			Marketings during July			Other disappearance ² during July		
	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	272	269	99	17	20	118	39	23	59	1	1	100
California	535	545	102	63	59	94	59	53	90	4	6	150
Colorado	970	1,020	105	130	165	127	185	160	86	5	5	100
Idaho	280	260	93	38	33	87	46	52	113	2	1	50
Iowa	630	620	98	61	63	103	77	70	91	4	3	75
Kansas	2,340	2,410	103	450	520	116	455	490	108	15	10	67
Minnesota	110	120	109	11	11	100	25	15	60	1	1	100
Nebraska	2,190	2,220	101	400	470	118	490	500	102	20	10	50
Oklahoma	315	305	97	45	41	91	49	50	102	1	1	100
South Dakota	195	180	92	23	20	87	37	24	65	1	1	100
Texas	2,760	2,850	103	380	415	109	445	470	106	15	15	100
Washington	225	225	100	32	33	103	41	32	78	1	1	100
Other States	290	260	90	55	43	78	54	51	94	1	2	200
United States ...	11,112	11,284	102	1,705	1,893	111	2,002	1,990	99	71	57	80

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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 11.3 million head on August 1, 2020. The inventory was 2% above August 1, 2019. This is the highest August 1 inventory since the series began in 1996.

Placements in feedlots during July totaled 1.89 million head, 11% above 2019. Net placements were 1.84 million head. During July, placements of cattle and calves weighing less than 600 pounds were 420,000 head, 600-699 pounds were 315,000 head, 700-799 pounds were 435,000 head, 800-899 pounds were 458,000 head, 900-999 pounds were 195,000 head, and 1,000 pounds and greater were 70,000 head.

Marketings of fed cattle during July totaled 1.99 million head, 1% below 2019.

Other disappearance totaled 57,000 head during July, 20% below 2019.

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

