



Cattle on Feed

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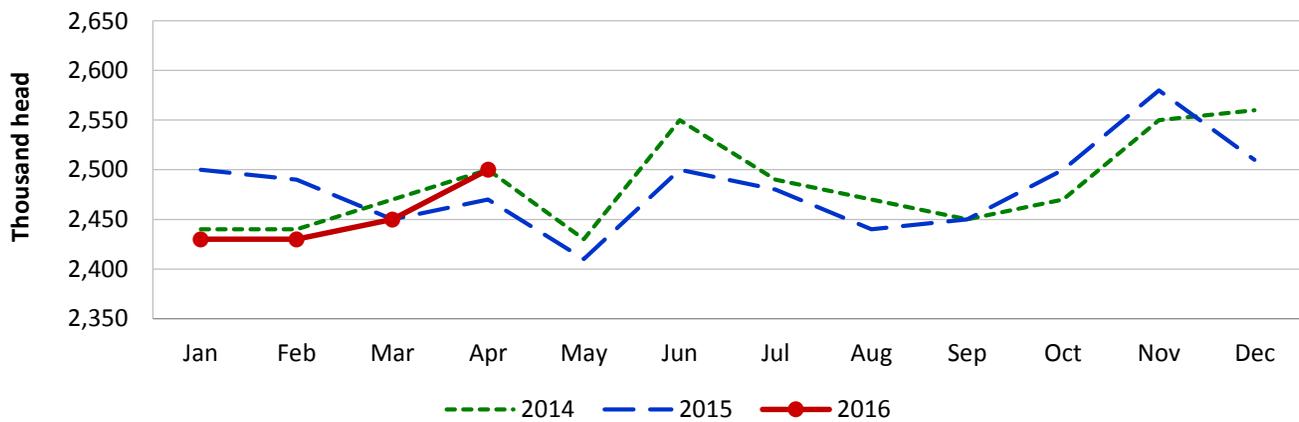
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This report contains results from the April 2016 Cattle on Feed Survey collected during the first two weeks of April. Data provided by Oklahoma and Texas producers are the foundation of the estimates made for the Southern Plains region. We would like to thank all producers who responded to the survey. Results from the next monthly survey will be made available on May 20, 2016.

Cattle and calves on feed for slaughter market in **Texas** feedlots with capacity of 1,000 head or more totaled 2.50 million head on April 1, 2016, up 1 percent from a year ago. Producers placed 455 thousand head in commercial feedlots during March, up 8 percent from a year ago. Texas commercial feeders marketed 395 thousand head during March, up 3 percent from 2015.

On April 1, there were 2.19 million head of cattle and calves on feed in the Northern High Plains, 87 percent of the state's total. The number on feed across the area was down slightly from last year but up 3 percent from the March 1 total. March placements in the Northern High Plains totaled 455 thousand head, up 35 percent from the February total. Marketings were up 24 percent from last month at 395 thousand head.

Texas Cattle on Feed Inventory

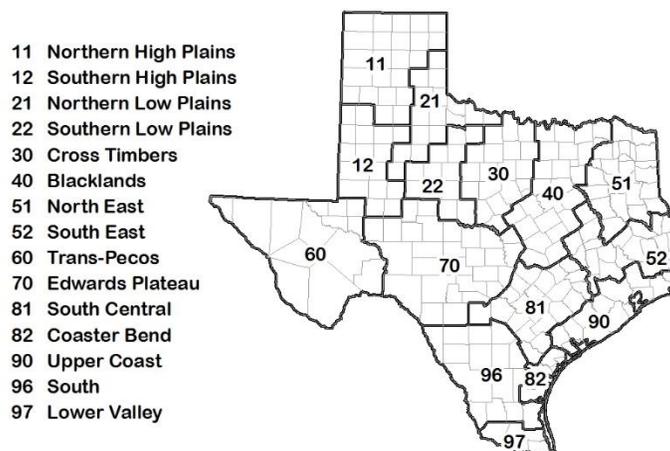


Texas Cattle and Calves on Feed in 1,000+ Capacity Feedlots, by District

Cattle and Calves	District 11	District 12	District 21	District 70	District 81	District 96	Other districts	State total
	<i>1,000 head</i>							
On feed March 1, 2016 ¹	2,123	147	57	14	32	55	22	2,450
Placed on feed during March.....	409	26	8	2	3	5	2	455
Fed cattle marketed during March.....	340	26	8	3	4	10	4	395
Other disappearance during March ²	6	3	0	0	0	1	0	10
On feed April 1, 2016 ¹	2,186	144	57	13	31	49	20	2,500

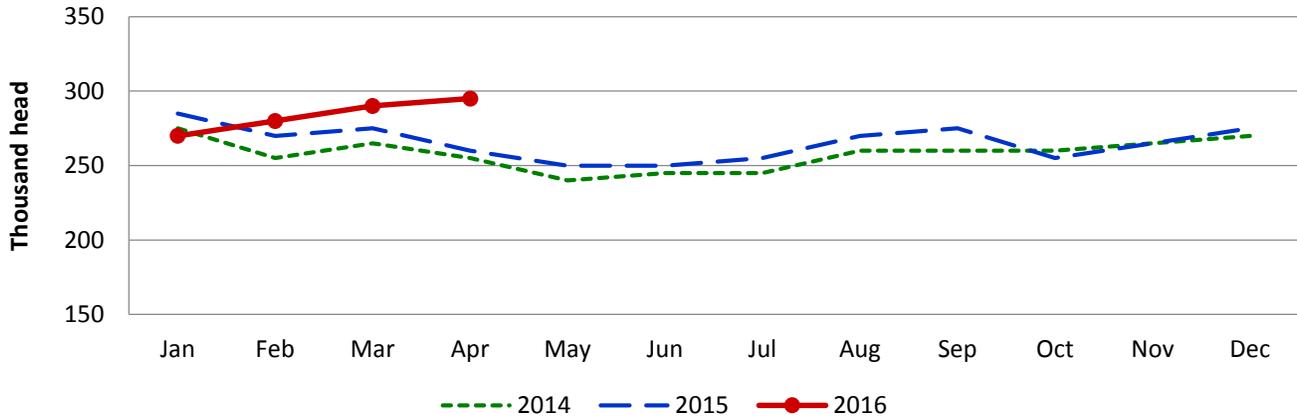
¹ Cattle and calves on feed are animals for slaughter market being fed a ration of grain or other concentrates and are expected to produce a carcass that will grade select or better.

² Included death losses, movement from feedlots to pasture and shipments to other feedlots for further feeding.



Cattle and calves on feed for slaughter market in **Oklahoma** feedlots with capacity of 1,000 head or more totaled 295 thousand head on April 1, 2016, up 4 percent from a year ago. Producers placed 53 thousand head in commercial feedlots during March, up 8 percent from a year ago. Oklahoma commercial feeders marketed 47 thousand head during March, up 24 percent from 2015. Other disappearance during March totaled 1 thousand head, unchanged from a year ago.

Oklahoma Cattle on Feed Inventory



Cattle and calves on feed for slaughter market in the **United States** in feedlots with a capacity of 1,000 head or more totaled 10.9 million head on April 1, 2016. This inventory was up 1 percent from April 1, 2015. Placements in feedlots during March totaled 1.89 million head, 5 percent above March 2015. March placements of cattle and calves weighing less than 600 pounds totaled 352 thousand head; 600-699 pounds totaled 275 thousand head; 700-799 pounds totaled 495 thousand head; 800 pounds and greater totaled 770 thousand head. Marketings of fed cattle during March totaled 1.75 million head, 7 percent above 2015.

Cattle and Calves: Placements, Marketings, Other Disappearance and Inventory in 1,000+ Capacity Feedlot

State	Cattle and Calves										
	On feed March 1		Placed on feed during March		Marketed during March		Other Disappearance during March		On feed April 1		
	2015	2016	2015	2016	2015	2016	2015	2016	2015	2016	
	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>
Arizona.....	243	297	25	31	21	24	6	1	241	303	
California.....	440	440	55	44	46	58	4	6	445	420	
Colorado.....	890	890	150	165	140	150	10	5	890	900	
Idaho.....	230	240	30	37	29	35	1	2	230	240	
Iowa.....	660	630	90	94	79	81	1	3	670	640	
Kansas.....	2,080	2,160	410	425	370	390	10	15	2,110	2,180	
Minnesota.....	145	163	23	17	21	19	1	1	146	160	
Nebraska.....	2,500	2,420	440	455	395	425	15	10	2,530	2,440	
Oklahoma.....	275	290	49	53	38	47	1	1	285	295	
South Dakota.....	235	270	33	34	32	38	1	1	235	265	
Texas.....	2,450	2,450	420	455	385	395	15	10	2,470	2,500	
Washington.....	215	195	39	38	28	37	1	1	225	195	
Other States.....	325	325	45	44	47	48	3	6	320	315	
United States.....	10,688	10,770	1,809	1,892	1,631	1,747	69	62	10,797	10,853	

Cattle on Feed: Number Placed on Feed by Weight Group, 1,000+ Capacity Feedlots¹

State	During March									
	Less than 600 pounds		600-699 pounds		700-799 pounds		800 pounds or more		Total	
	2015	2016	2015	2016	2015	2016	2015	2016	2015	2016
	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>
Colorado.....	30	25	25	30	40	45	55	65	150	165
Kansas.....	60	55	65	70	110	125	175	175	410	425
Nebraska.....	55	55	65	60	100	110	220	230	440	455
Texas.....	115	115	70	70	120	125	115	145	420	455
Other States.....	105	102	50	45	79	90	155	155	389	392
United States.....	365	352	275	275	449	495	720	770	1,809	1,892

¹ Oklahoma is included in *Other States*.