



# Cattle on Feed

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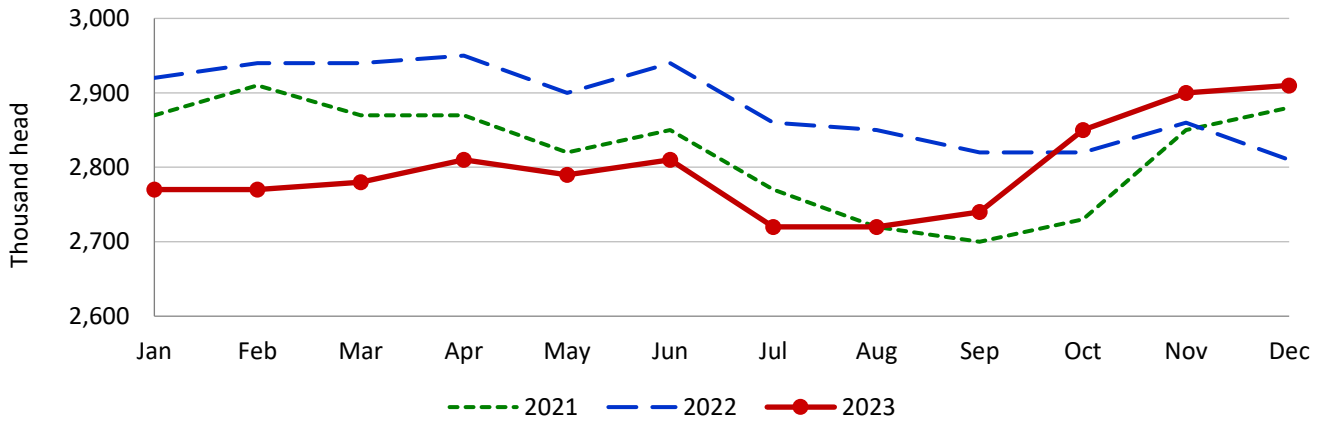
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This report contains results from the December 2023 Cattle on Feed Survey collected during the first two weeks of December. Data provided by Oklahoma and Texas producers are the foundation of the estimates made for the Southern Plains region. We would like to thank all producers who responded to the survey. Results from the next monthly survey will be made available on January 19, 2024.

Cattle and calves on feed for slaughter market in **Texas** feedlots with capacity of 1,000 head or more totaled 2.91 million head on December 1, 2023, up 4 percent from a year ago. Producers placed 390 thousand head in commercial feedlots during November, up 5 percent from a year ago. Texas commercial feeders marketed 365 thousand head during November, down 11 percent from 2022.

On December 1, there were 2.58 million head of cattle and calves on feed in the Northern High Plains, 89 percent of the state's total. The number on feed across the area was up 1 percent from last year and up slightly from the November 1 total. November placements in the Northern High Plains totaled 349 thousand head, down 12 percent from the October total. Marketings were down 3 percent from last month at 329 thousand head.

## Texas Cattle on Feed Inventory

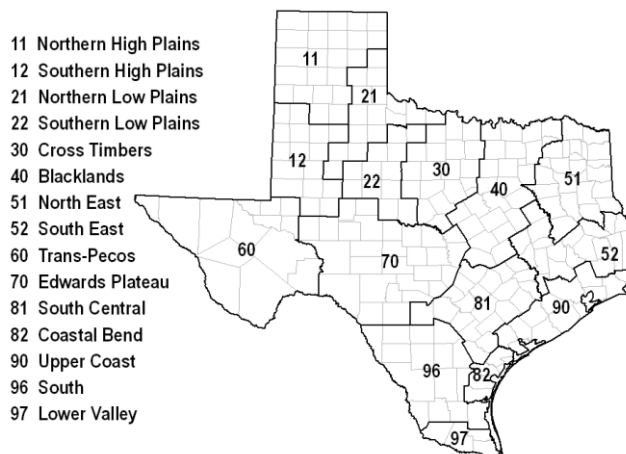


## Texas Cattle and Calves on Feed in 1,000+ Capacity Feedlots, by District

Cattle and Calves	District 11	District 12	District 21	District 70	District 81	District 96	Other districts	State total
	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head
On feed November 1, 2023 <sup>1</sup>	2,569	181	58	10	14	36	32	2,900
Placed on feed during November	349	25	3	2	1	7	3	390
Fed cattle marketed during November	329	23	4	1	1	4	3	365
Other disappearance during November <sup>2</sup>	14	1	0	0	0	0	0	15
On feed December 1, 2023 <sup>1</sup>	2,575	182	57	11	14	39	32	2,910

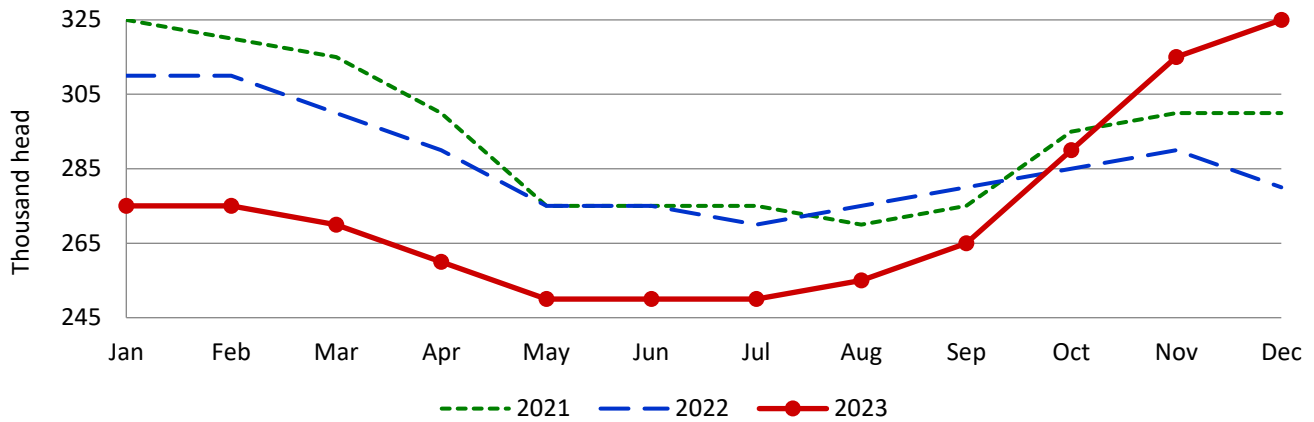
<sup>1</sup> Cattle and calves on feed are animals for slaughter market being fed a ration of grain or other concentrates and are expected to produce a carcass that will grade select or better.

<sup>2</sup> 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 325 thousand head on December 1, 2023, up 16 percent from a year ago. Producers placed 49 thousand head in commercial feedlots during November, up 29 percent from a year ago. Oklahoma commercial feeders marketed 38 thousand head during November, down 19 percent from 2022. Other disappearance during November totaled 1 thousand head, unchanged from a year ago.

### Oklahoma Cattle on Feed Inventory



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

State	Cattle and Calves										
	On feed November 1		Placed on feed during November		Marketed during November		Other Disappearance during November		On feed December 1		
	2022	2023	2022	2023	2022	2023	2022	2023	2022	2023	
	<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.....	271	258	23	29	25	20	1	1	268	266	
California.....	505	505	60	65	53	55	7	5	505	510	
Colorado.....	1,070	1,030	145	155	170	150	5	5	1,040	1,030	
Idaho.....	305	315	53	50	42	43	1	2	315	320	
Iowa.....	630	650	95	88	94	97	1	1	630	640	
Kansas.....	2,330	2,520	420	385	410	395	10	10	2,330	2,500	
Minnesota.....	95	100	17	15	16	14	1	1	95	100	
Nebraska.....	2,600	2,540	505	490	480	440	15	10	2,610	2,580	
<b>Oklahoma.....</b>	<b>290</b>	<b>315</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>280</b>	<b>325</b>	
South Dakota.....	210	220	71	59	59	48	2	1	220	230	
<b>Texas.....</b>	<b>2,860</b>	<b>2,900</b>	<b>370</b>	<b>390</b>	<b>410</b>	<b>365</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>2,810</b>	<b>2,910</b>	
Washington.....	260	270	50	41	39	40	1	1	270	270	
Other States.....	310	320	58	52	46	46	2	1	320	325	
United States.....	11,736	11,943	1,905	1,868	1,891	1,751	57	54	11,693	12,006	

### Cattle on Feed: Number Placed on Feed by Weight Group, 1,000+ Capacity Feedlots<sup>1</sup>

State	During November 2022					
	Under 600 lbs	600-699 lbs	700-799 lbs	800-899 lbs	900+ lbs <sup>2</sup>	Total
	<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.....	45	30	30	20	20	145
Kansas.....	65	105	125	80	45	420
Nebraska.....	100	125	95	85	100	505
<b>Texas.....</b>	<b>145</b>	<b>95</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>370</b>
Other States.....	180	105	75	60	45	465
United States.....	535	460	400	285	225	1,905

State	During November 2023					
	Under 600 lbs	600-699 lbs	700-799 lbs	800-899 lbs	900+ lbs <sup>2</sup>	Total
	<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.....	50	35	30	20	20	155
Kansas.....	55	90	115	80	45	385
Nebraska.....	95	115	90	90	100	490
<b>Texas.....</b>	<b>160</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>390</b>
Other States.....	175	100	70	58	45	448
United States.....	535	440	380	288	225	1,868

<sup>1</sup> Oklahoma is included in *Other States*.

<sup>2</sup> For the U.S., the 900+ category represents the sum of 900-999 pound and 1,000+ pound weight groups.



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