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Cattle and calves on feed for the slaughter market in California for feedlots with capacity of 1,000 or more head totaled 520,000 head on March 1, 2024. The inventory was unchanged from last month and unchanged from March 1, 2023. During February, placements in feedlots totaled 66,000 head, 12% above 2023. Net placements were 60,000 head. Marketings of fed cattle during February totaled 60,000 head, 15% above 2023. Other disappearance totaled 6,000 head during February, 14% below 2023.

Cattle and calves on feed for the slaughter market in the United States for feedlots with capacity of 1,000 or more head totaled 11.8 million head on March 1, 2024. The inventory was 1% above March 1, 2023. Placements in feedlots during February totaled 1.89 million head, 10% above 2023. Net placements were 1.83 million head. Marketings of fed cattle during February totaled 1.79 million head, 3% above 2023. Other disappearance totaled 56,000 head during February, 3% below 2023.

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

State	Number on Feed ¹					
	March 1 2023	February 1 2024	March 1 2024	Percent of previous year	Percent of previous month	
	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>percent</i>	<i>percent</i>	
Arizona	260	262	258	99	98	
California	520	520	520	100	100	
Colorado	1,010	1,010	1,020	101	101	
Idaho	325	345	345	106	100	
Iowa	640	640	650	102	102	
Kansas	2,460	2,390	2,400	98	100	
Minnesota	95	105	105	111	100	
Nebraska	2,530	2,550	2,560	101	100	
Oklahoma	270	330	330	122	100	
South Dakota	215	240	245	114	102	
Texas	2,780	2,820	2,820	101	100	
Washington	255	260	255	100	98	
Other States	325	325	330	102	102	
United States	11,685	11,797	11,838	101	100	
State	Placed during February		Marketed during February		Other disappearance ² during February	
	2023	2024	2023	2024	2023	2024
	<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	23	22	26	25	1	1
California	59	66	52	60	7	6
Colorado	135	155	150	140	5	5
Idaho	36	43	35	41	1	2
Iowa	100	118	108	106	2	2
Kansas	425	455	405	435	10	10
Minnesota	14	14	13	13	1	1
Nebraska	435	505	460	480	15	15
Oklahoma	26	38	30	37	1	1
South Dakota	37	42	35	36	2	1
Texas	360	355	340	345	10	10
Washington	36	33	35	37	1	1
Other States	37	44	45	38	2	1
United States	1,723	1,890	1,734	1,793	58	56

¹ Cattle on feed are steers and heifers being fed a ration of silage, hay and/or protein supplement for slaughter market that are expected to produce a carcass that will grade select or better.

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