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# Pacific Region Cattle on Feed

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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 510,000 head on December 1, 2024. The inventory was 1% below last month and unchanged from December 1, 2023. During November, placements in feedlots totaled 52,000 head, 20% below 2023. Net placements were 46,000 head. Marketings of fed cattle during November totaled 51,000 head, 7% below 2023. Other disappearance totaled 6,000 head during November, 20% above 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 12.0 million head on December 1, 2024. The inventory was slightly below December 1, 2023. Placements in feedlots during November totaled 1.80 million head, 4% below 2023. Net placements were 1.74 million head. Marketings of fed cattle during November totaled 1.73 million head, 1% below 2023. Other disappearance totaled 55,000 head during November, 2% above 2023.

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

State	Number on Feed <sup>1</sup>				
	December 1 2023	November 1 2024	December 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 .....	266	231	232	87	100
California .....	510	515	510	100	99
Colorado .....	1,030	1,060	1,060	103	100
Idaho .....	330	330	330	100	100
Iowa .....	640	670	660	103	99
Kansas .....	2,500	2,410	2,420	97	100
Minnesota .....	100	105	105	105	100
Nebraska .....	2,580	2,580	2,600	101	101
Oklahoma .....	325	365	365	112	100
South Dakota .....	230	225	235	102	104
Texas .....	2,910	2,880	2,880	99	100
Washington .....	270	270	260	96	96
Other States .....	325	325	325	100	100
United States .....	12,016	11,966	11,982	100	100

  

State	Placed during November		Marketed during November		Other disappearance <sup>2</sup> during November	
	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 .....	26	22	20	20	1	1
California .....	65	52	55	51	5	6
Colorado .....	155	135	150	130	5	5
Idaho .....	55	45	43	44	2	1
Iowa .....	88	91	97	100	1	1
Kansas .....	385	400	395	380	10	10
Minnesota .....	15	15	14	14	1	1
Nebraska .....	490	510	440	480	10	10
Oklahoma .....	49	44	38	42	1	2
South Dakota .....	59	56	48	45	1	1
Texas .....	390	345	365	330	15	15
Washington .....	41	34	40	43	1	1
Other States .....	47	47	46	46	1	1
United States .....	1,865	1,796	1,751	1,725	54	55

<sup>1</sup> 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.

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