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CATTLE ON FEED

COLORADO

The number of cattle and calves on feed for the slaughter market in Colorado feedlots with a capacity of 1,000 head or larger was estimated at 1.03 million head as of November 1, 2023. The latest inventory was up 4 percent from last month, but 4 percent below the November 1, 2022 inventory. Cattle feeders with 1,000 head or larger capacity marketed an estimated 155,000 head of fed cattle during October 2023. This was up 3 percent from last month's marketings, but down 9 percent from the marketings one year earlier. An estimated 200,000 cattle and calves were placed on feed during October 2023, up 3 percent from the previous month's placements and 14 percent above the October 2022 placements. Of the number placed in October, 20 percent weighed less than 600 pounds, 20 percent weighed from 600 to 699 pounds, 20 percent weighed from 700 to 799 pounds, 23 percent weighed 800 to 899 pounds, and 18 percent weighed 900 pounds and greater. Other disappearance for October, at 5,000 head, was the same as last month and last year.

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Cattle and calves on feed for the slaughter market in the United States for feedlots with capacity of 1,000 or more head totaled 11.9 million head on November 1, 2023. The inventory was 2 percent above November 1, 2022. Placements in feedlots during October totaled 2.16 million head, 4 percent above 2022. Net placements were 2.11 million head. During October, placements of cattle and calves weighing less than 600 pounds were 550,000 head, 600-699 pounds were 470,000 head, 700-799 pounds were 465,000 head, 800-899 pounds were 394,000 head, 900-999 pounds were 205,000 head, and 1,000 pounds and greater were 80,000 head. Marketings of fed cattle during October totaled 1.76 million head, 3 percent below 2022. Other disappearance totaled 55,000 head during October, 2 percent above 2022.

For a full copy of the November 2023 *Cattle on Feed* report, please visit www.nass.usda.gov.