



Cattle on Feed

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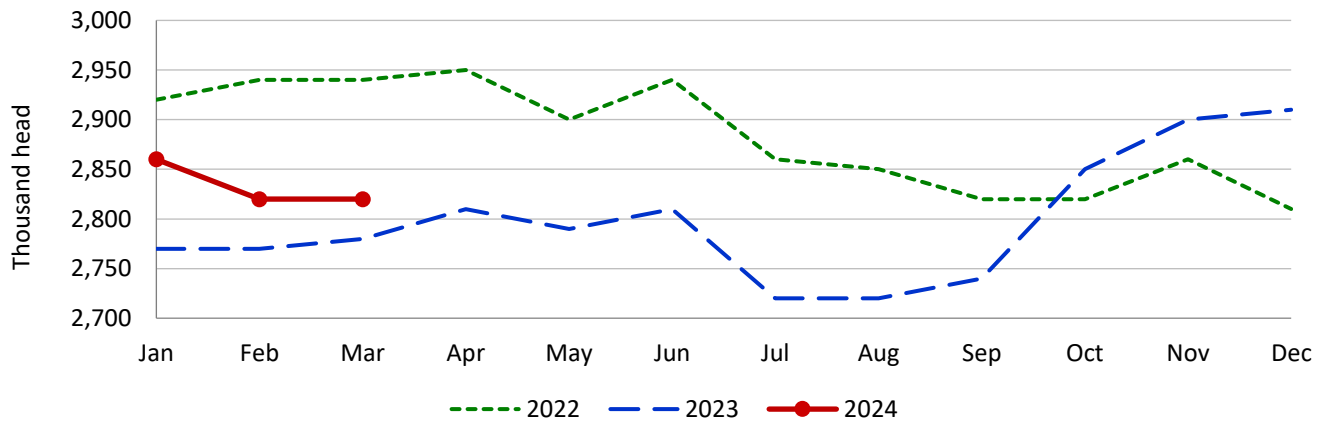
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This report contains results from the March 2024 Cattle on Feed Survey collected during the first two weeks of March. Data provided by Oklahoma and Texas producers are the foundation of the estimates made for the Southern Plains region. We would like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

Cattle and calves on feed for slaughter market in **Texas** feedlots with capacity of 1,000 head or more totaled 2.82 million head on March 1, 2024, up 1 percent from a year ago. Producers placed 355 thousand head in commercial feedlots during February, down 1 percent from a year ago. Texas commercial feeders marketed 345 thousand head during February, up 1 percent from 2023.

On March 1, there were 2.50 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 unchanged from last year and from the February 1 total. February placements in the Northern High Plains totaled 321 thousand head, up 4 percent from the January total. Marketings were down 6 percent from last month at 308 thousand head.

Texas Cattle on Feed Inventory

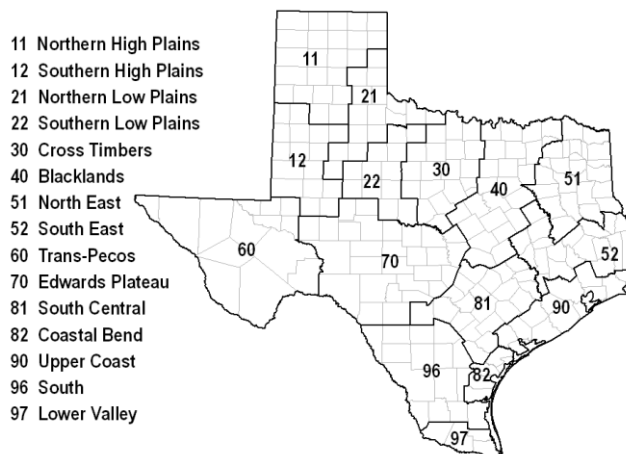


Texas Cattle and Calves on Feed in 1,000+ Capacity Feedlots, by District

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 February 1, 2024 ¹	2,495	176	55	8	13	38	35	2,820
Placed on feed during February	321	17	8	0	1	5	3	355
Fed cattle marketed during February	308	18	6	2	2	6	3	345
Other disappearance during February ²	9	1	0	0	0	0	0	10
On feed March 1, 2024 ¹	2,499	174	57	6	12	37	35	2,820

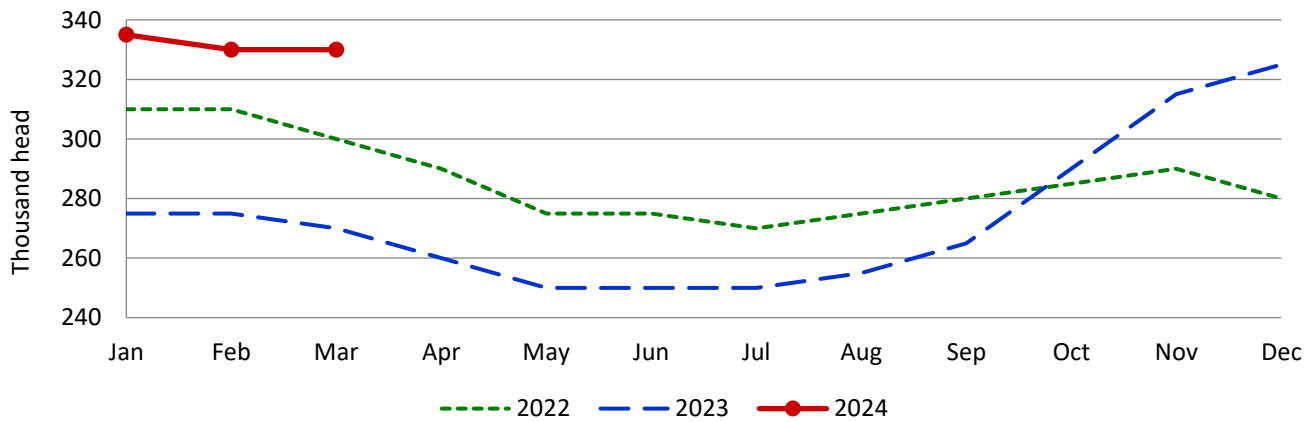
¹ Cattle and calves on feed are animals for slaughter market being fed a ration of grain or other concentrates and are expected to produce a carcass that will grade select or better.

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 330 thousand head on March 1, 2024, up 22 percent from a year ago. Producers placed 38 thousand head in commercial feedlots during February, up 46 percent from a year ago. Oklahoma commercial feeders marketed 37 thousand head during February, up 23 percent from 2023. Other disappearance during February 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 February 1		Placed on feed during February		Marketed during February		Other Disappearance during February		On feed March 1		
	2023	2024	2023	2024	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>	<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.....	264	262	23	22	26	25	1	1	260	258	
California.....	520	520	59	66	52	60	7	6	520	520	
Colorado.....	1,030	1,010	135	155	150	140	5	5	1,010	1,020	
Idaho.....	325	345	36	43	35	41	1	2	325	345	
Iowa.....	650	640	100	118	108	106	2	2	640	650	
Kansas.....	2,450	2,390	425	455	405	435	10	10	2,460	2,400	
Minnesota.....	95	105	14	14	13	13	1	1	95	105	
Nebraska.....	2,570	2,550	435	505	460	480	15	15	2,530	2,560	
Oklahoma.....	275	330	26	38	30	37	1	1	270	330	
South Dakota.....	215	240	37	42	35	36	2	1	215	245	
Texas.....	2,770	2,820	360	355	340	345	10	10	2,780	2,820	
Washington.....	255	260	36	33	35	37	1	1	255	255	
Other States.....	335	325	37	44	45	38	2	1	325	330	
United States.....	11,754	11,797	1,723	1,890	1,734	1,793	58	56	11,685	11,838	

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

State	During February 2023					
	Under 600 lbs	600-699 lbs	700-799 lbs	800-899 lbs	900+ lbs ²	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.....	25	25	30	35	20	135
Kansas.....	45	75	145	115	45	425
Nebraska.....	30	65	130	140	70	435
Texas.....	145	80	75	50	10	360
Other States.....	100	65	85	83	35	368
United States.....	345	310	465	423	180	1,723

State	During February 2024					
	Under 600 lbs	600-699 lbs	700-799 lbs	800-899 lbs	900+ lbs ²	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.....	25	30	35	40	25	155
Kansas.....	45	75	155	130	50	455
Nebraska.....	35	75	155	165	75	505
Texas.....	140	75	70	55	15	355
Other States.....	115	75	100	95	35	420
United States.....	360	330	515	485	200	1,890

¹ Oklahoma is included in *Other States*.

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