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Pacific Region Cattle on Feed

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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 10.8 million head on March 1, 2017. The inventory was slightly above March 1, 2016.

Placements in feedlots during February totaled 1.69 million head, 1 percent below from 2016. Net placements were 1.64 million head. During February, placements of cattle and calves weighing less than 600 pounds were 315,000 head, 600-699 pounds were 330,000 head, 700-799 pounds were 490,000 head, 800-899 pounds were 395,000 head, 900-999 pounds were 124,000 head, and 1,000 pounds and greater were 40,000 head.

Marketings of fed cattle during February totaled 1.65 million head, 4 percent above 2016.

Other disappearance totaled 56,000 head during February, 3 percent below 2016.

Cattle and calves on feed for the slaughter market in California for feedlots with capacity of 1,000 or more head totaled 420,000 head on March 1, 2017. The inventory was 1 percent below from last month and 5 percent below March 1, 2016. During February, placements in feedlots totaled 47,000 head, 2 percent above the previous year. Marketings of fed cattle during February totaled 49,000 head, 7 percent above February 2016. Other disappearance totaled 3,000 head during February, 40 percent below February 2016.

Cattle and Calves on Feed in 1,000+ Capacity Feedlots - States and United States

	Number on feed March 1 ¹			Placed during February		Marketed during February	
State	2016	2017	Percent of previous year	2016	2017	2016	2017
	1,000 head	1,000 head	percent	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head
Arizona	297	242	81	43	27	21	27
California	440	420	95	46	47	46	49
Colorado	890	910	102	170	180	155	165
Idaho	240	250	104	38	36	41	35
lowa	630	650	103	92	102	78	89
Kansas	2,160	2,210	102	375	380	345	370
Minnesota	163	160	98	23	21	17	19
Nebraska	2,420	2,440	101	395	425	420	420
Oklahoma	290	295	102	54	41	43	45
South Dakota	270	250	93	48	44	37	33
Texas	2,450	2,440	100	345	320	315	320
Washington	195	185	95	38	34	36	33
Other States	325	320	98	43	37	37	43
United States	10,770	10,772	100	1,710	1,694	1,591	1,648

State	Other disappearance during February ²			
	2016	2017		
	1,000 head	1,000 head		
Arizona California Colorado Idaho Iowa Kansas Minnesota Nebraska Oklahoma South Dakota Texas Washington	1 5 5 2 4 10 1 1 15 1 1 1 10 2	1 3 5 1 3 10 1 1 15 1 1 10		
Other States	1	4		
United States	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.