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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 10.9 million head on April 1, 2017. The inventory was slightly above April 1, 2016. The inventory included 7.23 million steers and steer calves, down 2 percent from the previous year. This group accounted for 66 percent of the total inventory. Heifers and heifer calves accounted for 3.67 million head, up 5 percent from 2016.

Placements in feedlots during March totaled 2.10 million head, 11 percent above 2016. Net placements were 2.05 million head. During March, placements of cattle and calves weighing less than 600 pounds were 350,000 head, 600-699 pounds were 295,000 head, 700-799 pounds were 620,000 head, and 800-899 pounds were 585,000 head, 900-999 pounds were 185,000 head, and 1,000 pounds and greater were head.

Marketings of fed cattle during March totaled 1.91 million head, 10 percent above 2016.

Other disappearance totaled 56,000 head during March, 10 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 415,000 head on April 1, 2017. The inventory was 1 percent below last month and 1 percent below April 1, 2016. During March, placements in feedlots totaled 59,000 head, 34 percent above the previous year. Marketings of fed cattle during March totaled 62,000 head, 7 percent above March 2016. Other disappearance totaled 2,000 head during March, 67 percent below March 2016.

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

State	Number on feed April 1 ¹			Placed during March		Marketed during March	
	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	303	239	79	31	26	24	28
California	420	415	99	44	59	58	62
Colorado	900	930	103	165	195	150	170
Idaho	240	255	106	37	41	35	34
Iowa	640	670	105	94	116	81	93
Kansas	2,180	2,260	104	425	490	390	430
Minnesota	160	160	100	17	23	19	22
Nebraska	2,440	2,460	101	455	495	425	465
Oklahoma	295	300	102	53	73	47	67
South Dakota	265	250	94	34	39	38	38
Texas	2,500	2,460	98	455	460	395	425
Washington	195	195	100	38	42	37	30
Other States	315	310	98	44	43	48	50
United States	10,853	10,904	100	1,892	2,102	1,747	1,914

State	Other disappearance during March ²		Number on feed by class April 1 ¹			
			Steers and steer calves		Heifers and heifer calves	
	2016	2017	2016	2017	2016	2017
	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head
Arizona	1	1	294	228	9	11
California	6	2	400	390	20	25
Colorado	5	5	610	600	290	330
Idaho	2	2	165	175	75	80
Iowa	3	3	460	500	180	170
Kansas	15	10	1,200	1,230	980	1,030
Minnesota	1	1	139	132	21	28
Nebraska	10	10	1,620	1,640	820	820
Oklahoma	1	1	185	185	110	115
South Dakota	1	1	153	145	112	105
Texas	10	15	1,800	1,680	700	780
Washington	1	2	125	125	70	70
Other States	6	3	210	200	105	110
United States	62	56	7,361	7,230	3,492	3,674

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.