

### Cattle on Feed / Bovins mis au pâturage

Alberta and/et Saskatchewan

Number on feed, Placements, Marketing and other disappearances

Nombre d'animaux mis au pâturage, commercialisés et autres fins

December 1, 2003

Le 1er décembre 2003

	2002	2003	% chg	
On Feed November 1, 2003	880,649	623,138	70.8	Au pâturage le 1er novembre 2003
Placed on Feed During November	234,098	226,890	96.9	Bovins mis au pâturage en novembre
Fed Cattle Marketed During Nov.	212,587	175,013	82.3	Ventes de bovins engraisés en nov.
Other Disappearances During Nov.	9,047	7,255	80.2	Autres fins en novembre
On Feed December 1, 2003	893,113	667,760	74.8	Au pâturage le 1er décembre 2003

### Cattle On Feed Placements / Bovins au pâturage

Alberta and/et Saskatchewan

Number Placed on Feed by weight group / Nombre de bovins mis en pâturage par groupe de poids

November, 2003

Novembre 2003

	Steers / Bouvillons		Heifers / Taures		Total	
	2002	2003	2002	2003	2002	2003
Less than 600 / Moins de 600	26,921	38,274	19,304	20,583	46,225	58,857
600 - 699	41,876	44,075	12,242	17,003	54,118	61,078
700 - 799	27,387	24,798	19,512	12,516	46,899	37,314
800 and over / 800 et plus	60,222	44,414	26,634	25,227	86,856	69,641
Total	156,406	151,561	77,692	75,329	234,098	226,890

Even with domestic fed slaughter up 3% from November 2002 marketings ended the month down 18% from last year. The decline in marketings can be attributed to the live cattle that are normally exported in November (37,574 in 2002 and 41,239 in 2001). Slowly but surely placements are inching their way back to more normal levels with November only down 3% from last year and down 20% from 2001. Total cattle on feed for December 1, 2003 increased 7% from November 1, 2003 but is still 25% or 225,253 head lower than December 1, 2002.

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