

### 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

February 1, 2002

Le 1 février 2002

	2001	2002	% chg	
On Feed January 1	1,200,111	1,121,087	93.4	Au pâturage le 1er janvier 2002
Placed on Feed During January	209,254	147,696	70.6	Bovins mis au pâturage en janvier
Fed Cattle Marketed During Jan.	211,967	185,097	87.3	Ventes de bovins engraisés en janvier
Other Disappearances During Jan.	8,953	14,682	164.0	Autres fins en janvier
On Feed February 1, 2002	1,188,445	1,069,004	89.9	Au pâturage le 1er février 2002

### 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

January, 2002

Janvier 2002

	Steers / Bouvillons		Heifers / Taures		Total	
	2001	2002	2001	2002	2001	2002
Less than 600 / Moins de 600	6,480	7,125	10,357	5,158	16,837	12,283
600 - 699	13,519	10,516	15,290	16,608	28,809	27,124
700 - 799	24,105	14,185	47,378	29,995	71,483	44,180
800 and over / 800 et plus	24,518	14,804	67,607	49,305	92,125	64,109
Total	68,622	46,630	140,632	101,066	209,254	147,696

Cattle on feed February 1, 2002 were down just under 120,000 head from last year at 1,069,004. January placements were 61,500 head less than in January 2001. This was a result of a combination of things. Firstly, the being feedlot profitability this year is drastically different than the same time last year when fed cattle were reaching all time highs. Other factors affecting placements this January were increased feed costs as well as a large increase in feeder exports in January. Marketings this January were down almost 27,000 head from the same time last year. Marketings were lower due to 35% fewer fed cattle exported this year as well as domestic slaughter in Alberta and Saskatchewan down 9% from last year as a result of fewer kill days this January.