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Idaho Cattle on Feed Down 12 Percent

Cattle and calves on feed for the slaughter market in Idaho from feedlots with a capacity of 1,000 or more head on August 1, 2008 totaled 180,000 head, 12 percent below the August 1, 2007 inventory, according to the National Agricultural Statistics Service. The cattle on feed inventory was down 20,000 head from the number on feed July 1, 2008. Placements of cattle in State feedlots with a capacity of 1,000 or more head during July totaled 29,000 head, down 17 percent from July 2007 placements. Marketings of cattle from feedlots with 1,000 head or more during July totaled 48,000 head, down 1,000 head from the same month a year ago. Other disappearance totaled 1,000 head during July, unchanged from July 2007.

Cattle and calves on feed for slaughter market in the United States for feedlots with capacity of 1,000 or more head totaled 9.87 million head on August 1, 2008. The inventory was 4 percent below August 1, 2007 and 9 percent below August 1, 2006. Placements in feedlots during July totaled 1.66 million, 2 percent above 2007 but 15 percent below 2006. Net placements were 1.62 million head. This is the second lowest placements for the month of July since the series began in 1996. During July, placements of cattle and calves weighing less than 600 pounds were 360,000, 600-699 pounds were 320,000, 700-799 pounds were 476,000 and 800 pounds and greater were 505,000. Marketings of fed cattle during July totaled 2.04 million, 2 percent above 2007 and 5 percent above 2006. Other disappearance totaled 45,000 during July, 26 percent below 2007 and 22 percent below 2006.

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