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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 September 1, 2008 totaled 180,000 head, 12 percent below the September 1, 2007 inventory, according to the National Agricultural Statistics Service. The cattle on feed inventory was unchanged from the number on feed August 1, 2008. Placements of cattle in State feedlots with a capacity of 1,000 or more head during August totaled 45,000 head, down 6 percent from August 2007 placements. Marketings of cattle from feedlots with 1,000 head or more during August totaled 44,000 head, down 3,000 head from the same month a year ago. Other disappearance totaled 1,000 head during August, unchanged from August 2007.

Cattle and calves on feed for slaughter market in the United States for feedlots with capacity of 1,000 or more head totaled 10.0 million head on September 1, 2008. The inventory was 3 percent below September 1, 2007 and 9 percent below September 1, 2006. Placements in feedlots during August totaled 2.06 million, 3 percent below 2007 and 10 percent below 2006. Net placements were 2.01 million head. This is the second lowest placements for the month of August since the series began in 1996. During August, placements of cattle and calves weighing less than 600 pounds were 365,000, 600-699 pounds were 410,000, 700-799 pounds were 566,000, and 800 pounds and greater were 720,000. Marketings of fed cattle during August totaled 1.88 million, 9 percent below 2007 and 9 percent below 2006. This is the lowest fed cattle marketings for the month of August since the series began in 1996. Other disappearance totaled 49,000 during August, 2 percent below 2007 and 17 percent below 2006.

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