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Press Release May 1 Cattle on Feed

Iowa: There were 920,000 cattle on feed for the slaughter market in all feedlots in Iowa on May 1, 2005, down 2 percent from April 1, 2005 and down 7 percent from May 1, 2004. Feedlots with a capacity greater than 1,000 head had 455,000 head on feed, unchanged from last month, but up 10 percent from last year. Feedlots with a capacity less than 1,000 head had 465,000 head on feed, down 4 percent and 18 percent from last month and last year, respectively.

Placements during April totaled 92,000 head, unchanged from last month, but down 10 percent from last year. Feedlots with a capacity greater than 1,000 head placed 55,000 head, unchanged from last month, but down 4 percent from last year. Feedlots with a capacity less than 1,000 head placed 37,000 head, unchanged from last month, but down 18 percent from last year.

Marketings for April were 102,000 head, down 1 percent and 4 percent from last month and last year, respectively. Feedlots with a capacity greater than 1,000 head marketed 53,000 head, down 17 percent from last year, but unchanged from a year ago. Feedlots with a capacity less than 1,000 head marketed 49,000 head, up 26 percent from

last month, but down 8 percent from last year. Other disappearance totaled 10,000 head.

United States: Cattle and calves on feed for slaughter market in the United States for feedlots with capacity of 1,000 or more head totaled 10.6 million head on May 1, 2005. The inventory was 3 percent above May 1, 2004 and 1 percent above May 1, 2003.

Placements in feedlots during April totaled 1.66 million, 4 percent above 2004 but 11 percent below 2003. Net placements were 1.57 million. During April, placements of cattle and calves weighing less than 600 pounds were 340,000, 600-699 pounds were 225,000, 700-799 pounds were 500,000, and 800 pounds and greater were 595,000.

Marketings of fed cattle during April totaled 1.80 million, 5 percent below 2004 and 9 percent below 2003. This is the lowest fed cattle marketings for the month of April since the series began in 1996.

Other disappearance totaled 90,000 during April, 7 percent below 2004 but 43 percent above 2003.

All Cattle on Feed, Iowa

Item	Lots 1,000+ Head	Lots Less than 1,000 Head	All Lots
	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>
Cattle on Feed, April 1, 2005	455	485	940
April Placements	55	37	92
April Marketings	53	49	102
April Other Disappearance	2	8	10
Cattle on Feed, May 1, 2005	455	465	920

**Cattle on Feed: Number on Feed, Placements and Marketings by Month,
1,000+ Capacity Feedlots ¹**

State	Cattle on Feed May 1			Placements during April			Marketings during April			April Disappearance other than Slaughter ²		
	2004	2005	'05 as % of '04	2004	2005	'05 as % of '04	2004	2005	'05 as % of '04	2004	2005	'05 as % of '04
	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AZ	295	328	111	31	31	100	27	24	89	2	2	100
CA	500	500	100	75	64	85	67	59	88	3	5	167
CO	940	970	103	150	120	80	170	150	88	10	20	200
ID	250	240	96	45	39	87	47	37	79	3	2	67
IA	415	455	110	57	55	96	53	53	100	4	2	50
KS	2,240	2,260	101	355	375	106	440	425	97	35	30	86
NE	2,100	2,190	104	320	320	100	420	380	90	10	10	100
NM	105	114	109	14	19	136	11	16	145	3	2	67
OK	310	305	98	51	52	102	68	70	103	3	2	67
SD	200	200	100	26	27	104	28	31	111	3	1	33
TX	2,560	2,630	103	415	500	120	480	480	100	15	10	67
WA	175	147	84	26	19	73	35	30	86	1	1	100
Oth Sts	285	300	105	35	39	111	45	46	102	5	3	60
US	10,375	10,639	103	1,600	1,660	104	1,891	1,801	95	97	90	93

¹ Cattle and calves on feed are animals for slaughter market being fed a ration of grain or other concentrates and are expected to produce a carcass that will grade select or better.

² Includes death loss, movement from feedlots to pasture, and shipments to other feedlots for further feeding.