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Iowa Cattle on Feed Numbers Down 8% from Last Year

Iowa: There were 864,000 cattle on feed for the slaughter market in all feedlots in Iowa on March 1, 2007, down 3 percent from February 1, 2007, and down 8 percent from March 1, 2006. Feedlots with a capacity greater than 1,000 head had 530,000 head on feed, unchanged from last month but up 2 percent from last year. Feedlots with a capacity less than 1,000 head had 334,000 head on feed, down 7 percent from last month, and down 20 percent from last year.

Placements during February totaled 78,000 head, a decrease of 41 percent from last month and 8 percent from last year. Feedlots with a capacity greater than 1,000 head placed 64,000 head, down 16 percent from last month but up 7 percent from last year. Feedlots with a capacity less than 1,000 head placed 14,000 head. This is down 75 percent from last month and down 44 percent from last year.

Marketings for February were 96,000 head, down 2 percent from last month but up 9 percent from last year. Feedlots with a capacity greater than 1,000 head marketed 63,000 head, down 2 percent from last month but up 9 percent from last year. Feedlots with a capacity less

than 1,000 head marketed 33,000 head, down 15 percent from last month, but up 10 percent from last year. Other disappearance totaled 8,000 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 11.6 million head on March 1, 2007. The inventory was 4 percent below March 1, 2006 but 4 percent above March 1, 2005.

Placements in feedlots during February totaled 1.66 million, 4 percent above 2006 and 9 percent above 2005. Net placements were 1.58 million. During February, placements of cattle and calves weighing less than 600 pounds were 325,000, 600-699 pounds were 334,000, 700-799 pounds were 505,000, and 800 pounds and greater were 495,000.

Marketings of fed cattle during February totaled 1.71 million, 7 percent above 2006 and 5 percent above 2005.

Other disappearance totaled 75,000 during February, 3 percent above 2006 but 3 percent below 2005.

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, February 1, 2007	530	360	890
February Placements	64	14	78
February Marketings	63	33	96
February Other Disappearance	1	7	8
Cattle on Feed, March 1, 2007	530	334	864

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

State	Cattle on Feed March 1			Placements during February			Marketings during February			February Disappearance other than Slaughter ²		
	2006	2007	'07 as % of '06	2006	2007	'07 as % of '06	2006	2007	'07 as % of '06	2006	2007	'07 as % of '06
	<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	351	329	94	31	24	77	24	28	117	2	1	50
CA	550	530	96	63	60	95	56	67	120	7	3	43
CO	1,090	1,010	93	140	140	100	155	160	103	5	10	200
ID	255	250	98	32	39	122	38	43	113	4	1	25
IA	520	530	102	60	64	107	58	63	109	2	1	50
KS	2,610	2,420	93	410	395	96	360	380	106	20	25	125
NE	2,450	2,510	102	330	360	109	360	380	106	10	10	100
NM	143	130	91	13	14	108	14	18	129	2	1	50
OK	365	350	96	49	59	120	56	58	104	3	1	33
SD	210	230	110	33	43	130	29	41	141	4	2	50
TX	3,010	2,790	93	360	390	108	370	385	104	10	15	150
WA	154	170	110	25	25	100	22	31	141	2	1	50
Oth Sts	315	350	111	42	46	110	60	57	95	2	4	200
US	12,023	11,599	96	1,588	1,659	104	1,602	1,711	107	73	75	103

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.

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