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NEBRASKA CATTLE ON FEED UP 4 PERCENT

LINCOLN, Neb., May 18, 2007 -- Nebraska feedlots, with capacities of 1,000 or more head, contained 2.42 million cattle on feed on May 1, according to the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service, Nebraska Field Office. The inventory was up 4 percent from last year and 11 percent above May 1, 2005. This is the largest May 1 inventory since the data set began in 1994.

Placements in feedlots during April totaled 290,000 head, down 9 percent from both 2006 and 2005.

Marketings of fed cattle during April totaled 340,000 head, down 13 percent from last year and 11 percent below April two years ago. Other disappearance during April totaled 10,000 head, the same as 2006 and 2005.

U.S. CATTLE ON FEED DOWN 2 PERCENT

Cattle and calves on feed for slaughter market in the United States for feedlots with capacity of 1,000 or more head totaled 11.3 million head on May 1, 2007. The inventory was 2 percent below May 1, 2006 but 6 percent above May 1, 2005. This is the second highest May 1 inventory since the series began in 1996.

Placements in feedlots during April totaled 1.57 million, 3 percent below 2006 and 5 percent below 2005.

Marketings of fed cattle during April totaled 1.82 million, 2 percent above 2006 and 1 percent above 2005. Other disappearance totaled 99,000 during April, 14 percent above 2006 and 9 percent above 2005.

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