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NEBRASKA CATTLE INVENTORY UP 2 PERCENT

LINCOLN, Neb., February 2, 2007 -- All cattle and calves on hand January 1, 2007, in Nebraska totaled 6.65 million head, up 2 percent from a year ago and 5 percent above 2005, according to USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service, Nebraska Field Office.

All cows on hand January 1, at 2.0 million head, were 1 percent above last year and 2 percent above two years ago. The 2006 calf crop totaled 1.82 million head, up 1 percent from 2005 and 2004. Cattle and calves on feed for slaughter in all Nebraska feedlots on January 1 totaled a record 2.7 million head, up 4 percent from last year and 9 percent above two years ago.

U.S. CATTLE INVENTORY UP SLIGHTLY

All cattle and calves in the United States as of January 1, 2007, totaled 97.0 million head, slightly above the 96.7 million on January 1, 2006.

All cows and heifers that have calved, at 42.0 million, were down slightly from the 42.1 million on January 1, 2006. The 2006 calf crop was estimated at 37.6 million head, down slightly from 2005. Cattle and calves on feed for slaughter in all feedlots on January 1 were 14.3 million head up 1 percent from last year.

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