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NEBRASKA CATTLE ON FEED UP 2 PERCENT

LINCOLN, Neb., September 19, 2008 -- Nebraska feedlots, with capacities of 1,000 or more head, contained 1.96 million cattle on feed on September 1, according to USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service, Nebraska Field Office. The inventory was up 2 percent from last year but 4 percent below September 1, 2006.

Placements in feedlots during August totaled 445,000 head, down 4 percent from 2007 and 5 percent below 2006.

Marketings of fed cattle during August totaled 395,000 head, down 9 percent from last year but 10 percent above August two years ago. Other disappearance during August totaled 10,000 head, the same as 2007 and 2006.

U.S. CATTLE ON FEED DOWN 3 PERCENT

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. This is the second lowest placements for the month of August since the series began in 1996.

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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