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CATTLE ON FEED INVENTORY DOWN FROM MAY

SIoux FALLS, JUNE 23, 2006 -- South Dakota's 1,000+ capacity feedlots reported 195,000 **cattle on feed** for the slaughter market on June 1, according to the South Dakota office of USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. The June 1 number is up 9,000 head from a year ago but down 5,000 head from last month.

Placements during May totaled 33,000 head, up 5,000 from both last year and from April 2006.

Marketings of fed cattle during May totaled 34,000 head, down 4,000 head from a year earlier and down 1,000 from April.

Other disappearance during May totaled 4,000 head, unchanged from last year but up 1,000 from last month.

Access this complete report at:

<http://usda.mannlib.cornell.edu/reports/nassr/livestock/pct-bbc/2006/cofd0606.pdf>