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CATTLE ON FEED INVENTORY UNCHANGED FROM MARCH

SIoux FALLS, April 20, 2007 -- South Dakota's 1,000+ capacity feedlots reported 230,000 **cattle on feed** for the slaughter market on April 1, according to the South Dakota Office of USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. The April 1 number is up 20,000 head from a year ago but unchanged from March.

Placements during March totaled 40,000 head, up 4,000 head from a year earlier but down 3,000 head from February.

Marketings of fed cattle during March totaled 37,000 head, up 2,000 head from last year but down 4,000 head from February.

Other disappearance during March totaled 3,000 head, up 2,000 from last year and up 1,000 head from February.

Of the total number on feed on April 1, 130,000 head were **steers & steer calves**, 15,000 head more than last year. **Heifers and heifer calves** on feed April 1 numbered 82,000 head, 3,000 more than last year. **Bulls and cows** in feedlots totaled 18,000 head, 2,000 head more than a year ago.

Access this complete report at:

<http://usda.mannlib.cornell.edu/usda/nass/CattOnFe/2000s/2007/CattOnFe-04-20-2007.pdf>