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CATTLE ON FEED INVENTORY INCREASED

SIoux FALLS, March 20, 2008 -- South Dakota's 1,000+ capacity feedlots reported 235,000 **cattle on feed** for the slaughter market on March 1, according to the South Dakota office of USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. This is up 5,000 head from a year earlier and up 5,000 head from a month earlier.

Placements during February totaled 47,000 head, up 4,000 head from last year and up 2,000 head from January 2008.

Marketings of fed cattle during February totaled 40,000 head, down 1,000 head from last year and down 3,000 head from January 2008.

Other disappearance during February totaled 2,000 head, unchanged from last year and unchanged from January 2008.

Access this complete report at:

<http://usda.mannlib.cornell.edu/usda/nass/CattOnFe/2000s/2008/CattOnFe-03-20-2008.pdf>