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NEBRASKA CATTLE ON FEED DOWN 1 PERCENT

LINCOLN, Neb., June 21, 2002 - Nebraska feedlots, with capacities of 1,000 or more head, contained 2.06 million cattle on feed on June 1, according to the USDA's Nebraska Agricultural Statistics Service. The inventory was down 1 percent from last year and 2 percent below June 1, 2000.

Placements in feedlots during May totaled 350,000 head, down 7 percent from 2001 and 10 percent below 2000.

Marketings of fed cattle during May totaled 445,000 head, down 14 percent from last year and 13 percent below May two years ago. Other disappearance during May totaled 15,000 compared with 15,000 last year and 20,000 during May 2000.

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 10.94 million head on June 1, 2002. The inventory was 3 percent below June 1, 2001 and slightly below June 1, 2000.

Placements in feedlots during May totaled 2.23 million, 6 percent below 2001 and 3 percent below 2000.

Marketings of fed cattle during May totaled 2.17 million, 1 percent below 2001 and slightly below 2000. Other disappearance totaled 72,000 during May, 29 percent below 2001 and 37 percent below 2000.

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