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NEBRASKA CATTLE ON FEED DOWN 1 PERCENT

LINCOLN, Neb., August 16, 2002 - Nebraska feedlots, with capacities of 1,000 or more head, contained 1.79 million cattle on feed on August 1, according to the USDA's Nebraska Agricultural Statistics Service. The inventory was down 1 percent from last year and 3 percent below August 1, 2000.

Placements in feedlots during July totaled 400,000 head, up 25 percent from 2001 and 23 percent above 2000.

Marketings of fed cattle during July totaled 495,000 head, up 24 percent from last year and 15 percent above two years ago. Other disappearance during July totaled 5,000 compared with 10,000 last year and 5,000 during July 2000.

U.S. CATTLE ON FEED DOWN 7 PERCENT

Cattle and calves on feed for slaughter market in the United States for feedlots with capacity of 1,000 or more head totaled 10.09 million head on August 1, 2002. The inventory was 7 percent below August 1, 2001 and 1 percent below August 1, 2000.

Placements in feedlots during July totaled 1.84 million, 7 percent below 2001 and 4 percent below 2000.

Marketings of fed cattle during July totaled 2.19 million, 7 percent above 2001 and 5 percent above 2000. Other disappearance totaled 45,000 during July, 24 percent below 2001 but 2 percent above 2000.

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