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### NEBRASKA CATTLE ON FEED UP 11 PERCENT

LINCOLN, Neb., August 20, 2004 -- Nebraska feedlots, with capacities of 1,000 or more head, contained 1.75 million cattle on feed on August 1, according to the USDA's Nebraska Agricultural Statistics Service. The inventory was up 11 percent from last year but 2 percent below August 1, 2002.

Placements in feedlots during July totaled 310,000 head, down 11 percent from 2003 and 22 percent below 2002.

Marketings of fed cattle during July totaled 405,000 head, down 12 percent from last year and 18 percent below two years ago. Other disappearance during July totaled 5,000 compared with 10,000 last year and 5,000 during July 2002.

### U.S. CATTLE ON FEED UP 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 9.85 million head on August 1, 2004. The inventory was 3 percent above August 1, 2003 but 3 percent below August 1, 2002.

Placements in feedlots during July totaled 1.72 million, 14 percent below 2003 and 7 percent below 2002.

Marketings of fed cattle during July totaled 1.93 million, 15 percent below 2003 and 12 percent below 2002. Other disappearance totaled 58,000 during July, 3 percent below 2003 but 29 percent above 2002.

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