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### NEBRASKA CATTLE ON FEED UP 8 PERCENT

LINCOLN, Neb., September 17, 2004 -- Nebraska feedlots, with capacities of 1,000 or more head, contained 1.8 million cattle on feed on September 1, according to the USDA's Nebraska Agricultural Statistics Service. This inventory was up 8 percent from last year but 3 percent below September 1, 2002.

Placements in feedlots during August totaled 420,000 head, down 11 percent from 2003 and 6 percent below 2002.

Marketings of fed cattle during August totaled 360,000 head, down 3 percent from last year and 5 percent below August two years ago. Other disappearance during August totaled 10,000 compared with 10,000 last year and 5,000 during August 2002.

### U.S. CATTLE ON FEED UP 1 PERCENT

Cattle and calves on feed for slaughter market in the United States for feedlots with capacity of 1,000 or more head totaled 9.97 million head on September 1, 2004. The inventory was 1 percent above September 1, 2003 but 2 percent below September 1, 2002.

Placements in feedlots during August totaled 2.10 million, 12 percent below 2003 and 6 percent below 2002.

Marketings of fed cattle during August totaled 1.92 million, 7 percent below 2003 and 10 percent below 2002. Other disappearance totaled 56,000 during August, 7 percent below 2003 but 30 percent above 2002.

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