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## **NEBRASKA CATTLE ON FEED UP 1 PERCENT FROM A YEAR AGO**

LINCOLN, Neb., December 17, 2004 -- Nebraska feedlots, with capacities of 1,000 or more head, contained 2.3 million cattle on feed on December 1, according to USDA's Nebraska Agricultural Statistics Service. This inventory was up 1 percent from last year and 6 percent above December 1, 2002.

Placements during November totaled 410,000 head, the same as 2003 and 2002.

Fed cattle marketings for the month of November totaled 310,000 head, up 19 percent from last year but 6 percent below November two years ago. Other disappearance during November totaled 10,000 head, the same as 2003 and 2002.

## **U.S. CATTLE ON FEED UP SLIGHTLY**

Cattle and calves on feed for slaughter market in the United States for feedlots with capacity of 1,000 or more head totaled 11.3 million head on December 1, 2004. The inventory was slightly above December 1, 2003 and 4 percent above December 1, 2002.

Placements in feedlots during November totaled 1.74 million, 10 percent below 2003 and 12 percent below 2002.

Marketings of fed cattle during November totaled 1.63 million, 6 percent above 2003 but 6 percent below 2002. Other disappearance totaled 108,000 during November, 11 percent above 2003 and 20 percent above 2002.

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