



South Dakota CATTLE ON FEED

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CATTLE ON FEED DOWN FROM JUNE

SIoux FALLS, July 23, 2004 -- South Dakota's 1,000+ capacity feedlots reported 173,000 **cattle on feed** for the slaughter market on July 1, according to the USDA's South Dakota Agricultural Statistics Service. This is up 6,000 head from a year earlier but down 15,000 head from last month.

Placements during June totaled 20,000 head, down 7,000 head from last year and down 8,000 head from May.

Marketings of fed cattle during June totaled 34,000 head, down 21,000 head from a year ago and down 3,000 head from May.

Other disappearance during June totaled 1,000 head, down 2,000 head from both last year and May.

Steers totaled 88,000 head, 51 percent of the total cattle on feed. **Heifers** totaled 68,000 head, 39 percent of the total cattle on feed. **Bulls and cows** totaled 17,000 head, 10 percent of the total cattle on feed.

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