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Nebraska Cattle Numbers on the Rise

LINCOLN, Neb. (AP) - The U.S. Department of Agriculture says the number of cattle in Nebraska feedlots is up 2 percent over last year this month.

The report says feedlots with capacities of more than 1,000 head contained 2.49 million cattle as of February 1st.

Cattle placements during January totaled 495,000. That was down 9 percent from last year.

The USDA says it revised last year's estimates of cattle on feed to improve the accuracy of the numbers. Cows and bulls were removed from the counts, which are supposed to reflect only cattle that can grade select or better.

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