CATTLE ON FEED

CATTLE SOLD FOR SLAUGHTER--Selected Markets

July 1, 1968

CATTLE ON FEED UP 7 PERCENT

Cattle and calves on feed for slaughter market on July 1, 1968 in the 32 major feeding States are estimated at 9,304,000 head, 7 percent more than a year earlier, according to the Crop Reporting Board.

Increases from a year earlier were recorded in all weight classifications except the 1,100 pounds and over class, which was down 1 percent. The number placed during the April-June period was 11 percent above a year earlier. Marketings during the past quarter were up 1 percent.

The July 1 number of cattle on feed was 13 percent below the number on feed April 1 this year, as compared with a 17 percent decrease during the same period last year.

NORTH CENTRAL REGION UP 4 PERCENT

There were 5,741,000 cattle and calves on feed in the North Central States, an increase of 4 percent from the number on feed a year earlier. The two leading States in this region, Iowa and Nebraska, were up 6 percent and 2 percent respectively. Increases of 1 to 14 percent were noted for all other States in the region except Ohio, Missouri and North Dakota which showed declines from July 1, 1967.

WESTERN STATES UP 7 PERCENT

The number of cattle on feed for slaughter market in the 11 Western States on July 1, 1968, at 2,480,000 head, was 7 percent above a year earlier. Increases ranged from 1 to 30 percent with all Western States up except Montana, Washington, and Oregon. California and Colorado, the most important feeding States in the West, showed 11 and 1 percent increases respectively.
OTHER CATTLE FEEDING STATES

The nine other cattle feeding States, Pennsylvania, Georgia, Florida, Kentucky, Tennessee, Alabama, Mississippi, Oklahoma, and Texas had 1,083,000 cattle on feed July 1 -- up 22 percent from a year earlier. Texas, which accounted for slightly more than two-thirds of the total, showed an increase of 28 percent. Mississippi showed no change, while all other States showed increases of from 3 to 28 percent.

PLACEMENTS AND MARKETINGS HIGHER

Cattle and calves placed on feed during the April-June period totaled 4,403,000 head in the 32 States. This was 11 percent above the number placed on feed during the same period of 1967. Placements were up 6 percent in the North Central States and 16 percent in the Western States. Shipments of stocker and feeder cattle into the 8 Corn Belt States during April and May were 3 percent below the same period in 1967.

Marketings of fed cattle for slaughter totaled 5,770,000 head for the April-June quarter -- 1 percent above the comparable period in 1967. Fed cattle marketings during the past quarter were up 1 percent in the North Central States and the same as a year earlier in the Western States. Fed cattle marketings in Texas were up 11 percent.

Slaughter of steers and heifers under Federal inspection during the April-June quarter was 2 percent above a year earlier.

WEIGHT OF CATTLE ON FEED

The July 1 number of cattle and calves on feed in the 32 States showed increases in all weight groups except for cattle weighing 1,100 pounds and over. The number in each weight group and percentage change from July 1 last year are as follows:

- under 500 pounds, 461,000 head, up 15 percent;
- 500-699 pounds, 2,013,000 head, up 6 percent;
- 700-899 pounds, 4,098,000 head, up 11 percent;
- 900-1,099 pounds, 2,324,000 head, up 1 percent;
- 1,100 pounds and over, 408,000 head, down 1 percent.

KINDS ON FEED

On July 1 cattle feeders had 6,436,000 steers and steer calves on feed, 4 percent above a year earlier. Heifers and heifer calves totaled 2,839,000 head, an increase of 12 percent. Cows and others on feed at 29,000 head compares with 25,000 for July 1, 1967.

TIME ON FEED

Cattle and calves on feed less than 3 months totaled 4,204,000 head -- up 13 percent from a year earlier. The number on feed 3-6 months, at 3,251,000 head, was up 8 percent. Cattle on feed 6 months or longer, at 1,849,000 head, was 8 percent below 1967.

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MARKETING INTENTIONS

Of the July 1 number on feed, cattle feeders intend to market 5,371,000 head during July, August, and September. This would be 5 percent above July-September 1967 marketings. Feeders in the North Central States intend to market 2 percent more and those in the Western States plan a 5 percent increase. Feeders intend to market 31 percent of the 3-month total during July, 34 percent during August, and 35 percent during September. Expected marketings are based on the usual relationship between survey data and actual marketings.

JUNE MARKETINGS FOR 15 LIVESTOCK MARKETS

Steers and heifers marketed out of first hands for slaughter at 15 markets totaled 374,925 head for June 1968 -- 21 percent below a year earlier. Steers accounted for 258,745 head -- down 20 percent from June 1967. Heifers at 116,180 head were 22 percent below a year earlier.

Steers and heifers marketed in prime, choice and good grades totaled 361,198 head, down 20 percent from June 1967.