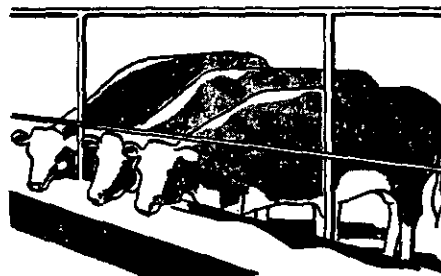


CATTLE ON FEED



CATTLE SOLD FOR SLAUGHTER--Selected Markets

March 1, 1965

March 11, 1965

On March 1, 1965 there were 2,930,000 cattle and calves on feed in Arizona, California, Colorado, Nebraska, and Texas for slaughter market--down 6 percent from February 1, but only slightly higher than March 1, last year, according to the Crop Reporting Board. Placements of cattle and calves in feedlots in these 5 States in February were 411,000 head, up 14 percent from a year earlier. There were 604,000 fed cattle marketed from these States the past month, up 9 percent from February 1964.

Arizona: This March 1, there were 314,000 cattle and calves on feed in Arizona for slaughter market, down 4 percent from February 1 and down 7 percent from a year earlier. Placements during February totaled 39,000 head, up 5 percent from last February. There were 51,000 head of fed cattle marketed the past month, up 34 percent from a year earlier.

California: Cattle and calves on feed in California March 1 for slaughter market totaled 686,000 head, down 12 percent from February 1 and 13 percent lower than a year earlier. There were 76,000 placed on feed during February, down 22 percent from a year earlier. Fed cattle marketings the past month were 172,000, 8 percent more than February 1964.

Colorado: On March 1 there were 508,000 cattle and calves on feed in Colorado for slaughter market, down 3 percent from February 1, but 8 percent more than March 1, 1964. The number placed on feed during February was 56,000 head, compared with 35,000 a year earlier. There were 74,000 head marketed, up 14 percent from last February.

Nebraska: On March 1, there were 1,023,000 cattle and calves on feed in Nebraska for slaughter market, 2 percent less than a month earlier but 9 percent more than March 1 a year earlier. Placements into feedlots during February, at 185,000, were 28 percent more than last February. Marketings of fed cattle were 207,000 head, 1 percent higher than February 1964.

Texas: There were 399,000 cattle and calves on feed March 1 in Texas for slaughter market, 10 percent fewer than February 1, but 1 percent more than a year earlier. There were 55,000 placed on feed the past month, up 15 percent, and marketings totaled 100,000, up 12 percent from February last year.

February Data for 14 Markets: Steers and heifers marketed out of first hands for slaughter at 14 major livestock markets during February totaled 489,573 head, down 4 percent from the number sold at these markets the same month a year earlier. There were 353,252 steers marketed, down 6 percent, and 136,321 heifers marketed, 2 percent more than February 1964.

Steers and heifers grading prime, choice and good totaled 448,140 head, 6 percent fewer than the number marketed in these three grades during February 1964.

The average live weight of steers marketed was 1,110 pounds, down 51 pounds from a year earlier. Heifers averaged 925 pounds, 45 pounds less than February last year.

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Cattle and calves: Inventories, placements and marketings,
fed cattle, by States February 1 to March 1

State	Number on feed 1/					
	February 1			March 1		
	1964	1965	:1965 as % : of 1964	1964	1965	:1965 as % : of 1964
	1,000 head	1,000 head	Percent	1,000 head	1,000 head	Percent
Arizona	337	326	97	336	314	93
California	850	782	92	788	686	87
Colorado	499	526	105	469	508	108
Nebraska	998	1,045	105	937	1,023	109
Texas	437	444	102	396	399	101
Total 5 States	3,121	3,123	100	2,926	2,930	100

State	Placements during February			Marketings during February		
	1964	1965	:1965 as % : of 1964	1964	1965	:1965 as % : of 1964
	1,000 head	1,000 head	Percent	1,000 head	1,000 head	Percent
Arizona	37	39	105	38	51	134
California	97	76	78	159	172	108
Colorado	35	56	160	65	74	114
Nebraska	144	185	128	205	207	101
Texas	48	55	115	89	100	112
Total 5 States	361	411	114	556	604	109

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fed cattle, February 1 to March 1

Item	Total 5 States		
	1964	1965	:1965 as % : of 1964
	1,000 head	1,000 head	Percent
On feed February 1	3,121	3,123	100
Placed on feed during February	361	411	114
Marketed during February ...	556	604	109
On feed March 1	2,926	2,930	100

1/ Cattle and Calves on feed are animals being fattened for slaughter market on grain or other concentrates and are expected to produce a carcass that will grade good or better.

STEERS SOLD OUT OF FIRST HANDS FOR SLAUGHTER AT SELECTED MARKETS,
FEBRUARY 1964 AND 1965 1/

MARKET AND GRADE	NUMBER		AVERAGE WEIGHT		AVERAGE PRICE PER 100 POUNDS LIVE WEIGHT	
	1964	1965	1964	1965	1964	1965
	HEAD	HEAD	POUNDS	POUNDS	DOLLARS	DOLLARS
CHICAGO						
PRIME.....	12,081	7,063	1,238	1,255	21.98	25.38
CHOICE.....	64,791	54,421	1,208	1,173	21.34	24.02
GOOD.....	13,098	18,925	1,127	1,083	20.59	22.37
OTHER 2/3.....	4,678	4,584	1,119	1,049	18.10	17.90
TOTAL.....	94,648	84,993	1,197	1,153	21.18	23.50
CINCINNATI						
PRIME.....	---	---	---	---	---	---
CHOICE.....	2,655	1,716	1,100	1,039	21.56	23.51
GOOD.....	1,508	1,599	1,042	1,002	20.48	21.56
OTHER 2/3.....	1,470	1,915	1,031	1,024	18.00	17.61
TOTAL.....	5,633	5,230	1,067	1,023	20.38	20.76
DENVER						
PRIME.....	81	115	1,222	1,186	21.28	22.86
CHOICE.....	7,825	6,582	1,202	1,166	20.69	22.52
GOOD.....	2,488	3,861	1,153	1,087	19.74	20.99
OTHER 2/3.....	231	150	1,034	1,088	16.61	16.56
TOTAL.....	10,625	10,708	1,187	1,137	20.40	21.91
FORT WORTH						
PRIME.....	---	---	---	---	---	---
CHOICE.....	423	131	1,143	1,104	20.75	22.40
GOOD.....	1,831	1,244	1,115	996	20.00	20.37
OTHER 2/3.....	933	328	978	944	18.48	17.79
TOTAL.....	3,187	1,703	1,079	994	19.70	20.07
INDIANAPOLIS						
PRIME.....	188	179	1,159	1,046	22.31	24.23
CHOICE.....	6,134	2,116	1,105	1,078	21.68	23.64
GOOD.....	6,557	6,833	1,074	1,038	20.44	22.35
OTHER 2/3.....	2,076	2,321	1,071	992	17.90	18.77
TOTAL.....	14,955	11,449	1,087	1,036	20.63	21.93
KANSAS CITY						
PRIME.....	200	74	1,145	1,079	21.29	23.17
CHOICE.....	15,211	10,467	1,157	1,113	20.79	22.27
GOOD.....	11,925	16,260	1,115	1,054	19.83	21.13
OTHER 2/3.....	2,017	2,075	1,137	1,066	16.86	17.30
TOTAL.....	29,353	28,876	1,138	1,076	20.14	21.29
OKLAHOMA CITY						
PRIME.....	---	---	---	---	---	---
CHOICE.....	812	571	1,172	1,060	20.19	21.83
GOOD.....	1,243	991	1,117	1,004	19.80	20.93
OTHER 2/3.....	91	75	1,137	1,043	17.23	17.20
TOTAL.....	2,146	1,637	1,139	1,025	19.84	21.08
OMAHA						
PRIME.....	1,407	890	1,142	1,172	21.69	23.39
CHOICE.....	42,030	40,160	1,170	1,143	20.65	22.43
GOOD.....	26,734	28,251	1,153	1,077	19.82	21.39
OTHER 2/3.....	3,632	3,450	1,176	1,106	16.87	17.44
TOTAL.....	73,803	72,751	1,164	1,116	20.18	21.82

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STEERS SOLD OUT OF FIRST HANDS FOR SLAUGHTER AT SELECTED MARKETS,
FEBRUARY 1964 AND 1965 1/

MARKET AND GRADE	NUMBER		AVERAGE WEIGHT		AVERAGE PRICE PER 100 POUNDS LIVE WEIGHT	
	1964	1965	1964	1965	1964	1965
	HEAD	HEAD	POUNDS	POUNDS	DOLLARS	DOLLARS
ST. LOUIS NSY						
PRIME.....	2	22	1,282	1,136	21.48	24.05
CHOICE.....	9,607	5,500	1,114	1,072	21.12	22.90
GOOD.....	8,979	13,609	1,061	1,001	20.12	21.47
OTHER 2/.....	1,803	2,935	1,102	971	16.53	17.57
TOTAL.....	20,391	22,066	1,089	1,015	20.28	21.36
SIQUX CITY						
PRIME.....	1,312	1,038	1,150	1,239	21.47	23.44
CHOICE.....	34,338	26,376	1,198	1,159	20.71	22.56
GOOD.....	16,094	13,939	1,128	1,078	20.03	21.45
OTHER 2/.....	1,210	1,905	1,128	1,095	16.49	17.11
TOTAL.....	52,954	43,258	1,174	1,132	20.43	22.01
SIQUX FALLS						
PRIME.....	48	76	1,201	1,221	21.02	23.56
CHOICE.....	7,580	6,649	1,224	1,190	20.53	22.83
GOOD.....	3,888	6,374	1,157	1,125	19.68	21.45
OTHER 2/.....	1,319	1,215	1,203	1,135	16.88	17.21
TOTAL.....	12,835	14,314	1,202	1,156	19.91	21.77
SO. ST. JOSEPH						
PRIME.....	759	419	1,179	1,113	21.51	23.36
CHOICE.....	18,227	14,069	1,181	1,133	20.45	22.30
GOOD.....	14,207	14,237	1,107	1,050	19.81	21.00
OTHER 2/.....	1,626	1,185	1,180	1,103	16.47	17.18
TOTAL.....	34,819	29,910	1,151	1,092	20.03	21.52
SOUTH ST. PAUL 3/						
PRIME.....	---	---	---	---	---	---
CHOICE.....	6,739	7,147	1,168	1,136	21.03	22.82
GOOD.....	4,650	6,476	1,122	1,058	20.16	21.29
OTHER 2/.....	3,178	5,810	1,130	1,046	16.96	16.71
TOTAL.....	14,567	19,433	1,145	1,083	19.88	20.56
WEST FARGO						
PRIME.....	226	---	1,107	---	21.96	---
CHOICE.....	3,567	2,370	1,121	1,147	20.62	22.44
GOOD.....	1,163	3,211	1,123	1,049	19.02	20.28
OTHER 2/.....	913	1,343	1,101	1,026	16.51	15.89
TOTAL.....	5,869	6,924	1,118	1,078	19.72	20.26
TOTAL 14 MARKETS						
PRIME.....	16,304	9,876	1,216	1,233	21.88	24.85
CHOICE.....	219,939	178,275	1,183	1,150	20.92	22.99
GOOD.....	114,365	135,810	1,121	1,062	20.00	21.47
OTHER 2/.....	25,177	29,291	1,122	1,049	17.22	17.37
TOTAL.....	375,785	353,252	1,161	1,110	20.46	22.05

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FEBRUARY 1964 AND 1965 1/

MARKET AND GRADE	NUMBER		AVERAGE WEIGHT		AVERAGE PRICE PER 100 POUNDS LIVE WEIGHT	
	1964	1965	1964	1965	1964	1965
	<u>HEAD</u>	<u>HEAD</u>	<u>POUNDS</u>	<u>POUNDS</u>	<u>DOLLARS</u>	<u>DOLLARS</u>
CHICAGO						
PRIME.....	923	877	1,011	1,024	21.99	23.89
CHOICE.....	9,586	8,179	996	968	21.26	22.90
GOOD.....	3,584	6,436	947	900	19.93	21.26
OTHER <u>2/</u>	2,128	1,627	918	834	17.64	17.89
TOTAL.....	16,221	17,119	976	932	20.57	21.93
CINCINNATI						
PRIME.....	---	---	---	---	---	---
CHOICE.....	788	1,215	791	818	20.82	21.65
GOOD.....	670	826	785	777	19.35	19.81
OTHER <u>2/</u>	482	1,156	752	735	17.52	17.13
TOTAL.....	1,940	3,197	779	778	19.52	19.63
DENVER						
PRIME.....	---	---	---	---	---	---
CHOICE.....	6,824	6,382	981	972	21.03	21.91
GOOD.....	3,475	3,117	941	930	19.97	20.31
OTHER <u>2/</u>	73	90	964	943	15.48	15.89
TOTAL.....	10,372	9,589	967	958	20.65	21.35
FORT WORTH						
PRIME.....	---	---	---	---	---	---
CHOICE.....	70	42	914	760	20.35	20.00
GOOD.....	674	1,282	695	684	19.68	19.13
OTHER <u>2/</u>	267	329	759	612	17.35	17.56
TOTAL.....	1,011	1,653	727	672	19.10	18.87
INDIANAPOLIS						
PRIME.....	28	90	922	961	22.34	23.24
CHOICE.....	1,145	1,063	924	904	21.23	22.22
GOOD.....	1,418	1,982	870	843	19.37	20.26
OTHER <u>2/</u>	281	403	883	833	16.92	17.51
TOTAL.....	2,872	3,538	893	863	19.93	20.66
KANSAS CITY						
PRIME.....	126	32	998	960	21.54	22.36
CHOICE.....	3,921	1,939	961	932	20.80	21.57
GOOD.....	2,629	4,367	901	849	19.19	19.60
OTHER <u>2/</u>	256	420	950	795	16.76	16.65
TOTAL.....	6,932	6,758	939	870	20.08	20.05
OKLAHOMA CITY						
PRIME.....	---	---	---	---	---	---
CHOICE.....	513	333	873	962	20.40	21.74
GOOD.....	1,184	1,059	807	855	19.34	20.06
OTHER <u>2/</u>	55	125	846	818	17.24	17.43
TOTAL.....	1,752	1,517	827	875	19.60	20.26
OMAHA						
PRIME.....	1,078	696	993	999	21.70	22.77
CHOICE.....	24,662	21,404	1,004	969	21.02	22.10
GOOD.....	15,090	16,153	971	915	19.86	20.68
OTHER <u>2/</u>	846	1,276	1,000	898	16.60	17.04
TOTAL.....	41,676	39,529	992	945	20.53	21.39

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HEIFERS SOLD OUT OF FIRST HANDS FOR SLAUGHTER AT SELECTED MARKETS,
FEBRUARY 1964 AND 1965 1/

MARKET AND GRADE	NUMBER		AVERAGE WEIGHT		AVERAGE PRICE PER 100 POUNDS LIVE WEIGHT	
	1964	1965	1964	1965	1964	1965
	HEAD	HEAD	POUNDS	POUNDS	DOLLARS	DOLLARS
ST. LOUIS NSY						
PRIME.....	---	---	---	---	---	---
CHOICE.....	1,891	1,255	930	899	20.71	21.68
GOOD.....	2,730	3,803	878	840	19.36	19.59
OTHER 2/.....	910	1,576	864	805	17.48	16.81
TOTAL.....	5,531	6,634	893	843	19.54	19.38
SIOUX CITY						
PRIME.....	512	660	1,043	1,005	21.40	22.73
CHOICE.....	12,321	9,877	1,014	977	20.66	21.83
GOOD.....	6,040	6,496	952	915	19.30	20.17
OTHER 2/.....	263	356	957	880	16.46	16.85
TOTAL.....	19,136	17,389	995	953	20.22	21.17
SIOUX FALLS						
PRIME.....	46	---	1,046	---	21.19	---
CHOICE.....	5,058	2,951	1,038	993	20.39	21.89
GOOD.....	2,403	4,208	964	931	18.78	20.24
OTHER 2/.....	545	1,127	979	943	16.46	17.03
TOTAL.....	8,052	8,286	1,012	955	19.68	20.42
SD. ST. JOSEPH						
PRIME.....	---	103	---	935	---	23.06
CHOICE.....	3,836	3,395	968	937	20.70	21.75
GOOD.....	3,284	3,705	905	873	19.47	19.80
OTHER 2/.....	140	207	908	841	16.64	16.96
TOTAL.....	7,260	7,410	938	902	20.09	20.70
SOUTH ST. PAUL 3/						
PRIME.....	---	---	---	---	---	---
CHOICE.....	2,746	2,978	1,000	975	21.10	22.10
GOOD.....	3,012	4,517	954	917	19.81	20.37
OTHER 2/.....	1,522	2,330	978	920	16.06	15.49
TOTAL.....	7,280	9,825	976	935	19.52	19.78
WEST FARGO						
PRIME.....	70	---	1,008	---	21.10	---
CHOICE.....	1,421	1,259	1,002	993	20.34	21.50
GOOD.....	911	1,498	960	943	18.61	19.41
OTHER 2/.....	656	1,120	1,023	949	15.23	14.39
TOTAL.....	3,058	3,877	994	961	18.73	18.68
TOTAL 14 MARKETS						
PRIME.....	2,783	2,458	1,009	1,005	21.71	23.19
CHOICE.....	74,782	62,272	994	964	20.90	22.07
GOOD.....	47,104	59,449	935	894	19.59	20.32
OTHER 2/.....	8,424	12,142	930	860	16.79	16.54
TOTAL.....	133,093	136,321	970	925	20.22	20.90

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