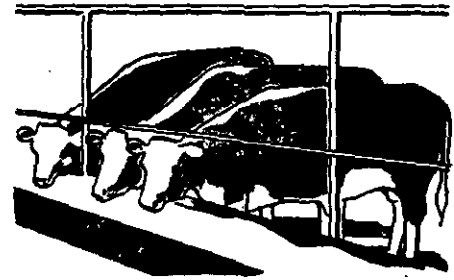


CATTLE ON FEED



CATTLE SOLD FOR SLAUGHTER--Selected Markets

March 1, 1967

March 10, 1967

On March 1, 1967 there were 3,740,000 head of cattle and calves on feed for slaughter market in Arizona, California, Colorado, Nebraska, and Texas, according to the Crop Reporting Board. This was 6 percent less than the February 1 number but was 10 percent more than the number on feed March 1, 1966 in these 5 States. Cattle and calves placed on feed in these States totaled 466,000 head during February, 18 percent less than during February 1966. February marketings of fed cattle for slaughter from these States were 687,000 head, 3 percent more than a year earlier.

Arizona: Cattle and calves on feed for slaughter market in Arizona on March 1 totaled 361,000 head, 2 percent less than on February 1, but 18 percent higher than March 1, 1966. Placements of cattle and calves on feed during February at 37,000 head were 42 percent higher than a year earlier. Marketings of fed cattle during February were 46,000 head, 10 percent below a year earlier.

California: The number of cattle and calves on feed for slaughter market in California on March 1 was 775,000 head, 15 percent less than a month earlier, and 1 percent less than a year earlier. Placements of cattle and calves on feed during February totaled 45,000 head, 67 percent less than in February 1966. Marketings of fed cattle during February were 180,000 head, 1 percent above the February 1966 number.

Colorado: Colorado feedlots held 599,000 head of cattle and calves being fed for slaughter market on March 1. This was a 4 percent reduction from the preceding month but a 5 percent increase from the preceding year. Placements of cattle and calves on feed were 87,000 head during February, 7 percent above the placements in February 1966. Marketings of fed cattle during February totaled 109,000 head, 16 percent above a year earlier.

Nebraska: There were 1,326,000 head of cattle and calves on feed for slaughter market on March 1 in Nebraska, 3 percent less than a month earlier but 8 percent more than on March 1, 1966. Placements of cattle and calves on feed during February amounted to 189,000 head, about 12 percent less than a year earlier. Marketings of fed cattle during February were 225,000 head, 3 percent more than in February 1966.

Texas: The number of cattle and calves on feed for slaughter market in Texas on March 1 was 679,000 head, 3 percent below the February 1 number but 35 percent above March 1, 1966. February placements of cattle on feed were 108,000 head, 1 percent below last year. Marketings of fed cattle during February amounted to 127,000 head, 2 percent above a year earlier.

Iowa: On March 1, there were 2,082,000 cattle and calves on feed for slaughter market in Iowa, down 3 percent from February 1. Placements of cattle on feed were 188,000 head and marketings of fed cattle totaled 252,000 head during February. Comparable monthly data for Iowa are not available for prior years.

February Marketings for 15 Markets: Steers and heifers marketed out of first hands for slaughter at 15 major livestock markets totaled 411,531 head during February, 4 percent less than the February 1966 number. Steer marketings, at 275,926 head, were 2 percent below last year's February marketings, and heifer marketings, at 135,605 head, were 6 percent lower.

Steers and heifers grading prime, choice, and good totaled 387,353 head, 3 percent lower than the marketings of these three grades in February last year.

The average live weight of steers during February was 1,138 pounds this year compared with 1,121 pounds last year. Heifers averaged 948 pounds compared with 931 pounds 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		
	1966	1967	1967 as % of 1966	1966	1967	1967 as % of 1966
	1,000	1,000	Percent	1,000	1,000	Percent
	head	head		head	head	
Arizona	331	370	112	306	361	118
California	829	910	110	786	775	99
Colorado	585	621	106	572	599	105
Nebraska	1,227	1,362	111	1,225	1,326	108
Texas	520	698	134	504	679	135
Total 5 States	3,492	3,961	113	3,393	3,740	110
Iowa 2/	3/	2,146	---	3/	2,082	---

State	Placements during February			Marketings during February		
	1966	1967	1967 as % of 1966	1966	1967	1967 as % of 1966
	1,000	1,000	Percent	1,000	1,000	Percent
	head	head		head	head	
Arizona	26	37	142	51	46	90
California	135	45	33	178	180	101
Colorado	81	87	107	94	109	116
Nebraska	216	189	88	218	225	103
Texas	109	108	99	125	127	102
Total 5 States	567	466	82	666	687	103
Iowa	3/	188	---	3/	252	---

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. 2/ Monthly report financed by matching funds provided jointly by State agencies and C&MS, USDA under provisions of Agricultural Marketing Act of 1946. 3/ Data not available.

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

Item	Total 5 States		
	1966	1967	1967 as % of 1966
	1,000	1,000	Percent
	head	head	
On feed February 1	3,492	3,961	113
Placed on feed during February :	567	466	82
Marketed during February	666	687	103
On feed March 1	3,393	3,740	110

STEERS SOLD OUT OF FIRST HANDS AT SELECTED MARKETS FOR SLAUGHTER,
FEBRUARY 1966 AND 1967 1/

MARKET AND GRADE	NUMBER		AVERAGE WEIGHT		AVERAGE PRICE PER 100 POUNDS LIVELWEIGHT	
	1966	1967	1966	1967	1966	1967
	HEAD	HEAD	POUNDS	POUNDS	DOLLARS	DOLLARS
CHICAGO						
PRIME.....	8,395	12,926	1,256	1,230	29.27	25.73
CHOICE.....	46,713	47,607	1,166	1,183	27.79	24.92
GOOD.....	10,729	7,560	1,064	1,089	26.19	24.06
OTHER 2/.....	3,570	1,788	1,042	1,092	23.55	21.95
TOTAL.....	69,407	69,881	1,154	1,179	27.55	24.92
CINCINNATI						
PRIME.....	---	---	---	---	---	---
CHOICE.....	1,405	1,172	1,061	1,032	26.90	25.18
GOOD.....	2,673	1,596	999	1,044	24.87	23.90
OTHER 2/.....	1,577	529	1,037	1,045	21.25	21.96
TOTAL.....	5,155	3,297	1,024	1,040	24.67	24.04
DENVER						
PRIME.....	315	20	1,157	1,118	27.16	24.58
CHOICE.....	4,159	2,490	1,162	1,152	26.74	24.01
GOOD.....	1,193	446	1,100	1,120	25.25	22.69
OTHER 2/.....	135	10	1,051	1,022	22.15	21.00
TOTAL.....	5,802	2,966	1,146	1,147	26.37	23.81
FORT WORTH						
PRIME.....	---	---	---	---	---	---
CHOICE.....	100	109	952	955	25.91	24.16
GOOD.....	271	357	888	954	24.72	23.34
OTHER 2/.....	28	246	765	889	22.28	20.76
TOTAL.....	399	712	896	932	24.89	22.61
INDIANAPOLIS						
PRIME.....	6	14	1,022	935	28.99	26.25
CHOICE.....	3,722	4,771	1,099	1,095	27.14	24.92
GOOD.....	6,086	4,236	1,056	1,077	25.75	23.79
OTHER 2/.....	1,403	1,554	1,043	1,080	22.34	22.00
TOTAL.....	11,217	10,575	1,069	1,085	25.81	24.04
KANSAS CITY						
PRIME.....	57	293	1,236	1,065	28.24	24.64
CHOICE.....	11,757	12,598	1,101	1,123	26.57	23.86
GOOD.....	5,155	5,974	1,078	1,093	25.16	22.74
OTHER 2/.....	1,033	400	1,093	1,012	22.43	20.72
TOTAL.....	18,002	19,265	1,095	1,110	25.94	23.47
OKLAHOMA CITY						
PRIME.....	---	---	---	---	---	---
CHOICE.....	451	782	1,116	1,127	26.22	23.63
GOOD.....	178	279	1,033	1,029	25.35	22.74
OTHER 2/.....	---	---	---	---	---	---
TOTAL.....	629	1,061	1,093	1,101	25.99	23.41
OMAHA						
PRIME.....	1,609	1,817	1,171	1,166	28.06	24.72
CHOICE.....	37,256	31,211	1,145	1,159	27.11	24.03
GOOD.....	18,962	16,449	1,087	1,118	25.67	23.13
OTHER 2/.....	1,875	1,839	1,098	1,146	22.84	21.51
TOTAL.....	59,702	51,316	1,126	1,145	26.56	23.68

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STEERS SOLD OUT OF FIRST HANDS AT SELECTED MARKETS FOR SLAUGHTER,
FEBRUARY 1966 AND 1967 ^{1/}

MARKET AND GRADE	NUMBER		AVERAGE WEIGHT		AVERAGE PRICE PER 100 POUNDS LIVELWEIGHT	
	1966	1967	1966	1967	1966	1967
	HEAD	HEAD	POUNDS	POUNDS	DOLLARS	DOLLARS
ST. LOUIS NSY						
PRIME.....	52	201	1,066	1,176	27.64	25.36
CHOICE.....	8,462	9,073	1,083	1,092	26.60	24.47
GOOD.....	8,760	6,984	1,053	1,056	25.54	23.54
OTHER ^{2/}	884	903	1,048	1,070	22.65	21.40
TOTAL.....	16,158	17,161	1,065	1,077	25.82	23.95
SIOUX CITY						
PRIME.....	2,946	2,591	1,181	1,187	27.89	24.73
CHOICE.....	24,468	24,731	1,143	1,155	26.77	24.08
GOOD.....	7,211	6,149	1,092	1,108	25.29	23.16
OTHER ^{2/}	1,098	788	1,116	1,126	22.37	21.31
TOTAL.....	35,723	34,259	1,135	1,148	26.44	23.91
SIOUX FALLS						
PRIME.....	232	73	1,151	1,111	28.00	24.87
CHOICE.....	7,470	8,704	1,168	1,185	26.98	24.01
GOOD.....	3,532	4,985	1,125	1,102	25.47	23.59
OTHER ^{2/}	847	1,156	1,154	1,150	22.59	21.35
TOTAL.....	12,081	14,918	1,154	1,154	26.26	23.67
SO. ST. JOSEPH						
PRIME.....	493	397	1,174	1,132	27.62	24.59
CHOICE.....	16,795	15,734	1,123	1,136	26.88	23.91
GOOD.....	7,828	8,419	1,069	1,097	25.51	22.91
OTHER ^{2/}	1,064	942	1,102	1,125	22.54	21.01
TOTAL.....	26,180	25,492	1,106	1,122	26.32	23.49
SOUTH ST. PAUL ^{3/}						
PRIME.....	---	---	---	---	---	---
CHOICE.....	8,766	8,381	1,131	1,134	27.30	24.10
GOOD.....	4,681	3,967	1,048	1,103	25.39	22.99
OTHER ^{2/}	3,044	3,802	1,063	1,077	22.18	20.91
TOTAL.....	16,491	16,150	1,095	1,113	25.86	23.10
WEST FARGO						
PRIME.....	---	---	---	---	---	---
CHOICE.....	1,429	2,513	1,117	1,143	26.41	23.78
GOOD.....	1,652	2,818	1,089	1,082	24.68	22.60
OTHER ^{2/}	623	729	1,125	1,020	21.91	20.34
TOTAL.....	3,704	6,060	1,106	1,100	24.88	22.86
LOUISVILLE						
PRIME.....	---	75	---	1,034	---	25.70
CHOICE.....	946	1,187	1,041	1,048	26.55	24.74
GOOD.....	1,118	1,186	1,036	1,058	25.44	23.57
OTHER ^{2/}	304	365	1,109	1,057	22.54	21.51
TOTAL.....	2,368	2,813	1,048	1,053	25.49	23.85
TOTAL 15 MARKETS						
PRIME.....	13,805	18,407	1,222	1,211	28.72	25.45
CHOICE.....	171,899	171,063	1,141	1,153	27.15	24.32
GOOD.....	80,029	71,405	1,071	1,094	25.56	23.27
OTHER ^{2/}	16,985	15,051	1,073	1,089	22.58	21.33
TOTAL.....	282,718	275,926	1,121	1,138	26.54	23.99

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^{2/} STANDARD, COMMERCIAL AND UTILITY.
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HEIFERS SOLD OUT OF FIRST HANDS AT SELECTED MARKETS FOR SLAUGHTER,
FEBRUARY 1966 AND 1967 1/

MARKET AND GRADE	NUMBER		AVERAGE WEIGHT		AVERAGE PRICE PER 100 POUNDS LIVELWEIGHT	
	1966	1967	1966	1967	1966	1967
	HEAD	HEAD	POUNDS	POUNDS	DOLLARS	DOLLARS
CHICAGO						
PRIME.....	1,792	2,819	1,018	982	27.68	24.74
CHOICE.....	8,993	9,433	955	963	26.61	24.04
GOOD.....	4,917	3,043	894	899	25.09	22.57
OTHER 2/.....	2,242	614	899	900	22.58	20.70
TOTAL.....	17,944	15,909	938	952	25.85	23.78
CINCINNATI						
PRIME.....	---	---	---	---	---	---
CHOICE.....	478	454	810	834	25.56	24.02
GOOD.....	1,502	787	807	820	23.74	22.61
OTHER 2/.....	038	233	758	832	20.21	20.78
TOTAL.....	2,618	1,474	795	826	23.26	22.76
DENVER						
PRIME.....	180	---	976	---	26.34	---
CHOICE.....	3,951	2,172	935	966	25.71	23.52
GOOD.....	1,504	561	901	965	24.59	22.49
OTHER 2/.....	93	40	992	899	20.86	21.23
TOTAL.....	5,728	2,773	928	965	25.36	23.28
FORT WORTH						
PRIME.....	---	---	---	---	---	---
CHOICE.....	51	74	674	803	24.80	23.34
GOOD.....	670	627	653	692	24.42	22.25
OTHER 2/.....	61	123	909	671	21.10	20.93
TOTAL.....	782	824	674	699	24.09	22.17
INDIANAPOLIS						
PRIME.....	10	4	888	818	27.28	25.26
CHOICE.....	2,197	2,001	920	911	25.67	23.80
GOOD.....	1,503	1,438	864	854	23.75	22.42
OTHER 2/.....	304	673	846	853	21.01	20.75
TOTAL.....	4,014	4,116	894	882	24.64	22.85
KANSAS CITY						
PRIME.....	6	182	933	933	26.50	24.12
CHOICE.....	2,854	3,614	915	917	25.55	23.29
GOOD.....	2,682	1,973	856	875	23.81	21.88
OTHER 2/.....	221	7	902	857	20.89	20.48
TOTAL.....	5,763	5,776	887	903	24.59	22.85
OKLAHOMA CITY						
PRIME.....	---	---	---	---	---	---
CHOICE.....	161	325	785	879	24.94	23.25
GOOD.....	156	541	870	725	23.85	22.43
OTHER 2/.....	8	3	1,042	908	21.30	20.40
TOTAL.....	325	869	832	783	24.28	22.76
OMAHA						
PRIME.....	1,497	1,674	1,012	1,042	27.25	24.52
CHOICE.....	27,850	25,231	958	980	26.34	23.78
GOOD.....	14,748	12,584	907	933	24.55	22.64
OTHER 2/.....	1,485	1,365	957	948	20.99	20.00
TOTAL.....	45,580	40,854	943	967	25.64	23.35

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FEBRUARY 1966 AND 1967 1/

MARKET AND GRADE	NUMBER		AVERAGE WEIGHT		AVERAGE PRICE PER 100 POUNDS LIVELINEWEIGHT	
	1966	1967	1966	1967	1966	1967
	HEAD	HEAD	POUNDS	POUNDS	DOLLARS	DOLLARS
ST. LOUIS NSY						
PRIME.....	36	57	951	956	26.79	24.09
CHOICE.....	1,988	3,645	915	900	25.67	23.41
GOOD.....	3,414	2,408	861	860	23.89	22.26
OTHER 2/.....	1,116	365	872	889	21.23	20.11
TOTAL.....	6,554	6,475	880	885	24.02	22.81
SIOUX CITY						
PRIME.....	1,848	1,116	1,021	1,009	26.66	24.13
CHOICE.....	12,473	11,479	959	973	25.61	23.36
GOOD.....	4,590	2,966	921	946	23.63	21.95
OTHER 2/.....	268	737	954	959	20.51	20.13
TOTAL.....	19,179	16,298	956	970	25.19	23.02
SIOUX FALLS						
PRIME.....	95	172	1,048	1,058	26.79	24.34
CHOICE.....	5,779	6,602	977	1,010	25.87	23.39
GOOD.....	3,013	3,594	941	955	24.12	22.34
OTHER 2/.....	764	1,369	988	952	21.14	20.70
TOTAL.....	9,651	11,737	967	987	24.97	22.79
SO. ST. JOSEPH						
PRIME.....	---	91	---	970	---	24.27
CHOICE.....	4,672	4,690	918	937	25.89	23.40
GOOD.....	3,136	3,206	896	909	24.17	22.13
OTHER 2/.....	202	194	868	869	21.35	19.84
TOTAL.....	8,010	8,181	908	925	25.12	22.84
SOUTH ST. PAUL 3/						
PRIME.....	---	---	---	---	---	---
CHOICE.....	4,098	7,476	959	976	26.37	23.61
GOOD.....	5,252	4,243	923	912	24.66	22.03
OTHER 2/.....	2,844	2,389	945	956	20.25	18.84
TOTAL.....	12,194	14,108	940	954	24.21	22.34
WEST FARGO						
PRIME.....	---	---	---	---	---	---
CHOICE.....	1,041	1,827	964	974	25.37	22.87
GOOD.....	1,928	1,411	932	921	23.71	21.72
OTHER 2/.....	1,110	788	941	952	18.84	18.61
TOTAL.....	4,079	4,026	942	951	22.82	21.65
LOUISVILLE						
PRIME.....	---	97	---	927	---	24.71
CHOICE.....	759	1,014	887	891	25.21	23.94
GOOD.....	969	847	856	867	23.54	22.68
OTHER 2/.....	214	227	888	913	20.79	20.04
TOTAL.....	1,942	2,185	872	886	23.90	23.08
TOTAL 15 MARKETS						
PRIME.....	5,464	6,212	1,016	1,003	27.15	24.53
CHOICE.....	77,345	80,037	950	966	26.07	23.62
GOOD.....	49,984	40,229	896	909	24.30	22.34
OTHER 2/.....	11,570	9,127	917	930	20.88	19.81
TOTAL.....	144,363	135,605	931	948	25.11	23.05

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