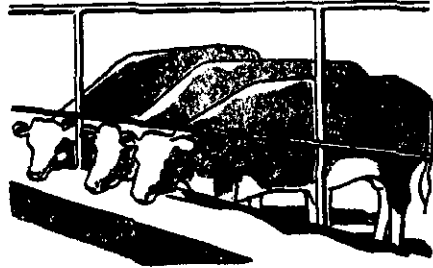


CATTLE ON FEED



CATTLE SOLD FOR SLAUGHTER--Selected Markets

February 1, 1968

February 13, 1968

On February 1, 1968, there were an estimated 6,216,000 head of cattle and calves on feed for slaughter market in Arizona, California, Colorado, Iowa, Nebraska, and Texas according to the Crop Reporting Board. This was 3 percent more than on January 1, and 2 percent more than a year earlier. Cattle and calves placed on feed in these States during January totaled 1,365,000 head, 14 percent more than during January 1967. Marketings of fed cattle for slaughter during January were 1,161,000 head, up 9 percent from a year earlier.

Arizona: Cattle and calves on feed for slaughter market in Arizona on February 1 totaled 383,000 head, slightly below a month earlier but 2 percent above a year earlier. Placements of cattle and calves on feed during January, at 47,000 head, were 2 percent above January 1967. Fed cattle marketings during January of 49,000 head were 14 percent more than a year earlier.

California: On February 1, feed lots in California held 799,000 head of cattle and calves being fed for slaughter market, 11 percent below the January 1 number and 12 percent below February 1, 1967. There were 99,000 head placed on feed during January, 24 percent below the preceding year. January marketings of fed cattle for slaughter were 202,000 head, down 1 percent from a year earlier.

Colorado: A total of 624,000 head of cattle and calves were on feed for slaughter market in Colorado on February 1. This was 2 percent below January 1, but 1 percent above a year earlier. Placements of cattle and calves on feed during January, at 97,000 head, were 8 percent below a year earlier. January fed cattle marketings, at 110,000 head, were 10 percent larger than January 1967.

Iowa: The number of cattle and calves on feed for slaughter market in Iowa on February 1 was 2,232,000 head, 16 percent above the January 1 number and 4 percent above a year earlier. January placements of cattle on feed were 658,000 head, 49 percent above the January 1967 placements. Combined placements during December 1967 and January 1968 were up 1 percent from a year earlier. Marketings of fed cattle during January, at 350,000 head, were 9 percent above a year earlier.

Nebraska: There were 1,371,000 head of cattle and calves on feed for slaughter market on February 1 in Nebraska, 1 percent above both the January 1 number and February 1, 1967. Placements of cattle and calves on feed during January totaled 317,000 head, 1 percent less than a year earlier. Marketings of fed cattle at 300,000 head, were 12 percent above January 1967.

Texas: The number of cattle and calves on feed for slaughter market in Texas on February 1 was 807,000 head, slightly below the January 1 number but 16 percent above February 1, 1967. January placements of cattle on feed were 147,000 head, 4 percent below a year earlier. Marketings of fed cattle during January amounted to 150,000 head, 16 percent above a year earlier.

January Marketings for 15 Markets: Steers and heifers marketed out of first hands for slaughter at 15 major livestock markets totaled 484,369 head during January, 5 percent less than the January 1967 number. Steer marketings, at 320,055 head, were 7 percent below last year's January marketings, and heifer marketings, at 164,314 head, were 3 percent below.

Steers and heifers grading prime, choice, and good totaled 458,770 head, 6 percent less than the marketings of these three grades in January last year.

The average live weight of steers marketed during January was 1,129 pounds this year, compared with 1,147 pounds last year. Heifers averaged 945 pounds compared with 960 pounds last year.

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

State	Number on feed 1/					
	January 1			February 1		
	1967	1968	1968 as % of 1967	1967	1968	1968 as % of 1967
	1,000	1,000		1,000	1,000	
	<u>head</u>	<u>head</u>	<u>Percent</u>	<u>head</u>	<u>head</u>	<u>Percent</u>
Arizona	373	385	103	376	383	102
California	984	902	92	910	799	88
Colorado	609	637	105	615	624	101
Iowa 2/	2,025	1,924	95	2,146	2,232	104
Nebraska	1,308	1,354	104	1,362	1,371	101
Texas	674	810	120	698	807	116
Total 6 States	5,973	6,012	101	6,107	6,216	102

State	Placements during January			Marketings during January		
	1967	1968	1968 as % of 1967	1967	1968	1968 as % of 1967
		1,000	1,000		1,000	1,000
	<u>head</u>	<u>head</u>	<u>Percent</u>	<u>head</u>	<u>head</u>	<u>Percent</u>
Arizona	46	47	102	43	49	114
California	130	99	76	204	202	99
Colorado	106	97	92	100	110	110
Iowa 2/	441	658	149	320	350	109
Nebraska	321	317	99	267	300	112
Texas	153	147	96	129	150	116
Total 6 States	1,197	1,365	114	1,063	1,161	109

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.

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

Item	Total 6 States		
	1967	1968	1968 as % of 1967
		1,000	1,000
	<u>head</u>	<u>head</u>	<u>Percent</u>
On feed January 1	5,973	6,012	101
Placed on feed during January	1,197	1,365	114
Marketed during January	1,063	1,161	109
On feed February 1	6,107	6,216	102

STEERS SOLD OUT OF FIRST HANDS AT SELECTED MARKETS FOR SLAUGHTER,
JANUARY 1967 AND 1968 ^{1/}

MARKET AND GRADE	NUMBER		AVERAGE WEIGHT		AVERAGE PRICE PER 100 POUNDS LIVEWEIGHT	
	1967	1968	1967	1968	1967	1968
	HEAD	HEAD	POUNDS	POUNDS	DOLLARS	DOLLARS
CHICAGO						
PRIME.....	18,878	8,107	1,221	1,262	25.77	28.18
CHOICE.....	59,412	61,138	1,184	1,161	25.25	26.87
GOOD.....	8,402	9,866	1,114	1,087	24.27	25.01
OTHER ^{2/}	2,298	2,217	1,115	1,075	22.34	21.99
TOTAL.....	88,990	81,328	1,183	1,160	25.21	26.68
CINCINNATI						
PRIME.....	---	19	---	1,041	---	27.50
CHOICE.....	1,486	1,755	1,057	1,034	25.22	26.34
GOOD.....	2,027	1,618	1,055	1,017	24.06	24.96
OTHER ^{2/}	696	304	1,065	1,125	21.93	21.61
TOTAL.....	4,209	3,696	1,057	1,034	24.11	25.33
DENVER						
PRIME.....	13	61	1,267	1,087	24.32	26.28
CHOICE.....	2,505	919	1,143	1,104	24.74	25.35
GOOD.....	672	313	1,112	1,057	23.37	23.99
OTHER ^{2/}	33	31	1,013	1,014	20.97	20.22
TOTAL.....	3,223	1,324	1,136	1,090	24.42	24.97
FORT WORTH						
PRIME.....	---	---	---	---	---	---
CHOICE.....	285	73	1,091	1,048	24.49	25.29
GOOD.....	294	298	890	894	23.22	23.33
OTHER ^{2/}	176	73	939	808	20.94	21.47
TOTAL.....	755	444	977	905	23.25	23.43
INDIANAPOLIS						
PRIME.....	3	63	1,060	1,096	26.01	27.92
CHOICE.....	6,416	5,354	1,106	1,093	25.09	26.42
GOOD.....	4,556	3,370	1,095	1,070	24.06	24.70
OTHER ^{2/}	1,817	1,273	1,075	1,079	22.39	22.15
TOTAL.....	12,792	10,060	1,097	1,084	24.35	25.32
KANSAS CITY						
PRIME.....	364	424	1,123	1,118	25.30	26.57
CHOICE.....	15,505	11,057	1,114	1,092	24.24	25.15
GOOD.....	7,022	7,609	1,094	1,085	23.15	23.07
OTHER ^{2/}	1,217	560	1,122	1,124	21.06	19.74
TOTAL.....	24,108	19,650	1,109	1,091	23.78	24.22
OKLAHOMA CITY						
PRIME.....	---	---	---	---	---	---
CHOICE.....	1,021	278	1,116	1,130	24.08	25.13
GOOD.....	109	314	996	1,081	23.12	24.14
OTHER ^{2/}	36	3	912	938	19.81	20.82
TOTAL.....	1,166	595	1,098	1,103	23.89	24.60
OMAHA						
PRIME.....	2,611	2,125	1,163	1,148	25.32	26.46
CHOICE.....	43,732	34,920	1,162	1,162	24.64	25.57
GOOD.....	19,986	20,071	1,145	1,126	23.66	24.30
OTHER ^{2/}	2,034	1,441	1,151	1,169	21.70	20.71
TOTAL.....	68,363	58,557	1,157	1,149	24.30	25.05

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STEERS SOLD OUT OF FIRST HANDS AT SELECTED MARKETS FOR SLAUGHTER,
JANUARY 1967 AND 1968 ^y

MARKET AND GRADE	NUMBER		AVERAGE WEIGHT		AVERAGE PRICE PER 100 POUNDS LIVELWEIGHT	
	1967	1968	1967	1968	1967	1968
	HEAD	HEAD	POUNDS	POUNDS	DOLLARS	DOLLARS
ST. LOUIS NSY						
PRIME.....	298	200	1,061	1,073	25.57	26.92
CHOICE.....	10,697	11,526	1,091	1,064	24.86	25.75
GOOD.....	8,515	8,757	1,072	1,019	23.92	24.16
OTHER ^{2/}	824	1,683	1,103	1,071	21.47	20.93
TOTAL.....	20,334	22,166	1,083	1,047	24.34	24.77
SIOUX CITY						
PRIME.....	3,613	3,166	1,161	1,193	25.12	26.69
CHOICE.....	31,938	33,949	1,163	1,152	24.52	25.75
GOOD.....	8,041	8,803	1,131	1,113	23.60	24.32
OTHER ^{2/}	1,049	689	1,155	1,152	21.85	20.89
TOTAL.....	44,641	46,607	1,157	1,148	24.35	25.48
SIOUX FALLS						
PRIME.....	205	181	1,168	1,174	25.12	26.47
CHOICE.....	12,170	10,376	1,182	1,168	24.43	25.40
GOOD.....	3,858	4,218	1,164	1,113	23.37	24.01
OTHER ^{2/}	1,180	853	1,167	1,206	21.75	20.48
TOTAL.....	17,413	15,628	1,177	1,155	24.02	24.77
SO. ST. JOSEPH						
PRIME.....	830	490	1,157	1,107	25.31	26.49
CHOICE.....	19,609	18,717	1,144	1,122	24.49	25.49
GOOD.....	8,401	8,521	1,096	1,090	23.42	23.61
OTHER ^{2/}	926	424	1,183	1,171	21.28	20.09
TOTAL.....	29,766	28,152	1,132	1,113	24.12	24.86
SOUTH ST. PAUL ^{3/}						
PRIME.....	---	130	---	1,167	---	26.88
CHOICE.....	9,922	9,801	1,142	1,124	24.64	25.65
GOOD.....	3,736	5,639	1,099	1,062	23.59	23.97
OTHER ^{2/}	4,372	3,491	1,105	1,112	21.49	20.96
TOTAL.....	18,030	19,061	1,124	1,103	23.68	24.32
WEST FARGO						
PRIME.....	---	---	---	---	---	---
CHOICE.....	3,209	4,117	1,125	1,121	24.17	24.97
GOOD.....	2,537	2,829	1,075	1,056	22.90	23.29
OTHER ^{2/}	670	2,409	1,066	1,133	20.44	21.06
TOTAL.....	6,416	9,355	1,099	1,104	23.30	23.45
LOUISVILLE						
PRIME.....	107	134	1,033	1,009	25.61	27.08
CHOICE.....	1,541	1,365	1,081	1,031	24.79	26.17
GOOD.....	1,202	1,347	1,103	1,035	23.64	24.71
OTHER ^{2/}	259	586	1,107	1,103	21.58	21.85
TOTAL.....	3,109	3,432	1,090	1,044	24.10	24.86
TOTAL 15 MARKETS						
PRIME.....	26,922	15,100	1,201	1,214	25.62	27.49
CHOICE.....	219,448	205,345	1,156	1,141	24.76	25.99
GOOD.....	79,358	83,573	1,112	1,087	23.66	24.15
OTHER ^{2/}	17,587	16,037	1,116	1,115	21.68	21.12
TOTAL.....	343,315	320,055	1,147	1,129	24.43	25.36

^{1/} DATA COLLECTED BY LIVESTOCK DIV., C & MS AND STATISTICAL REPORTING SERVICE.
^{2/} STANDARD, COMMERCIAL AND UTILITY.
^{3/} PARTIAL RECEIPTS.

HEIFERS SOLD OUT OF FIRST HANDS AT SELECTED MARKETS FOR SLAUGHTER,
JANUARY 1967 AND 1968 *y*

MARKET AND GRADE	NUMBER		AVERAGE WEIGHT		AVERAGE PRICE PER 100 POUNDS LIVELWEIGHT	
	1967	1968	1967	1968	1967	1968
	<u>HEAD</u>	<u>HEAD</u>	<u>POUNDS</u>	<u>POUNDS</u>	<u>DOLLARS</u>	<u>DOLLARS</u>
CHICAGO						
PRIME.....	4,055	2,047	989	995	24.96	26.45
CHOICE.....	12,650	14,971	966	953	24.29	25.70
GOOD.....	2,325	3,439	914	901	22.89	23.74
OTHER <i>z</i>	753	828	951	870	71.10	21.24
TOTAL.....	19,783	21,285	964	946	26.04	25.31
CINCINNATI						
PRIME.....	---	---	---	---	---	---
CHOICE.....	565	1,002	843	888	24.08	25.20
GOOD.....	865	803	804	832	23.03	23.26
OTHER <i>z</i>	181	121	765	783	20.89	20.16
TOTAL.....	1,611	1,926	814	858	23.18	24.13
DENVER						
PRIME.....	24	32	938	1,013	25.08	25.45
CHOICE.....	3,105	1,055	968	975	24.40	24.96
GOOD.....	661	550	926	920	23.16	23.23
OTHER <i>z</i>	27	21	1,031	1,019	20.96	19.91
TOTAL.....	3,817	1,658	961	958	24.17	24.35
FORT WORTH						
PRIME.....	---	---	---	---	---	---
CHOICE.....	102	177	671	632	23.85	24.24
GOOD.....	612	706	739	646	22.68	23.02
OTHER <i>z</i>	235	233	654	618	21.72	21.47
TOTAL.....	949	1,116	711	638	22.58	22.90
INDIANAPOLIS						
PRIME.....	---	49	---	941	---	26.27
CHOICE.....	2,506	2,324	925	913	24.03	25.21
GOOD.....	1,756	1,932	868	856	22.92	23.37
OTHER <i>z</i>	582	634	876	838	21.18	20.90
TOTAL.....	4,844	4,939	899	882	23.31	24.00
KANSAS CITY						
PRIME.....	208	208	963	951	24.37	25.34
CHOICE.....	5,556	3,537	927	910	23.46	24.04
GOOD.....	2,846	3,545	880	858	22.00	21.87
OTHER <i>z</i>	---	247	---	900	---	19.05
TOTAL.....	8,610	7,537	912	886	23.02	22.93
OKLAHOMA CITY						
PRIME.....	---	---	---	---	---	---
CHOICE.....	352	112	939	932	23.94	24.38
GOOD.....	509	216	827	912	22.78	22.75
OTHER <i>z</i>	40	---	1,071	---	19.21	---
TOTAL.....	901	328	881	919	23.07	23.32
OMAHA						
PRIME.....	2,260	2,339	1,046	1,005	24.78	25.66
CHOICE.....	35,449	29,479	987	972	24.04	24.97
GOOD.....	13,123	15,921	937	943	22.93	23.70
OTHER <i>z</i>	945	700	971	1,004	20.43	20.07
TOTAL.....	51,777	48,439	977	965	23.74	24.52

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JANUARY 1967 AND 1968 ^{1/}

MARKET AND GRADE	NUMBER		AVERAGE WEIGHT		AVERAGE PRICE PER 100 POUNDS LIVWEIGHT	
	1967	1968	1967	1968	1967	1968
	HEAD	HEAD	POUNDS	POUNDS	DOLLARS	DOLLARS
ST. LOUIS NSY						
PRIME.....	220	73	973	984	24.38	25.45
CHOICE.....	4,352	4,710	923	911	23.74	24.51
GOOD.....	3,214	3,852	876	852	22.60	22.35
OTHER ^{2/}	600	807	890	861	20.53	19.19
TOTAL.....	8,386	9,442	904	883	23.10	23.22
SIOUX CITY						
PRIME.....	1,888	1,676	1,040	1,017	24.37	25.64
CHOICE.....	16,083	15,865	990	974	23.64	24.71
GOOD.....	4,022	3,966	951	940	22.30	23.05
OTHER ^{2/}	824	236	989	972	20.85	19.99
TOTAL.....	22,817	21,743	987	971	23.37	24.44
SIOUX FALLS						
PRIME.....	270	176	1,073	1,043	24.22	25.33
CHOICE.....	7,997	8,610	1,021	1,001	23.62	24.50
GOOD.....	3,624	3,614	970	939	22.41	22.56
OTHER ^{2/}	780	756	974	969	20.75	19.72
TOTAL.....	12,671	13,156	1,005	983	23.13	23.74
SO. ST. JOSEPH ^{3/}						
PRIME.....	124	65	1,007	1,007	24.79	25.50
CHOICE.....	5,891	5,857	945	931	23.84	24.62
GOOD.....	3,596	3,980	894	897	22.59	22.74
OTHER ^{2/}	242	74	903	921	20.01	19.01
TOTAL.....	9,853	9,976	926	918	23.32	23.85
SOUTH ST. PAUL ^{3/}						
PRIME.....	---	24	---	1,071	---	25.28
CHOICE.....	6,828	7,349	982	959	23.79	24.82
GOOD.....	5,295	4,848	942	932	22.52	22.91
OTHER ^{2/}	2,546	3,271	972	978	18.72	18.38
TOTAL.....	14,669	15,492	966	955	22.45	22.84
WEST FARGO						
PRIME.....	---	---	---	---	---	---
CHOICE.....	3,212	2,293	980	963	23.28	23.94
GOOD.....	1,504	1,407	933	933	21.69	22.46
OTHER ^{2/}	791	1,364	955	944	18.31	18.32
TOTAL.....	5,507	5,064	964	950	22.15	22.03
LOUISVILLE						
PRIME.....	178	103	910	908	24.69	25.80
CHOICE.....	1,524	851	895	883	24.12	25.28
GOOD.....	693	989	882	855	22.68	24.08
OTHER ^{2/}	248	270	921	868	20.77	21.48
TOTAL.....	2,643	2,213	895	870	23.47	24.31
TOTAL 15 MARKETS						
PRIME.....	9,227	6,792	1,014	1,002	24.73	25.87
CHOICE.....	106,172	98,192	974	960	23.90	24.89
GOOD.....	44,645	49,768	918	910	22.62	23.12
OTHER ^{2/}	8,794	9,562	943	929	24.25	19.28
TOTAL.....	168,838	164,314	960	945	23.64	24.10

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