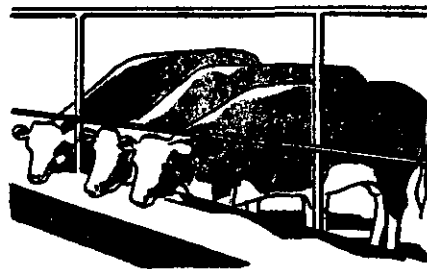


CATTLE ON FEED



CATTLE SOLD FOR SLAUGHTER--Selected Markets

August 1, 1968

August 13, 1968

The number of cattle and calves on feed for slaughter market in Arizona, California, Colorado, Iowa, Nebraska, and Texas on August 1, 1968 is estimated at 5,302,000 head, according to the Crop Reporting Board. This is 5 percent less than a month earlier but 11 percent more than on August 1, 1967. Cattle and calves placed on feed during July in these States totaled 879,000 head, 32 percent more than placements in July 1967. Marketings of fed cattle for slaughter from these States totaled 1,160,000 head during July, 13 percent more than a year earlier.

Arizona: Cattle and calves on feed for slaughter market in Arizona on August 1 totaled 323,000 head, 4 percent less than on July 1 but 4 percent more than August 1, 1967. Placements of cattle and calves on feed during July, at 47,000 head, were 13,000 head or 22 percent below a year earlier. Marketings of fed cattle during July 1968 were 59,000 head, 9 percent less than a year earlier.

California: The number of cattle and calves on feed for slaughter market in California on August 1 was 1,041,000 head, 1 percent more than a month earlier and 6 percent more than a year earlier. Placements of cattle and calves on feed during July totaled 184,000 head, 10 percent less than placements in July 1967. Marketings of fed cattle during July 1968 were 175,000 head, 14 percent more than a year earlier.

Colorado: Colorado feedlots contained 462,000 head of cattle and calves on feed for slaughter market on August 1. This is a 4 percent reduction from the preceding month, but a 6 percent increase from a year earlier. Placements of cattle and calves on feed were 108,000 head during July, 41,000 head more than July 1967. Marketings of fed cattle during July totaled 128,000 head, 16 percent above a year earlier.

Iowa: On August 1, 1968 there were 1,696,000 head of cattle and calves on feed for slaughter market in Iowa. This was 11 percent below July 1, but 10 percent above August 1, 1967. July placements of cattle and calves on feed were

140,000 head, 62,000 head or 79 percent more than a year earlier. Marketings of fed cattle during July totaled 360,000 head, 6 percent more than the same month last year.

Nebraska: There were 988,000 head of cattle and calves on feed for slaughter market on August 1 in Nebraska, 8 percent less than a month earlier, but 6 percent more than August 1, 1967. Placements of cattle and calves on feed during July totaled 203,000 head, 84,000 head more than in July a year earlier. Marketings of fed cattle during July were 285,000 head, 24 percent more than July 1967.

Texas: The number of cattle and calves on feed for slaughter market in Texas on August 1 was 792,000 head, 6 percent above the July 1 estimate and 34 percent above a year earlier. July placements of cattle and calves on feed were 197,000 head, 45 percent more than a year earlier. Marketings of fed cattle during July totaled 153,000 head, 17 percent above July 1967.

July Marketings for 15 Markets: Steers and heifers marketed out of first hands for slaughter at 15 major livestock markets during July totaled 454,326 head, 2 percent more than July 1967. Steer marketings, at 297,596 head, were 1 percent below last year's July marketings. Heifer marketings, at 156,730 head, were up 9 percent from a year earlier.

Steers and heifers grading prime, choice, or good totaled 435,094 head, 2 percent above the marketings of these three grades in July last year.

The average live weight of steers marketed during July was 1,114 pounds this year compared with 1,120 pounds a year earlier. Heifers averaged 904 pounds compared with 907 pounds last year.

Cattle and calves: Inventories, placements and marketings,
fed cattle, by States, July 1 to August 1

State	Number on feed 1/					
	July 1			August 1		
	1967	1968	1968 as % of 1967	1967	1968	1968 as % of 1967
	1,000 head	1,000 head	Percent	1,000 head	1,000 head	Percent
Arizona	317	335	106	312	323	104
California	929	1,032	111	980	1,041	106
Colorado	478	482	101	435	462	106
Iowa 2/	1,808	1,916	106	1,546	1,696	110
Nebraska	1,044	1,070	102	934	988	106
Texas	584	748	128	589	792	134
Total 6 States	5,160	5,583	108	4,796	5,302	111

State	Placements during July			Marketings during July		
	1967	1968	1968 as % of 1967	1967	1968	1968 as % of 1967
	1,000 head	1,000 head	Percent	1,000 head	1,000 head	Percent
Arizona	60	47	78	65	59	91
California	205	184	90	154	175	114
Colorado	67	108	161	110	128	116
Iowa 2/	78	140	179	340	360	106
Nebraska	119	203	171	229	285	124
Texas	136	197	145	131	153	117
Total 6 States	665	879	132	1,029	1,160	113

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.
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Cattle and calves: Inventories, placements and marketings,
fed cattle, July 1 to August 1

Item	Total 6 States		
	1967	1968	1968 as % of 1967
	1,000 head	1,000 head	Percent
On feed July 1	5,160	5,583	108
Placed on feed during July ..	665	879	132
Marketed during July	1,029	1,160	113
On feed August 1	4,796	5,302	111

STEERS SOLD OUT OF FIRST HANDS AT SELECTED MARKETS FOR SLAUGHTER,
JULY 1967 AND 1968 ¹

MARKET AND GRADE	NUMBER		AVERAGE WEIGHT		AVERAGE PRICE PER 100 POUNDS LIVELWEIGHT	
	1967	1968	1967	1968	1967	1968
	HEAD	HEAD	POUNDS	POUNDS	DOLLARS	DOLLARS
CHICAGO						
PRIME.....	12,443	9,239	1,270	1,295	27.21	28.55
CHOICE.....	57,497	54,606	1,172	1,175	26.40	27.65
GOOD.....	8,208	7,714	1,056	1,064	25.22	26.41
OTHER ²	1,609	2,371	1,080	1,070	23.44	24.43
TOTAL.....	79,757	73,930	1,173	1,175	26.37	27.56
CINCINNATI						
PRIME.....	45	---	1,049	---	26.50	---
CHOICE.....	2,604	2,654	1,019	1,022	26.07	26.77
GOOD.....	1,170	1,221	1,032	1,027	24.37	25.28
OTHER ²	243	91	1,051	1,047	22.00	22.74
TOTAL.....	4,062	3,966	1,025	1,024	25.33	26.22
DENVER						
PRIME.....	108	34	1,096	1,125	26.66	27.68
CHOICE.....	2,216	513	1,105	1,077	26.36	27.11
GOOD.....	523	192	1,049	1,111	24.93	25.07
OTHER ²	76	24	1,126	1,131	22.27	22.92
TOTAL.....	2,923	763	1,095	1,089	26.02	26.47
FORT WORTH						
PRIME.....	---	---	---	---	---	---
CHOICE.....	64	58	939	1,020	25.85	27.43
GOOD.....	135	119	861	791	25.46	26.68
OTHER ²	22	3	837	725	22.30	23.82
TOTAL.....	221	180	881	863	25.28	26.93
INDIANAPOLIS						
PRIME.....	488	197	1,066	1,100	27.02	27.91
CHOICE.....	6,498	8,587	1,079	1,096	26.05	26.98
GOOD.....	3,962	4,138	1,056	1,040	24.86	25.52
OTHER ²	934	1,169	1,066	1,078	23.06	23.40
TOTAL.....	11,882	14,091	1,069	1,078	25.46	26.28
KANSAS CITY						
PRIME.....	197	237	984	1,097	27.24	27.89
CHOICE.....	8,139	7,774	1,076	1,041	26.39	27.21
GOOD.....	3,415	3,259	1,036	1,049	25.19	25.83
OTHER ²	507	286	1,087	1,125	23.02	22.96
TOTAL.....	12,258	11,556	1,064	1,047	25.93	26.72
OKLAHOMA CITY						
PRIME.....	---	---	---	---	---	---
CHOICE.....	323	83	1,040	972	26.16	26.81
GOOD.....	30	39	956	963	25.56	26.19
OTHER ²	---	---	---	---	---	---
TOTAL.....	353	122	1,033	969	26.12	26.61
OMAHA						
PRIME.....	2,848	2,799	1,188	1,198	26.90	28.33
CHOICE.....	38,083	41,024	1,126	1,117	26.34	27.39
GOOD.....	16,901	12,719	1,060	1,057	25.27	26.10
OTHER ²	1,265	1,243	1,098	1,085	23.42	23.78
TOTAL.....	59,097	57,785	1,109	1,107	26.02	27.09

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

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.....	462	312	1,066	1,127	26.75	27.69
CHOICE.....	12,296	13,164	1,040	1,050	26.02	26.99
GOOD.....	6,166	8,204	988	996	24.91	26.02
OTHER ^{2/}	734	798	1,045	1,065	22.89	23.22
TOTAL.....	19,658	22,478	1,025	1,032	25.58	26.52
SIOUX CITY						
PRIME.....	2,879	4,019	1,225	1,240	26.79	28.29
CHOICE.....	29,633	31,163	1,139	1,122	26.13	27.44
GOOD.....	7,197	6,799	1,081	1,073	24.87	25.91
OTHER ^{2/}	1,001	693	1,106	1,065	23.16	23.62
TOTAL.....	40,710	42,674	1,134	1,124	25.90	27.24
SIOUX FALLS						
PRIME.....	199	214	1,215	1,195	26.81	28.16
CHOICE.....	9,921	8,640	1,178	1,152	26.25	27.44
GOOD.....	4,127	3,488	1,126	1,135	25.08	25.85
OTHER ^{2/}	1,442	1,028	1,169	1,136	23.14	24.21
TOTAL.....	15,689	13,370	1,164	1,147	25.67	26.79
SO. ST. JOSEPH						
PRIME.....	1,158	1,030	1,169	1,168	27.09	28.16
CHOICE.....	18,130	19,869	1,108	1,094	26.46	27.34
GOOD.....	6,777	3,993	1,059	1,052	25.14	25.84
OTHER ^{2/}	483	497	1,100	1,133	23.19	23.39
TOTAL.....	26,548	25,389	1,098	1,091	26.11	27.07
SOUTH ST. PAUL						
PRIME.....	540	201	1,216	1,189	26.89	28.27
CHOICE.....	9,232	8,746	1,135	1,099	26.21	27.66
GOOD.....	5,266	7,223	1,090	1,091	24.47	25.39
OTHER ^{2/}	3,123	2,153	1,071	1,060	22.82	23.62
TOTAL.....	18,161	18,323	1,113	1,092	25.18	26.31
WEST FARGO						
PRIME.....	---	282	---	1,111	---	27.56
CHOICE.....	3,391	3,159	1,100	1,057	25.72	26.69
GOOD.....	2,543	4,800	1,076	1,129	24.34	24.85
OTHER ^{2/}	735	492	1,043	1,046	22.57	23.35
TOTAL.....	6,669	8,733	1,085	1,098	24.87	25.50
LOUISVILLE						
PRIME.....	149	211	1,054	1,038	26.60	27.52
CHOICE.....	1,762	1,880	1,021	1,007	25.80	26.75
GOOD.....	1,568	1,540	1,128	1,100	24.09	24.39
OTHER ^{2/}	277	605	1,045	1,106	22.13	22.41
TOTAL.....	3,756	4,236	1,069	1,056	24.81	25.25
TOTAL 15 MARKETS						
PRIME.....	21,516	18,775	1,231	1,246	27.08	28.39
CHOICE.....	199,789	201,920	1,130	1,120	26.28	27.41
GOOD.....	67,988	65,448	1,061	1,063	24.99	25.79
OTHER ^{2/}	12,451	11,453	1,086	1,081	23.02	23.70
TOTAL.....	301,744	297,596	1,120	1,114	25.94	27.00

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2 STANDARD, COMMERCIAL AND UTILITY.

HEIFERS SOLD OUT OF FIRST HANDS AT SELECTED MARKETS FOR SLAUGHTER,
JULY 1967 AND 1968 1/

MARKET AND GRADE	NUMBER		AVERAGE WEIGHT		AVERAGE PRICE PER 100 POUNDS LIVELWEIGHT	
	1967	1968	1967	1968	1967	1968
	HEAD	HEAD	POUNDS	POUNDS	DOLLARS	DOLLARS
CHICAGO						
PRIME.....	2,902	1,893	959	972	26.27	27.20
CHOICE.....	11,903	10,551	911	927	25.51	26.55
GOOD.....	2,897	4,791	867	880	24.16	25.63
OTHER 2/.....	837	2,003	887	864	22.61	24.12
TOTAL.....	18,539	19,238	911	913	25.31	26.16
CINCINNATI						
PRIME.....	37	---	854	---	25.34	---
CHOICE.....	1,368	1,734	836	835	24.82	25.55
GOOD.....	801	908	790	778	23.50	24.28
OTHER 2/.....	29	50	763	696	21.48	21.18
TOTAL.....	2,235	2,692	819	813	24.33	25.07
DENVER						
PRIME.....	210	109	955	956	26.45	26.91
CHOICE.....	1,972	781	921	896	25.97	26.79
GOOD.....	663	161	850	859	24.77	25.03
OTHER 2/.....	---	31	---	975	---	20.95
TOTAL.....	2,845	1,082	907	899	25.75	26.37
FORT WORTH						
PRIME.....	---	---	---	---	---	---
CHOICE.....	62	26	709	713	25.87	26.75
GOOD.....	279	347	598	581	25.37	26.08
OTHER 2/.....	134	227	718	575	22.03	24.68
TOTAL.....	475	600	646	585	24.39	25.59
INDIANAPOLIS						
PRIME.....	---	69	---	880	---	26.60
CHOICE.....	3,260	2,836	875	883	24.86	25.78
GOOD.....	2,332	2,595	828	832	23.54	24.42
OTHER 2/.....	677	296	827	856	21.82	21.89
TOTAL.....	6,269	5,796	852	859	24.07	25.00
KANSAS CITY						
PRIME.....	104	141	946	907	26.05	26.76
CHOICE.....	3,801	3,497	855	858	25.38	26.04
GOOD.....	1,766	1,843	838	850	24.13	24.76
OTHER 2/.....	185	171	920	881	21.92	21.88
TOTAL.....	5,856	5,652	853	857	24.90	25.51
OKLAHOMA CITY						
PRIME.....	---	---	---	---	---	---
CHOICE.....	195	26	836	822	25.35	26.29
GOOD.....	183	156	765	779	24.64	25.06
OTHER 2/.....	---	---	---	---	---	---
TOTAL.....	378	182	801	785	25.02	25.24
OMAHA						
PRIME.....	1,863	2,571	987	985	26.40	27.30
CHOICE.....	27,838	30,937	930	925	25.70	26.58
GOOD.....	11,966	12,657	890	898	24.49	25.28
OTHER 2/.....	1,001	868	926	1,000	21.67	21.83
TOTAL.....	42,668	47,033	921	923	25.31	26.19

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JULY 1967 AND 1968 ^{1/}

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>
ST. LOUIS NSY						
PRIME.....	315	170	928	924	26.01	26.45
CHOICE.....	5,772	6,262	868	868	25.26	25.68
GOOD.....	3,026	3,500	826	831	24.03	24.50
OTHER 2/.....	501	294	861	797	21.63	21.87
TOTAL.....	9,614	10,226	856	854	24.72	25.20
SIOUX CITY						
PRIME.....	902	1,413	988	964	26.02	27.03
CHOICE.....	11,459	14,932	937	921	25.21	26.29
GOOD.....	3,863	3,417	903	893	23.85	24.99
OTHER 2/.....	194	324	954	998	21.41	22.22
TOTAL.....	16,418	20,086	932	921	24.90	26.06
SIOUX FALLS						
PRIME.....	41	72	1,078	1,020	26.08	27.16
CHOICE.....	4,128	6,831	953	937	25.50	26.36
GOOD.....	3,779	3,153	942	924	24.40	24.96
OTHER 2/.....	696	320	954	996	22.17	21.92
TOTAL.....	8,644	10,376	949	936	24.75	25.80
SO. ST. JOSEPH						
PRIME.....	35	97	955	930	26.06	26.99
CHOICE.....	6,195	7,792	894	890	25.48	26.34
GOOD.....	3,888	2,766	872	864	24.20	24.74
OTHER 2/.....	22	---	826	---	21.47	---
TOTAL.....	10,140	10,655	886	884	24.99	25.94
SOUTH ST. PAUL						
PRIME.....	570	1	1,003	1,210	26.35	27.52
CHOICE.....	6,462	10,118	930	898	25.66	26.57
GOOD.....	4,333	3,845	914	904	23.88	24.83
OTHER 2/.....	2,037	2,268	942	959	20.60	20.87
TOTAL.....	13,402	16,232	930	908	24.35	25.32
WEST FARGO						
PRIME.....	---	---	---	---	---	---
CHOICE.....	2,107	2,286	937	915	24.89	25.85
GOOD.....	1,153	1,050	909	914	23.50	24.34
OTHER 2/.....	866	838	928	949	19.68	20.61
TOTAL.....	4,126	4,174	927	922	23.42	24.39
LOUISVILLE						
PRIME.....	233	286	857	889	25.82	26.70
CHOICE.....	1,690	1,842	867	856	25.26	26.28
GOOD.....	736	489	827	827	23.74	24.51
OTHER 2/.....	89	89	880	920	21.29	21.20
TOTAL.....	2,748	2,706	856	856	24.78	25.84
TOTAL 15 MARKETS						
PRIME.....	7,212	6,822	969	968	26.25	27.15
CHOICE.....	88,212	100,451	914	910	25.48	26.37
GOOD.....	41,665	41,678	879	878	24.16	25.01
OTHER 2/.....	7,268	7,779	910	916	21.28	22.02
TOTAL.....	144,357	156,730	907	904	24.94	25.84

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