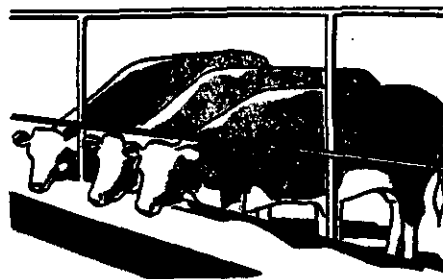


CATTLE ON FEED



CATTLE SOLD FOR SLAUGHTER--Selected Markets

October 1, 1968

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CATTLE ON FEED UP 11 PERCENT

Cattle and calves on feed for slaughter market on October 1, 1968 in 32 major feeding States is estimated at 9,506,000 head, 11 percent more than a year earlier, according to the Crop Reporting Board.

Cattle and calves on feed in the lighter weight groups were up sharply while those in the heavier weight groups showed only small changes from a year earlier. Placements during the July-September period were 14 percent above a year earlier. Marketings during the past quarter were 7 percent more than the same quarter last year.

The number of cattle and calves on feed October 1 increased 2 percent from July 1 compared with a 2 percent decrease during the July-September quarter in 1967.

NORTH CENTRAL STATES INCREASE 6 PERCENT

On October 1, 1968 there were 5,482,000 cattle and calves on feed in the North Central States, 6 percent more than a year earlier, but 5 percent less than on July 1 this year. The number on feed was 7 percent above a year earlier in Iowa, the leading cattle feeding State, and numbers were 1 percent larger in Nebraska, the second ranking State. Numbers were up from last year in Kansas, Minnesota, Wisconsin, Michigan, Indiana and Missouri but were down in South Dakota, Ohio, Illinois and North Dakota.

WESTERN STATES UP 12 PERCENT

There were 2,675,000 cattle and calves on feed October 1, 1968 in the 11 Western States, 12 percent more than a year earlier and 8 percent more than on July 1 this year. Numbers were up 10 percent from a year earlier in California, the leading State in this region, and up 15 percent in Colorado, the second ranking State in the region. All other States in the region recorded increases from a year earlier except Wyoming was unchanged and Oregon showed a small decrease.

OTHER CATTLE FEEDING STATES

The nine other cattle feeding States for which estimates are made -- Pennsylvania, Georgia, Florida, Kentucky, Tennessee, Alabama, Mississippi, Oklahoma, and Texas -- had 1,349,000 cattle on feed October 1 -- up 34 percent from a year earlier. Texas, which accounted for two-thirds of the total, showed an increase of 41 percent.

PLACEMENTS AND MARKETINGS UP

Cattle and calves placed on feed in the 32 States during July-September totaled 5,936,000 head, an increase of 14 percent or 721,000 head from the same period in 1967. Placements were up 8 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 July and August were up 17 percent from the same period in 1967.

Marketings of fed cattle for slaughter during the third quarter totaled 5,738,000 head -- 7 percent or 381,000 head above the corresponding period in 1967. Fed cattle marketings were up 5 percent in the North Central States and 8 percent in the Western States.

WEIGHT OF CATTLE ON FEED

The October 1 number of steers and steer calves on feed in the 32 States showed increases in all weight groups, except in the under 500 and 1,100 pounds and over. Heifers and heifer calves showed increases in all weight groups. The number of steers and steer calves in each weight group and change from October 1, 1967 are as follows: Under 500 pounds, 380,000 head, up 1,000 head; 500-699 pounds, 1,235,000 head, up 191,000 head; 700-899 pounds, 2,348,000 head, up 319,000 head; 900-1,099 pounds, 2,251,000 head, up 40,000 head; 1,100 pounds and over, 339,000 head, down 24,000 head. Heifers and heifer calves by weight groups and change from a year earlier are as follows: Under 500 pounds, 387,000 head, up 60,000 head; 500-699 pounds, 1,027,000 head, up 199,000 head; 700-899 pounds, 1,144,000 head, up 106,000 head; 900-1,099 pounds, 375,000 head, up 24,000 head.

KINDS ON FEED

Steers and steer calves on feed in the 32 States totaled 6,553,000 head, an increase of 9 percent from October a year ago. There were 2,933,000 head of heifers and heifer calves on feed, up 15 percent from a year earlier. Cows and others on feed October 1 totaled 20,000 head, an increase of 4,000 head from a year earlier.

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Cattle and calves: Number on feed July 1 and October 1; placements and marketings July-September; number on feed by kinds, time on feed and weight groups October 1; actual and expected marketings October-December 1967 and 1968, 32 States

Item	32 States		1968 as % of 1967
	Number		
	1967	1968	
	1,000	1,000	
	<u>head</u>	<u>head</u>	<u>Percent</u>
Cattle and calves on feed July 1	8,730	9,308	107
Cattle and calves placed on feed			
July 1-September 30 ^{1/}	5,215	5,936	114
Fed cattle marketed July 1-September 30 ^{1/}	5,357	5,738	107
Cattle and calves on feed October 1	8,588	9,506	111
<u>Kinds on feed October 1</u>			
Steers and steer calves	6,028	6,553	109
Heifers and heifer calves	2,544	2,933	115
Cows and other	16	20	125
<u>Time on feed October 1</u>			
Under 3 months	4,976	5,727	115
3 to 6 months	2,377	2,632	111
6 months and over	1,235	1,147	93
<u>Cattle and calves on feed by weight groups October 1</u>			
Less than 500 pounds	708	767	108
500-699 pounds	1,873	2,262	121
700-899 pounds	3,073	3,498	114
900-1,099 pounds	2,571	2,636	103
1,100 pounds and over	363	343	94
October-December marketings	5,027	5,355	107

- 1/ Includes cattle placed on feed after beginning of quarter and marketed before end of quarter.
- 2/ Actual marketings from October 1 number on feed, excluding those placed on feed after October 1 and marketed before December 31.
- 3/ Expected marketings from October 1, 1968 number on feed.

Cattle and calves on feed by quarters,
October 1, 1967, July 1, 1968 and October 1, 1968 ^{1/}

State	October 1, 1967	July 1, 1968	October 1, 1968	October 1, 1968 as percent of October 1, 1967
	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head	Percent
Pennsylvania	51	60	61	120
Ohio	182	212	180	99
Indiana	210	255	218	104
Illinois	538	575	521	97
Michigan	107	126	113	106
Wisconsin	98	112	105	107
Minnesota	349	443	422	121
Iowa	1,496	1,916	1,601	107
Missouri	306	286	312	102
North Dakota	50	51	45	90
South Dakota	223	276	221	99
Nebraska	1,164	1,070	1,174	101
Kansas	468	421	570	122
N. C. States	5,191	5,743	5,482	106
Georgia	42	41	52	124
Florida	37	35	46	124
Kentucky	37	38	39	105
Tennessee	19	14	24	126
Alabama	17	15	22	129
Mississippi	18	11	19	106
Oklahoma	141	123	179	127
Texas	644	748	907	141
Montana	63	53	65	103
Idaho	159	159	196	123
Wyoming	22	22	22	100
Colorado	488	482	560	115
New Mexico	126	147	160	127
Arizona	313	335	334	107
Utah	30	39	33	110
Nevada	17	21	32	188
Washington	137	124	142	104
Oregon	80	66	78	98
California	956	1,032	1,053	110
Western States	2,391	2,480	2,675	112
32 State Total	8,588	9,308	9,506	111

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

Cattle and calves: Placements and marketings,
by quarters, 1967-68

State	Number placed on feed 1/				Number marketed 1/			
	July-Sept. 1967	Apr.-June 1968	July-Sept. 1968	July-Sept. 1968 as % of July-Sept. 1967	July-Sept. 1967	Apr.-June 1968	July-Sept. 1968	July-Sept. 1968 as % of July-Sept. 1967
	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head	Percent	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head	Percent
Pa.	37	19	43	116	33	39	42	127
Ohio	95	41	107	113	143	138	139	97
Ind.	117	74	104	89	150	132	141	94
Ill.	327	171	315	96	359	307	369	103
Mich.	56	34	60	107	75	80	73	97
Wis.	38	28	37	97	44	54	44	100
Minn.	172	99	199	116	212	218	220	104
Iowa	733	674	782	107	1,045	1,026	1,097	105
Mo.	189	103	210	111	174	176	184	106
N. Dak.	22	13	19	86	38	28	25	66
S. Dak.	104	86	96	92	137	156	151	110
Nebr.	823	621	925	112	703	895	821	117
Kans.	376	260	456	121	310	346	307	99
N. C. States	3,052	2,204	3,310	108	3,390	3,556	3,571	105
Ga.	38	19	41	108	35	40	30	86
Fla.	26	23	30	115	21	32	19	90
Ky.	20	16	22	110	20	30	21	105
Tenn.	16	7	19	119	9	14	9	100
Ala.	12	8	18	150	8	16	11	138
Miss.	16	7	16	100	9	8	8	89
Okla.	116	89	148	128	86	107	92	107
Texas	455	404	630	138	395	507	471	119
Mont.	41	20	46	112	38	37	34	89
Idaho	97	70	139	143	76	104	102	134
Wyo.	13	8	12	92	10	23	12	120
Colo.	326	283	430	132	316	395	352	111
N. Mex.	63	63	94	149	71	86	81	114
Ariz.	179	197	167	93	183	202	168	92
Utah	19	13	22	116	19	32	28	147
Nev.	9	12	22	244	9	13	11	122
Wash.	94	74	102	109	82	85	84	102
Oreg.	53	34	58	109	41	41	46	112
Calif.	533	745	567	106	506	401	546	108
Western States	1,427	1,519	1,659	116	1,351	1,419	1,464	108
32 State Total	5,215	4,405	5,936	114	5,357	5,768	5,738	107

1/ Includes cattle placed on feed after beginning of quarter and marketed by end of quarter.

Cattle and calves on feed by classes, by quarters,
October 1, 1967, July 1 and October 1, 1968

State	Steers & steer calves		Heifers & heifer calves		Cows and others				
	Oct. 1, 1967	July 1, 1968	Oct. 1, 1968	Oct. 1, 1967	July 1, 1968	Oct. 1, 1968	Oct. 1, 1967	July 1, 1968	Oct. 1, 1968
	head	head	head	head	head	head	head	head	head
Pa.	45	49	55	4	9	4	2	2	2
Ohio	157	176	146	25	36	34	---	---	---
Ind.	142	176	148	67	76	68	1	3	2
Ill.	370	368	364	168	207	157	---	---	---
Milch.	90	109	95	16	16	17	1	1	1
Wis.	73	87	77	24	24	27	1	1	1
Minn.	216	279	300	132	163	120	1	1	2
Iowa	1,107	1,339	1,072	388	575	528	1	2	1
Mo.	233	213	244	73	73	68	---	---	---
N. Dak.	28	26	25	22	25	20	---	---	---
S. Dak.	147	154	117	74	119	102	2	3	2
Nebr.	763	669	740	400	399	433	1	2	1
Kans.	333	271	390	135	149	180	---	1	---
N.C. States:	3,659	3,867	3,718	1,524	1,862	1,754	8	14	10
Ga.	37	37	49	5	4	3	---	---	---
Fla.	29	32	41	7	2	4	1	1	1
Ky.	25	25	24	12	12	15	---	1	---
Tenn.	13	9	19	6	5	5	---	---	---
Ala.	13	13	16	4	2	6	---	---	---
Miss.	15	5	12	3	6	7	---	---	---
Okla.	76	76	104	65	47	75	---	---	---
Texas	278	397	441	365	350	465	1	1	1
Mont.	36	23	37	27	29	28	---	1	---
Idaho	108	107	133	51	52	62	---	---	1
Wyo.	13	11	9	9	11	13	---	---	---
Colo.	251	276	340	237	206	220	---	---	---
N. Mex.	74	81	96	52	64	63	---	2	1
Ariz.	273	305	284	37	27	49	3	3	1
Utah	14	19	19	16	19	14	---	1	---
Nev.	14	14	24	3	7	8	---	---	---
Wash.	101	95	111	36	29	30	---	---	1
Oreg.	55	39	54	24	26	23	1	1	1
Calif.	899	957	967	57	73	85	---	2	1
Western States ...	1,838	1,927	2,074	549	543	595	4	10	6
32 State Total	6,028	6,437	6,553	2,544	2,842	2,933	16	29	20
October 1, 1968, as percent of previous year and quarter									
	Steers and steer calves		Heifers and heifer calves		Cows and others				
	Percent of	Percent of	Percent of	Percent of	Percent of	Percent of	Percent of	Percent of	Percent of
	Oct. 1, 1967	July 1, 1968	Oct. 1, 1967	July 1, 1968	Oct. 1, 1967	July 1, 1968	Oct. 1, 1967	July 1, 1968	Oct. 1, 1968
N.C. States:	102	96	115	94	125	71			
Western States ...	113	108	108	110	150	60			
32 States ..	109	102	115	103	125	69			

Cattle and calves: Length of time on feed beginning of each quarter,
October 1, 1967, July 1 and October 1, 1968

State	Less than 3 months			3-6 months			More than 6 months		
	Oct. 1, 1967	July 1, 1968	Oct. 1, 1968	Oct. 1, 1967	July 1, 1968	Oct. 1, 1968	Oct. 1, 1967	July 1, 1968	Oct. 1, 1968
	head	head	head	head	head	head	head	head	head
Pa.	32	17	38	6	16	9	13	27	14
Ohio	89	36	99	38	49	36	55	127	45
Ind.	111	70	102	57	68	60	42	117	56
Ill.	323	165	310	92	218	111	123	192	100
Mich.	55	32	59	13	20	19	39	74	35
Wis.	35	27	34	26	40	26	37	45	45
Minn.	168	97	194	45	155	89	136	191	139
Iowa	718	651	768	447	805	432	331	460	401
Mo.	178	99	200	63	106	75	65	81	37
N. Dak.	21	13	18	12	19	13	17	19	14
S. Dak.	100	83	91	47	96	68	76	97	62
Nebr.	744	555	862	314	414	263	106	101	49
Kans.	362	257	454	99	158	113	7	6	3
N.C. States	2,904	2,085	3,191	1,253	2,148	1,305	1,034	1,510	986
Ga.	35	16	39	5	14	9	2	11	4
Fla.	23	23	28	13	10	18	1	2	---
Ky.	20	16	22	10	12	10	7	10	7
Tenn.	15	7	18	3	4	5	1	3	1
Ala.	11	7	17	5	6	5	1	2	---
Miss.	16	7	15	2	3	3	---	1	1
Okla.	107	82	140	32	40	38	2	1	1
Texas	446	473	621	191	267	276	7	8	10
Mont.	40	19	46	17	23	16	6	11	3
Idaho	95	64	136	46	57	49	18	38	11
Wyo.	12	7	11	2	7	5	8	8	6
Colo.	283	263	387	171	182	161	34	37	12
N. Mex.	63	62	94	40	59	53	23	26	13
Ariz.	175	194	164	113	97	143	25	44	27
Utah	19	12	21	8	14	10	3	13	2
Nev.	9	12	22	5	7	9	3	2	1
Wash.	90	69	98	42	44	39	5	11	5
Oreg.	53	33	57	24	29	20	3	4	1
Calif.	528	738	562	389	211	449	39	83	42
Western States	1,367	1,473	1,598	857	730	954	167	277	123
32 State Total	4,976	4,206	5,727	2,377	3,250	2,632	1,235	1,852	1,147
October 1, 1968 as percent of previous year and quarter									
	Less than 3 months			3-6 months			More than 6 months		
	Percent of	Percent of	Percent of	Percent of	Percent of	Percent of	Percent of	Percent of	Percent of
	Oct. 1, 1967	July 1, 1968	Oct. 1, 1968	Oct. 1, 1967	July 1, 1968	Oct. 1, 1968	Oct. 1, 1967	July 1, 1968	Oct. 1, 1968
N.C. States	110	153	104	61	95	65			
Western States	117	108	111	131	74	44			
32 States	115	136	111	81	93	62			

Cattle and calves on feed by weight groups, by quarters,
October 1, 1967, July 1 and October 1, 1968

State	Under 500 pounds			500-699 pounds			700-899 pounds		
	Oct. 1, 1967	July 1, 1968	Oct. 1, 1968	Oct. 1, 1967	July 1, 1968	Oct. 1, 1968	Oct. 1, 1967	July 1, 1968	Oct. 1, 1968
	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head
Pa.	3	3	4	9	10	7	18	19	15
Ohio	13	5	21	43	28	45	69	101	62
Ind.	14	6	21	56	44	50	85	123	83
Ill.	42	17	34	107	128	107	190	265	205
Mich.	9	2	11	24	22	35	30	50	32
Wis.	8	12	9	16	25	14	35	40	46
Minn.	30	30	47	62	102	99	140	197	152
Iowa	56	25	27	219	291	293	466	929	564
Mo.	11	4	26	68	61	59	143	149	138
N. Dak.	---	2	2	11	13	7	20	28	24
S. Dak.	4	5	2	39	74	24	96	131	110
Nebr.	24	18	49	217	174	220	483	488	491
Kans.	10	13	6	100	104	131	211	183	304
N. C. States	221	139	255	962	1,066	1,084	1,968	2,684	2,211
Ga.	4	5	23	15	3	10	17	24	13
Fla.	13	2	5	3	6	4	11	20	19
Ky.	1	2	4	10	9	13	17	19	14
Tenn.	---	1	1	8	5	9	6	5	11
Ala.	2	1	4	5	3	7	7	7	7
Miss.	2	1	3	10	2	5	5	7	8
Okla.	13	10	22	73	27	68	35	53	60
Texas	166	136	199	242	288	381	150	218	219
Mont.	---	---	2	19	11	25	30	32	24
Idaho	3	2	3	28	23	48	76	74	83
Wyo.	---	---	---	5	9	6	8	10	11
Colo.	8	9	11	82	65	116	208	208	196
N. Mex.	29	12	24	40	45	62	29	61	45
Ariz.	79	34	72	89	111	93	96	139	97
Utah	3	1	---	8	11	13	12	17	11
Nev.	2	1	6	7	7	14	2	9	10
Wash.	4	---	---	17	17	22	64	55	68
Oreg.	8	3	5	17	13	17	31	35	34
Calif.	147	99	124	224	284	258	283	405	342
Western States	283	161	247	536	596	674	839	1,045	921
32 State Total	708	461	767	1,873	2,015	2,262	3,073	4,101	3,498
October 1, 1968 as percent of previous year and quarter									
	Under 500 pounds			500-699 pounds			700-899 pounds		
	Percent of Oct. 1, 1967	Percent of July 1, 1968	Percent of Oct. 1, 1968	Percent of Oct. 1, 1967	Percent of July 1, 1968	Percent of Oct. 1, 1968	Percent of Oct. 1, 1967	Percent of July 1, 1968	Percent of Oct. 1, 1968
N. C. States	115	183	113	102	112	82			
Western States	87	153	126	113	110	88			
32 States	108	166	121	112	114	85			

Cattle and calves on feed by weight groups, by quarters,
October 1, 1967, July 1 and October 1, 1968

State	900 to 1,099 pounds			1,100 pounds and over		
	October 1, 1967	July 1, 1968	October 1, 1968	October 1, 1967	July 1, 1968	October 1, 1968
	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head
Pa.	18	21	28	3	7	7
Ohio	56	74	51	1	4	1
Ind.	49	72	58	6	10	6
Ill.	166	140	149	33	25	26
Mich.	42	51	33	2	1	2
Wis.	38	27	31	1	8	5
Minn.	113	108	115	4	6	9
Iowa	633	550	631	122	121	86
Mo.	78	68	82	6	4	7
N. Dak.	18	7	11	1	1	1
S. Dak.	80	50	79	4	16	6
Nebr.	377	315	354	63	75	60
Kans.	117	100	118	30	21	11
N. C. States:	1,767	1,562	1,712	273	292	220
Ga.	6	9	6	---	---	---
Fla.	10	7	17	---	---	1
Ky.	9	6	8	---	2	---
Tenn.	5	3	3	---	---	---
Ala.	3	4	4	---	---	---
Miss.	1	1	2	---	---	1
Okla.	15	28	26	5	5	3
Texas	77	101	98	9	5	10
Mont.	13	10	14	1	---	---
Idaho	46	46	58	6	14	4
Wyo.	9	2	5	---	1	---
Colo.	170	143	202	20	57	35
N. Mex.	27	28	24	1	1	5
Ariz.	46	48	69	3	3	3
Utah	6	7	7	1	3	2
Nev.	5	4	2	1	---	---
Wash.	42	44	40	10	8	12
Greg.	21	15	21	3	---	1
Calif.	275	234	290	27	10	39
Western States	660	581	732	73	97	101
32 State Total	2,571	2,323	2,636	363	408	343
October 1, 1968 as percent of previous year and quarter						
	900 to 1,099 pounds			1,100 pounds and over		
	Percent of October 1, 1967	Percent of July 1, 1968	Percent of October 1, 1967	Percent of October 1, 1967	Percent of July 1, 1968	Percent of October 1, 1968
N. C. States:	97	110	81	75		
Western States	111	126	138	104		
32 States	103	113	94	84		

Steers and steer calves on feed by weight groups, by quarters,
October 1, 1967, July 1 and October 1, 1968

State	Under 500 pounds			500-699 pounds			700-899 pounds		
	Oct. 1, 1967	July 1, 1968	Oct. 1, 1968	Oct. 1, 1967	July 1, 1968	Oct. 1, 1968	Oct. 1, 1967	July 1, 1968	Oct. 1, 1968
	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head
Pa.	2	2	3	8	7	6	15	14	12
Ohio	11	4	16	35	18	35	55	77	45
Ind.	9	4	12	33	23	21	49	74	56
Ill.	20	11	15	57	51	51	114	155	142
Mich.	7	1	8	18	15	27	23	42	26
Wis.	6	9	5	11	16	8	22	30	32
Minn.	15	22	36	37	47	69	63	109	84
Iowa	33	13	11	122	147	150	299	589	311
Mo.	5	3	15	36	29	39	111	113	108
N. Dak.	---	1	1	4	6	2	12	13	14
S. Dak.	3	3	1	10	28	9	59	65	43
Nebr.	12	5	16	95	64	91	299	266	297
Kans.	6	3	2	42	43	49	153	123	231
N.C. States:	127	79	138	500	487	551	1,259	1,656	1,389
Ga.	2	4	21	12	2	9	17	22	13
Fla.	7	2	3	3	6	3	10	18	18
Ky.	1	1	2	4	3	6	11	14	8
Tenn.	---	---	1	4	2	7	5	4	9
Ala.	2	1	2	3	2	4	5	6	6
Miss.	1	1	1	8	1	1	5	2	7
Okla.	3	---	10	35	7	25	21	38	45
Texas	23	23	22	83	138	161	89	135	155
Mont.	---	---	---	8	4	13	17	10	13
Idaho	2	2	1	16	9	22	44	42	54
Wyo.	---	---	---	2	4	2	3	4	4
Colo.	---	3	1	20	14	35	96	96	119
N. Mex.	10	4	10	21	18	34	16	32	26
Ariz.	54	27	40	84	101	85	88	128	88
Utah	2	---	---	3	3	6	3	8	5
Nev.	1	1	5	6	4	10	2	6	7
Wash.	3	---	---	8	9	15	44	38	48
Oreg.	6	2	4	9	5	8	19	20	22
Calif.	135	96	116	207	258	232	260	364	300
Western States ...	213	135	177	384	429	462	592	748	686
32 State Total	381	248	380	1,044	1,084	1,235	2,029	2,657	2,348
October 1, 1968, as percent of previous year and quarter									
	Under 500 pounds			500-699 pounds			700-899 pounds		
	Percent of Oct. 1, 1967	Percent of July 1, 1968	Percent of Oct. 1, 1968	Percent of Oct. 1, 1967	Percent of July 1, 1968	Percent of Oct. 1, 1968	Percent of Oct. 1, 1967	Percent of July 1, 1968	Percent of Oct. 1, 1968
N.C. States:	109	175	110	113	110	84			
Western States ...	83	131	120	108	116	92			
32 States ..	100	153	118	114	116	88			

Steers and steer calves on feed by weight groups, by quarters,
October 1, 1967, July 1 and October 1, 1968

State	900 to 1,099 pounds			1,100 pounds and over		
	October 1, 1967	July 1, 1968	October 1, 1968	October 1, 1967	July 1, 1968	October 1, 1967
	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head
Pa.	17	20	27	3	6	7
Ohio	55	73	49	1	4	1
Ind.	45	65	53	6	10	6
Ill.	146	126	130	33	25	26
Mich.	40	50	32	2	1	2
Wis.	33	24	28	1	8	4
Minn.	97	95	102	4	6	9
Iowa	531	469	514	122	121	86
Mo.	75	64	75	6	4	7
N. Dak.	11	5	7	1	1	1
S. Dak.	71	43	59	4	15	5
Nebr.	294	259	276	63	75	60
Kans.	102	81	97	30	21	11
N. C. States	1,500	1,354	1,422	273	291	218
Ga.	6	9	6	---	---	---
Fla.	9	6	17	---	---	---
Ky.	9	5	8	---	2	---
Tenn.	4	3	2	---	---	---
Ala.	3	4	4	---	---	---
Miss.	1	1	2	---	---	1
Okla.	12	26	21	5	5	3
Texas	74	97	93	9	4	10
Mont.	10	9	11	1	---	---
Idaho	40	40	52	6	14	4
Wyo.	8	2	3	---	1	---
Colo.	115	106	150	20	57	35
N. Mex.	26	26	22	1	1	4
Ariz.	44	46	68	3	3	3
Utah	5	5	6	1	3	2
Nev.	4	3	2	1	---	---
Wash.	36	40	36	10	8	12
Oreg.	18	12	19	3	---	1
Calif.	270	229	280	27	10	39
Western States	576	518	649	73	97	100
32 State Total	2,211	2,043	2,251	363	405	339
October 1, 1968, as percent of previous year and quarter						
	900 to 1,099 pounds			1,100 pounds and over		
	Percent of October 1, 1967	Percent of July 1, 1968	Percent of October 1, 1968	Percent of October 1, 1967	Percent of July 1, 1968	Percent of October 1, 1968
N. C. States	95	105	80	75		
Western States	113	125	137	103		
32 States	102	110	93	84		

Heifers and heifer calves on feed by weight groups, by quarters,
October 1, 1967, July 1 and October 1, 1968

State	Under 500 pounds			500-699 pounds			700-899 pounds		
	Oct. 1, 1967	July 1, 1968	Oct. 1, 1968	Oct. 1, 1967	July 1, 1968	Oct. 1, 1968	Oct. 1, 1967	July 1, 1968	Oct. 1, 1968
	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head
Pa.	1	1	1	1	3	1	2	5	2
Ohio	2	1	5	8	10	10	14	24	17
Ind.	5	2	9	23	21	29	36	49	27
Ill.	22	6	19	50	77	56	76	110	63
Mich.	2	1	3	6	7	8	7	7	5
Wis.	2	3	4	5	9	6	12	10	14
Minn.	15	8	11	25	55	30	76	88	68
Iowa	23	12	16	97	144	143	167	339	253
Mo.	6	1	11	32	32	20	32	36	30
N. Dak.	---	1	1	7	7	5	8	15	10
S. Dak.	1	2	1	29	46	15	37	66	67
Nebr.	12	13	33	122	110	129	184	222	194
Kans.	4	10	4	58	61	82	58	69	73
N. C. States	94	60	117	462	579	533	707	1,026	821
Ga.	2	1	2	3	1	1	---	2	---
Fla.	6	---	2	---	---	1	1	2	1
Ky.	---	1	2	6	6	7	6	5	6
Tenn.	---	1	---	4	3	2	1	1	2
Ala.	---	---	2	2	1	3	2	1	1
Miss.	1	---	2	2	1	4	---	5	1
Okla.	10	10	12	38	20	43	14	15	15
Texas	143	113	177	159	150	220	60	83	63
Mont.	---	---	2	11	7	12	13	22	11
Idaho	1	---	2	12	14	26	32	32	29
Wyo.	---	---	---	3	5	4	5	6	7
Colo.	8	6	10	62	51	81	112	112	77
N. Mex.	19	8	14	19	27	28	13	28	19
Ariz.	25	7	32	4	10	8	7	9	8
Utah	1	1	---	5	8	7	9	9	6
Nev.	1	---	1	1	3	4	---	3	3
Wash.	1	---	---	9	8	7	20	17	19
Oreg.	2	1	1	8	8	9	11	15	12
Calif.	12	3	8	17	26	26	23	40	41
Western States	70	26	70	151	167	212	245	293	232
32 State Total	327	213	387	828	931	1,027	1,038	1,438	1,144
October 1, 1968 as percent of previous year and quarter									
N. C. States	Under 500 pounds			500-699 pounds			700-899 pounds		
	Percent of Oct. 1, 1967	Percent of July 1, 1968	Percent of Oct. 1, 1968	Percent of Oct. 1, 1967	Percent of July 1, 1968	Percent of Oct. 1, 1968	Percent of Oct. 1, 1967	Percent of July 1, 1968	Percent of Oct. 1, 1968
	124	195	115	92	116	80			
Western States	100	269	140	127	95	79			
32 States	118	182	124	110	110	80			

Heifers and heifer calves on feed by weight groups, by quarters,
October 1, 1967, July 1 and October 1, 1968

State	900 to 1,099 pounds			1,100 pounds and over		
	October 1, 1967	July 1, 1968	October 1, 1968	October 1, 1967	July 1, 1968	October 1, 1968
	head	head	head	head	head	head
Pa.	---	---	---	---	---	---
Ohio	1	1	2	---	---	---
Ind.	3	4	3	---	---	---
Ill.	20	14	19	---	---	---
Mich.	1	1	1	---	---	---
Wis.	5	2	3	---	---	---
Minn.	16	12	11	---	---	---
Iowa	101	80	116	---	---	---
Mo.	3	4	7	---	---	---
N. Dak.	7	2	4	---	---	---
S. Dak.	7	5	19	---	---	---
Nebr.	82	54	77	---	---	---
Kans.	15	18	21	---	---	---
N. C. States	261	197	283	---	---	---
Ga.	---	---	---	---	---	---
Fla.	---	---	---	---	---	---
Ky.	---	---	---	---	---	---
Tenn.	1	---	1	---	---	---
Ala.	---	---	---	---	---	---
Miss.	---	---	---	---	---	---
Okla.	3	2	5	---	---	---
Texas	3	4	5	---	---	---
Mont.	3	---	3	---	---	---
Idaho	6	6	5	---	---	---
Wyo.	1	---	2	---	---	---
Colo.	55	37	52	---	---	---
N. Mex.	1	1	2	---	---	---
Ariz.	1	1	1	---	---	---
Utah	1	1	1	---	---	---
Nev.	1	1	---	---	---	---
Wash.	6	4	4	---	---	---
Oregl.	3	2	1	---	---	---
Calif.	5	4	10	---	---	---
Western States	83	57	81	---	---	---
32 State Total	351	260	375	---	---	---
	October 1, 1968 as percent of previous year and quarter					
	900 to 1,099 pounds			1,100 pounds and over		
	Percent of	Percent of	Percent of	Percent of	Percent of	Percent of
	October 1, 1967:	July 1, 1968	October 1, 1967:	July 1, 1968	October 1, 1967:	July 1, 1968
N. C. States	108	144	---	---	---	---
Western States	98	142	---	---	---	---
32 States	107	144	---	---	---	---

Cattle and calves: Expected marketings of the cattle and calves on feed October 1, 1968 compared with actual marketings of cattle and calves on feed October 1, 1967

State	On feed		Expected marketings of cattle and calves on feed October 1, 1968		
	October 1, 1967	October 1, 1967	October-December 1968	After	After
	Marketed Oct.-	Marketed after	Number	1968 as % of 1967	Dec. 31, 1968
	Dec. 1967 1/	Dec. 31, 1967	1968 as % of 1967	Dec. 31, 1968	Dec. 31, 1968
	1,000	1,000	1,000	Percent	1,000
	head	head	head		head
Pa.	27	24	30	111	31
Ohio	74	108	76	103	104
Ind.	102	108	105	103	113
Ill.	299	239	297	99	224
Mich.	43	64	42	98	71
Wis.	44	54	47	107	58
Minn.	241	108	230	95	192
Iowa	1,092	404	1,100	101	501
Mo.	157	149	160	102	152
N. Dak.	31	19	30	97	15
S. Dak.	150	73	150	100	71
Nebr.	670	494	681	102	493
Kans.	279	189	308	110	262
N. C. States	3,182	2,009	3,226	101	2,256
Ge.	23	19	19	83	33
Fla.	27	10	33	122	13
Ky.	19	18	18	95	21
Tenn.	8	11	11	138	13
Ala.	8	9	11	138	11
Miss.	12	6	12	100	7
Okla.	81	60	93	115	86
Texas	366	278	520	142	387
Mont.	31	32	28	90	37
Idaho	80	79	90	112	106
Wyo.	11	11	12	109	10
Colo.	281	207	300	107	260
N. Mex.	51	75	68	114	92
Ariz.	132	181	164	124	170
Utah	14	16	17	121	16
Nev.	7	10	12	171	20
Wash.	76	61	79	104	63
Oreg.	42	38	42	100	36
Calif.	549	407	570	104	483
Western States	1,274	1,117	1,382	108	1,293
32 State					
Total	5,027	3,561	5,355	107	4,151

1/ Excluded "Short Feds," that is cattle which were put on feed after October 1, 1967 and marketed before January 1, 1968.

Cattle and calves on feed: Inventories, placements and marketings, by months,
 Arizona, California, Colorado, Iowa, Nebraska, and Texas, April 1, 1967 - October 1, 1967
 and April 1, 1968 - October 1, 1968

State	Cattle on Feed			Placed on Feed			Marketed		
	1967	1968	1968/1967	1967	1968	1968/1967	1967	1968	1968/1967
	head	head	Percent	head	head	Percent	head	head	Percent
		April 1			During April			During April	
Arizona	362	340	94	32	37	116	60	71	118
California	755	688	91	104	213	205	134	136	101
Colorado	571	594	104	95	91	96	126	130	103
Iowa	2,140	2,268	106	242	233	96	285	320	112
Nebraska	1,284	1,344	105	217	251	116	270	300	111
Texas	653	761	117	107	149	139	168	184	110
Total 6 States:	5,765	5,995	104	797	974	122	1,043	1,141	109
		May 1			During May			During May	
Arizona	334	306	92	63	91	144	71	68	96
California	725	765	106	225	330	147	158	137	87
Colorado	540	555	103	106	101	95	129	130	101
Iowa	2,097	2,181	104	223	222	100	370	355	96
Nebraska	1,231	1,295	105	218	182	83	304	315	104
Texas	592	726	123	146	161	111	156	166	106
Total 6 States:	5,519	5,828	106	980	1,087	111	1,188	1,171	99
		June 1			During June			During June	
Arizona	326	329	101	54	69	128	63	63	100
California	792	958	121	282	202	72	145	128	88
Colorado	517	526	102	87	91	105	126	135	107
Iowa	1,950	2,048	105	213	219	103	355	351	99
Nebraska	1,145	1,162	101	179	188	105	280	280	100
Texas	581	721	124	134	184	137	131	157	120
Total 6 States:	5,311	5,744	108	949	953	100	1,100	1,114	101
		July 1			During July			During July	
Arizona	317	335	106	60	47	78	65	59	91
California	929	1,032	111	205	184	90	154	175	114
Colorado	478	482	101	67	108	161	110	128	116
Iowa	1,808	1,916	106	78	140	179	340	360	106
Nebraska	1,044	1,070	102	119	203	171	229	285	124
Texas	584	748	128	136	197	145	131	153	117
Total 6 States:	5,160	5,583	108	665	879	132	1,029	1,160	113
		August 1			During August			During August	
Arizona	312	323	104	59	59	100	63	58	92
California	980	1,041	106	161	186	116	182	179	98
Colorado	435	462	106	111	129	116	105	116	110
Iowa	1,546	1,696	110	364	334	92	340	350	103
Nebraska	934	988	106	292	291	100	249	276	111
Texas	589	792	134	158	215	136	134	152	113
Total 6 States:	4,796	5,302	111	1,145	1,214	106	1,073	1,131	105
		September 1			During September			During September	
Arizona	308	324	105	60	61	102	55	51	93
California	959	1,048	109	167	197	118	170	192	113
Colorado	441	475	108	148	193	130	101	108	107
Iowa	1,570	1,680	107	291	308	106	365	387	106
Nebraska	977	1,003	103	412	431	105	225	260	116
Texas	613	853	139	161	218	135	130	166	128
Total 6 States:	4,868	5,385	111	1,239	1,408	114	1,046	1,164	111
		October 1							
Arizona	313	334	107						
California	956	1,053	110						
Colorado	488	560	115						
Iowa	1,496	1,601	107						
Nebraska	1,164	1,174	101						
Texas	644	907	141						
Total 6 States:	5,061	5,629	111						

STEERS SCLD OUT CF FIRST HANDS AT SELECTED MARKETS FOR SLAUGHTER,
SEPTEMBER 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.....	9,870	9,634	1,290	1,278	28.92	30.07
CHOICE.....	53,358	52,444	1,152	1,144	27.62	28.20
GOOD.....	7,082	6,678	1,079	1,031	26.23	26.43
OTHER 2/.....	2,231	1,747	1,035	1,085	23.97	24.13
TOTAL.....	72,541	70,503	1,160	1,150	27.59	28.24
CINCINNATI						
PRIME.....	130	---	1,041	---	27.71	---
CHOICE.....	2,076	1,988	1,005	990	26.78	27.10
GOOD.....	1,097	1,448	1,017	1,018	25.21	25.49
OTHER 2/.....	197	157	1,007	1,004	22.68	22.90
TOTAL.....	3,500	3,593	1,010	1,002	26.09	26.26
DENVER						
PRIME.....	19	---	1,170	---	27.29	---
CHOICE.....	961	430	1,075	1,026	26.28	27.05
GOOD.....	217	76	985	975	25.23	25.45
OTHER 2/.....	11	6	1,107	1,183	22.87	22.82
TOTAL.....	1,208	512	1,061	1,020	26.09	26.77
FORT WORTH						
PRIME.....	---	---	---	---	---	---
CHOICE.....	77	61	1,038	966	26.83	27.54
GOOD.....	109	81	846	703	25.13	25.84
OTHER 2/.....	53	19	758	882	23.90	21.29
TOTAL.....	239	161	889	824	25.54	26.02
INDIANAPOLIS						
PRIME.....	869	235	1,101	1,140	28.14	28.63
CHOICE.....	5,297	6,289	1,087	1,051	27.07	27.48
GOOD.....	2,931	3,422	998	1,008	25.70	25.86
OTHER 2/.....	1,146	696	1,014	1,042	23.56	23.44
TOTAL.....	10,243	10,642	1,055	1,039	26.42	26.73
KANSAS CITY						
PRIME.....	206	180	1,059	1,109	27.77	28.03
CHOICE.....	7,565	6,664	1,070	1,057	26.91	27.20
GOOD.....	3,377	3,851	1,051	1,039	25.43	25.49
OTHER 2/.....	349	279	1,041	1,071	22.50	22.05
TOTAL.....	11,497	10,974	1,063	1,052	26.37	26.49
OKLAHOMA CITY						
PRIME.....	---	---	---	---	---	---
CHOICE.....	124	55	1,100	1,069	25.67	26.50
GOOD.....	44	64	970	926	24.89	24.61
OTHER 2/.....	---	13	---	1,054	---	22.18
TOTAL.....	168	132	1,066	998	25.48	25.20
OMAHA						
PRIME.....	1,468	2,310	1,207	1,179	27.92	28.56
CHOICE.....	32,600	27,736	1,107	1,076	26.92	27.48
GOOD.....	12,593	10,630	1,058	1,036	25.61	26.11
OTHER 2/.....	1,320	1,124	1,106	1,136	23.68	23.69
TOTAL.....	48,981	41,800	1,097	1,073	26.54	27.10

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STEERS SOLD OUT OF FIRST HANDS AT SELECTED MARKETS FOR SLAUGHTER,
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MARKET AND GRADE	NUMBER		AVERAGE WEIGHT		AVERAGE PRICE PER 100 POUNDS LIVELWEIGHT	
	1967	1968	1967	1968	1967	1968
	HEAD	HEAD	PCUNDS	PCUNDS	DOLLARS	DOLLARS
<u>ST. LOUIS NSY</u>						
PRIME.....	589	347	1,102	1,172	27.72	28.51
CHOICE.....	10,710	11,761	1,033	1,023	26.70	27.23
GOOD.....	5,069	5,165	1,002	1,012	25.39	26.02
OTHER ^{2/}	774	476	1,008	1,070	22.92	23.56
TOTAL.....	17,142	17,749	1,025	1,024	26.19	26.81
<u>SIGUX CITY</u>						
PRIME.....	1,833	1,285	1,208	1,236	27.67	28.61
CHOICE.....	24,807	23,830	1,117	1,099	26.78	27.38
GOOD.....	6,663	6,520	1,059	1,031	25.55	26.22
OTHER ^{2/}	592	632	1,073	1,095	23.13	23.64
TOTAL.....	33,895	32,267	1,110	1,090	26.54	27.14
<u>SIGUX FALLS</u>						
PRIME.....	103	201	1,180	1,154	27.63	28.24
CHOICE.....	8,415	7,232	1,122	1,107	26.59	27.34
GOOD.....	2,148	2,837	1,110	1,094	25.06	25.91
OTHER ^{2/}	590	583	1,138	1,155	23.27	23.63
TOTAL.....	11,256	10,853	1,121	1,107	26.13	26.78
<u>SO. ST. JOSEPH</u>						
PRIME.....	1,497	1,014	1,144	1,144	27.79	28.40
CHOICE.....	15,854	19,005	1,092	1,064	26.91	27.37
GOOD.....	5,474	3,290	1,046	1,020	25.35	25.60
OTHER ^{2/}	303	432	1,072	1,152	22.92	23.24
TOTAL.....	23,128	23,741	1,085	1,063	26.56	27.10
<u>SOUTH ST. PAUL ^{3/}</u>						
PRIME.....	156	59	1,188	1,177	27.89	28.75
CHOICE.....	8,572	9,985	1,090	1,070	26.78	27.47
GOOD.....	2,783	4,839	1,080	1,042	24.62	25.86
OTHER ^{2/}	2,304	3,614	1,073	1,090	22.64	23.50
TOTAL.....	14,815	18,497	1,086	1,067	25.61	26.27
<u>WEST FARCC</u>						
PRIME.....	---	210	---	1,069	---	27.43
CHOICE.....	3,923	3,973	1,083	1,079	26.38	26.59
GOOD.....	2,021	2,353	1,053	1,073	24.18	24.78
OTHER ^{2/}	644	414	963	995	21.10	22.35
TOTAL.....	7,588	6,950	1,061	1,071	25.10	25.77
<u>LOUISVILLE</u>						
PRIME.....	275	256	1,032	1,009	27.50	27.84
CHOICE.....	1,133	1,067	1,013	1,001	26.63	27.06
GOOD.....	704	1,192	1,064	1,030	24.15	24.80
OTHER ^{2/}	272	161	1,054	1,101	22.00	22.32
TOTAL.....	2,388	2,676	1,035	1,020	25.44	25.81
<u>TOTAL 15 MARKETS</u>						
PRIME.....	17,019	15,731	1,234	1,236	28.48	29.48
CHOICE.....	176,472	172,520	1,111	1,093	27.07	27.62
GOOD.....	54,312	52,446	1,052	1,034	25.43	25.92
OTHER ^{2/}	10,786	10,353	1,051	1,091	23.13	23.52
TOTAL.....	258,589	251,050	1,105	1,089	26.69	27.25

^{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,
SEPTEMBER 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
<u>CHICAGO</u>						
PRIME.....	3,132	1,901	960	958	27.04	27.03
CHOICE.....	15,189	17,792	919	921	25.94	26.17
GOOD.....	2,358	1,112	888	854	24.45	24.26
OTHER 2/.....	552	363	911	905	22.25	22.74
TOTAL.....	21,311	21,168	921	921	25.85	26.10
<u>CINCINNATI</u>						
PRIME.....	31	---	1,106	---	26.50	---
CHOICE.....	887	1,649	882	848	25.57	25.98
GOOD.....	858	802	815	797	24.30	24.33
OTHER 2/.....	60	116	741	726	21.78	22.00
TOTAL.....	1,836	2,567	850	827	24.92	25.33
<u>DENVER</u>						
PRIME.....	53	25	940	925	26.46	26.99
CHOICE.....	1,639	859	919	900	25.71	26.36
GOOD.....	413	196	853	893	24.58	23.65
OTHER 2/.....	---	40	---	1,014	---	21.47
TOTAL.....	2,105	1,120	907	904	25.52	25.71
<u>FORT WORTH</u>						
PRIME.....	---	---	---	---	---	---
CHOICE.....	16	14	648	645	25.52	25.50
GOOD.....	368	196	620	625	24.70	23.82
OTHER 2/.....	278	92	627	593	23.16	21.89
TOTAL.....	662	302	623	616	24.07	23.33
<u>INDIANAPOLIS</u>						
PRIME.....	679	44	902	932	26.03	27.00
CHOICE.....	2,764	3,390	866	877	25.18	25.86
GOOD.....	1,948	2,537	813	827	23.93	24.52
OTHER 2/.....	495	328	824	806	22.10	22.44
TOTAL.....	5,886	6,299	849	854	24.64	25.18
<u>KANSAS CITY</u>						
PRIME.....	139	185	938	943	26.67	26.46
CHOICE.....	2,957	2,764	899	875	25.85	25.69
GOOD.....	2,137	1,145	840	837	24.38	23.88
OTHER 2/.....	142	226	809	878	22.12	21.10
TOTAL.....	5,375	4,320	874	868	25.22	25.02
<u>OKLAHOMA CITY</u>						
PRIME.....	---	---	---	---	---	---
CHOICE.....	8	68	907	1,056	25.39	26.25
GOOD.....	77	54	881	835	23.35	24.20
OTHER 2/.....	14	---	1,042	---	19.45	---
TOTAL.....	99	122	906	958	22.88	25.46
<u>OMAHA</u>						
PRIME.....	2,064	2,269	980	971	26.73	26.87
CHOICE.....	32,198	27,692	934	926	25.96	26.13
GOOD.....	11,994	14,305	909	898	24.80	24.97
OTHER 2/.....	580	1,100	982	992	21.50	21.41
TOTAL.....	46,836	45,366	931	921	25.65	25.69

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HEIFERS SOLD OUT OF FIRST HANDS AT SELECTED MARKETS FOR SLAUGHTER,
SEPTEMBER 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 MSY						
PRIME.....	378	114	914	906	26.28	26.51
CHOICE.....	5,045	5,295	876	873	25.71	25.90
GOOD.....	2,403	2,766	821	837	24.33	24.54
OTHER 2/.....	403	258	888	850	21.35	21.49
TOTAL.....	8,229	8,433	862	861	25.13	25.34
SIOUX CITY						
PRIME.....	968	1,350	980	955	26.47	26.52
CHOICE.....	14,416	17,626	940	925	25.53	25.90
GOOD.....	3,918	4,657	908	895	24.19	24.70
OTHER 2/.....	470	465	969	1,005	21.77	22.18
TOTAL.....	19,772	24,098	936	922	25.23	25.63
SIOUX FALLS						
PRIME.....	176	95	1,024	977	26.24	26.51
CHOICE.....	6,797	7,365	955	933	25.31	25.61
GOOD.....	1,625	1,932	934	908	23.68	24.12
OTHER 2/.....	493	163	965	992	21.26	21.01
TOTAL.....	9,095	9,555	953	929	24.82	25.24
SC. ST. JOSEPH						
PRIME.....	82	206	978	953	26.95	26.93
CHOICE.....	5,359	7,537	903	894	25.78	26.04
GOOD.....	2,663	2,694	866	870	24.19	24.25
OTHER 2/.....	27	---	903	---	20.55	---
TOTAL.....	8,131	10,437	892	889	25.27	25.61
SOUTH ST. PALL 3/						
PRIME.....	64	31	991	968	26.11	27.25
CHOICE.....	7,299	10,138	920	917	25.67	26.07
GOOD.....	3,228	4,080	896	888	23.95	24.66
OTHER 2/.....	2,076	2,793	941	969	19.78	20.49
TOTAL.....	12,667	17,042	918	919	24.26	24.78
WEST FARGO						
PRIME.....	---	28	---	977	---	26.84
CHOICE.....	2,109	1,977	935	925	25.51	25.46
GOOD.....	1,462	686	947	899	23.87	23.42
OTHER 2/.....	801	479	951	946	18.94	19.67
TOTAL.....	4,372	3,170	942	923	23.74	24.14
LOUISVILLE						
PRIME.....	204	61	909	885	26.23	26.77
CHOICE.....	1,839	1,338	884	866	25.68	26.16
GOOD.....	531	441	848	835	23.79	24.56
OTHER 2/.....	122	45	902	878	20.52	21.69
TOTAL.....	2,696	1,885	879	859	25.12	25.71
TOTAL 15 MARKETS						
PRIME.....	7,970	6,309	961	960	26.71	26.82
CHOICE.....	98,522	105,504	924	915	25.76	26.01
GOOD.....	36,027	37,603	884	878	24.36	24.64
OTHER 2/.....	6,553	6,468	916	944	20.75	21.05
TOTAL.....	149,072	155,884	916	909	25.27	25.51

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TIME ON FEED

Cattle and calves on feed less than 3 months are estimated at 5,727,000 head, up 15 percent from October 1, 1967. The total on feed 3-6 months, at 2,632,000 head, was up 255,000 head. Cattle on feed 6 months or longer totaled 1,147,000 head -- down 88,000 head from a year earlier.

MARKETING INTENTIONS

Of the October 1 number on feed, cattle feeders intend to market 5,355,000 head during October, November and December. If these intentions materialize, marketings from those on feed October 1, 1968 will be 7 percent above October-December marketings last year. Intentions are to market 34 percent of the 3-month total during October, 32 percent during November, and 34 percent during December. Expected marketings are based on the usual relationship of survey data and actual marketings.

SEPTEMBER MARKETINGS FOR 15 LIVESTOCK MARKETS

Steers and heifers marketed out of first hands for slaughter at 15 livestock markets during September 1968 totaled 406,934 head. Steers accounted for 251,050 head and heifers 155,884 head. The average live weight of steers marketed during September was 1,089 pounds this year compared with 1,105 pounds last year. Heifers averaged 909 pounds live weight compared with 916 pounds a year earlier.