

CATTLE ON FEED



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CATTLE SOLD FOR SLAUGHTER--Selected Markets

March 1, 1970

Cattle on Feed up 10 Percent

Cattle and calves on feed March 1 intended for slaughter are up 10 percent from a year earlier in 6 States -- Arizona, California, Colorado, Iowa, Nebraska and Texas. Feedlots in these States contained 7,033,000 cattle and calves on March 1, according to the Crop Reporting Board. Texas showed the largest increase from a year earlier, up 25 percent, followed by Colorado, up 16 percent. Arizona and California were each up 14 percent, Nebraska was up 10 percent and Iowa was unchanged from a year earlier.

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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		
	1969	1970	1970 as % of 1969	1969	1970	1970 as % of 1969
	1,000 head		Percent	1,000 head		Percent
Arizona	448	500	112	430	492	114
California	854	925	108	726	829	114
Colorado	690	785	114	671	776	116
Iowa 2/	2,321	2,275	98	2,204	2,204	100
Nebraska	1,424	1,449	102	1,311	1,437	110
Texas	1,083	1,404	130	1,039	1,295	125
Total 6 States :	6,820	7,338	108	6,381	7,033	110
State	Placements during February			Marketings during February		
	1969	1970	1970 as % of 1969	1969	1970	1970 as % of 1969
		1,000 head		Percent	1,000 head	
Arizona	43	59	137	61	67	110
California	50	73	146	178	169	95
Colorado	136	131	96	155	140	90
Iowa 2/	211	247	117	328	318	97
Nebraska	197	265	135	310	277	89
Texas	155	144	93	199	253	127
Total 6 States :	792	919	116	1,231	1,224	99

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.

STEERS SOLD OUT OF FIRST HANDS AT SELECTED MARKETS FOR SLAUGHTER,
FEBRUARY 1969 AND 1970 1/

MARKET AND GRADE	NUMBER		AVERAGE WEIGHT		AVERAGE PRICE PER 100 POUNDS LIVELWEIGHT	
	1969	1970	1969	1970	1969	1970
	HEAD	HEAD	POUNDS	POUNDS	DOLLARS	DOLLARS
CHICAGO						
PRIME.....	6473	10722	1254	1262	31.08	31.15
CHOICE.....	41106	32653	1146	1171	29.11	30.26
GOOD.....	8319	4782	1068	1140	27.18	28.67
OTHER 2/.....	1368	844	1068	1157	23.99	26.26
TOTAL.....	57266	49001	1145	1188	28.97	30.25
KANSAS CITY						
PRIME.....	115	125	1056	1067	28.52	29.86
CHOICE.....	6014	4148	1092	1121	27.18	28.91
GOOD.....	2844	1486	1073	1104	25.57	27.35
OTHER 2/.....	306	172	1095	1232	22.21	24.43
TOTAL.....	9279	5931	1086	1119	26.54	28.40
OMAHA						
PRIME.....	1837	2227	1173	1152	28.67	30.07
CHOICE.....	26163	20425	1113	1146	27.63	29.30
GOOD.....	12037	4731	1066	1177	26.14	27.70
OTHER 2/.....	1016	364	1107	1157	23.09	25.16
TOTAL.....	41053	27747	1102	1152	27.14	29.02
ST. LOUIS NSY						
PRIME.....	86	409	1107	1149	28.91	30.25
CHOICE.....	8376	7815	1073	1106	27.65	29.51
GOOD.....	9924	5028	1011	1077	26.18	28.38
OTHER 2/.....	1200	653	1026	1144	23.34	25.70
TOTAL.....	19586	13905	1039	1098	26.67	28.95
SIOUX CITY						
PRIME.....	1613	2074	1176	1172	28.67	29.81
CHOICE.....	18605	19341	1112	1160	27.61	29.02
GOOD.....	4291	3419	1057	1150	26.05	27.66
OTHER 2/.....	518	63	1113	1129	22.84	24.61
TOTAL.....	25027	24897	1107	1159	27.33	28.89
SIOUX FALLS						
PRIME.....	75	262	1165	1194	28.76	29.61
CHOICE.....	5091	6991	1128	1186	27.80	28.88
GOOD.....	2288	983	1085	1199	26.32	27.48
OTHER 2/.....	725	432	1148	1244	22.87	25.34
TOTAL.....	8179	8668	1118	1191	26.96	28.56
SO. ST. JOSEPH						
PRIME.....	56	521	1182	1111	28.45	30.11
CHOICE.....	13416	13961	1105	1118	27.29	29.02
GOOD.....	3208	2917	1082	1187	25.71	27.48
OTHER 2/.....	221	177	1158	1251	22.91	25.09
TOTAL.....	16901	17576	1101	1131	26.94	28.74
SO. ST. PAUL 3/						
PRIME.....	---	195	---	1157	---	30.80
CHOICE.....	4799	5453	1107	1132	27.81	29.17
GOOD.....	4612	2935	1066	1199	25.86	27.10
OTHER 2/.....	2452	963	1064	1146	23.05	25.46
TOTAL.....	11863	9546	1082	1154	26.10	28.17
TOTAL 8 MARKETS						
PRIME.....	10255	16535	1223	1225	30.23	30.76
CHOICE.....	123570	110787	1120	1150	28.09	29.47
GOOD.....	47523	26281	1057	1148	26.24	27.87
OTHER 2/.....	7806	3668	1079	1169	23.19	25.55
TOTAL.....	189154	157271	1108	1158	27.58	29.26

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,
FEBRUARY 1969 AND 1970 1/**

MARKET AND GRADE	NUMBER		AVERAGE WEIGHT		AVERAGE PRICE PER 100 POUNDS LIVELWEIGHT	
	1969	1970	1969	1970	1969	1970
	HEAD	HEAD	POUNDS	POUNDS	DOLLARS	DOLLARS
CHICAGO						
PRIME.....	659	1956	1001	1024	28.78	30.12
CHOICE.....	11748	11330	949	975	27.46	29.22
GOOD.....	2943	2523	889	920	25.89	27.58
OTHER 2/.....	568	205	900	891	23.35	25.08
TOTAL.....	15918	16014	938	971	27.10	29.04
KANSAS CITY						
PRIME.....	96	122	937	925	27.26	28.96
CHOICE.....	1663	1686	900	937	25.83	28.10
GOOD.....	1587	739	850	892	24.16	26.64
OTHER 2/.....	167	56	923	925	21.45	23.81
TOTAL.....	3513	2603	879	923	24.93	27.65
OMAHA						
PRIME.....	1437	2037	1009	1021	27.49	29.52
CHOICE.....	22157	22112	939	975	26.69	28.78
GOOD.....	9268	6486	896	952	25.08	27.31
OTHER 2/.....	720	429	953	1039	21.06	23.62
TOTAL.....	33582	31064	930	974	26.18	28.45
ST. LOUIS NSY						
PRIME.....	38	109	1072	956	28.35	29.25
CHOICE.....	3039	3916	920	923	26.56	28.61
GOOD.....	5118	2889	854	882	24.78	27.36
OTHER 2/.....	795	282	847	915	21.58	24.65
TOTAL.....	8990	7196	877	906	25.15	27.97
SIOUX CITY						
PRIME.....	1126	1273	983	1032	27.36	29.20
CHOICE.....	11253	11932	936	975	26.43	28.36
GOOD.....	3344	2270	903	947	24.54	27.07
OTHER 2/.....	185	39	989	984	21.35	23.78
TOTAL.....	15908	15514	933	975	26.05	28.24
SIOUX FALLS						
PRIME.....	30	84	1031	1040	27.60	29.05
CHOICE.....	3475	5527	964	1002	26.70	28.34
GOOD.....	3123	919	909	983	25.07	26.83
OTHER 2/.....	482	362	951	1039	21.80	24.56
TOTAL.....	7110	6892	939	1002	25.67	27.95
SO. ST. JOSEPH						
PRIME.....	45	137	989	970	27.35	29.12
CHOICE.....	5437	5415	919	945	26.35	28.56
GOOD.....	2208	1591	888	942	24.52	26.82
OTHER 2/.....	14	---	924	---	20.07	---
TOTAL.....	7704	7143	910	945	25.84	28.18
SO. ST. PAUL 3/						
PRIME.....	142	255	1066	1080	28.06	29.20
CHOICE.....	3940	6812	952	982	27.20	28.60
GOOD.....	5176	1664	907	950	25.04	26.62
OTHER 2/.....	2307	1134	980	1057	20.55	23.68
TOTAL.....	11565	9865	930	988	24.89	27.69
TOTAL 8 MARKETS						
PRIME.....	3573	5973	1000	1023	27.72	29.60
CHOICE.....	62712	68730	939	972	26.77	28.68
GOOD.....	32767	19081	890	935	24.96	27.17
OTHER 2/.....	5238	2507	943	1017	21.22	24.00
TOTAL.....	104290	96291	926	969	25.97	28.32

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Placements up 16 Percent

February placements of cattle and calves on feed in these 6 States were 16 percent more than a year earlier. During February placements were below a year earlier in Colorado and Texas, but considerably above February 1969 in the other 4 States.

Fed Cattle Marketings down 1 Percent

Marketing of cattle from feedlots in the 6 States totaled 1,224,000 during February. This is 1 percent less than were marketed during February 1969. Larger marketings were reported in Texas, up 27 percent and Arizona up 10 percent. Marketings were down 11 percent in Nebraska, 10 percent in Colorado, 5 percent in California and down 3 percent in Iowa.

February Marketings for 8 Markets

Steers marketed out of first hands for slaughter at 8 major markets during February 1970 totaled 157,271 head and averaged 1,158 pounds liveweight, 50 pounds more than a year earlier. Heifers sold out of first hands for slaughter at these 8 markets totaled 96,291 head and averaged 969 pounds, 43 pounds more than the average liveweight a year earlier.

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

Item	Total 6 States			
	1968	1969	1970	1970 as % of 1969
	- - 1,000 head - -			
On feed February 1	6,208	6,820	7,338	108
Placed on feed during February .:	901	792	919	116
Marketed during February	1,140	1,231	1,224	99
On feed March 1	5,969	6,381	7,033	110