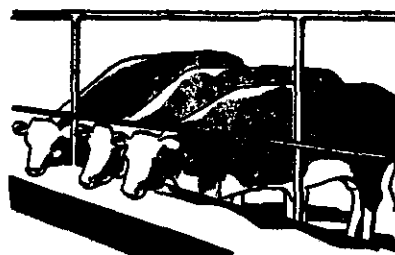


CATTLE ON FEED



CATTLE SOLD FOR SLAUGHTER--Selected Markets

December 1, 1970

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CATTLE ON FEED 1 PERCENT HIGHER

December 1 cattle and calves on feed for slaughter market in the 6 monthly States totaled 7,226,000 head, up 1 percent from a year earlier -- according to the Crop Reporting Board. Compared with a year earlier, Colorado showed the greatest increase -- 10 percent. Texas and Arizona increased 5 and 4 percent, respectively. Iowa showed the greatest decrease -- 4 percent, while California was down 3 and Nebraska, down 1 percent.

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Cattle and calves: Inventories, placements and marketings,
fed cattle, by States, November 1 to December 1

State	Number on feed 1/					
	November 1			December 1		
	1969	1970	1970 as % of 1969	1969	1970	1970 as % of 1969
	1,000 head		Percent	1,000 head		Percent
Arizona	489	486	99	510	531	104
California	1,126	1,038	92	1,097	1,069	97
Colorado	755	906	120	789	871	110
Iowa	1,712	1,678	98	1,920	1,843	96
Nebraska	1,332	1,364	102	1,416	1,408	99
Texas	1,415	1,524	108	1,427	1,504	105
Total 6 States	6,829	6,996	102	7,159	7,226	101
State	Placements during November			Marketings during November		
	1969	1970	1970 as % of 1969	1969	1970	1970 as % of 1969
	1,000 head		Percent	1,000 head		Percent
Arizona	93	93	100	72	48	67
California	141	149	106	170	118	69
Colorado	160	137	86	126	172	137
Iowa	601	556	93	393	391	99
Nebraska	325	339	104	241	295	122
Texas	247	266	108	235	286	122
Total 6 States	1,567	1,540	98	1,237	1,310	106

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.

Steers sold out of first hands at selected markets for slaughter,
November 1969 and 1970 1/

Market and grade	Number		Average weight		Average price per 100	
	1969	1970	1969	1970	1969	1970
	Head		Pounds		Dollars	
<u>Chicago</u>						
Prime	7,929	8,695	1,268	1,241	29.79	29.34
Choice	46,098	45,797	1,150	1,150	28.66	28.34
Good	3,598	3,080	1,089	1,139	27.41	26.89
Other 2/	823	607	1,144	1,158	25.64	25.39
Total	58,448	58,179	1,162	1,163	28.71	28.39
<u>Kansas City</u>						
Prime	148	120	1,086	1,045	28.21	28.03
Choice	3,237	3,494	1,098	1,111	27.29	26.96
Good	2,108	1,526	1,138	1,117	25.74	25.29
Other 2/	121	303	1,070	1,151	23.10	23.50
Total	5,614	5,443	1,112	1,113	26.63	26.31
<u>Omaha</u>						
Prime	2,039	2,458	1,151	1,117	28.33	27.87
Choice	21,313	24,748	1,104	1,115	27.67	27.21
Good	5,294	7,088	1,062	1,115	26.46	26.28
Other 2/	546	681	1,208	1,156	23.97	24.05
Total	29,192	34,975	1,102	1,116	27.43	27.00
<u>St. Louis NSY</u>						
Prime	400	542	1,135	1,115	28.72	28.14
Choice	6,501	6,739	1,061	1,062	28.17	27.71
Good	4,011	2,255	1,070	1,050	27.05	26.22
Other 2/	565	583	1,112	1,087	25.06	23.75
Total	11,477	10,119	1,069	1,064	27.64	27.17
<u>Sioux City</u>						
Prime	1,310	1,404	1,216	1,158	28.08	27.77
Choice	20,243	24,573	1,141	1,130	27.28	26.82
Good	6,447	6,022	1,090	1,108	26.28	26.00
Other 2/	108	444	1,087	1,100	23.65	23.66
Total	28,108	32,443	1,132	1,127	27.08	26.67
<u>Sioux Falls</u>						
Prime	326	245	1,192	1,110	27.82	26.95
Choice	6,748	9,698	1,161	1,133	27.28	26.54
Good	1,616	2,276	1,141	1,144	25.90	25.26
Other 2/	433	355	1,199	1,165	23.86	23.63
Total	9,123	12,574	1,160	1,135	26.90	26.23
<u>So. St. Joseph</u>						
Prime	1,318	1,282	1,114	1,083	28.61	28.00
Choice	12,548	8,622	1,090	1,092	27.96	27.11
Good	2,572	2,370	1,122	1,143	26.23	25.57
Other 2/	99	129	1,206	1,153	23.87	23.22
Total	16,537	12,403	1,097	1,101	27.71	26.85
<u>So. St. Paul 3/</u>						
Prime	63	27	1,185	1,197	28.16	28.00
Choice	7,936	7,887	1,109	1,110	27.40	27.10
Good	3,094	2,134	1,128	1,146	25.58	25.69
Other 2/	1,386	2,433	1,115	1,133	23.58	24.08
Total	12,479	12,481	1,115	1,121	26.53	26.26
<u>Total 8 markets</u>						
Prime	13,533	14,773	1,222	1,190	29.21	28.77
Choice	124,624	131,558	1,126	1,127	27.98	27.49
Good	28,740	26,751	1,095	1,118	26.41	26.02
Other 2/	4,081	5,535	1,142	1,135	24.28	24.07
Total	170,978	178,617	1,129	1,131	27.74	27.28

- 1/ Data collected by Livestock Division, 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,
November 1969 and 1970 1/

Market and grade	Number		Average weight		Average price per 100 pounds live weight	
	1969	1970	1969	1970	1969	1970
	Head		Pounds		Dollars	
<u>Chicago</u>						
Prime	2,259	3,398	1,007	1,008	28.02	27.70
Choice	13,534	11,250	958	955	27.32	26.86
Good	3,077	1,931	931	929	26.18	25.61
Other 2/	192	107	927	945	24.15	23.29
Total	19,062	16,686	959	963	27.19	26.87
<u>Kansas City</u>						
Prime	100	85	961	942	26.86	26.92
Choice	1,307	1,958	906	916	26.10	26.13
Good	739	406	892	879	24.45	24.73
Other 2/	91	36	928	897	21.45	23.50
Total	2,237	2,485	905	911	25.40	25.90
<u>Omaha</u>						
Prime	2,338	2,207	999	992	27.26	26.91
Choice	23,174	21,829	959	967	26.62	26.37
Good	6,707	6,768	945	945	25.50	25.45
Other 2/	700	426	1,074	1,005	22.23	22.84
Total	32,919	31,230	962	965	26.34	26.16
<u>St. Louis NSY</u>						
Prime	146	146	922	929	27.50	26.89
Choice	3,586	3,375	896	898	27.12	26.26
Good	1,972	1,312	878	868	26.00	24.67
Other 2/	361	292	889	906	23.73	21.89
Total	6,065	5,125	890	892	26.57	25.63
<u>Sioux City</u>						
Prime	1,584	1,161	1,014	1,028	26.84	26.49
Choice	13,524	14,097	977	1,022	26.18	25.83
Good	3,102	3,472	957	934	25.02	24.88
Other 2/	53	124	1,095	990	21.94	22.99
Total	18,263	18,854	977	1,006	26.03	25.69
<u>Sioux Falls</u>						
Prime	183	186	1,001	1,006	26.69	26.22
Choice	5,954	7,046	988	971	25.96	25.48
Good	1,460	1,991	960	939	24.81	24.44
Other 2/	158	89	1,014	949	22.37	21.73
Total	7,755	9,312	984	964	25.69	25.25
<u>So. St. Joseph</u>						
Prime	275	351	950	969	27.34	26.98
Choice	6,663	4,705	916	915	26.50	26.10
Good	978	434	915	918	24.79	24.24
Other 2/						
Total	7,916	5,490	917	919	26.32	26.01
<u>So. St. Paul 3/</u>						
Prime	12	211	1,094	1,036	27.12	26.65
Choice	7,656	7,342	949	964	26.41	26.06
Good	2,411	1,176	933	915	24.78	24.64
Other 2/	1,618	1,309	1,009	1,007	20.88	21.39
Total	11,697	10,038	954	966	25.27	25.28
<u>Total 8 markets</u>						
Prime	6,897	7,745	1,001	1,003	27.40	27.17
Choice	75,398	71,602	956	968	26.59	26.19
Good	20,446	17,490	935	930	25.37	25.09
Other 2/	3,173	2,383	1,004	987	21.78	21.92
Total	105,914	99,220	956	965	26.26	25.97

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PLACEMENTS DOWN 2 PERCENT

November placements of cattle and calves on feed in these 6 States totaled 1,540,000 head, 2 percent below a year earlier. Increases were shown in Texas, California and Nebraska. Placements were unchanged in Arizona, but were down in Iowa and Colorado.

FED CATTLE MARKETINGS SHOW 6 PERCENT INCREASE

During November marketings of fed cattle from these 6 States totaled 1,310,000 head, a 6 percent increase over November 1969. Marketings were larger in Colorado, Nebraska, and Texas, but down slightly in Iowa, and reduced nearly a third in both California and Arizona.

NOVEMBER MARKETINGS FOR 8 MARKETS

During November steers and heifers marketed out of first hands for slaughter at 8 markets totaled 277,837 head. Steers accounted for 178,617 head, and heifers accounted for 99,220 head. Average live weight was up from a year earlier for both steers and heifers marketed during November. Steers averaged 1,131 pounds -- 2 pounds heavier than a year earlier, while heifers averaged 965 pounds -- 9 pounds above November 1969.

Cattle and calves: Inventories, placements and marketings,
 fed cattle, November 1 to December 1

Item	Total 6 States			
	1968	1969	1970	1970 as % of 1969
		1,000 head		Percent
On feed November 1	6,088	6,829	6,996	102
Placed on feed during November	1,524	1,567	1,540	98
Marketed during November	1,126	1,237	1,310	106
On feed December 1	6,486	7,159	7,226	101