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CATTLE ON FEED UP 8 PERCENT

Cattle and calves on feed for the slaughter market in 39 feeding States are estimated at 13,796,000 head on January 1, 1972, according to the Crop Reporting Board, 8 percent more than a year earlier. Numbers on feed January 1 in the other 11 States were estimated for the first time this year and totaled 37,000 head. There were 13,833,000 on feed in all 50 States.

The 23 major feeding States had 13,250,000 on feed this January 1, up 9 percent from a year earlier. Number on feed in the 23 States was 96 percent of the 50-State total.

NORTH CENTRAL STATES UP 6 PERCENT

Cattle and calves on feed for slaughter in the North Central States totaled 7,797,000 head on January 1, 6 percent above a year earlier. Iowa held its position as the No. 1 feeding State with 2,092,000 head, an increase of 5 percent from January 1, 1971. Nebraska, No. 3 nationally with 1,550,000 on feed, had 9 percent more. Kansas gained fourth place nationally with 1,100,000 on feed, up 20 percent from a year earlier. Pennsylvania, Indiana, Wisconsin and Minnesota were the only North Central States with fewer cattle on feed than a year earlier.

10 WESTERN STATES INCREASE 12 PERCENT

Cattle and calves on feed in the 10 Western States totaled 5,453,000 head, a 12 percent increase from January 1, 1971 with all States sharing in the rise. Texas showed one of the larger increases, 20 percent, and ranked second nationally with 1,781,000 on feed. California, with 4 percent more than a year earlier, had the second largest number in the region and was followed closely by Colorado with 11 percent more than a year earlier.

Special to this Issue: Number of cattle feedlots by size group, and number of fed cattle marketed by each size group, 23 States, 1970 and 1971, on pages 14 and 15.

PLACEMENTS UP 10 PERCENT - MARKETINGS VIRTUALLY UNCHANGED

Cattle and calves placed on feed in the 23 major feeding States during October-December 1971 totaled 8,807,000 head, 10 percent more than during the same 1970 quarter. Placements in the North Central States, at 5,573,000, were up 7 percent while placements in the Western States, at 3,234,000 head, rose 15 percent.

Marketings of fed cattle for slaughter during the last quarter of 1971 totaled 6,223,000 head, slightly above the 6,209,000 marketed during the last quarter of 1970. The North Central States sold 3,546,000 head, 6 percent less than a year earlier, while the Western States marketed 2,677,000 head, a gain of 10 percent.

KINDS ON FEED

There were 9,267,000 steers and steer calves on feed January 1, 1972 in the 23 major feeding States, 6 percent above a year earlier. Heifers and heifer calves totaled 3,922,000 head, up 15 percent, while cows and other cattle on feed, at 61,000, were 9 percent above January 1, 1971.

WEIGHT OF STEERS AND HEIFERS ON FEED

The number of steers and steer calves on feed in the 23 major States in each weight group and the change from January 1, 1971 are as follows: Under 500 pounds--1,209,000 head, up 133,000; 500-699 pounds--2,254,000 head, up 254,000; 700-899 pounds--2,793,000 head, down 52,000; 900-1,099 pounds--2,524,000 head, up 247,000; 1,100 pounds and over--487,000 head, down 64,000.

The number of heifers and heifer calves by weight groups with changes from a year ago are as follows: Under 500 pounds--925,000 head, up

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The following changes in cattle on feed estimates announced in October 1971 are effective with this report.

1. Estimates by length of time on feed are discontinued.
2. Estimates of the number of cattle on feed January 1 are provided for all States and the U. S. This includes the 16 States for which only January 1 estimates were provided in the past plus the remaining 11 States not previously included. Estimates are not made on kind and weight of cattle on feed in these 27 States.

The definition of expected marketings has been changed from "expected marketings from the current number on feed" to "expected total marketings including an allowance for those placed on feed and marketed during the quarter."

Cattle and calves: Number on feed, placements and marketings,
October 1, 1970-1971-January 1, 1970-1972-23 States

Item	23 States			1971 as % of 1970
	1,000 head			
	1970	1971		
Cattle and calves on feed October 1	10,424	10,666		102
Cattle and calves placed on feed October 1-December 31 1/	7,994	8,807		110
Red cattle marketed October 1-December 31 1/	6,209	6,223		100
	<u>1970</u>	<u>1971</u>	<u>1972</u>	<u>1972 as % of 1971</u>
Cattle and calves on feed January 1	12,644	12,209	13,250	109
Kinds on feed January 1				
Steers and steer calves	8,726	8,749	9,267	106
Heifers and heifer calves	3,869	3,404	3,922	115
Cows and other	49	56	61	109
Number on feed by weight groups January 1				
Steers and steer calves				
Less than 500 pounds	1,066	1,076	1,209	112
500-699 pounds	2,071	2,000	2,254	113
700-899 pounds	2,738	2,845	2,793	98
900-1,099 pounds	2,290	2,277	2,524	111
1,100 pounds and over	561	551	487	88
Heifers and heifer calves				
Less than 500 pounds	942	811	925	114
500-699 pounds	1,318	1,203	1,318	110
700-899 pounds	1,166	1,037	1,260	122
900-1,099 pounds	443	353	419	119
1,100 pounds and over				
All cattle and calves				
Less than 500 pounds	2,010	1,890	2,134	113
500-699 pounds	3,392	3,205	3,577	112
700-899 pounds	3,913	3,893	4,065	104
900-1,099 pounds	2,762	2,661	2,976	112
1,100 pounds and over	567	560	498	89
Marketings January-March	2/6,145	2/6,231	3/6,698	107

- 1/ Includes cattle placed on feed after beginning of quarter and marketed before end of quarter.
- 2/ Total marketings including those placed on feed after January 1 and marketed before March 31.
- 3/ Expected total marketings including an allowance for those placed on feed after January 1 and marketed before March 31.

Cattle and calves: Number on feed, placements and marketings,
October 1, 1970-1971 - January 1, 1970-1972 - North Central States

Item	North Central States 1/			
	1,000 head			1971 as
	1970	1971		% of 1970
Cattle and calves on feed October 1	5,928	5,770		97
Cattle and calves placed on feed				
October 1-December 31 2/	5,191	5,573		107
Fed cattle marketed October 1-December 31 2/	3,777	3,546		94
	<u>1970</u>	<u>1971</u>	<u>1972</u>	<u>1972 as</u>
				<u>% of 1971</u>
Cattle and calves on feed January 1	7,863	7,342	7,797	106
Kinds on feed January 1				
Steers and steer calves	5,317	5,224	5,329	102
Heifers and heifer calves	2,524	2,092	2,439	117
Cows and other	22	26	29	112
Number on feed by weight groups January 1				
Steers and steer calves				
Less than 500 pounds	689	677	593	88
500-699 pounds	1,248	1,174	1,250	106
700-899 pounds	1,647	1,695	1,599	94
900-1,099 pounds	1,362	1,331	1,560	117
1,100 pounds and over	371	347	327	94
Heifers and heifer calves				
Less than 500 pounds	632	483	503	104
500-699 pounds	819	682	818	120
700-899 pounds	774	686	840	122
900-1,099 pounds	299	241	278	115
1,100 pounds and over				
All cattle and calves				
Less than 500 pounds	1,323	1,163	1,096	94
500-699 pounds	2,069	1,858	2,071	111
700-899 pounds	2,423	2,385	2,443	102
900-1,099 pounds	1,675	1,587	1,857	117
1,100 pounds and over	373	349	330	95
Marketings January-March	3/3,727	3/3,635	4/3,856	106

1/ Includes Pennsylvania, Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Michigan, Wisconsin, Minnesota, Iowa, Missouri, N. Dakota, S. Dakota, Nebraska and Kansas.

2/ Includes cattle placed on feed after beginning of quarter and marketed before end of quarter.

3/ Total marketings including those placed on feed after January 1 and marketed before March 31.

4/ Expected total marketings including an allowance for those placed on feed after January 1 and marketed before March 31.

**Cattle and calves: Number on feed, placements and marketings,
October 1, 1970-1971, January 1, 1970-1972 Western States**

Item	Western States 1/			1971 as % of 1970
	1,000 head			
	1970	1971		
Cattle and calves on feed October 1	4,496	4,896		109
Cattle and calves placed on feed October 1-December 31 2/	2,803	3,234		115
Fed cattle marketed October 1-December 31 2/	2,432	2,677		110
	<u>1970</u>	<u>1971</u>	<u>1972</u>	<u>1972 as % of 1971</u>
Cattle and calves on feed January 1	4,781	4,867	5,453	112
Kinds on feed January 1				
Steers and steer calves	3,409	3,525	3,938	112
Heifers and heifer calves	1,345	1,312	1,483	113
Cows and other	27	30	32	107
Number on feed by weight groups January 1				
Steers and steer calves				
Less than 500 pounds	377	399	616	154
500-699 pounds	823	826	1,004	122
700-899 pounds	1,091	1,150	1,194	104
900-1,099 pounds	928	946	964	102
1,100 pounds and over	190	204	160	78
Heifers and heifer calves				
Less than 500 pounds	310	328	422	129
500-699 pounds	499	521	500	96
700-899 pounds	392	351	420	120
900-1,099 pounds	144	112	141	126
1,100 pounds and over				
All cattle and calves				
Less than 500 pounds	687	727	1,038	143
500-699 pounds	1,323	1,347	1,506	112
700-899 pounds	1,490	1,508	1,622	108
900-1,099 pounds	1,087	1,074	1,119	104
1,100 pounds and over	194	211	168	80
Marketings January-March	3/2,618	3/2,596	4/2,842	109

1/ Includes Oklahoma, Texas, Montana, Idaho, Colorado, New Mexico, Arizona, Washington, Oregon and California.

2/ Includes cattle placed on feed after beginning of quarter and marketed before end of quarter.

3/ Total marketings including those placed on feed after January 1 and marketed before March 31.

4/ Expected total marketings including an allowance for those placed on feed after January 1 and marketed before March 31.

**Cattle and calves: Number on feed by quarters, January 1, 1972
with comparisons 1/ 2/**

State	1970	1971				January 1, 1972	
	Jan. 1	Jan. 1	Apr. 1	July 1	Oct. 1	Number	As % of 1971
	1,000 head					Percent	
Pa.	88	92	79	57	54	91	99
Ohio	318	308	285	183	167	320	104
Ind.	349	314	280	238	234	283	90
Ill.	755	649	601	458	445	662	102
Mich.	210	225	209	150	140	230	102
Wis.	146	150	137	112	107	144	96
Minn.	589	548	513	439	400	537	98
Iowa	2,213	1,992	2,043	1,634	1,437	2,092	105
Mo.	402	342	318	227	254	373	109
N. Dak.	63	45	54	39	30	52	116
S. Dak.	361	339	342	281	285	363	107
Nebr.	1,477	1,422	1,312	1,202	1,287	1,550	109
Kans.	892	916	780	859	930	1,100	120
Okla.	223	236	242	253	243	250	106
Texas	1,417	1,480	1,563	1,700	1,608	1,781	120
Mont.	115	130	120	100	95	165	127
Idaho	230	222	215	186	194	265	119
Colo.	795	888	876	879	895	983	111
N. Mex.	209	165	163	171	158	188	114
Ariz.	510	524	497	492	459	539	103
Wash.	155	141	165	166	162	155	110
Oreg.	96	80	62	56	67	82	103
Calif.	1,031	1,001	856	1,007	1,015	1,045	104
23 States	12,644	12,209	11,712	10,889	10,666	13,250	109
N. Y.	15	11				12	109
Md.	20	20				20	100
Va.	35	46				37	80
N. C.	43	49				47	96
S. C.	15	18				23	128
Ga.	59	59				62	105
Fla.	61	57				57	100
Ky.	53	48				44	92
Tenn.	26	29				27	93
Ala.	38	35				34	97
Miss.	20	15				17	113
Ark.	16	17				17	100
La.	10	9				8	89
Wyo.	31	35				37	106
Utah	57	68				55	81
Nev.	47	45				49	109
39 States	13,190	12,770				13,796	108
N. J.						5	
W. Va.						10	
Other States						7	
48 States						13,818	
Hawaii						15	
U. S.						13,833	

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/ Data not available for periods blank.

Cattle and calves: Number placed on feed, by quarters, October 1970-December 1971 1/

State	1970		1971		October-December 1971	
	Oct.-Dec.	Jan.-Mar.	Apr.-June	July-Sept.	Number	As percent of 1970
	1,000 head					Percent
Pa.	62	18	16	33	60	97
Ohio	209	72	53	100	218	104
Ind.	205	89	78	129	164	80
Ill.	425	221	131	270	440	104
Mich.	143	35	23	68	130	91
Wis.	94	48	36	55	90	96
Minn.	343	187	107	192	378	110
Iowa	1,577	972	590	866	1,697	108
Mo.	261	147	82	179	270	103
N. Dak.	34	25	7	11	42	124
S. Dak.	207	157	85	144	235	114
Nebr.	1,080	874	832	982	1,184	110
Kans.	551	401	528	556	665	121
Okla.	148	147	163	143	148	100
Texas	872	891	1,030	920	1,123	129
Mont.	98	55	38	57	120	122
Idaho	137	88	78	132	177	129
Colo.	547	519	540	565	622	114
N. Mex.	83	87	78	79	109	131
Ariz.	286	191	254	194	277	97
Wash.	84	108	85	101	81	96
Oreg.	52	30	31	46	52	100
Calif.	496	372	590	547	525	106
23 States	7,994	5,734	5,455	6,369	8,807	110

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

Cattle and calves: Number of fed cattle marketed by quarter, October 1970-December 1971 1/

State	1970		1971		October-December 1971	
	Oct.-Dec.	Jan.-Mar.	Apr.-June	July-Sept.	Number	As percent of 1970
	1,000 head					Percent
Pa.	23	31	38	36	23	100
Ohio	75	95	155	116	65	87
Ind.	118	123	120	133	115	97
Ill.	276	269	274	283	223	81
Mich.	48	51	82	78	40	83
Wis.	51	61	61	60	53	104
Minn.	271	222	181	231	241	89
Iowa	1,218	921	999	1,063	1,042	86
Mo.	154	171	173	152	151	98
N. Dak.	20	16	22	20	20	100
S. Dak.	150	154	146	140	157	105
Nebr.	928	984	942	897	921	99
Kans.	445	537	449	485	495	111
Okla.	141	141	152	153	141	100
Texas	810	808	893	1,012	950	117
Mont.	42	65	58	62	50	119
Idaho	100	95	107	124	106	106
Colo.	489	531	537	549	534	109
N. Mex.	91	89	70	92	79	87
Ariz.	178	218	259	227	197	111
Wash.	84	84	84	105	88	105
Oreg.	42	48	37	35	37	88
Calif.	455	517	439	539	495	109
23 States	6,209	6,231	6,278	6,592	6,223	100

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

Cattle and calves; Expected total marketings January 1 - March 31, 1972 with comparisons

State	Total marketings 1/		Expected total marketings 2/	
	Jan. - Mar. 1971		Jan. - Mar. 1972	
	1,000 head	Number	1,000 head	As % of 1971
Pa.	31	30		97
Ohio	95	96		101
Ind.	123	109		89
Ill.	269	278		103
Mich.	51	55		108
Wis.	61	53		87
Minn.	222	205		92
Iowa	921	1,004		109
Mo.	171	175		102
N. Dak.	16	18		113
S. Dak.	154	163		106
Nebr.	984	1,054		107
Kans.	537	616		115
Okla.	141	148		105
Texas	808	955		118
Mont.	65	87		134
Idaho	95	110		116
Colo.	531	560		105
N. Mex.	89	94		106
Ariz.	218	210		96
Wash.	84	90		107
Oreg.	48	48		100
Calif.	517	540		104
23 States	6,231	6,698		107

1/ Total marketings of cattle including those placed on feed after January 1, and marketed before March 31.

2/ Expected total marketings including an allowance for those placed on feed after January 1 and marketed before March 31.

Cattle and calves: Number on feed by classes, by quarters, January 1, 1971 - January 1, 1972

State	Steers and steer calves				Heifers and heifer calves				Cows and other						
	1971		1972		1971		1972		1971						
	Jan. 1	Apr. 1	July 1	Oct. 1	Jan. 1	Apr. 1	July 1	Oct. 1	Jan. 1	Jan. 1	Apr. 1	July 1	Oct. 1	Jan. 1	
Pa.	82	69	50	47	80	5	6	4	3	6	5	4	3	4	5
Ohio	240	222	145	132	246	65	60	38	35	71	3	3			3
Ind.	201	168	138	154	183	110	109	98	78	98	3	3	2	2	2
Ill.	441	385	293	289	424	208	216	165	156	238					
Mich.	200	188	135	132	212	25	19	14	7	18		2	1	1	
Wis.	123	107	86	83	115	26	27	24	22	28	1	3	2	2	1
Minn.	329	302	289	256	343	217	210	149	143	192	2	1	1	1	2
Iowa	1,335	1,470	1,142	1,004	1,401	655	571	490	431	689	2	2	2	2	2
Mo.	239	228	162	180	246	103	89	64	74	123		1	1		4
N. Dak.	24	30	23	18	26	20	24	16	12	25	1				1
S. Dak.	237	233	205	208	236	98	106	73	74	123	4	3	3	3	4
Nebr.	1,085	886	780	881	992	332	425	421	402	553	5	1	1	4	5
Kans.	688	586	574	687	825	228	194	285	241	275				2	
Okla.	155	138	142	145	155	80	104	111	98	93	1				2
Texas	874	913	1,106	1,085	1,155	604	648	591	517	620	2	2	3	6	6
Mont.	81	75	57	55	115	41	44	42	39	46	8	1	1	1	4
Idaho	162	159	138	133	172	56	52	44	60	88	4	4	4	1	5
Colo.	571	578	518	573	601	311	296	360	322	376	6	2	1		6
N. Mex.	91	80	85	87	109	71	81	84	69	77	3	2	2	2	2
Ariz.	488	432	460	418	481	35	64	30	40	56	1	1	2	1	2
Wash.	113	120	121	126	118	28	45	45	36	37					
Oreg.	50	41	36	50	54	26	19	18	17	27	4	2	2		1
Calif.	940	805	946	934	978	60	50	60	80	63	1	1	1	1	4
23 States	8,749	8,215	7,631	7,677	9,267	3,404	3,459	3,226	2,956	3,922	56	38	32	33	61

Cattle and calves: Number on feed by weight groups, by quarters,
January 1, 1971-January 1, 1972

State	Under 500 pounds				500-699 pounds				700-899 pounds						
	1971		1972		1971		1972		1971		1972				
	Jan.	Apr.	July	Oct.	Jan.	Jan.	Apr.	July	Oct.	Jan.	Jan.	Apr.	July	Oct.	Jan.
	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
	1,000 head														
Pa.	7	3	2	2	7	17	11	6	9	19	30	24	17	18	30
Ohio	53	14	5	17	48	116	92	41	38	127	89	115	85	70	80
Ind.	45	21	15	34	36	109	99	53	38	93	101	101	113	106	87
Ill.	130	32	13	33	111	207	207	87	102	199	196	199	223	162	206
Mich.	33	7	2	6	13	96	68	29	40	89	60	83	61	38	77
Wis.	20	15	9	7	26	33	41	24	25	33	41	37	42	34	29
Minn.	130	62	22	32	143	113	245	118	93	118	151	89	200	176	124
Iowa	450	110	33	74	382	584	778	288	326	592	597	626	801	483	628
Mo.	63	24	14	25	64	126	120	56	69	139	79	104	105	102	98
N. Dak.	11	4			17	16	30	4	3	18	8	14	23	11	9
S. Dak.	61	32	7	3	78	60	154	56	26	76	92	67	138	133	97
Nebr.	134	37	12	29	143	179	385	224	222	285	568	384	555	584	571
Kans.	26	22	23	12	28	202	228	200	224	283	373	314	402	427	407
Okla.	29	35	14	24	35	73	89	79	79	103	69	78	126	94	71
Texas	285	280	277	264	429	544	585	547	529	586	404	444	589	472	457
Mont.	25	3		3	29	31	50	12	15	36	39	36	46	37	33
Idaho	18	11	2	8	32	46	54	29	57	63	74	73	73	76	89
Colo.	45	18	11	18	77	121	165	153	152	145	303	309	508	333	364
N. Mex.	24	25	15	23	40	57	57	61	52	69	48	58	67	53	54
Ariz.	73	109	137	59	162	166	128	116	149	171	161	164	137	171	142
Wash.	14	5			4	24	41	21	33	29	56	69	75	68	56
Oreg.	12	3	2	4	8	21	20	11	14	28	26	21	24	30	26
Calif.	202	126	195	173	222	264	212	259	291	276	328	275	357	294	330
23 States	1,890	998	810	850	2,134	3,205	3,859	2,474	2,586	3,577	3,893	3,684	4,767	3,972	4,065

State	900-1,099 pounds				1,100 pounds and over						
	1971		1972		1971		1972				
	Jan.	Apr.	July	Oct.	Jan.	Jan.	Apr.	July	Oct.	Jan.	
	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
	1,000 head										
Pa.	26	30	22	20	28	12	11	10	5	7	
Ohio	48	60	49	39	63	2	4	3	3	2	
Ind.	53	54	53	51	63	6	5	4	5	4	
Ill.	103	144	117	119	125	13	19	18	29	21	
Mich.	32	47	54	53	50	4	4	4	3	1	
Wis.	40	30	30	34	42	16	14	7	7	14	
Minn.	124	93	85	91	135	30	24	14	8	17	
Iowa	294	441	432	464	420	67	88	80	90	70	
Mo.	67	61	47	53	65	7	9	5	5	7	
N. Dak.	8	5	11	15	6	2	1	1	1	2	
S. Dak.	95	65	61	98	93	31	24	19	25	19	
Nebr.	436	390	352	364	451	105	116	59	88	100	
Kans.	261	169	198	228	316	54	47	36	39	66	
Okla.	57	33	32	40	33	8	7	2	6	8	
Texas	221	225	264	306	284	26	29	23	37	25	
Mont.	27	27	38	35	57	8	4	4	5	10	
Idaho	68	63	62	45	70	16	14	20	8	11	
Colo.	304	295	186	323	331	115	89	21	69	66	
N. Mex.	31	21	24	27	21	5	2	4	3	4	
Ariz.	119	92	98	76	60	5	4	4	4	8	
Wash.	32	40	63	50	58	15	10	7	11	8	
Oreg.	18	16	16	17	18	3	2	3	2	2	
Calif.	197	227	176	228	187	10	16	20	29	30	
23 States	2,661	2,628	2,470	2,776	2,976	560	543	368	482	498	

Steers and steer calves: Number on feed by weight groups, by quarters,
January 1, 1971-January 1, 1972

State	Under 500 pounds				500-699 pounds				700-899 pounds						
	1971		1972		1971		1972		1971		1972				
	Jan.	Apr.	July	Oct.	Jan.	Jan.	Apr.	July	Oct.	Jan.	Jan.	Apr.	July	Oct.	Jan.
	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
	1,000 head														
Pa.	5	2	2	2	6	14	8	5	7	16	27	21	13	15	27
Ohio	34	9	4	10	30	86	60	26	28	93	72	91	64	53	64
Ind.	20	11	10	18	17	54	39	24	22	51	75	66	56	69	57
Ill.	66	15	6	14	59	132	108	41	41	106	146	112	126	101	132
Mich.	24	6	1	5	7	86	58	24	37	79	54	75	53	36	76
Wis.	15	11	8	6	18	22	27	14	17	23	34	30	33	22	24
Minn.	56	30	15	18	82	59	115	58	41	62	95	60	130	110	72
Iowa	280	59	23	40	210	374	515	160	171	378	387	426	502	311	393
Mo.	31	11	10	14	32	81	75	31	45	86	58	78	74	67	67
N. Dak.	5	2			8	10	16	1	1	9	4	8	12	5	4
S. Dak.	36	16	4	1	47	36	103	29	13	45	63	44	105	98	59
Nebr.	87	15	4	14	60	111	215	110	98	129	399	213	311	389	327
Kans.	18	12	6	7	17	109	128	83	103	173	281	248	279	335	297
Okla.	9	9	4	9	22	42	45	33	37	60	46	48	79	59	37
Texas	72	55	99	67	163	248	304	298	337	335	321	308	430	356	357
Mont.	15	1		1	19	20	27	6	7	24	21	23	17	19	18
Idaho	8	5	1	5	17	26	32	17	31	38	57	52	49	53	52
Colo.	11	6		11	36	40	52	67	46	65	166	185	295	201	194
N. Mex.	6	5	7	10	12	27	24	22	27	35	28	33	32	26	40
Ariz.	64	78	129	54	125	151	108	106	130	159	151	151	124	155	135
Wash.	10	1			2	15	23	11	24	17	44	51	48	47	41
Oreg.	7	1	1	2	4	13	12	7	9	17	15	14	14	22	17
Calif.	197	121	189	159	216	244	193	237	261	254	301	258	331	271	303
23 States	1,076	481	523	467	1,209	2,000	2,287	1,410	1,533	2,254	2,845	2,595	3,177	2,820	2,793

State	900-1,099 pounds				1,100 pounds and over						
	1971		1972		1971		1972				
	Jan.	Apr.	July	Oct.	Jan.	Jan.	Apr.	July	Oct.	Jan.	
	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
	1,000 head										
Pa.	25	28	21	18	25	11	10	9	5	6	
Ohio	46	58	48	38	57	2	4	3	3	2	
Ind.	46	47	44	40	54	6	5	4	5	4	
Ill.	84	131	102	104	106	13	19	18	29	21	
Mich.	32	45	53	51	49	4	4	4	3	1	
Wis.	37	25	24	31	37	15	14	7	7	13	
Minn.	89	73	72	79	110	30	24	14	8	17	
Iowa	227	382	377	392	350	67	88	80	90	70	
Mo.	62	55	42	49	54	7	9	5	5	7	
N. Dak.	3	3	9	11	3	2	1	1	1	2	
S. Dak.	71	47	49	72	66	31	23	18	24	19	
Nebr.	383	328	296	293	377	105	115	59	87	99	
Kans.	226	151	170	203	272	54	47	36	39	66	
Okla.	50	29	24	34	29	8	7	2	6	7	
Texas	207	218	257	290	277	26	28	22	35	23	
Mont.	19	20	30	23	45	6	4	4	5	9	
Idaho	58	56	52	36	55	13	14	19	8	10	
Colo.	240	248	135	246	241	114	87	21	69	65	
N. Mex.	26	17	21	22	19	4	1	3	2	3	
Ariz.	117	91	97	75	58	5	4	4	4	4	
Wash.	29	35	55	44	50	15	10	7	11	8	
Oreg.	12	12	11	15	14	3	2	3	2	2	
Calif.	188	217	170	215	176	10	16	19	28	29	
23 States	2,277	2,316	2,159	2,381	2,524	551	536	362	476	487	

Heifers and heifer calves: Number on feed by weight groups, by quarters,
January 1, 1971-January 1, 1972

State	Under 500 pounds				500-699 pounds				700-899 pounds					
	1971		1972		1971		1972		1971		1972			
	Jan.	Apr.	July	Oct.	Jan.	Apr.	July	Oct.	Jan.	Apr.	July	Oct.	Jan.	
	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
	1,000 head													
Pa.	1	1		1	2	2	1	1	2	2	2	3	1	2
Ohio	18	5	1	7	18	29	31	15	10	33	16	22	21	17
Ind.	25	10	5	16	19	55	60	29	16	42	26	35	57	37
Ill.	64	17	7	19	52	75	99	46	61	93	50	87	97	61
Mich.	9	1	1	1	6	10	10	5	3	10	6	7	8	2
Wis.	5	4	1	1	8	11	14	10	7	10	7	6	9	11
Minn.	74	32	7	14	61	54	130	60	52	56	56	29	70	66
Iowa	170	51	10	34	172	210	263	127	155	214	210	200	299	172
Mo.	32	13	4	11	32	45	45	25	24	53	21	26	31	35
N. Dak.	6	2			9	6	14	3	2	9	4	6	11	6
S. Dak.	25	16	3	2	31	24	51	27	13	31	28	23	33	35
Nebr.	46	22	8	14	83	68	170	114	124	155	168	171	244	194
Kans.	8	10	17	5	11	93	100	117	121	110	92	66	123	91
Okla.	20	26	10	15	13	31	44	46	42	43	23	30	47	35
Texas	213	225	178	197	266	296	281	248	190	250	83	136	159	115
Mont.	10	2		2	10	11	23	6	8	12	15	13	29	18
Idaho	10	6	1	3	15	20	22	12	26	25	17	20	23	23
Colo.	34	12	11	7	41	81	113	86	106	79	134	124	213	132
N. Mex.	18	20	8	13	28	30	33	39	25	34	20	25	35	27
Ariz.	9	31	8	5	37	15	20	10	19	12	9	12	11	15
Wash.	4	4			2	9	18	10	9	12	12	18	27	21
Oreg.	5	2	1	2	4	8	8	4	5	11	11	7	10	8
Calif.	5	5	6	14	6	20	19	22	30	22	27	17	26	23
23 States	811	517	287	382	925	1,203	1,570	1,062	1,049	1,318	1,037	1,082	1,586	1,145

State	900-1,099 pounds				1,100 pounds and over			
	1971		1972		1971		1972	
	Jan.	Apr.	July	Oct.	Jan.	Apr.	July	Oct.
	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
	1,000 head							
Pa.		1		1		1		1
Ohio	2	2	1	1	1	1	4	
Ind.	4	4	7	9	7			
Ill.	19	13	15	15	19			
Mich.		1		1	1			
Wis.	3	3	4	3	5			
Minn.	33	19	12	11	23			
Iowa	65	57	54	70	69			
Mo.	5	5	4	4	7			
N. Dak.	4	2	2	4	2			
S. Dak.	21	16	10	24	24			
Nebr.	50	62	55	70	72			
Kans.	35	18	28	24	44			
Okla.	6	4	8	6	4			
Texas	12	6	6	15	6			
Mont.	5	6	7	11	9			
Idaho	9	4	8	8	12			
Colo.	62	47	50	77	87			
N. Mex.	3	3	2	4	1			
Ariz.	2	1	1	1	1			
Wash.	3	5	8	6	8			
Oreg.	2	2	3	2	4			
Calif.	8	9	6	13	9			
23 States	353	290	291	380	419			

Cattle and calves on feed: Inventories, placements and marketings, by months, monthly States, January 1, 1970 - June 30, 1970 and January 1, 1971 - June 30, 1971

State	Cattle on feed			Placed on feed			Marketed		
	1970	1971	1971/1970	1970	1971	1971/1970	1970	1971	1971/1970
	1,000 head	Percent		1,000 head	Percent		1,000 head	Percent	
	<u>January 1</u>			<u>During January</u>			<u>During January</u>		
Iowa	2,213	1,992	90	432	460	106	370	359	97
Nebr.	1,477	1,422	96	286	376	131	314	339	108
Texas	1,417	1,480	104	238	346	145	251	251	100
Colo.	795	888	112	132	199	151	142	154	108
Ariz.	510	524	103	53	67	126	63	74	117
Calif.	1,031	1,001	97	89	95	107	195	192	98
Total 6 States	7,443	7,307	98	1,230	1,543	125	1,335	1,369	103
	<u>February 1</u>			<u>During February</u>			<u>During February</u>		
Iowa	2,275	2,093	92	231	156	68	302	287	95
Nebr.	1,449	1,459	101	273	234	86	285	300	105
Texas	1,404	1,575	112	144	236	164	253	231	91
Colo.	785	933	119	148	157	106	157	187	119
Ariz.	500	517	103	55	67	122	63	61	97
Calif.	925	904	98	73	121	166	169	147	87
Total 6 States	7,338	7,481	102	924	971	105	1,229	1,213	99
	<u>March 1</u>			<u>During March</u>			<u>During March</u>		
Iowa	2,204	1,962	89	337	356	106	296	275	93
Nebr.	1,437	1,393	97	267	264	99	307	345	112
Texas	1,295	1,580	122	249	309	124	301	326	108
Colo.	776	903	116	157	163	104	185	190	103
Ariz.	492	523	106	44	57	130	82	83	101
Calif.	829	878	106	134	156	116	204	178	87
Total 6 States	7,033	7,239	103	1,188	1,305	110	1,375	1,397	102
	<u>April 1</u>			<u>During April</u>			<u>During April</u>		
Iowa	2,245	2,043	91	292	221	76	334	281	84
Nebr.	1,397	1,312	94	225	227	101	310	322	104
Texas	1,243	1,563	126	190	321	169	291	314	108
Colo.	748	876	117	133	182	137	163	172	106
Ariz.	454	497	109	72	72	100	86	88	102
Calif.	759	856	113	205	180	88	159	137	86
Total 6 States	6,846	7,147	104	1,117	1,203	108	1,343	1,314	98
	<u>May 1</u>			<u>During May</u>			<u>During May</u>		
Iowa	2,203	1,983	90	182	135	74	378	352	93
Nebr.	1,312	1,217	93	214	329	154	302	307	102
Texas	1,142	1,570	137	402	393	98	252	280	111
Colo.	718	886	123	205	200	98	163	174	107
Ariz.	440	481	109	90	98	109	82	81	99
Calif.	805	899	112	241	223	93	122	145	119
Total 6 States	6,620	7,036	106	1,334	1,378	103	1,299	1,339	103
	<u>June 1</u>			<u>During June</u>			<u>During June</u>		
Iowa	2,007	1,766	88	273	234	86	402	366	91
Nebr.	1,224	1,239	101	289	276	96	324	313	97
Texas	1,292	1,683	130	317	316	100	256	299	117
Colo.	760	912	120	163	158	97	149	191	128
Ariz.	448	498	111	67	84	125	82	90	110
Calif.	924	977	106	161	187	116	134	157	117
Total 6 States	6,655	7,075	106	1,270	1,255	99	1,347	1,416	105

Cattle and calves: Inventories, placements and marketings, by months, monthly States
 July 1, 1970 - January 1, 1971 and July 1, 1971 - January 1, 1972

State	Cattle on feed			Placed on feed			Marketed		
	1970	1971	1971/1970	1970	1971	1971/1970	1970	1971	1971/1970
	1,000 head	Percent		1,000 head	Percent		1,000 head	Percent	
	<u>July 1</u>			<u>During July</u>			<u>During July</u>		
Iowa	1,878	1,634	87	244	213	87	393	360	92
Nebr.	1,189	1,202	101	267	215	81	280	290	104
Texas	1,353	1,700	126	273	266	97	238	324	136
Colo.	774	879	114	147	141	96	142	170	120
Ariz.	433	492	114	70	62	89	81	79	98
Calif.	951	1,007	106	148	167	113	153	159	104
Total 6 States	6,578	6,914	105	1,149	1,064	93	1,287	1,382	107
	<u>August 1</u>			<u>During August</u>			<u>During August</u>		
Iowa	1,729	1,487	86	382	296	77	448	336	75
Nebr.	1,176	1,127	96	282	314	111	272	297	109
Texas	1,388	1,642	118	256	298	116	234	351	150
Colo.	779	850	109	157	167	106	157	191	122
Ariz.	422	475	113	64	57	89	73	77	105
Calif.	946	1,015	107	182	175	96	176	179	102
Total 6 States	6,440	6,596	102	1,323	1,307	99	1,360	1,431	105
	<u>September 1</u>			<u>During September</u>			<u>During September</u>		
Iowa	1,663	1,447	87	412	357	87	442	367	83
Nebr.	1,186	1,144	96	371	453	122	287	310	108
Texas	1,410	1,589	113	260	356	137	252	337	134
Colo.	779	826	106	209	257	123	158	188	119
Ariz.	413	455	110	73	75	103	70	71	101
Calif.	952	1,011	106	207	205	99	199	201	101
Total 6 States	6,403	6,472	101	1,532	1,703	111	1,408	1,474	105
	<u>October 1</u>			<u>During October</u>			<u>During October</u>		
Iowa	1,633	1,437	88	463	529	114	418	322	77
Nebr.	1,270	1,287	101	410	492	120	316	305	97
Kans.		930			283			190	
Texas	1,418	1,608	113	394	495	126	288	357	124
Colo.	830	895	108	251	273	109	175	194	111
Ariz.	416	459	110	130	119	92	60	66	110
Calif.	960	1,015	106	256	246	96	178	193	108
Total 6 States 1/	6,527	6,701	103	1,904	2,154	113	1,435	1,437	100
Total 7 States		7,631			2,437			1,627	
	<u>November 1</u>			<u>During November</u>			<u>During November</u>		
Iowa	1,678	1,644	98	550	593	108	385	339	88
Nebr.	1,364	1,474	108	331	374	113	287	311	108
Kans.		1,023			217			150	
Texas	1,524	1,746	115	266	316	119	286	334	117
Colo.	906	974	108	137	163	119	177	178	101
Ariz.	486	512	105	93	84	90	48	72	150
Calif.	1,038	1,068	103	149	159	107	118	150	127
Total 6 States 1/	6,996	7,418	106	1,526	1,689	111	1,301	1,384	106
Total 7 States		8,441			1,906			1,534	
	<u>December 1</u>			<u>During December</u>			<u>During December</u>		
Iowa	1,843	1,898	103	564	575	102	415	381	92
Nebr.	1,408	1,537	109	339	318	94	325	305	94
Kans.		1,090			165			155	
Texas	1,504	1,728	115	212	312	147	236	259	110
Colo.	866	959	111	159	186	117	137	162	118
Ariz.	531	524	99	63	74	117	70	59	84
Calif.	1,069	1,077	101	91	120	132	159	152	96
Total 6 States 1/	7,221	7,723	107	1,428	1,585	111	1,342	1,318	98
Total 7 States		8,813			1,750			1,473	
	1971	1972	1972/1971						
	<u>January 1</u>								
Iowa	1,992	2,092	105						
Nebr.	1,422	1,550	109						
Kans.		1,100							
Texas	1,480	1,781	120						
Colo.	888	983	111						
Ariz.	524	539	103						
Calif.	1,001	1,045	104						
Total 6 States 1/	7,307	7,990	109						
Total 7 States		9,090							

1/ Excludes Kansas.

Number of cattle feedlots and fed cattle marketed--by size of feedlot capacity, by States - 1970 and 1971 1/

State and year	Under 1,000 head:		1,000 head and over feedlot capacity							
	feedlot capacity:		1,000-1,999		2,000-3,999		4,000-7,999		8,000-15,999	
	Lots marketed:	Cattle: 1,000 head	Lots marketed:	Cattle: 1,000 head	Lots marketed:	Cattle: 1,000 head	Lots marketed:	Cattle: 1,000 head	Lots marketed:	Cattle: 1,000 head
<u>1970</u>										
Pa.	5,997	119	3*	9*						
Ohio	9,472	391	28*	38*						
Ind.	14,473	451	20	32	4	11	3	23		
Ill.	23,952	1,064	36	40	6	17	6*	46*		
Mich.	1,673	210	19	20	8	24				
Wis.	7,793	205	7*	12*						
Minn.	18,162	822	33	45	5	10				
Iowa	41,829	4,123	88	150	57	140	21	105	5	65
Mo.	15,466	617	18	20	16*	47*				
N. Dak.	1,779	57	13	14	8*	19*				
S. Dak.	9,049	463	37	35	9	18	5*	36*		
Nebr.	18,400	1,636	295	440	126	406	63	432	20	309
Kans.	8,868	495	31	52	35	107	25	212	21	311
Okla.	753	50	15	29	14	56	7	59	7	127
Texas	1,300	98	60	53	44	112	36	281	39	727
Mont.	424	34	39	20	21	44	13	37	4	49
Idaho	546	60	36	45	23	59	19	94	7	67
Colo.	654	288	82	110	37	125	30	237	22	326
N. Mex.	23	5	10	10	9	22	12	71	9	139
Ariz.	8	2	7	6	8	23	13	76	11	145
Wash.	262	43	6	7	11	43	6	48	7	207
Oreg.	319	37	14	15	15	20	3	13	5*	81*
Calif.	153	19	67	15	76	85	52	180	47	544
23 States 2/	181,355	11,289	960	1,202	530	1,367	316	1,937	207	3,128
<u>1971</u>										
Pa.	5,997	119	3*	9*						
Ohio	8,972	385	25	31	3*	15*				
Ind.	14,477	423	18	35	5*	33*				
Ill.	16,749	942	44	52	8	20	5*	35*		
Mich.	1,671	200	20	24	9	27				
Wis.	7,293	222	7*	13*						
Minn.	17,960	819	35	44	5	12				
Iowa	38,830	3,615	90	140	55	125	20	90	5	55
Mo.	13,965	568	20	30	11	27	4*	22*		
N. Dak.	1,283	56	10	11	7*	11*				
S. Dak.	9,049	475	33	46	13	28	5*	48*		
Nebr.	17,800	1,684	300	465	128	435	65	470	19	305
Kans.	8,372	494	35	38	21	65	28	225	25	434
Okla.	651	52	13	16	16	79	9	64	7	172
Texas	1,300	99	47	49	49	117	44	304	34	697
Mont.	387	35	46	18	22	50	18*	132*		
Idaho	525	40	34	45	26	65	15	80	13*	202
Colo.	622	240	101	135	48	155	32	269	20	302
N. Mex.	22	3	9	9	10	21	11	63	12	131
Ariz.	8	2	6	8	8	22	12	58	12	196
Wash.	253	49	4	5	7	34	7	57	3	69
Oreg.	314	34	14	17	13	34	7*	72*		
Calif.	139	13	65	26	77	88	51	198	47	528
23 States 2/	166,639	10,569	977	1,258	537	1,423	324	2,071	206	3,107

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Number of cattle feedlots and fed cattle marketed -- by size of feedlot capacity, by States - 1970 and 1971 1/

State and year	1,000 head and over feedlot capacity						Total all feedlots	
	16,000-31,999		32,000 and over		Total		Lots	Cattle marketed
	Lots	Cattle marketed	Lots	Cattle marketed	Lots	Cattle marketed		
	No.	1,000 head	No.	1,000 head	No.	1,000 head	No.	1,000 head
1970								
Pa.					3	9	6,000	128
Ohio					28	38	9,500	429
Ind.					27	66	14,500	517
Ill.					48	103	24,000	1,167
Mich.					27	44	1,700	254
Wis.					7	12	7,800	217
Minn.					38	55	18,200	877
Iowa					171	460	42,000	4,583
Mo.					34	67	15,500	684
N. Dak.					21	33	1,800	90
S. Dak.					51	89	9,100	552
Nebr.	7	216	3	170	514	1,973	18,914	3,609
Kans.	16	493	4	220	132	1,395	9,000	1,890
Okla.	4*	221*			47	492	800	542
Texas	33	915	15	952	227	3,040	1,527	3,138
Mont.					77	150	501	184
Idaho	4	109			89	374	635	434
Colo.	13*	819*			184	1,617	838	1,905
N. Mex.	5*	146*			45	388	68	393
Ariz.	8	254	6	354	53	858	61	860
Wash.					30	305	292	348
Oreg.					37	129	356	166
Calif.	20	603	10	520	272	1,947	425	1,966
23 States 2/	107	3,203	42	2,807	2,162	13,644	183,517	24,933
1971								
Pa.					3	9	6,000	128
Ohio					28	46	9,000	431
Ind.					23	68	14,500	491
Ill.					57	107	16,806	1,049
Mich.					29	51	1,700	251
Wis.					7	13	7,300	235
Minn.					40	56	18,000	875
Iowa					170	410	39,000	4,025
Mo.					35	79	14,000	647
N. Dak.					17	22	1,300	78
S. Dak.					51	122	9,100	597
Nebr.	7	220	3	165	522	2,060	18,322	3,744
Kans.	15	495	4	215	128	1,472	8,500	1,966
Okla.	4*	204*			49	535	700	587
Texas	34	1,277	17	1,120	225	3,564	1,525	3,663
Mont.					86	200	473	235
Idaho					88	392	613	432
Colo.	16*	1,050*			217	1,911	839	2,151
N. Mex.	4*	103*			46	327	68	330
Ariz.	10	298	5	317	53	899	61	901
Wash.	4	147			25	312	278	361
Oreg.					34	123	348	157
Calif.	21	617	10	520	271	1,977	410	1,990
23 States 2/	116	3,895	44	3,001	2,204	14,755	168,843	25,324

1/ Number of feedlots with 1,000 head or more capacity is number of lots operating any time during year. Number under 1,000 head capacity is number at end of year. 2/ The 23 State totals show actual number of feedlots and number of animals marketed in each size group. The sum of numbers shown by States under any specified size group may not add to the 23 State total for that size group, since for some States size groups are combined to avoid disclosing individual operations. *Lots and marketings from larger size groups are included to avoid disclosing individual operations.

STEERS SOLD OUT OF FIRST HANDS AT SELECTED MARKETS FOR SLAUGHTER
DECEMBER 1970 AND 1971 1/

MARKET AND GRADE	NUMBER		AVERAGE WEIGHT		AVERAGE PRICE PER 100 POUNDS LIVEWEIGHT	
	1970	1971	1970	1971	1970	1971
	HEAD	HEAD	POUNDS	POUNDS	DOLLARS	DOLLARS
KANSAS CITY						
PRIME.....	111	33	1061	988	27.32	35.24
CHOICE.....	2833	775	1114	1054	26.11	33.98
GOOD.....	1163	1083	1219	1090	24.24	32.34
OTHER 2/.....	103	164	1237	1191	22.89	28.88
TOTAL.....	4210	2055	1145	1083	25.50	32.68
OMAHA						
PRIME.....	2857	2728	1144	1139	27.24	35.15
CHOICE.....	29671	22724	1132	1112	26.71	34.40
GOOD.....	9353	9107	1114	1090	25.74	32.97
OTHER 2/.....	892	1118	1177	1203	23.06	28.99
TOTAL.....	42773	35677	1130	1111	26.46	33.92
ST. LOUIS NSY						
PRIME.....	1082	653	1171	1148	27.81	35.27
CHOICE.....	8709	5890	1078	1074	27.12	34.42
GOOD.....	3306	4083	1060	1071	25.74	32.56
OTHER 2/.....	641	376	1110	1097	22.94	28.11
TOTAL.....	13738	11002	1082	1078	26.65	33.57
SIOUX CITY						
PRIME.....	3427	2077	1189	1189	27.09	34.84
CHOICE.....	36043	25454	1138	1141	26.50	33.79
GOOD.....	6205	6068	1130	1134	25.61	32.05
OTHER 2/.....	269	244	1156	1069	22.39	28.15
TOTAL.....	45944	33843	1141	1142	26.41	33.51
SIOUX FALLS						
PRIME.....	314	134	1127	1133	26.48	34.79
CHOICE.....	8877	8458	1147	1158	26.02	33.65
GOOD.....	2388	2294	1123	1138	25.03	31.97
OTHER 2/.....	426	433	1170	1212	22.85	28.65
TOTAL.....	12005	11319	1142	1156	25.72	33.13
SO. ST. JOSEPH						
PRIME.....	781	1117	1079	1109	27.39	35.21
CHOICE.....	9222	5823	1103	1097	26.18	34.38
GOOD.....	1394	1122	1152	1072	24.44	33.16
OTHER 2/.....	134	373	1197	1227	22.55	29.10
TOTAL.....	11531	8435	1108	1101	25.99	34.07
SO. ST. PAUL 3/						
PRIME.....	11	385	1203	1223	28.00	34.43
CHOICE.....	6284	5762	1140	1130	26.48	34.03
GOOD.....	2084	3788	1160	1159	25.10	30.81
OTHER 2/.....	3271	1131	1170	1136	23.39	27.96
TOTAL.....	11650	11066	1152	1144	25.35	32.31
TOTAL 7 MARKETS						
PRIME.....	8583	7127	1158	1153	27.24	35.03
CHOICE.....	101639	74886	1128	1124	26.53	34.07
GOOD.....	25893	27545	1122	1110	25.45	32.29
OTHER 2/.....	5736	3839	1166	1167	23.17	28.53
TOTAL.....	141851	113397	1130	1124	26.24	33.51

1/ DATA COLLECTED BY LIVESTOCK DIV., C&MS AND STATISTICAL REPORTING SERVICE
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HEIFERS SOLD OUT OF FIRST HANDS AT SELECTED MARKETS FOR SLAUGHTER
DECEMBER 1970 AND 1971 1/

MARKET AND GRADE	NUMBER		AVERAGE WEIGHT		AVERAGE PRICE PER 100 POUNDS LIVWEIGHT	
	1970	1971	1970	1971	1970	1971
	HEAD	HEAD	POUNDS	POUNDS	DOLLARS	DOLLARS
KANSAS CITY						
PRIME.....	82	28	943	926	26.20	34.09
CHOICE.....	1787	717	918	933	25.61	33.06
GOOD.....	623	295	884	873	24.38	31.89
OTHER 2/.....	63	27	956	843	22.54	29.33
TOTAL.....	2555	1067	911	914	25.26	32.70
OMAHA						
PRIME.....	3377	2618	1026	1000	26.37	34.36
CHOICE.....	26078	18336	982	953	25.89	33.60
GOOD.....	6639	5639	954	933	24.89	31.84
OTHER 2/.....	817	298	989	1079	22.56	26.11
TOTAL.....	36911	26891	981	955	25.68	33.22
ST. LOUIS NSY						
PRIME.....	155	157	946	973	26.13	34.05
CHOICE.....	3234	3141	900	912	25.57	33.32
GOOD.....	1458	2123	904	877	24.27	31.13
OTHER 2/.....	295	412	878	921	21.72	26.09
TOTAL.....	5142	5833	901	902	25.01	32.04
SIOUX CITY						
PRIME.....	1388	1232	1006	979	25.95	34.21
CHOICE.....	17054	13906	982	970	25.33	33.02
GOOD.....	3765	3317	952	963	24.42	31.44
OTHER 2/.....	131	42	1006	1045	23.63	26.98
TOTAL.....	22338	18497	978	970	25.21	32.81
SIOUX FALLS						
PRIME.....	339	134	1032	1045	25.55	33.80
CHOICE.....	6807	5815	982	982	25.08	32.77
GOOD.....	1394	1889	933	964	23.74	31.05
OTHER 2/.....	89	114	962	939	21.16	27.46
TOTAL.....	8629	7952	976	978	24.86	32.31
SO. ST. JOSEPH						
PRIME.....	394	489	1001	978	26.34	34.33
CHOICE.....	5037	4087	931	942	25.63	33.22
GOOD.....	633	599	920	909	24.09	31.98
OTHER 2/.....						
TOTAL.....	6064	5175	934	941	25.52	33.19
SO. ST. PAUL 3/						
PRIME.....	148	25	1086	1057	25.86	34.14
CHOICE.....	7323	3733	968	957	25.53	33.20
GOOD.....	1256	1994	939	943	24.15	31.13
OTHER 2/.....	1593	1187	1011	1064	21.42	24.25
TOTAL.....	10320	6939	972	972	24.71	30.95
TOTAL 7 MARKETS						
PRIME.....	5883	4683	1018	993	26.20	34.29
CHOICE.....	67320	49735	971	958	25.58	33.25
GOOD.....	15768	15856	942	935	24.51	31.48
OTHER 2/.....	2988	2080	989	1028	21.87	25.13
TOTAL.....	91959	72354	969	957	25.32	32.69

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114,000; 500-699 pounds--1,318,000 head, up 115,000; 700-899 pounds--1,260,000 head, up 223,000; 900-1,099 pounds--419,000 head, up 66,000.

EXPECTED MARKETINGS

During January-March, cattle feeders in the 23 States intend to market 6,698,000 head. If these expectations are realized, first quarter marketings this year would be 7 percent above a year earlier. Monthly marketing intentions are for 31 percent of the 3-month total to be marketed during January, 33 percent in February, and 36 percent in March.

DECEMBER MARKETINGS FOR SEVEN LIVESTOCK MARKETS

Steers and heifers sold out of first hands for slaughter at seven major markets in December totaled 185,751 head and included 113,397 steers and 72,354 heifers. Average live weight of December marketings of steers was 1,124 pounds, compared with 1,130 pounds last year, while heifers averaged 957 pounds versus 969 pounds a year ago. Average price per 100 pounds live weight during December was \$33.51 for steers, up \$7.27 from last year, and \$32.69 for heifers, up \$7.37.

CATTLE FEEDLOTS AND FED MARKETINGS BY SIZE GROUPS

The trend toward fewer but larger cattle feedlots continued in 1971 in the 23 major feeding States. Feedlots with a capacity of 1,000 head and over increased 2 percent to 2,204 while feedlots maintaining a capacity below 1,000 head declined 8 percent to 166,639 lots. Feedlots with a capacity of 16,000-31,999 head showed the largest percentage gain during 1971 in number of lots and fed cattle marketings.

During 1971 fed cattle marketings in the 23 major feeding States totaled 25,324,000 head, up 2 percent from 1970. Lots under 1,000 head capacity marketed 42 percent of the 1971 total versus 45 percent in 1970, while lots over 1,000 head accounted for 58 percent of the 1971 fed marketings, compared with 55 percent during 1970.

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