

# LIVESTOCK SLAUGHTER

SEPTEMBER 1968



October 30, 1968

SEPTEMBER RED MEAT PRODUCTION UP 3 PERCENT FROM 1967: Commercial production of red meat in the 48 States totaled 2,898 million pounds in September, up 3 percent from a year earlier. Commercial meat production includes slaughter in federally inspected and other slaughter plants, but excludes animals slaughtered on farms.

BEEF PRODUCTION 5 PERCENT HIGHER THAN SEPTEMBER 1967: Beef production totaled 1,728 million pounds, 5 percent above September 1967 but 4 percent under August 1968. Cattle slaughtered in September totaled 2,982,300, up 5 percent from a year earlier. Live weight per head was 995 pounds, 9 pounds lighter than in September 1967 but the same as in August 1968.

VEAL PRODUCTION 11 PERCENT BELOW A YEAR EARLIER: There were 59 million pounds of veal produced during September, down 11 percent from a year earlier and 2 percent under August 1968. The 451,700 calves slaughtered in September was down 12 percent from 1967.

PORK PRODUCTION UP 1 PERCENT FROM SEPTEMBER 1967: Pork production in September was 1,060 million pounds, up 1 percent from 1967 and 7 percent more than in August 1968. The hog kill during September totaled 7,129,800 head, 2 percent more than a year earlier. Live weight per head averaged 235 pounds, 3 pounds less than last September but the same as a month earlier. Lard rendered per 100 pounds of liveweight was 9.9 pounds compared with 10.1 in September 1967 and August 1968.

LAMB AND MUTTON 7 PERCENT BELOW A YEAR EARLIER: There were 51 million pounds of lamb and mutton produced in September, down 7 percent from a year earlier, but up 4 percent from August 1968. Sheep and lambs slaughtered during September totaled 1,049,200, down 9 percent from September 1967. Average live weight was 99 pounds, up 1 pound from a year earlier.

POULTRY PRODUCTION DOWN 6 PERCENT FROM SEPTEMBER 1967: Production of poultry meat in September was 858 million pounds, ready-to-cook basis. This was down 6 percent from September 1967 and 2 percent under the August 1968 total.

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Commercial Meat and Lard Production: 48 States, September with comparisons 1/

Kind	Sept. 1967	Aug. 1968	Sept. 1968	Sept. 1968 as % of		January-September 5/		
	: Million pounds	: Million pounds	: Million pounds	: Sept. 1967	: Aug. 1968	: 1967	: 1968	: 1968 as % of 1967
Beef .....	1,647	1,799	1,728	105	96	15,055	15,448	103
Veal .....	66	60	59	89	98	560	512	91
Pork 2/.....	1,046	995	1,060	101	107	8,986	9,317	104
Lamb & Mutton ...	55	49	51	93	104	482	444	92
Total Red Meat :	2,814	2,903	2,898	103	100	25,083	25,721	103
Poultry 3/.....	913	880	858	94	98	6,607	6,375	96
Lard 4/.....	169	159	165	98	104	1,494	1,483	99

1/ Excludes animals slaughtered on farms. 2/ Excludes lard and rendered pork fat.

3/ Chicken and turkey meat ready-to-cook basis, excludes slaughter on farms.

4/ Includes rendered pork fat. 5/ Accumulated totals based on unrounded data.

Commercial Livestock Slaughter: 48 States, September with comparisons 1/

Species	Unit	Sept. 1967	Aug. 1968	Sept. 1968	Sept. 1968 as % of		January-September 2/		
					: Sept. 1967	: Aug. 1968	: 1967	: 1968	: 1968 as % of 1967
					Pct.	Pct.			Pct.
<b>CATTLE</b>									
Number									
Fed. Insp. ...	thou.	2,330.5	2,648.5	2,539.5	109	96	20,879.5	21,982.7	105
Other .....	thou.	507.2	438.9	442.8	87	101	4,540.6	4,143.9	91
Total .....	thou.	2,837.7	3,087.4	2,982.3	105	97	25,420.1	26,126.6	103
Live Weight									
Per Head ....	lb.	1,004	995	995	99	100	1,020	1,015	100
Total .....	mil.lb.	2,849	3,073	2,968	104	97	25,940	26,513	102
<b>CALVES</b>									
Number									
Fed. Insp. ...	thou.	348.2	310.9	322.8	93	104	2,938.6	2,821.6	96
Other .....	thou.	163.5	132.3	128.9	79	97	1,436.9	1,191.4	83
Total .....	thou.	511.7	443.2	451.7	88	102	4,375.5	4,013.0	92
Live Weight									
Per Head ....	lb.	232	242	236	102	98	231	229	99
Total .....	mil.lb.	119	107	107	90	100	1,012	919	91
<b>HOGS</b>									
Number									
Fed. Insp. ...	thou.	6,114.5	5,941.8	6,347.9	104	107	51,700.5	54,189.4	105
Other .....	thou.	984.1	779.5	781.9	87	100	8,133.7	7,697.7	95
Total .....	thou.	7,098.6	6,721.3	7,129.8	102	106	59,834.2	61,887.1	103
Live Weight									
Per Head ....	lb.	238	235	235	99	100	240	239	100
Total .....	mil.lb.	1,666	1,578	1,676	101	106	14,372	14,769	103
<b>SHEEP &amp; LAMBS</b>									
Number									
Fed. Insp. ...	thou.	1,037.1	929.7	973.4	94	105	8,740.6	8,158.3	93
Other .....	thou.	116.1	81.5	75.8	65	93	975.0	799.9	82
Total .....	thou.	1,153.2	1,011.2	1,049.2	91	104	9,715.6	8,958.2	92
Live Weight									
Per Head ....	lb.	98	99	99	101	100	101	101	100
Total .....	mil.lb.	113	100	104	92	104	981	907	92

1/ Excludes animals slaughtered on farms. 2/ Accumulated totals based on unrounded data.

COMMERCIAL CATTLE SLAUGHTER <sup>1/</sup>

STATE <u>2/</u>	SEPTEMBER				JANUARY-SEPTEMBER			
	NUMBER SLAUGHTERED		TOTAL LIVE WEIGHT		NUMBER SLAUGHTERED		TOTAL LIVE WEIGHT	
	1967	1968	1967	1968	1967	1968	1967	1968
	1,000 HEAD	1,000 HEAD	1,000 POUNDS	1,000 POUNDS	1,000 HEAD	1,000 HEAD	1,000 POUNDS	1,000 POUNDS
NEW ENG..	15.0	13.9	16,297	14,996	121.5	126.9	133,830	138,931
N.Y.....	31.5	30.0	34,524	32,730	279.5	274.0	310,063	309,451
N.J.....	30.5	29.5	38,430	35,282	264.5	242.8	334,866	297,984
PA.....	69.5	67.5	73,462	72,968	631.0	611.5	680,648	664,773
OHIO.....	107.0	104.0	106,144	102,960	953.0	901.5	956,111	905,779
IND.....	54.0	54.0	55,404	53,406	472.5	473.0	487,192	472,453
ILL.....	129.0	121.0	127,452	120,274	1,119.0	1,054.0	1,128,119	1,068,859
MICH.....	55.5	64.5	57,886	66,758	512.5	521.5	538,313	544,915
WISC.....	102.0	103.0	114,342	114,124	861.5	904.0	965,543	1,013,168
MINN.....	146.0	166.0	152,570	172,806	1,369.0	1,468.0	1,454,586	1,571,845
IOWA.....	360.0	388.0	371,880	395,760	3,138.0	3,446.0	3,321,496	3,600,742
MO.....	124.0	135.0	123,504	132,840	1,144.0	1,178.0	1,173,296	1,200,338
N.DAK.....	18.2	15.5	18,728	16,523	130.2	147.3	137,467	158,434
S.DAK.....	59.0	62.5	62,009	63,875	535.5	535.0	571,470	567,527
NEBR.....	292.0	310.0	302,512	314,650	2,664.0	2,846.0	2,832,150	2,989,228
KANS.....	131.0	117.0	134,144	118,872	1,262.0	1,150.0	1,314,209	1,180,932
DEL.-MD..	8.4	9.7	8,813	10,091	87.7	89.3	93,963	95,187
VA.....	14.2	15.2	14,214	15,367	137.3	131.0	138,920	132,837
W.VA.....	5.3	5.7	5,215	5,546	46.6	47.9	47,130	48,361
N.C.....	15.0	16.0	13,875	14,672	128.5	123.6	122,198	117,745
S.C.....	6.5	7.6	5,408	5,860	63.6	61.4	51,887	50,776
GA.....	30.0	29.0	24,720	24,186	274.0	255.5	228,439	218,104
FLA.....	33.0	37.0	29,568	34,151	308.0	309.5	284,022	287,870
KY.....	21.5	21.8	20,146	19,838	181.6	189.5	171,219	178,037
TENN.....	54.0	59.5	49,572	54,502	425.5	438.5	398,344	413,110
ALA.....	21.8	23.0	19,228	19,136	181.6	203.2	163,178	177,820
MISS.....	38.0	37.5	31,350	30,525	300.0	284.5	249,823	233,605
ARK.....	16.2	17.7	14,045	15,134	134.0	143.4	115,450	125,490
LA.....	14.1	14.8	10,928	11,529	116.9	118.7	91,335	93,383
OKLA.....	48.5	61.0	43,796	57,157	383.0	521.5	343,748	484,154
TEXAS....	207.0	253.0	180,297	219,604	1,956.0	2,079.0	1,721,890	1,791,385
MT.....	21.0	16.0	21,231	16,032	185.9	141.7	187,117	143,621
IDAHO....	30.0	29.0	30,510	29,783	245.2	266.0	252,796	274,392
WYO.....	3.1	2.9	3,122	2,796	23.6	25.3	24,106	25,261
COLO.....	120.0	124.0	120,960	123,256	1,192.0	1,180.0	1,245,877	1,233,780
N.MEX....	23.7	26.0	22,942	25,220	219.1	235.7	210,358	226,703
ARIZ.....	20.2	41.5	19,129	41,790	184.7	289.1	177,440	285,727
UTAH.....	22.1	22.5	21,945	22,140	204.7	208.9	205,721	208,862
NEV.....	2.4	2.0	2,441	2,010	20.8	21.0	21,001	20,421
WASH.....	49.0	51.5	49,980	53,045	419.5	448.5	434,471	464,216
OREG.....	28.5	31.0	28,186	30,721	233.6	256.4	234,034	257,159
CALIF....	260.0	246.0	268,320	255,348	2,309.0	2,178.0	2,385,897	2,239,572
48 STATES	2,837.7	2,982.3	2,849,229	2,968,263	25,420.1	26,126.6	25,939,723	26,512,937
HAWAII...	5.0	5.0	5,075	4,825	45.1	48.1	44,174	47,078
U. S.....	2,842.7	2,987.3	2,854,304	2,973,088	25,465.2	26,174.7	25,983,897	26,560,015

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COMMERCIAL CALF SLAUGHTER 1/

STATE <u>2/</u>	SEPTEMBER				JANUARY-SEPTEMBER			
	NUMBER SLAUGHTERED		TOTAL LIVE WEIGHT		NUMBER SLAUGHTERED		TOTAL LIVE WEIGHT	
	1967	1968	1967	1968	1967	1968	1967	1968
	1,000 HEAD	1,000 HEAD	1,000 POUNDS	1,000 POUNDS	1,000 HEAD	1,000 HEAD	1,000 POUNDS	1,000 POUNDS
NEW ENG..	24.9	20.3	2,603	2,193	205.0	185.3	21,302	18,986
N.Y.....	75.5	66.5	8,003	6,916	619.0	604.0	69,263	69,224
N.J.....	35.0	36.5	7,490	8,322	259.8	302.0	53,439	66,529
PA.....	48.5	45.5	6,499	5,824	406.0	385.0	56,276	50,374
OHIO.....	8.1	6.8	1,523	1,306	74.0	65.9	14,244	12,473
IND.....	4.9	4.1	1,000	865	41.7	38.8	8,336	7,718
ILL.....	21.2	15.8	3,350	2,765	205.0	149.4	32,500	25,506
MICH.....	15.4	13.3	2,479	2,048	147.0	133.2	22,171	19,844
WISC.....	44.5	38.0	5,562	4,940	448.5	385.5	55,626	49,766
MINN.....	13.2	9.4	2,191	1,786	134.5	110.0	23,149	19,593
IOWA.....	24.8	23.1	3,720	3,580	216.5	226.9	34,151	35,434
MO.....	4.4	5.0	1,276	1,395	37.5	36.3	10,581	9,655
N.DAK.....	---	---	---	---	.2	.2	86	85
S.DAK.....	---	---	---	---	.2	.2	68	68
NEBR.....	.7	.6	316	224	7.7	5.6	3,335	2,151
KANS.....	.6	.1	216	32	5.7	3.8	2,174	1,543
DEL.-MD..	2.8	2.3	557	493	25.6	22.3	4,949	4,257
VA.....	16.0	17.6	4,064	4,752	142.7	144.8	35,295	37,706
W.VA.....	.6	.5	121	112	5.1	3.9	1,063	823
N.C.....	.9	.7	163	153	8.4	6.4	1,850	1,205
S.C.....	12.9	12.3	5,121	4,760	104.6	106.9	40,047	42,439
GA.....	6.5	1.9	2,698	796	54.1	37.2	23,063	15,888
FLA.....	28.5	19.2	8,522	5,626	187.2	160.1	56,939	47,184
KY.....	1.8	.3	472	64	17.5	6.5	3,960	1,475
TENN.....	15.8	14.9	4,756	4,530	105.9	94.7	29,741	26,480
ALA.....	6.5	5.2	3,114	2,236	41.0	35.0	20,202	15,579
MISS.....	11.5	11.4	5,244	5,312	95.0	84.1	46,943	40,529
ARK.....	1.6	2.0	802	1,054	12.8	13.9	6,581	7,215
LA.....	19.9	21.0	8,418	9,618	168.6	166.6	75,651	78,017
OKLA.....	2.1	2.0	1,092	1,030	18.6	16.8	9,426	8,446
TEXAS....	35.0	32.0	19,145	15,968	315.5	250.2	174,379	127,782
MONT.....	.2	.1	62	35	1.0	.9	346	319
IDAHO....	.1	.1	32	36	.9	.9	290	292
WYO.....	---	---	---	---	.1	---	22	---
COLO.....	.2	.2	88	79	2.1	1.1	885	499
N.MEX....	.1	---	48	---	1.0	.6	483	300
ARIZ.....	.4	.3	190	145	4.0	3.3	1,919	1,640
UTAH.....	.5	.5	180	188	4.6	4.1	1,619	1,510
NEV.....	.2	.1	76	40	1.8	1.5	669	566
WASH.....	1.8	1.8	578	594	13.5	12.8	4,452	4,176
OREG.....	2.2	1.6	788	576	13.8	12.3	4,335	3,932
CALIF....	21.9	18.7	6,198	6,227	221.8	194.0	60,133	61,852
48 STATES	511.7	451.7	118,757	106,620	4,375.5	4,013.0	1,011,943	919,060
HAWAII...	---	---	---	---	.5	---	109	---
U. S.....	511.7	451.7	118,757	106,620	4,376.0	4,013.0	1,012,052	919,060

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	NUMBER SLAUGHTERED		TOTAL LIVE WEIGHT		NUMBER SLAUGHTERED		TOTAL LIVE WEIGHT	
	1967	1968	1967	1968	1967	1968	1967	1968
	1,000 HEAD	1,000 HEAD	1,000 POUNDS	1,000 POUNDS	1,000 HEAD	1,000 HEAD	1,000 POUNDS	1,000 POUNDS
NEW ENG..	10.1	7.8	2,470	1,949	108.2	83.2	25,819	20,343
N.Y.....	83.0	91.5	18,758	20,588	830.5	792.0	191,333	182,934
N.J.....	39.0	35.5	7,332	6,674	358.0	365.5	67,298	68,705
PA.....	370.0	349.0	82,510	78,176	2,876.0	3,180.0	644,170	715,181
OHIO.....	404.0	406.0	90,496	90,538	3,520.0	3,561.0	798,909	804,599
IND.....	250.0	234.0	64,250	58,734	2,189.0	2,093.0	543,326	525,913
ILL.....	394.0	440.0	100,076	111,320	3,583.0	3,837.0	917,544	971,292
MICH.....	185.0	187.0	41,440	43,010	1,624.0	1,621.0	372,016	372,667
WISC.....	245.0	256.0	57,330	59,904	2,216.0	2,207.0	522,746	527,697
MINN.....	525.0	552.0	128,100	131,376	4,186.0	4,460.0	1,046,649	1,095,289
IOWA.....	1,725.0	1,826.0	419,175	429,110	14,067.0	14,790.0	3,482,977	3,587,037
MO.....	264.0	256.0	64,416	61,696	2,151.0	2,144.0	535,407	526,705
N.DAK.....	1.8	2.0	434	480	15.3	17.0	3,707	4,044
S.DAK.....	221.0	258.0	55,029	63,726	1,713.0	1,745.0	447,896	457,596
NEBR.....	345.0	261.0	86,250	63,945	2,741.0	2,607.0	712,204	662,984
KANS.....	205.0	168.0	49,405	40,320	1,783.0	1,698.0	431,351	406,769
DEL.-MD..	33.1	49.5	7,092	10,614	397.8	438.0	84,699	94,291
VA.....	239.0	245.0	54,014	54,880	2,173.0	2,247.0	483,450	507,873
W.VA.....	8.4	7.7	2,159	1,971	80.3	76.2	20,543	19,514
N.C.....	126.0	123.0	27,594	26,937	1,136.0	1,183.0	251,597	260,857
S.C.....	42.5	51.5	10,582	12,926	382.0	499.5	90,743	124,172
GA.....	130.0	134.0	28,860	29,078	1,237.0	1,324.0	271,294	292,696
FLA.....	37.5	35.5	7,988	7,490	335.5	367.5	73,288	81,221
KY.....	108.0	112.0	25,164	26,208	1,141.5	1,031.0	267,575	249,441
TENN.....	259.0	250.0	61,124	59,750	2,241.0	2,258.0	533,421	531,101
ALA.....	67.0	73.0	15,343	16,352	622.0	698.5	141,392	157,701
MISS.....	81.0	81.0	17,658	18,063	723.5	766.5	158,957	169,433
ARK.....	28.0	32.5	6,580	7,962	263.5	289.5	62,816	69,144
LA.....	16.1	17.8	3,429	4,005	146.2	156.0	31,091	33,340
OKLA.....	62.0	65.0	15,314	15,860	528.0	545.0	132,487	134,661
TEXAS....	157.0	158.0	37,052	37,130	1,396.0	1,479.0	332,073	351,803
MONT.....	28.0	30.0	6,328	6,930	274.0	270.0	63,471	62,958
IDAHO....	11.5	11.5	2,530	2,530	96.9	103.5	21,227	22,723
WYO.....	2.9	2.8	679	638	26.2	25.7	6,091	6,035
COLO.....	58.0	62.0	13,224	14,136	482.5	604.5	112,054	138,914
N.MEX....	8.7	8.3	1,984	1,892	72.7	79.2	16,778	18,280
ARIZ.....	12.2	14.1	2,806	3,328	113.2	134.1	26,247	31,571
UTAH.....	10.9	11.6	2,474	2,645	107.7	103.7	24,361	23,913
NEV.....	.1	.2	21	41	1.7	1.7	363	359
WASH.....	59.0	71.5	13,275	16,230	492.0	593.5	111,091	135,256
OREG.....	21.8	23.5	4,840	5,476	199.0	201.8	44,780	46,003
CALIF....	134.0	129.0	30,820	30,960	1,204.0	1,210.0	266,959	275,788
48 STATES	7,008.6	7,129.8	1,666,405	1,675,578	59,834.2	61,887.1	14,372,200	14,768,803
HAWAII...	4.6	4.5	791	774	44.2	43.8	7,682	7,681
U. S.....	7,013.2	7,134.3	1,667,196	1,676,352	59,878.4	61,930.9	14,379,882	14,776,484

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NEW ENG..	1.4	1.5	118	137	13.0	12.0	1,108	1,017
N.Y.....	7.5	6.4	712	640	126.8	66.1	12,268	6,140
N.J.....	91.0	82.5	8,463	7,672	672.0	694.5	64,174	66,835
PA.....	17.3	13.3	1,522	1,197	139.0	119.5	12,250	10,377
OHIO.....	27.5	8.7	2,558	757	203.7	109.1	19,092	9,761
IND.....	1.3	1.0	121	91	9.5	9.2	865	798
ILL.....	63.5	60.0	6,414	5,940	543.5	528.0	55,864	54,999
MICH.....	33.5	31.5	3,316	3,087	286.5	277.5	29,619	26,812
WISC.....	1.5	1.0	144	103	11.5	9.3	1,154	946
MINN.....	65.5	62.5	6,812	6,375	513.5	455.5	54,528	47,961
IOWA.....	48.0	40.5	4,656	3,928	378.0	396.5	37,233	39,438
MO.....	24.4	36.5	2,489	3,686	272.4	303.9	27,826	30,855
N.DAK.....	12.6	12.5	1,537	1,412	71.6	75.5	7,901	8,234
S.DAK.....	35.5	35.0	3,586	3,605	335.0	326.0	36,025	35,101
NEBR.....	75.0	68.0	7,800	6,936	598.0	563.0	62,263	58,591
KANS.....	18.6	.1	1,786	11	187.4	133.8	18,185	13,085
DEL.-MD..	5.6	5.0	493	466	40.8	38.6	3,688	3,477
VA.....	.4	.3	41	26	2.6	2.5	268	257
W.VA.....	.6	.6	57	58	4.4	4.5	425	434
N.C.....	.1	.1	10	9	1.2	1.0	122	94
S.C.....	---	---	---	---	.3	.1	28	12
GA.....	---	---	---	---	.1	.1	7	10
FLA.....	.1	.4	7	28	.8	1.2	61	90
KY.....	15.6	17.5	1,607	1,715	131.0	126.3	13,947	12,937
TENN.....	3.3	2.6	300	231	33.6	28.6	3,149	2,549
ALA.....	---	---	---	---	.4	.5	41	51
MISS.....	---	---	---	---	.2	.1	17	10
ARK.....	---	.1	---	10	.2	.2	16	20
LA.....	.1	.2	8	14	1.8	1.9	139	143
OKLA.....	.3	.3	32	31	1.5	2.9	174	302
TEXAS....	142.0	122.0	12,638	10,980	1,323.0	1,111.5	118,381	100,674
MONT.....	.7	.3	68	31	3.6	2.2	380	235
IDAHO....	1.4	1.2	147	122	9.6	8.9	1,039	965
WYO.....	.3	.9	36	94	2.1	3.4	238	362
COLO.....	166.0	139.0	16,102	13,900	1,201.5	1,072.5	126,323	114,474
N.MEX....	3.4	5.1	367	541	32.4	48.1	3,493	5,276
ARIZ.....	.9	.2	103	21	13.6	13.0	1,486	1,439
UTAH.....	99.0	96.5	9,900	9,843	708.0	656.5	74,865	70,284
NEV.....	.2	.2	20	20	1.7	1.4	171	141
WASH.....	22.5	23.8	2,385	2,570	179.0	160.3	18,894	16,838
OREG.....	11.6	10.9	1,206	1,155	118.8	120.5	12,292	12,430
CALIF....	155.0	161.0	15,810	16,422	1,542.0	1,472.0	160,667	152,690
48 STATES	1,153.2	1,049.2	113,371	103,864	9,715.6	8,958.2	980,666	907,144
HAWAII...	---	---	---	---	.3	.1	32	10
U. S.....	1,153.2	1,049.2	113,371	103,864	9,715.9	8,958.3	980,698	907,154

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LIVESTOCK SLAUGHTER, AVERAGE LIVE WEIGHT PER HEAD,  
SEPTEMBER 1967 AND 1968 <sup>1/</sup>

STATE <sub>2/</sub>	CATTLE		CALVES		HOGS		SHEEP AND LAMBS	
	1967	1968	1967	1968	1967	1968	1967	1968
	POUNDS	POUNDS	POUNDS	POUNDS	POUNDS	POUNDS	POUNDS	POUNDS
NEW ENG..	1,086	1,079	105	108	245	250	84	91
N.Y.....	1,096	1,091	106	104	226	225	95	100
N.J.....	1,260	1,196	214	228	188	188	93	93
PA.....	1,057	1,081	134	128	223	224	88	90
GHIO.....	992	990	188	192	224	223	93	87
IND.....	1,026	989	204	211	257	251	93	91
ILL.....	988	994	158	175	254	253	101	99
MICH.....	1,043	1,035	161	154	224	230	99	98
WISC.....	1,121	1,108	125	130	234	234	96	103
MINN.....	1,045	1,041	166	190	244	238	104	102
IOWA.....	1,033	1,020	150	155	243	235	97	97
MO.....	996	984	290	279	244	241	102	101
N.DAK.....	1,029	1,066	---	---	241	240	122	113
S.DAK.....	1,051	1,022	---	---	249	247	101	103
NEBR.....	1,036	1,015	451	373	250	245	104	102
KANS.....	1,024	1,016	360	320	241	240	96	114
DEL.-MD..	1,049	1,040	199	214	214	214	88	93
VA.....	1,001	1,011	254	270	226	224	103	88
W.VA.....	984	973	202	224	257	256	95	96
N.C.....	925	917	181	218	219	219	100	92
S.C.....	832	771	397	387	249	251	---	---
GA.....	824	834	415	419	222	217	---	---
FLA.....	896	923	299	293	213	211	67	71
KY.....	937	910	262	213	233	234	103	98
TENN.....	918	916	301	304	236	239	91	89
ALA.....	882	832	479	430	229	224	---	---
MISS.....	825	814	456	466	218	223	---	---
ARK.....	867	855	501	527	235	245	---	100
LA.....	775	779	423	458	213	225	77	70
OKLA.....	903	937	520	515	247	244	107	102
TEXAS.....	871	868	547	499	236	235	89	90
MONT.....	1,011	1,002	311	354	226	231	97	102
IDAHO.....	1,017	1,027	325	365	220	220	105	102
WYD.....	1,007	964	---	---	234	228	120	104
COLO.....	1,008	994	440	393	228	228	97	100
N.MEX.....	968	970	478	---	228	228	108	106
ARIZ.....	947	1,007	475	483	230	236	114	104
UTAH.....	993	984	359	376	227	228	100	102
NEV.....	1,017	1,005	379	400	207	206	100	100
WASH.....	1,020	1,030	321	330	225	227	106	108
OREG.....	989	991	358	360	222	233	104	106
CALIF.....	1,032	1,038	283	333	230	240	102	102
48 STATES	1,004	995	232	236	238	235	98	99
HAWAII...	1,015	965	---	---	172	172	---	---
U. S.....	1,004	995	232	236	238	235	98	99

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OFFICIAL BUSINESS

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INCREASE IN FEDERAL INSPECTION SINCE JANUARY 1, 1968

Between January 1 and September 30, 1968, a total of 127 plants began slaughter under Federal inspection. In September these plants slaughtered 180,000 cattle, 14,000 calves, 108,000 hogs, and 36,000 sheep. Plants withdrawn from Federal inspection since January 1 slaughtered about 47,000 cattle, 600 calves, 57,000 hogs and 58,000 sheep during the last full month of operation under Federal inspection. Animals slaughtered in plants withdrawn from Federal inspection cannot be used to obtain a net change in slaughter since these animals may be diverted to existing or new plants under Federal inspection. Plants under suspension from Federal inspection are not included in the data for plants withdrawn from Federal inspection.

Federally inspected slaughter as a percent of total commercial slaughter in September 1968 compared with September 1967 is as follows: Cattle, 85.2 percent and 82.1 percent; calves, 71.5 and 68.0 percent; hogs, 89.0 and 87.2 percent; sheep and lambs, 92.8 and 89.9 percent.

The number of slaughter days during September included 20 weekdays and 4 Saturdays. There were 20 weekdays and 5 Saturdays in September 1967.

Table 1.--Cattle: Percentages of number slaughtered in Federally Inspected establishments, by classes, by weeks, 48 States, 1968 <sup>1/</sup>

Week ending	Percentages of total slaughter			
	Cows	Bulls	Heifers	Steers
September 7.....	19.3	1.8	27.9	51.0
September 14.....	19.9	1.8	28.4	49.9
September 21.....	20.4	1.8	28.2	49.6
September 28.....	20.6	1.8	28.4	49.2
October 5.....	21.4	1.8	28.2	48.6
October 12.....	21.7	1.7	28.7	47.9
October 19.....	21.6	1.7	28.1	48.6

<sup>1/</sup> As reported by Meat Inspectors, SID, C&MS.

Table 2.--Cattle: Percentages of number slaughtered in Federally inspected establishments, by classes, monthly, 48 States <sup>1/</sup>

Month	Percentages of total slaughter				Total number Slaughtered (000)
	Cows	Bulls	Heifers	Steers	
September 1967	20.3	1.5	27.3	50.9	2,330
August 1968	19.9	1.7	27.8	50.6	2,648
September 1968	20.1	1.8	28.3	49.8	2,540

<sup>1/</sup> Based on voluntary reports from Federally inspected slaughtering plants.