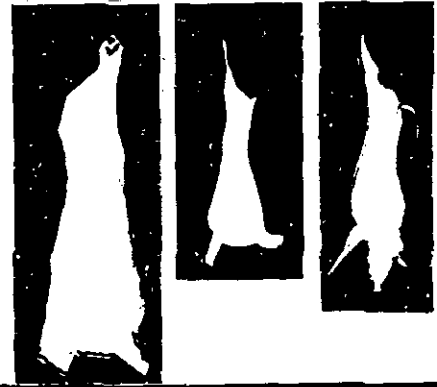


# LIVESTOCK SLAUGHTER



NOVEMBER 1968

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NOVEMBER RED MEAT PRODUCTION UP 1 PERCENT FROM 1967: Commercial production of red meat in the 48 States totaled 2,914 million pounds in November, up 1 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 3 PERCENT HIGHER THAN NOVEMBER 1967: November beef production totaled 1,664 million pounds, up 3 percent from November 1967 but 13 percent less than in October. Cattle slaughtered totaled 2,837,200 head, up 2 percent from a year earlier. Live weight per head was 1,012 pounds, 4 pounds lighter than a year earlier. A slightly higher dressing percentage in November this year accounted for part of the increased beef production.

VEAL PRODUCTION 5 PERCENT BELOW A YEAR EARLIER: There were 61 million pounds of veal produced during November, down 5 percent from a year earlier and 9 percent under October 1968. The 469,400 calves slaughtered was down 11 percent from November 1967. Live weight per head was 234 pounds, up 14 pounds from a year earlier.

PORK PRODUCTION UP SLIGHTLY FROM NOVEMBER 1967: Pork production in November was 1,144 million pounds, up slightly from a year earlier but 8 percent less than in October. Hogs killed totaled 7,431,300, down 1 percent from a year earlier. Live weight per head was 243 pounds the same as in November 1967 but 4 pounds heavier than in October. Lard rendered per 100 pounds of live weight was 9.8 pounds compared with 10.3 in November 1967.

LAMB AND MUTTON DOWN 10 PERCENT FROM A YEAR EARLIER: There were 45 million pounds of lamb and mutton produced in November, down 10 percent from a year earlier and 21 percent below the preceding month. Sheep and lambs slaughtered totaled 898,600, down 10 percent from November 1967. Average live weight was 103 pounds, the same as a year earlier but 2 pounds heavier than in October.

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

Kind	Nov. 1967	Oct. 1968	Nov. 1968	Nov. 1968 as % of		January-November 5/		
	1967	1968	1968	Nov. 1967	Oct. 1968	1967	1968	1968 as % of 1967
	Million pounds	Million pounds	Million pounds	Percent	Percent	Million pounds	Million pounds	Percent
Beef .....	1,616	1,922	1,664	103	87	18,397	19,035	103
Veal .....	64	67	61	95	91	695	640	92
Pork 2/ .....	1,142	1,250	1,144	100	92	11,282	11,711	104
Lamb & Mutton ...	50	57	45	90	79	587	546	93
<b>Total Red Meat :</b>	<b>2,872</b>	<b>3,296</b>	<b>2,914</b>	<b>101</b>	<b>88</b>	<b>30,961</b>	<b>31,932</b>	<b>103</b>
Poultry 3/ .....	884	984	795	90	81	8,477	8,154	96
Lard 4/ .....	187	195	177	95	91	1,871	1,856	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, November with comparisons 1/

Species	Unit	Nov. 1967	Oct. 1968	Nov. 1968	Nov. 1968 as % of		January-November 2/			
					Nov. 1967	Oct. 1968	1967	1968	1968 as % of 1967	
					Pct.	Pct.			Pct.	
<b>CATTLE</b>										
<b>Number</b>										
Fed. Insp. ...	thou.	2,253.5	2,812.8	2,416.4	107	86	25,565.7	27,211.9	106	
Other .....	thou.	527.2	487.6	420.8	80	86	5,610.5	5,052.3	90	
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>thou.</b>	<b>2,780.7</b>	<b>3,300.4</b>	<b>2,837.2</b>	<b>102</b>	<b>86</b>	<b>31,176.2</b>	<b>32,264.2</b>	<b>103</b>	
<b>Live Weight</b>										
Per Head ...	lb.	1,016	1,004	1,012	100	101	1,019	1,013	99	
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>mil.lb.</b>	<b>2,826</b>	<b>3,314</b>	<b>2,871</b>	<b>102</b>	<b>87</b>	<b>31,765</b>	<b>32,698</b>	<b>103</b>	
<b>CALVES</b>										
<b>Number</b>										
Fed. Insp. ...	thou.	357.1	373.2	343.7	96	92	3,678.9	3,538.5	96	
Other .....	thou.	168.5	138.4	125.7	75	91	1,777.7	1,455.5	82	
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>thou.</b>	<b>525.6</b>	<b>511.6</b>	<b>469.4</b>	<b>89</b>	<b>92</b>	<b>5,456.6</b>	<b>4,994.0</b>	<b>92</b>	
<b>Live Weight</b>										
Per Head ...	lb.	220	237	234	106	99	230	230	100	
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>mil.lb.</b>	<b>115</b>	<b>121</b>	<b>110</b>	<b>96</b>	<b>91</b>	<b>1,255</b>	<b>1,150</b>	<b>92</b>	
<b>HOGS</b>										
<b>Number</b>										
Fed. Insp. ...	thou.	6,431.0	7,404.1	6,570.9	102	89	64,815.0	68,164.4	105	
Other .....	thou.	1,050.4	898.9	860.4	82	96	10,176.4	9,457.0	93	
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>thou.</b>	<b>7,481.4</b>	<b>8,303.0</b>	<b>7,431.3</b>	<b>99</b>	<b>90</b>	<b>74,991.4</b>	<b>77,621.4</b>	<b>104</b>	
<b>Live Weight</b>										
Per Head ...	lb.	243	239	243	100	102	241	239	99	
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>mil.lb.</b>	<b>1,821</b>	<b>1,980</b>	<b>1,805</b>	<b>99</b>	<b>91</b>	<b>18,040</b>	<b>18,554</b>	<b>103</b>	
<b>SHEEP &amp; LAMBS</b>										
<b>Number</b>										
Fed. Insp. ...	thou.	899.4	1,068.3	834.7	93	78	10,646.8	10,061.3	95	
Other .....	thou.	98.9	80.1	63.9	65	80	1,186.7	943.9	80	
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>thou.</b>	<b>998.3</b>	<b>1,148.4</b>	<b>898.6</b>	<b>90</b>	<b>78</b>	<b>11,833.5</b>	<b>11,005.2</b>	<b>93</b>	
<b>Live Weight</b>										
Per Head ...	lb.	103	101	103	100	102	101	101	100	
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>mil.lb.</b>	<b>103</b>	<b>117</b>	<b>93</b>	<b>90</b>	<b>79</b>	<b>1,197</b>	<b>1,116</b>	<b>93</b>	

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

COMMERCIAL CATTLE SLAUGHTER 1/

STATE 2/	NOVEMBER				JANUARY-NOVEMBER			
	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..	17.6	16.2	19,231	17,532	156.4	160.3	171,930	175,099
N.Y.....	34.0	32.0	37,706	36,672	348.0	341.5	386,375	385,067
N.J.....	27.0	26.5	33,426	31,694	317.5	298.8	400,662	364,990
PA.....	72.5	66.5	76,342	72,950	776.5	753.5	834,224	819,641
OHIO.....	104.0	93.5	104,416	93,032	1,169.0	1,108.0	1,171,855	1,109,890
IND.....	48.0	52.5	47,856	51,398	576.0	585.0	590,659	581,923
ILL.....	120.0	110.0	121,080	109,890	1,372.0	1,292.0	1,381,534	1,305,853
MICH.....	58.0	54.0	60,378	56,106	631.0	646.0	660,703	673,495
WISC.....	99.0	100.0	111,870	112,500	1,065.5	1,121.0	1,191,023	1,256,123
MINN.....	180.0	163.0	190,080	173,106	1,727.0	1,824.0	1,833,524	1,948,180
IOWA.....	352.0	366.0	374,176	381,372	3,861.0	4,236.0	4,084,109	4,417,562
MO.....	111.0	122.0	113,220	122,610	1,383.0	1,441.0	1,416,820	1,463,948
N.DAK....	18.5	16.6	20,480	17,729	165.7	181.4	175,967	194,468
S.DAK....	64.0	62.0	68,672	64,728	665.0	665.5	709,244	703,015
NEBR....	288.0	324.0	303,552	338,904	3,255.0	3,526.0	3,451,731	3,693,032
KANS.....	119.0	113.0	120,071	115,260	1,505.0	1,392.0	1,559,520	1,426,740
DEL.-MD..	10.3	9.6	10,753	10,125	108.4	109.6	115,628	116,553
VA.....	14.8	15.1	14,859	15,251	166.7	162.5	168,233	164,390
W.VA.....	6.0	6.4	5,754	6,131	58.7	61.2	58,911	61,116
N.C.....	16.9	14.7	15,514	13,598	162.1	156.7	153,276	148,142
S.C.....	6.5	7.1	5,298	5,616	77.1	76.6	62,897	63,018
GA.....	28.0	26.5	23,492	22,234	332.0	312.5	276,381	266,110
FLA.....	34.5	32.0	32,292	29,952	377.0	378.0	348,088	351,986
KY.....	18.5	23.6	16,668	21,429	216.4	239.1	202,736	223,672
TENN.....	49.0	54.0	45,619	50,382	531.0	557.0	496,169	523,542
ALA.....	19.6	21.3	17,699	17,998	223.1	250.5	200,280	217,632
MISS.....	33.0	35.0	27,687	28,770	370.0	361.5	308,405	297,151
ARK.....	15.2	15.8	13,072	13,556	166.1	178.0	143,174	155,007
LA.....	13.6	13.7	10,458	10,754	145.0	148.5	113,103	116,615
OKLA.....	49.0	54.0	44,443	50,382	487.0	642.0	438,076	595,782
TEXAS....	209.0	224.0	180,785	196,000	2,393.0	2,573.0	2,100,351	2,227,685
MONT.....	20.1	15.9	20,703	16,616	227.7	175.8	229,846	178,655
IDAHO....	29.5	29.5	30,385	30,650	304.7	326.5	313,961	337,003
WYO.....	2.4	2.5	2,479	2,412	28.6	30.9	29,221	30,643
COLO.....	119.0	125.0	122,451	127,125	1,438.0	1,446.0	1,498,249	1,503,597
N.MEX....	22.9	24.6	22,396	24,477	267.0	289.8	256,979	279,854
ARIZ.....	19.7	40.0	18,636	40,640	225.8	376.1	216,278	373,602
UTAH.....	22.3	21.7	21,676	21,874	249.7	255.2	249,915	255,311
NEV.....	2.3	1.9	2,302	1,934	25.4	25.3	25,665	24,820
WASH.....	49.0	48.5	50,225	50,392	518.0	553.5	535,730	573,142
OREG.....	28.0	29.0	28,140	28,884	292.1	320.4	292,491	320,798
CALIF....	229.0	228.0	239,763	238,716	2,812.0	2,686.0	2,911,168	2,773,128
48 STATES	2,780.7	2,837.2	2,826,105	2,871,381	31,176.2	32,264.2	31,765,091	32,697,980
HAWAII...	5.1	5.1	5,105	4,820	55.2	58.9	54,239	57,302
U. S.....	2,785.8	2,842.3	2,831,210	2,876,201	31,231.4	32,323.1	31,819,330	32,755,282

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2/ NEW ENGLAND INCLUDES MAINE, NEW HAMPSHIRE, VERMONT, MASSACHUSETTS, RHODE ISLAND AND CONNECTICUT. COMMERCIAL SLAUGHTER NOT ESTIMATED IN ALASKA.

COMMERCIAL CALF SLAUGHTER 1/

STATE 2/	NOVEMBER				JANUARY-NOVEMBER			
	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..	24.0	21.9	2,459	2,340	252.9	229.4	26,343	23,763
N.Y.....	73.5	69.0	8,306	8,418	770.0	745.5	85,474	85,400
N.J.....	33.0	33.5	7,029	7,404	328.3	372.5	67,994	82,295
PA.....	48.5	46.0	6,499	6,164	505.5	483.0	69,660	63,402
OHIO.....	8.1	6.5	1,498	1,254	90.5	80.5	17,338	15,290
IND.....	3.7	4.2	710	844	49.8	48.0	9,908	9,567
ILL.....	21.6	17.6	3,521	2,728	249.4	186.8	39,783	31,541
MICH.....	19.0	14.9	2,812	2,339	183.3	162.8	27,786	24,432
WISC.....	59.5	48.5	6,664	5,917	565.5	484.5	69,305	61,844
MINN.....	23.4	15.0	3,674	2,460	179.0	139.8	30,157	24,687
IOWA.....	33.5	26.5	5,025	4,108	281.5	280.4	43,901	43,727
MO.....	4.5	5.0	1,274	1,395	48.0	47.0	13,607	12,606
N.DAK.....	---	---	---	---	.3	.2	126	85
S.DAK.....	---	---	---	---	.3	.2	108	68
NEBR.....	.6	.7	233	246	9.0	7.1	3,857	2,695
KANS.....	.5	.3	214	114	6.7	4.2	2,600	1,694
DEL.-MD..	3.3	2.1	633	407	31.7	26.5	6,110	5,077
VA.....	15.0	13.8	3,795	3,726	176.8	176.1	44,132	46,157
W.VA.....	.5	.4	108	86	6.2	4.8	1,305	1,027
N.C.....	.6	.7	133	159	9.9	7.8	2,164	1,518
S.C.....	12.3	12.2	4,932	4,795	130.4	132.6	50,419	52,553
GA.....	2.5	.4	1,048	160	61.4	38.9	26,055	16,611
FLA.....	21.4	21.0	6,334	6,426	234.6	202.5	71,099	60,265
KY.....	.4	.3	88	65	18.2	7.2	4,115	1,626
TENN.....	14.0	16.0	4,186	5,040	137.8	128.9	39,530	37,362
ALA.....	4.7	3.7	2,270	1,639	52.5	42.3	25,688	18,813
MISS.....	10.6	10.8	4,961	5,119	118.1	106.6	57,616	51,135
ARK.....	1.8	1.8	911	914	16.6	17.6	8,540	9,102
LA.....	20.2	20.2	9,009	9,151	210.2	208.8	94,119	97,024
OKLA.....	2.4	1.8	1,207	887	23.0	20.9	11,659	10,483
TEXAS.....	37.5	31.5	18,600	16,569	390.5	318.2	213,267	164,207
MONT.....	.1	.1	33	37	1.3	1.1	448	390
IDAHO.....	.1	.1	32	35	1.1	1.1	352	365
WYO.....	.1	.1	44	30	.3	.1	103	30
COLO.....	.1	.2	40	74	2.4	1.5	1,018	651
N.MEX.....	.1	.1	50	44	1.2	.8	583	394
ARIZ.....	.5	.4	233	199	4.9	4.1	2,350	2,036
UTAH.....	.4	.4	137	136	5.5	5.0	1,924	1,827
NEV.....	.2	.1	71	41	2.2	1.7	818	648
WASH.....	1.5	2.0	495	712	16.9	17.2	5,597	5,730
OREG.....	1.6	1.4	582	489	17.6	15.9	5,672	5,261
CALIF.....	20.3	18.2	5,522	7,043	265.3	233.9	72,244	76,512
48 STATES	525.6	469.4	115,372	109,714	5,456.6	4,994.0	1,254,874	1,149,900
HAWAII...	---	---	---	---	.5	---	109	---
U. S.....	525.6	469.4	115,372	109,714	5,457.1	4,994.0	1,254,983	1,149,900

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AND CONNECTICUT. COMMERCIAL SLAUGHTER NOT ESTIMATED IN ALASKA.

COMMERCIAL HOG SLAUGHTER 1/

STATE 2/	NOVEMBER				JANUARY-NOVEMBER			
	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..	11.2	11.1	2,790	2,766	130.9	104.1	31,422	25,534
N.Y.....	85.5	94.5	19,580	21,640	986.0	987.5	227,013	227,703
N.J.....	42.0	36.5	7,812	6,862	442.5	442.5	83,142	83,262
PA.....	375.0	360.0	87,375	83,880	3,640.0	3,954.0	821,015	893,867
OHIO.....	406.0	379.0	92,974	86,412	4,365.0	4,392.0	991,975	993,615
IND.....	262.0	255.0	65,762	65,025	2,710.0	2,621.0	673,838	660,553
ILL.....	415.0	466.0	102,920	122,558	4,425.0	4,816.0	1,125,079	1,226,717
MICH.....	196.0	193.0	45,668	44,390	2,019.0	2,020.0	463,852	465,467
WISC.....	277.0	260.0	67,588	62,400	2,780.0	2,774.0	658,640	661,628
MINN.....	578.0	559.0	146,234	139,191	5,352.0	5,666.0	1,339,295	1,392,995
IOWA.....	1,787.0	1,953.0	439,602	478,485	17,779.0	18,915.0	4,394,204	4,580,286
MO.....	288.0	287.0	72,864	72,037	2,738.0	2,744.0	682,722	676,366
N.DAK....	3.4	3.2	830	758	20.9	22.6	5,061	5,414
S.DAK....	256.0	276.0	67,584	71,484	2,236.0	2,335.0	583,298	607,580
NEBR.....	394.0	260.0	104,410	67,340	3,548.0	3,164.0	921,929	803,386
KANS.....	218.0	162.0	53,846	39,528	2,220.0	2,062.0	538,414	495,787
DEL.-MD..	55.0	48.1	11,908	10,541	507.1	541.3	108,343	116,600
VA.....	246.0	264.0	57,318	61,248	2,674.0	2,800.0	599,163	636,169
W.VA.....	10.5	10.3	2,740	2,719	100.8	96.2	25,873	24,600
N.C.....	135.0	131.0	30,780	30,130	1,402.0	1,455.0	311,459	322,289
S.C.....	55.0	33.5	13,585	8,476	482.5	576.5	115,748	144,088
GA.....	156.0	152.0	35,412	33,288	1,542.0	1,631.0	340,231	360,084
FLA.....	46.0	46.5	9,430	9,393	423.5	457.0	91,706	99,730
KY.....	62.5	129.0	15,938	31,476	1,234.0	1,290.0	291,223	311,727
TENN.....	270.0	263.0	65,340	64,435	2,780.0	2,809.0	663,321	666,096
ALA.....	79.0	83.5	18,328	19,122	775.0	864.5	176,592	195,551
MISS.....	93.0	96.5	21,018	21,809	901.5	957.0	198,930	212,204
ARK.....	33.5	32.0	8,140	7,968	329.0	357.5	78,700	85,860
LA.....	23.2	20.4	5,011	4,488	188.1	197.2	40,122	42,404
OKLA.....	66.5	64.0	16,891	16,128	660.0	682.5	166,015	168,797
TEXAS....	175.0	159.0	42,700	39,273	1,749.0	1,803.0	417,315	430,346
MONT.....	29.5	28.0	6,962	6,524	336.0	331.5	77,973	77,187
IDAHO....	11.7	11.7	2,551	2,586	120.8	128.4	26,486	28,239
WYO.....	3.1	2.9	722	682	32.6	31.3	7,569	7,338
COLO.....	69.0	51.0	16,560	11,832	620.5	731.5	144,553	168,378
N.MEX....	9.1	8.3	2,084	1,942	91.1	96.4	20,982	22,314
ARIZ.....	13.7	14.4	3,192	3,413	141.4	163.9	32,832	38,649
UTAH.....	11.8	12.1	2,714	2,807	131.8	128.5	29,916	29,641
NEV.....	.2	.2	44	43	2.1	2.1	448	444
WASH.....	66.5	65.0	14,962	15,015	621.5	731.5	140,228	166,915
OREG.....	22.5	19.6	5,085	4,567	244.8	246.9	55,131	56,588
CALIF....	144.0	130.0	33,696	30,550	1,508.0	1,492.0	338,255	342,058
48 STATES	7,481.4	7,431.3	1,820,950	1,805,211	74,991.4	77,621.4	18,040,013	18,554,456
HAWAII...	4.9	4.8	843	821	53.8	53.4	9,338	9,342
U. S.....	7,486.3	7,436.1	1,821,793	1,806,032	75,045.2	77,674.8	18,049,351	18,563,798

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COMMERCIAL SHEEP AND LAMB SLAUGHTER 1/

STATE 2/	NOVEMBER				JANUARY-NOVEMBER			
	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..	1.9	1.6	154	140	16.7	15.5	1,424	1,324
N.Y.....	6.9	6.4	704	621	140.3	79.3	13,606	7,421
N.J.....	82.0	74.5	7,790	7,078	834.5	854.5	79,531	81,950
PA.....	15.3	11.8	1,377	1,086	168.7	145.7	14,822	12,716
OHIO.....	26.0	7.6	2,444	684	258.2	125.8	24,215	11,273
IND.....	1.1	.8	104	74	11.8	11.1	1,084	972
ILL.....	59.5	54.0	6,128	5,616	665.5	649.5	68,430	67,500
MICH.....	30.0	27.0	3,060	2,565	349.0	335.5	35,961	32,446
WISC.....	1.3	.6	131	61	14.2	10.7	1,426	1,089
MINN.....	76.0	69.5	7,980	7,158	673.5	613.5	71,244	64,235
IOWA.....	46.0	42.5	4,508	4,292	472.5	494.0	46,445	49,120
MO.....	27.0	28.0	2,754	2,940	327.4	367.4	33,408	37,451
N.DAK.....	15.4	19.7	1,617	2,246	103.5	116.8	11,201	12,921
S.DAK.....	36.0	32.5	3,816	3,348	409.5	397.5	43,807	42,466
NEBR.....	78.5	65.0	8,400	6,955	767.5	714.5	80,400	74,542
KANS.....	19.0	.3	1,881	28	225.9	134.2	21,958	13,122
DEL.-MD..	4.9	5.3	431	462	50.6	48.8	4,643	4,351
VA.....	.2	.2	20	18	3.0	2.9	307	293
W.VA.....	.4	.5	36	48	5.3	5.6	510	540
N.C.....	.1	.1	10	9	1.5	1.2	150	112
S.C.....	---	---	---	---	.3	.1	28	12
GA.....	---	---	---	---	.1	.1	7	10
FLA.....	.1	---	5	---	.9	1.2	66	90
KY.....	15.5	17.3	1,581	1,730	164.7	166.7	17,348	16,885
TENN.....	2.9	2.0	264	182	39.5	33.4	3,671	2,969
ALA.....	---	.1	---	12	.5	.7	51	73
MISS.....	.1	---	9	---	.3	.2	26	19
ARK.....	---	---	---	---	.2	.2	16	20
LA.....	.2	.4	16	31	2.2	2.7	172	202
OKLA.....	.3	.3	32	33	2.1	3.5	239	365
TEXAS....	104.0	85.0	9,880	7,820	1,560.0	1,336.5	140,896	121,374
MONT.....	.5	.2	51	19	4.7	2.7	493	285
IDAHO....	1.1	.7	122	75	12.0	10.8	1,307	1,159
WYO.....	.4	.9	43	96	3.0	4.8	332	511
COLO.....	120.0	110.0	12,840	11,990	1,452.5	1,316.5	152,525	140,534
N.MEX....	3.9	5.2	386	556	40.6	59.1	4,296	6,476
ARIZ.....	1.1	.2	122	20	15.6	13.4	1,713	1,478
UTAH.....	67.5	73.0	7,425	8,030	838.5	814.0	88,905	87,440
NEV.....	.2	.2	20	20	2.1	1.8	211	181
WASH.....	20.2	13.9	2,222	1,557	221.0	194.5	23,427	20,669
OREG.....	8.8	8.3	942	872	139.6	140.3	14,518	14,532
CALIF....	124.0	133.0	13,268	14,098	1,834.0	1,778.0	192,079	185,126
48 STATES	998.3	898.6	102,573	92,570	11,833.5	11,005.2	1,196,898	1,116,254
HAWAII...	---	---	---	---	.4	.1	39	10
U. S.....	998.3	898.6	102,573	92,570	11,833.9	11,005.3	1,196,937	1,116,264

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

STATE <sup>2/</sup>	CATTLE		CALVES		HOGS		SHEEP AND LAMBS	
	1967	1968	1967	1968	1967	1968	1967	1968
	POUNDS	POUNDS	POUNDS	POUNDS	POUNDS	POUNDS	POUNDS	POUNDS
NEW ENG..	1,093	1,082	102	107	249	249	81	88
N.Y.....	1,109	1,146	113	122	229	229	102	97
N.J.....	1,238	1,196	213	221	186	188	95	95
PA.....	1,053	1,097	134	134	233	233	90	92
OHIO.....	1,004	995	185	193	229	228	94	90
IND.....	997	979	192	201	251	255	95	92
ILL.....	1,009	999	163	155	248	263	103	104
MICH.....	1,041	1,039	148	157	233	230	102	95
WISC.....	1,130	1,125	112	122	244	240	101	101
MINN.....	1,056	1,062	157	164	253	249	105	103
IOWA.....	1,063	1,042	150	155	246	245	98	101
MO.....	1,020	1,005	283	279	253	251	102	105
N.DAK....	1,107	1,068	---	---	244	237	105	114
S.DAK....	1,073	1,044	---	---	264	259	106	103
NEBR.....	1,054	1,046	389	351	265	259	107	107
KANS.....	1,009	1,020	427	381	247	244	99	92
DEL.-MD..	1,044	1,055	192	194	217	219	88	87
VA.....	1,004	1,010	253	270	233	232	102	90
W.VA.....	959	958	215	216	261	264	91	96
N.C.....	918	925	221	227	228	230	100	91
S.C.....	815	791	401	393	247	253	---	---
GA.....	839	839	419	400	227	219	---	---
FLA.....	936	936	296	306	205	202	50	---
KY.....	901	908	219	217	255	244	102	100
TENN.....	931	933	299	315	242	245	91	91
ALA.....	903	845	483	443	232	229	---	125
MISS.....	839	822	468	474	226	226	90	---
ARK.....	860	858	506	508	243	249	---	---
LA.....	769	785	446	453	216	220	79	77
OKLA.....	907	933	503	493	254	252	106	109
TEXAS....	865	875	496	526	244	247	95	92
MONT.....	1,030	1,045	329	368	236	233	102	96
IDAHO....	1,030	1,039	321	354	218	221	111	107
WYO.....	1,033	965	441	300	233	235	108	107
COLD.....	1,029	1,017	405	370	240	232	107	109
N.MEX....	978	995	500	443	229	234	99	107
ARIZ.....	946	1,016	466	498	233	237	111	100
UTAH.....	972	1,008	342	341	230	232	110	110
NEV.....	1,001	1,018	356	408	218	215	100	100
WASH.....	1,025	1,039	330	356	225	231	110	112
OREG.....	1,005	996	364	349	226	233	107	105
CALIF....	1,047	1,047	272	387	234	235	107	106
48 STATES	1,016	1,012	220	234	243	243	103	103
HAWAII...	1,001	945	---	---	172	171	---	---
U. S.....	1,016	1,012	220	234	243	243	103	103

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OFFICIAL BUSINESS

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POULTRY PRODUCTION DOWN 10 PERCENT FROM NOVEMBER 1967: Production of poultry meat in November was 795 million pounds, ready-to-cook basis. This was 10 percent less than a year earlier and 19 percent under October 1968.

INCREASE IN FEDERAL INSPECTION SINCE JANUARY 1, 1968

Between January 1 and November 30, 1968, a total of 143 plants began slaughter under Federal inspection. In November these plants slaughtered 202,000 cattle; 16,000 calves; 113,000 hogs; and 32,000 sheep. Plants withdrawn from Federal inspection since January 1 slaughtered about 49,000 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 November 1968 compared with November 1967 is as follows: Cattle, 85.2 percent and 81.0 percent; calves, 73.2 and 67.9 percent; hogs, 88.4 and 86.0 percent; sheep and lambs, 92.9 and 90.1 percent.

The number of slaughter days during November 1968 included 20 week days and 5 Saturdays. There were 21 weekdays and 4 Saturdays in November 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
November 2 .....	22.5	1.7	27.5	48.3
November 9 .....	21.8	1.6	28.1	48.5
November 16 .....	21.9	1.6	28.4	48.1
November 23 .....	23.9	1.7	26.1	48.3
November 30 .....	20.6	1.6	26.9	50.9
December 7 .....	20.5	1.5	27.3	50.7
December 14 .....	22.1	1.5	26.6	49.8

<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	
November 1967	22.9	1.4	26.1	49.6	2,253
October 1968	21.6	1.7	28.2	48.5	2,813
November 1968	22.2	1.6	27.4	48.8	2,416

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