

LIVESTOCK SLAUGHTER

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RED MEAT PRODUCTION UP 2 PERCENT FROM APRIL 1968: Commercial production of red meat in the 48 States totaled 2,908 million pounds in April, up 2 percent from a year earlier, according to the Crop Reporting Board. Commercial meat production includes slaughter in federally inspected and other slaughter plants, but excludes animals slaughtered on farms.

BEEF PRODUCTION 2 PERCENT ABOVE A YEAR EARLIER: Beef production in April was 1,665 million pounds, up 2 percent from a year earlier. The number of cattle slaughtered was up 2 percent from April 1968. Average live weight was 5 pounds less than a year ago.

APRIL VEAL OUTPUT DOWN 7 PERCENT FROM 1968: There were 52 million pounds of veal produced in April, down 7 percent from a year earlier. Calves slaughtered numbered 12 percent fewer than in April 1968 but live weight per head was up 5 percent.

PORK PRODUCTION UP 3 PERCENT FROM APRIL 1968: Pork production in April totaled 1,145 million pounds, up 3 percent from a year earlier. The hog kill was 7,550,700, up 2 percent from April 1968. Live weight per head at 236 pounds was 4 pounds lighter than a year earlier. Lard rendered per 100 pounds of live weight was 9.2 compared with 10.1 in April 1968.

LAMB AND MUTTON DOWN 6 PERCENT FROM A YEAR EARLIER: There were 46 million pounds of lamb and mutton produced in April, 6 percent less than last year. Sheep and lambs slaughtered totaled 900,800, down 8 percent. Average live weight at 104 pounds was 2 pounds heavier than in 1968.

APRIL POULTRY PRODUCTION UP 7 PERCENT FROM 1968: Production of poultry meat in April totaled 661 million pounds ready-to-cook basis. This was 7 percent more than a year earlier and 5 percent more than in March 1968.

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Commercial meat and lard production: 48 States, April with comparisons 1/

KIND				:April 1969 as % of:		January-April 5/		1969 as % of 1968
	: April : : 1968 :	: March : : 1969 :	: April : : 1969 :	: April : : 1968 :	: March : : 1969 :	: 1968 :	: 1969 :	
	- - Million pounds - -			Percent		Million pounds		Percent
Beef	1,638	1,659	1,665	102	100	6,689	6,813	102
Veal	56	53	52	93	98	229	217	95
Pork 2/	1,113	1,132	1,145	103	101	4,309	4,498	104
Lamb & Mutton	49	45	46	94	102	203	188	93
Total Red Meat	2,856	2,889	2,908	102	101	11,430	11,716	103
Poultry 3/	620	631	661	107	105	2,456	2,597	106
Lard 4/	179	160	164	92	102	670	645	96

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, April with comparisons 1/

Species	Unit				:April 1969 as % of:		January-April 2/		1969 as % of 1968
		: April : : 1968 :	: March : : 1969 :	: April : : 1969 :	: April : : 1968 :	: March : : 1969 :	: 1968 :	: 1969 :	
					Percent				Percent
CATTLE									
Number									
Fed. Insp. :	thou. :	2,286.5	2,423.0	2,414.1	106	100	9,278.1	9,869.8	106
Other	thou. :	458.0	385.4	391.2	85	102	1,943.7	1,609.3	83
Total	thou. :	2,744.5	2,808.4	2,805.3	102	100	11,221.8	11,479.1	102
Live Weight :									
Per Head ... :	lb. :	1,024	1,015	1,019	100	100	1,028	1,020	99
Total	mil.lb.:	2,811	2,850	2,857	102	100	11,531	11,708	102
CALVES									
Number									
Fed. Insp. :	thou. :	332.4	351.5	312.2	94	89	1,341.6	1,345.0	100
Other	thou. :	130.1	100.0	97.0	75	97	561.2	410.6	73
Total	thou. :	462.5	451.5	409.2	88	91	1,902.8	1,755.6	92
Live Weight :									
Per Head ... :	lb. :	214	213	225	105	106	217	223	103
Total	mil.lb.:	99	96	92	93	96	413	391	95
HOGS									
Number									
Fed. Insp. :	thou. :	6,483.2	6,816.2	6,852.0	106	101	24,914.3	26,727.2	107
Other	thou. :	883.9	718.3	698.7	79	97	3,782.8	3,067.6	81
Total	thou. :	7,367.1	7,534.5	7,550.7	102	100	28,697.1	29,794.8	104
Live Weight :									
Per Head ... :	lb. :	240	233	236	98	101	237	235	99
Total	mil.lb.:	1,765	1,758	1,781	101	101	6,807	7,007	103
SHEEP & LAMBS:									
Number									
Fed. Insp. :	thou. :	864.8	814.5	839.3	97	103	3,551.6	3,428.9	97
Other	thou. :	115.6	49.3	61.5	53	125	390.7	198.6	51
Total	thou. :	980.4	863.8	900.8	92	104	3,942.3	3,627.5	92
Live Weight :									
Per Head ... :	lb. :	102	106	104	102	98	104	106	102
Total	mil.lb.:	100	92	94	94	102	412	385	93

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

COMMERCIAL CATTLE SLAUGHTER ^{1/}

STATE _{2/}	APRIL				JANUARY-APRIL			
	NUMBER SLAUGHTERED		TOTAL LIVE WEIGHT		NUMBER SLAUGHTERED		TOTAL LIVE WEIGHT	
	1968	1969	1968	1969	1968	1969	1968	1969
	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..	14.0	14.9	15,395	16,602	58.9	59.2	64,909	66,629
N.Y.....	29.5	31.0	34,014	34,813	118.5	121.0	134,548	134,836
N.J.....	25.0	24.7	31,100	29,516	99.3	108.5	124,724	131,370
PA.....	66.5	63.0	72,352	70,560	273.5	259.0	298,650	291,798
OHIO.....	93.0	90.0	94,395	91,440	385.5	371.5	392,377	379,556
IND.....	52.0	52.5	52,676	52,710	203.5	212.5	205,563	217,251
ILL.....	109.0	116.0	112,052	119,596	437.0	459.0	446,430	469,007
MICH.....	55.5	57.0	58,053	60,363	222.0	221.0	233,627	233,481
WISC.....	92.5	102.0	103,508	115,260	392.0	407.0	447,027	462,263
MINN.....	155.0	139.0	167,865	150,259	641.0	593.0	695,561	633,980
IOWA.....	350.0	323.0	371,000	333,336	1,474.0	1,338.0	1,565,596	1,384,776
MO.....	129.0	129.0	134,547	130,677	500.0	538.0	520,705	550,273
N.DAK....	16.6	12.6	18,260	13,583	70.7	54.7	76,750	60,133
S.DAK....	41.5	47.5	44,280	49,638	228.5	221.5	246,220	229,245
NEBR....	305.0	349.0	326,655	366,101	1,245.0	1,441.0	1,332,090	1,506,704
KANS.....	121.0	120.0	125,356	120,960	513.0	509.0	531,378	523,180
DEL.-MD..	10.5	9.6	11,337	10,314	40.7	39.6	44,100	42,266
VA.....	14.4	14.9	14,515	14,870	57.4	59.4	58,851	60,775
W.VA.....	5.3	4.9	5,395	4,954	21.1	21.5	21,653	22,193
N.C.....	12.8	14.1	12,160	13,762	53.5	57.3	51,677	56,631
S.C.....	8.3	8.0	6,980	6,496	29.9	31.7	25,302	25,686
GA.....	28.0	27.0	23,604	22,950	112.0	111.5	95,886	96,398
FLA.....	34.5	35.5	32,223	33,796	137.5	135.0	128,663	129,703
KY.....	19.9	19.6	18,825	18,404	81.3	79.1	77,542	75,426
TENN.....	44.5	46.5	42,320	44,826	175.0	193.5	167,089	186,356
ALA.....	22.6	20.1	20,137	17,628	89.2	81.4	79,067	71,651
MISS.....	26.0	27.5	20,826	22,962	104.5	110.0	87,285	95,182
ARK.....	14.3	13.5	12,527	12,136	57.3	53.7	50,581	49,042
LA.....	13.0	11.9	10,075	9,853	50.4	49.9	40,437	40,924
OKLA.....	57.5	56.0	54,510	52,136	233.5	233.5	217,205	219,910
TEXAS....	211.0	241.0	180,616	212,562	841.0	962.0	727,066	855,306
MONT.....	14.0	14.7	14,322	14,935	63.5	59.4	65,209	60,794
IDAHO....	26.0	29.5	26,988	30,296	119.5	121.5	124,509	125,445
WYO.....	2.6	2.5	2,696	2,330	9.7	11.0	10,135	10,786
COLO.....	133.0	137.0	140,448	148,508	532.0	541.0	557,976	573,197
N.MEX....	25.5	28.5	24,556	27,502	98.7	110.5	94,431	107,263
ARIZ.....	31.5	46.5	31,311	47,337	94.1	169.5	92,408	171,374
UTAH.....	22.2	22.0	22,000	22,308	91.7	88.1	92,483	89,099
NEV.....	2.5	2.3	2,335	2,325	10.0	8.1	9,254	8,118
WASH.....	47.5	46.0	49,970	47,334	193.5	194.5	202,317	199,762
OREG.....	26.0	28.0	26,416	28,616	104.4	111.5	106,677	113,159
CALIF....	236.0	227.0	242,844	232,675	958.0	931.0	987,155	947,169
48 STATES	2,744.5	2,805.3	2,811,444	2,857,229	11,221.8	11,479.1	11,531,113	11,708,097
HAWAII...	5.3	5.0	5,114	4,650	21.2	20.4	20,721	18,858
U. S.....	2,749.8	2,810.3	2,816,558	2,861,879	11,243.0	11,499.5	11,551,834	11,726,955

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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/	APRIL				JANUARY-APRIL			
	NUMBER SLAUGHTERED		TOTAL LIVE WEIGHT		NUMBER SLAUGHTERED		TOTAL LIVE WEIGHT	
	1968	1969	1968	1969	1968	1969	1968	1969
	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	22.5	2,370	2,257	94.6	90.6	9,330	8,892
N.Y.....	91.5	81.5	10,522	9,862	308.5	308.0	35,561	36,048
N.J.....	32.5	28.0	6,825	6,468	124.0	122.0	26,291	27,715
PA.....	42.0	36.0	5,628	4,752	176.0	162.5	22,329	20,828
OHIO.....	7.4	5.6	1,369	963	30.6	24.3	5,773	4,244
IND.....	4.5	4.2	904	806	17.1	16.6	3,307	3,121
ILL.....	16.5	14.8	2,822	2,531	69.3	66.2	11,398	12,355
MICH.....	14.6	13.8	2,132	2,236	68.1	59.2	10,025	9,794
WISC.....	50.5	40.5	6,565	5,427	216.5	188.5	26,905	23,582
MINN.....	12.5	9.0	2,200	1,710	65.6	53.1	10,772	9,277
IOWA.....	26.0	21.4	4,030	3,317	119.5	105.7	18,387	16,384
MO.....	3.2	3.8	800	984	15.2	16.4	4,076	4,439
N.DAK.....	---	---	---	---	.1	---	38	---
S.DAK.....	---	---	---	---	.1	---	33	---
NEBR.....	.6	.8	237	294	2.7	3.2	1,059	1,198
KANS.....	.6	---	259	---	2.1	.1	950	33
DEL.-MD..	2.6	2.5	492	499	11.2	10.0	2,031	1,937
VA.....	14.3	15.6	3,604	4,118	60.1	56.8	15,606	15,332
W.VA.....	.5	.4	104	81	1.7	1.6	342	336
N.C.....	.6	.6	105	137	2.6	2.5	470	533
S.C.....	10.7	10.7	4,376	4,430	48.3	43.9	19,384	17,812
GA.....	5.0	3.1	2,160	1,386	21.6	9.4	9,282	4,031
FLA.....	13.7	13.5	4,137	4,347	69.0	66.2	21,037	21,053
KY.....	1.3	.2	304	44	4.9	1.0	1,129	219
TENN.....	7.5	7.4	1,920	1,887	37.0	35.2	10,155	9,991
ALA.....	2.6	2.1	1,074	976	10.1	9.8	4,450	4,498
MISS.....	7.5	5.7	3,660	3,106	31.6	25.1	15,718	13,653
ARK.....	1.7	1.1	937	585	5.9	5.1	3,064	2,652
LA.....	17.7	17.9	8,549	8,807	72.1	70.2	34,667	34,354
OKLA.....	1.3	1.2	660	590	6.1	5.9	3,083	2,935
TEXAS....	23.2	22.5	12,134	11,790	105.7	93.2	53,496	48,812
MONT.....	.1	.1	35	40	.4	.2	144	71
IDAHO....	.1	---	33	---	.4	.3	124	111
WYO.....	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
COLO.....	.1	.2	48	75	.5	.8	234	269
N.MEX....	.1	---	52	---	.3	---	149	---
ARIZ.....	.4	.3	201	138	1.6	1.3	801	632
UTAH.....	.5	.4	186	148	1.8	1.6	664	596
NEV.....	.2	.2	80	80	.7	.5	269	193
WASH.....	1.3	1.1	417	351	5.0	5.7	1,645	1,863
OREG.....	1.5	1.0	454	304	5.5	4.3	1,713	1,371
CALIF....	21.6	19.5	6,480	6,552	88.7	88.6	26,670	29,772
48 STATES	462.5	409.2	98,866	92,078	1,902.8	1,755.6	412,561	390,936
HAWAII...	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
U. S.....	462.5	409.2	98,866	92,078	1,902.8	1,755.6	412,561	390,936

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COMMERCIAL HOG SLAUGHTER 1/

STATE 2/	APRIL				JANUARY-APRIL			
	NUMBER SLAUGHTERED		TOTAL LIVE WEIGHT		NUMBER SLAUGHTERED		TOTAL LIVE WEIGHT	
	1968	1969	1968	1969	1968	1969	1968	1969
	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 ENGL..	9.9	8.2	2,388	1,990	39.1	34.0	9,466	8,217
N.Y.....	93.0	92.5	21,576	21,275	373.5	376.0	86,171	85,469
N.J.....	42.5	38.0	8,032	7,144	174.0	149.5	32,880	27,969
PA.....	359.0	346.0	81,134	77,850	1,458.0	1,380.0	329,087	314,432
OHIO.....	408.0	404.0	94,656	91,708	1,630.0	1,650.0	370,849	370,376
IND.....	254.0	335.0	62,484	85,425	969.0	1,229.0	236,281	310,141
ILL.....	457.0	527.0	115,621	129,115	1,703.0	2,012.0	421,672	497,897
MICH.....	171.0	209.0	38,988	48,070	743.0	813.0	169,987	188,560
WISC.....	252.0	284.0	59,976	66,456	1,057.0	1,142.0	249,551	266,074
MINN.....	529.0	534.0	130,663	127,626	2,060.0	2,142.0	499,734	506,670
IOWA.....	1,782.0	1,847.0	436,590	439,586	6,919.0	7,400.0	1,668,431	1,746,763
MO.....	272.0	287.0	67,184	70,028	970.0	1,101.0	237,722	265,552
N.DAK.....	2.3	2.3	557	561	9.2	8.9	2,152	2,112
S.DAK.....	202.0	219.0	52,520	54,531	774.0	878.0	198,163	218,239
NEBR.....	366.0	267.0	92,598	64,080	1,360.0	1,019.0	346,273	246,628
KANS.....	214.0	172.0	51,788	41,624	811.0	643.0	193,279	154,327
DEL.-MD..	50.5	46.5	10,888	10,000	205.0	194.5	44,009	41,708
VA.....	267.0	297.0	60,075	68,310	1,021.0	1,165.0	229,227	266,226
W.VA.....	9.0	6.9	2,277	1,773	36.3	31.7	9,286	7,953
N.C.....	130.0	147.0	28,730	32,634	534.0	592.0	119,232	132,801
S.C.....	63.5	33.0	15,430	8,019	238.5	130.5	59,090	32,530
GA.....	162.0	160.0	36,288	34,400	629.0	631.0	139,827	137,726
FLA.....	44.5	45.5	9,968	9,009	183.5	186.5	40,648	36,906
KY.....	125.0	131.0	30,375	30,916	458.0	521.0	111,811	123,690
TENN.....	276.0	259.0	64,860	62,160	1,050.0	1,037.0	244,289	246,964
ALA.....	81.0	91.5	18,306	20,404	312.5	340.0	71,329	76,578
MISS.....	85.0	92.0	18,785	20,792	344.5	368.0	76,670	82,347
ARK.....	33.5	36.5	7,772	8,724	126.5	138.5	30,220	33,237
LA.....	18.4	18.9	3,754	4,101	80.4	76.0	16,760	16,495
OKLA.....	63.5	64.0	15,621	15,872	244.5	251.5	60,507	61,629
TEXAS....	170.0	177.0	40,120	41,241	676.0	699.0	162,639	165,885
MONT.....	29.5	30.0	6,932	6,990	118.0	114.5	27,489	26,449
IDAHO....	11.5	12.1	2,472	2,650	46.4	47.2	10,139	10,368
WYO.....	3.0	2.4	705	566	11.4	11.0	2,767	2,562
COLO.....	69.0	70.5	15,939	16,144	271.5	280.5	62,585	64,115
N.MEX....	7.9	8.9	1,872	2,163	33.5	35.9	7,710	8,505
ARIZ.....	16.0	15.8	3,760	3,697	58.2	62.4	13,677	14,553
UTAH.....	12.6	11.9	2,885	2,713	47.0	46.3	10,795	10,615
NEV.....	.2	.2	43	43	.8	.8	168	177
WASH.....	68.5	63.5	15,892	14,288	273.0	251.0	62,393	56,228
OREG.....	21.3	18.6	4,835	4,148	87.8	75.6	19,871	17,132
CALIF....	135.0	139.0	29,430	32,248	560.0	530.0	122,209	124,382
48 STATES	7,367.1	7,550.7	1,764,769	1,781,074	28,697.1	29,794.8	6,807,045	7,007,187
HAWAII...	5.1	4.7	898	822	18.8	17.7	3,314	3,055
U. S.....	7,372.2	7,555.4	1,765,667	1,781,896	28,715.9	29,812.5	6,810,359	7,010,242

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COMMERCIAL SHEEP AND LAMB SLAUGHTER ^{1/}

STATE <u>2/</u>	APRIL				JANUARY-APRIL			
	NUMBER SLAUGHTERED		TOTAL LIVE WEIGHT		NUMBER SLAUGHTERED		TOTAL LIVE WEIGHT	
	1968	1969	1968	1969	1968	1969	1968	1969
	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..	3.4	2.2	243	157	6.6	5.7	522	462
N.Y.....	14.3	10.0	1,058	750	33.8	34.0	3,001	2,871
N.J.....	73.0	62.5	7,154	6,125	300.5	284.0	29,960	28,410
PA.....	16.8	12.1	1,327	1,065	53.0	47.0	4,562	4,266
OHIO.....	10.4	8.9	874	765	64.7	29.7	5,944	2,669
IND.....	1.4	1.5	108	106	3.6	4.2	304	360
ILL.....	58.0	53.5	6,206	5,671	242.0	231.0	25,999	24,773
MICH.....	33.5	31.0	3,316	3,162	117.5	111.0	11,937	11,455
WISC.....	1.1	.9	107	88	3.9	3.4	403	349
MINN.....	44.0	35.0	4,796	3,850	221.5	192.0	23,874	20,734
IAWA.....	43.0	38.5	4,429	4,042	180.0	169.5	18,616	17,879
MO.....	38.0	34.0	3,914	3,536	119.9	124.0	12,350	13,215
N.DAK.....	10.3	---	1,102	---	58.2	50.2	6,280	5,469
S.DAK.....	39.0	28.0	4,407	3,108	157.0	131.5	17,546	14,280
NEBR.....	53.5	67.5	5,564	7,222	274.0	278.0	29,226	30,066
KANS.....	20.5	.3	2,030	32	77.6	.7	7,739	73
DEL.-MD..	4.3	3.8	370	351	16.4	17.8	1,472	1,612
VA.....	.2	.2	22	17	.7	.6	73	57
W.VA.....	.5	.5	47	44	1.9	1.9	186	180
N.C.....	.1	---	9	---	.2	.2	19	20
S.C.....	---	---	---	---	.1	---	12	---
GA.....	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
FLA.....	.1	.2	10	14	.2	.5	20	31
KY.....	7.5	7.2	862	806	36.4	41.3	3,980	4,411
TENN.....	2.7	1.6	246	158	9.5	6.4	878	638
ALA.....	---	---	---	---	.1	---	10	---
MISS.....	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
ARK.....	---	---	---	---	.1	---	10	---
LA.....	.2	.3	16	24	.8	1.2	65	95
OKLA.....	.3	.1	31	10	1.2	.7	128	68
TEXAS....	112.0	105.0	10,416	9,870	385.5	378.5	36,852	36,731
MONT.....	.2	.1	23	11	.9	.3	98	33
IDAHO....	.8	.5	85	58	3.0	2.2	327	237
WYO.....	.3	.1	34	10	1.1	.4	117	47
COLO.....	130.0	133.0	14,560	15,428	568.0	541.0	62,662	61,484
N.MEX....	5.5	5.6	622	661	19.9	22.2	2,199	2,495
ARIZ.....	2.7	.2	297	19	8.7	.6	968	60
UTAH.....	41.0	68.5	4,387	6,987	241.5	267.5	26,642	28,967
NEV.....	.2	.2	20	21	.5	.5	50	52
WASH.....	12.6	15.9	1,323	1,797	49.4	58.2	5,306	6,637
OREG.....	13.0	6.9	1,365	745	39.4	25.6	4,275	2,726
CALIF....	186.0	165.0	18,786	17,160	643.0	564.0	67,136	60,911
48 STATES	980.4	900.8	100,166	93,870	3,942.3	3,627.5	411,748	384,823
HAWAII...	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
U. S.....	980.4	900.8	100,166	93,870	3,942.3	3,627.5	411,748	384,823

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LIVESTOCK SLAUGHTER, AVERAGE LIVE WEIGHT PER HEAD,
APRIL 1968 AND 1969 1/

STATE 2/	CATTLE		CALVES		HOGS		SHEEP AND LAMBS	
	1968	1969	1968	1969	1968	1969	1968	1969
	POUNDS	POUNDS	POUNDS	POUNDS	POUNDS	POUNDS	POUNDS	POUNDS
NEW ENG..	1,100	1,114	99	100	241	243	71	71
N.Y.....	1,153	1,123	115	121	232	230	74	75
N.J.....	1,244	1,195	210	231	189	188	98	98
PA.....	1,088	1,120	134	132	226	225	79	88
OHIO.....	1,015	1,016	185	172	232	227	84	86
IND.....	1,013	1,004	201	192	246	255	77	71
ILL.....	1,028	1,031	171	171	253	245	107	106
MICH.....	1,046	1,059	146	162	228	230	99	102
WISC.....	1,119	1,130	130	134	238	234	97	98
MINN.....	1,083	1,081	176	190	247	239	109	110
IOWA.....	1,060	1,032	155	155	245	238	103	105
MO.....	1,043	1,013	250	259	247	244	103	104
N.DAK.....	1,100	1,078	---	---	242	244	107	---
S.DAK.....	1,067	1,045	---	---	260	249	113	111
NEBR.....	1,071	1,049	395	368	253	240	104	107
KANS.....	1,036	1,008	431	---	242	242	99	107
DEL.-MD..	1,080	1,074	189	200	216	215	86	92
VA.....	1,008	998	252	264	225	230	111	84
W.VA.....	1,018	1,011	209	202	253	257	94	88
N.C.....	950	976	175	228	221	222	90	---
S.C.....	841	812	409	414	243	243	---	---
GA.....	843	850	432	447	224	215	---	---
FLA.....	934	952	302	322	224	198	100	70
KY.....	946	939	234	221	243	236	115	112
TENN.....	951	964	256	255	235	240	91	99
ALA.....	891	877	413	465	226	223	---	---
MISS.....	801	835	488	545	221	226	---	---
ARK.....	876	899	551	532	232	239	---	---
LA.....	775	828	483	492	204	217	82	79
OKLA.....	948	931	508	492	246	248	103	98
TEXAS.....	856	882	523	524	236	233	93	94
MONT.....	1,023	1,016	364	396	235	233	115	110
IDAHO.....	1,038	1,027	332	---	215	219	106	115
WYO.....	1,037	932	---	---	235	236	112	100
COLO.....	1,056	1,084	481	377	231	229	112	116
N.MEX.....	963	965	521	---	237	243	113	118
ARIZ.....	994	1,018	503	460	235	234	110	95
UTAH.....	991	1,014	372	371	229	228	107	102
NEV.....	934	1,011	400	400	214	214	100	107
WASH.....	1,052	1,029	321	319	232	225	105	113
OREG.....	1,016	1,022	303	304	227	223	105	108
CALIF.....	1,029	1,025	300	336	218	232	101	104
48 STATES	1,024	1,019	214	225	240	236	102	104
HAWAII...	965	930	---	---	176	175	---	---
U. S.....	1,024	1,018	214	225	240	236	102	104

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INCREASE IN FEDERAL INSPECTION SINCE MAY 1, 1968: Between May 1, 1968 and April 30, 1969 a total of 107 plants began slaughter under Federal inspection. In April these plants slaughtered 120,000 cattle, 14,000 calves, 194,000 hogs, and 24,000 sheep and lambs. Plants withdrawn from Federal inspection since May 1, 1968 slaughtered about 22,300 cattle, 600 calves, 69,000 hogs, and 58,000 sheep and lambs 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.

Federal inspected slaughter as a percent of total commercial slaughter in April 1969 compared with April 1968 is as follows: Cattle, 86.1 percent and 83.3 percent; calves, 76.3 and 71.9 percent; hogs, 90.7 and 88.0 percent; sheep and lambs, 93.2 and 88.2 percent.

The number of slaughter days during April 1969 included 22 weekdays and 4 Saturdays, the same as in April 1968.

Classification of livestock slaughtered under Federal inspection
 48 States, April with comparisons 1/

Species	April 1968	March 1969	April 1969	Jan.- Apr. 1969	April 1968	March 1969	April 1969	Jan.- Apr. 1969
	Thousand head				Percent of Total			
CATTLE:								
Steers	1,246	1,277	1,311	5,221	54.5	52.7	54.3	52.9
Heifers	608	652	620	2,620	26.6	26.9	25.7	26.5
Cows	400	458	447	1,890	17.5	18.9	18.5	19.2
Bulls & stags	32	36	36	138	1.4	1.5	1.5	1.4
Total cattle	2,286	2,423	2,414	9,869	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Canners & Cutters 2/..	183	213	220	897	8.0	8.8	9.1	9.1
HOGS:								
Sows	389	313	349	1,389	6.0	4.6	5.1	5.2
Barrows & gilts	6,062	6,455	6,448	25,130	93.5	94.7	94.1	94.0
Stags & boars	32	48	55	208	.5	.7	.8	.8
Total hogs	6,483	6,816	6,852	26,727	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
SHEEP AND LAMBS:								
Lambs & yearlings	824	782	787	3,278	95.3	96.0	93.8	95.6
Sheep	41	33	52	152	4.7	4.0	6.2	4.4
Total sheep and lambs:	865	815	839	3,430	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0

1/ Species totals and cattle classes of steers, heifers, cows, and bulls reported by Meat Inspectors, SID, C&MS. Canners and cutters and classification of hogs and sheep based on packer reports. 2/ Included in cattle classification.

NOTE: Weekly cattle classification percentages previously shown on page 8 are published in the Livestock Market News Weekly Summary. This publication may be requested from Market News Branch, Livestock Division, Consumer and Marketing Service, Washington, D. C. 20250

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