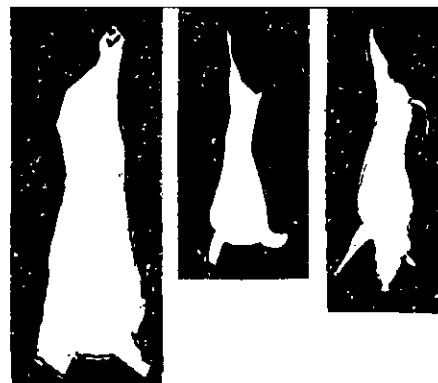


LIVESTOCK SLAUGHTER

JANUARY 1970



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RED MEAT PRODUCTION DOWN 4 PERCENT FROM JANUARY 1969: Commercial production of red meat in the 48 States totaled 3,018 million pounds in January 1970, down 4 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 UP 1 PERCENT FROM JANUARY 1969: Beef production in January 1970 was 1,873 million pounds, 1 percent more than January 1969. The number of cattle slaughtered was down 3 percent but average live weight was 28 pounds heavier than a year earlier.

DECEMBER VEAL PRODUCTION DOWN 17 PERCENT FROM A YEAR EARLIER: There were 50 million pounds of veal produced in January 1970, down 17 percent from January 1969. Calves slaughtered were down 19 percent from January 1969, but average live weight increased 5 pounds.

PORK PRODUCTION DOWN 10 PERCENT FROM JANUARY 1969: Pork production in January totaled 1,050 million pounds, down 10 percent from a year earlier. The number of hogs slaughtered was down 11 percent. Live weight per head at 241 pounds was 3 pounds heavier than a year earlier. Lard rendered per 100 pounds of live weight was 9.4 pounds, the same as in January 1969.

LAMB AND MUTTON DOWN 18 PERCENT FROM A YEAR EARLIER: There were 45 million pounds of lamb and mutton produced in January 1970, down 18 percent from a year earlier. Sheep and lamb slaughter totaled 896,200 head, down 15 percent from January 1969. Average live weight at 102 pounds was 4 pounds lighter than a year earlier.

JANUARY POULTRY PRODUCTION DOWN 3 PERCENT FROM 1969: Production of poultry meat in January 1970 totaled 706 million pounds ready-to-cook basis. This is 3 percent less than a year earlier and 16 percent less than December 1969.

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

Kind	January	December	January	January 1970 as % of	
	1969	1969	1970	January 1969	December 1969
	- - Million pounds - -			- - Percent - -	
Beef	1,858	1,803	1,873	101	104
Veal	60	49	50	83	102
Pork 2/	1,170	1,111	1,050	90	95
Lamb & Mutton	55	44	45	82	102
Total Red Meat	3,143	3,007	3,018	96	100
Poultry 3/	726	840	706	97	84
Lard 4/	173	155	154	89	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, January, with comparisons 1/

Species	Unit	January	December	January	January 1970 as % of	
		1969	1969	1970	January 1969	December 1969
					- - Percent - -	
CATTLE						
Number						
Fed. Insp.	thou.	2,676.2	2,567.9	2,652.9	99	103
Other	thou.	453.0	378.1	380.0	84	101
Total	thou.	3,129.2	2,946.0	3,032.9	97	103
Live Weight						
Per Head	lb.	1,025	1,043	1,053	103	101
Total	mil. lb.	3,208	3,073	3,193	100	104
CALVES						
Number						
Fed. Insp.	thou.	364.2	301.5	290.2	80	96
Other	thou.	114.4	95.4	98.4	86	103
Total	thou.	478.6	396.9	388.6	81	98
Live Weight						
Per Head	lb.	225	221	230	102	104
Total	mil. lb.	108	88	89	82	101
HOGS						
Number						
Fed. Insp.	thou.	6,814.1	6,343.8	6,170.0	91	97
Other	thou.	891.3	748.1	654.4	73	87
Total	thou.	7,705.4	7,091.9	6,824.4	89	96
Live Weight						
Per Head	lb.	238	244	241	101	99
Total	mil. lb.	1,837	1,730	1,643	89	95
SHEEP & LAMBS						
Number						
Fed. Insp.	thou.	1,006.6	798.1	855.4	85	107
Other	thou.	48.4	41.9	40.8	84	97
Total	thou.	1,055.0	840.0	896.2	85	107
Live Weight						
Per Head	lb.	106	106	102	96	96
Total	mil. lb.	112	89	92	82	103

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

CATTLE AND CALVES COMMERCIAL SLAUGHTER JANUARY 1969 AND 1970

STATE <u>2/</u>	CATTLE SLAUGHTER <u>1/</u>				CALF SLAUGHTER <u>1/</u>			
	NUMBER SLAUGHTERED		TOTAL LIVE WEIGHT		NUMBER SLAUGHTERED		TOTAL LIVE WEIGHT	
	1969	1970	1969	1970	1969	1970	1969	1970
	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..	16.6	15.4	18,709	16,683	19.7	18.5	2,005	1,921
N.Y.....	34.0	34.0	37,366	37,706	65.0	61.0	6,890	7,015
N.J.....	30.0	29.0	35,850	36,366	34.5	33.5	7,797	8,107
PA.....	72.5	69.0	81,925	78,315	44.5	37.0	5,785	4,773
OHIO.....	105.0	92.0	106,680	96,232	6.8	5.3	1,176	1,018
IND.....	59.0	53.5	61,183	55,586	4.1	4.4	746	845
ILL.....	123.0	117.0	124,599	121,329	18.8	18.6	3,685	3,311
MICH.....	60.5	54.0	63,102	59,022	17.4	13.8	2,767	2,305
WISC.....	109.0	110.0	124,151	127,930	59.0	41.0	6,903	5,371
MINN.....	165.0	150.0	177,705	166,200	18.4	4.7	2,926	667
IOWA.....	372.0	343.0	389,484	378,329	33.0	25.0	5,115	4,000
MO.....	147.0	120.0	150,969	124,440	4.3	1.3	1,187	333
N.DAK....	15.3	16.0	17,779	17,488	---	---	---	---
S.DAK....	64.5	65.0	66,564	70,655	---	---	---	---
NEBR.....	381.0	372.0	401,193	402,876	.7	.7	264	267
KANS.....	132.0	169.0	138,468	181,337	---	.1	---	35
DEL.-MD..	10.3	7.6	10,772	7,906	2.6	1.7	488	439
VA.....	16.8	17.5	17,388	18,532	13.6	12.5	3,862	3,488
W.VA.....	6.2	5.1	6,460	5,375	.4	.2	78	44
N.C.....	17.9	14.0	17,810	14,014	.7	.5	153	121
S.C.....	8.6	6.6	6,846	5,379	12.0	10.0	4,872	4,230
GA.....	30.5	26.5	26,504	24,512	2.0	1.6	802	627
FLA.....	38.0	32.0	36,784	31,392	20.9	16.5	6,312	4,950
KY.....	21.9	21.7	21,134	21,288	.3	.2	65	49
TENN.....	53.0	46.5	51,145	46,546	11.5	7.6	3,370	2,257
ALA.....	22.0	17.4	19,052	15,573	2.9	1.1	1,334	522
MISS.....	30.0	24.9	26,160	22,136	7.3	6.1	3,884	3,282
ARK.....	15.1	14.6	13,771	13,359	1.6	1.1	806	588
LA.....	13.7	11.4	11,028	9,405	18.6	18.4	8,965	8,574
OKLA.....	62.5	58.5	58,875	56,686	1.8	1.1	889	554
TEXAS....	251.0	255.0	223,390	234,090	27.0	23.6	14,256	11,989
MONT.....	16.4	19.1	16,597	20,361	---	.1	---	38
IDAHO....	35.0	35.0	36,610	37,135	.1	---	36	---
WYO.....	3.3	2.2	3,290	2,220	---	---	---	---
COLO.....	141.0	167.0	149,319	177,187	.2	.2	62	59
N.MEX....	28.0	29.0	27,524	29,232	---	---	---	---
ARIZ.....	41.0	45.0	40,877	45,810	.4	.2	199	99
UTAH.....	23.7	23.3	24,008	24,465	.4	.3	150	116
NEV.....	2.4	2.1	2,494	2,125	.1	.1	38	36
WASH.....	55.5	47.0	57,332	50,290	2.2	.9	695	299
OREG.....	30.0	32.0	30,780	34,496	1.0	.8	338	282
CALIF....	269.0	263.0	275,994	272,731	24.8	18.9	9,002	6,596
48 STATES	3,129.2	3,032.9	3,207,671	3,192,739	478.6	388.6	107,902	89,207
HAWAII...	5.5	5.3	5,148	5,199	---	---	---	---
U. S.....	3,134.7	3,038.2	3,212,819	3,197,938	478.6	388.6	107,902	89,207

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HOG AND SHEEP AND LAMBS SLAUGHTER JANUARY 1969 AND 1970

STATE 2/	HOG SLAUGHTER 1/				SHEEP AND LAMB SLAUGHTER 1/			
	NUMBER SLAUGHTERED		TOTAL LIVE WEIGHT		NUMBER SLAUGHTERED		TOTAL LIVE WEIGHT	
	1969	1970	1969	1970	1969	1970	1969	1970
	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..	10.2	9.3	2,445	2,263	.9	1.1	79	94
N.Y.....	106.0	85.0	23,744	19,550	6.9	5.0	676	535
N.J.....	38.5	35.0	7,276	6,545	86.0	70.0	8,600	7,070
PA.....	364.0	310.0	85,176	71,300	12.2	8.7	1,122	826
DHID.....	447.0	366.0	99,681	83,082	7.9	5.1	743	495
IND.....	290.0	322.0	73,660	79,534	1.0	.9	91	87
ILL.....	496.0	436.0	125,488	108,128	67.5	72.0	7,222	7,848
MICH.....	214.0	210.0	49,220	48,090	27.0	30.5	2,781	2,958
WISC.....	286.0	244.0	67,782	57,828	.9	.7	92	69
MINN.....	553.0	430.0	132,167	105,780	72.0	52.0	7,704	5,772
IOWA.....	1,904.0	1,691.0	456,960	414,295	49.0	43.5	5,145	---
MO.....	290.0	242.0	71,050	59,290	35.0	21.1	3,710	2,237
N.DAK....	2.0	2.6	472	601	20.4	.1	2,264	11
S.DAK....	224.0	198.0	56,896	51,084	38.5	35.5	4,081	3,940
NEBR.....	257.0	191.0	64,507	49,851	84.0	75.5	8,988	8,078
KANS.....	161.0	155.0	38,157	39,525	.2	.3	20	30
DEL.-MD..	50.9	43.3	11,057	9,710	5.2	3.9	463	402
VA.....	299.0	284.0	68,770	65,604	.2	.1	20	10
W.VA.....	8.9	6.7	2,207	1,829	.4	.3	39	30
N.C.....	161.0	159.0	36,547	35,775	.1	---	10	---
S.C.....	34.5	27.5	8,728	6,628	---	---	---	---
GA.....	170.0	155.0	38,760	34,720	---	---	---	---
FLA.....	51.0	48.5	10,761	9,652	---	---	---	---
KY.....	139.0	145.0	34,055	34,510	15.0	15.7	1,545	1,601
TENN.....	279.0	236.0	67,797	58,528	2.0	1.6	196	163
ALA.....	86.0	76.5	19,694	17,518	---	---	---	---
MISS.....	97.0	93.0	21,728	21,390	---	---	---	---
ARK.....	33.5	32.5	8,274	7,962	---	---	---	---
LA.....	20.1	16.9	4,402	3,667	.2	.2	15	14
OKLA.....	64.5	58.0	15,932	14,964	.1	.1	11	9
TEXAS....	186.0	171.0	45,012	42,408	102.0	83.5	9,894	8,350
MONT.....	30.0	26.5	6,870	6,280	.1	.1	11	11
IDAHO....	13.2	9.9	2,878	2,218	.6	.6	64	66
WYO.....	3.1	2.3	728	543	.1	.2	12	24
COLO.....	75.0	74.0	17,325	17,538	155.0	133.0	17,205	15,029
N.MEX....	10.2	9.5	2,428	2,176	6.3	4.6	706	501
ARIZ.....	16.5	15.4	3,828	3,604	.1	---	10	---
UTAH.....	12.2	10.6	2,818	2,491	83.5	83.5	9,352	9,102
NEV.....	.2	.2	41	43	.1	.1	11	10
WASH.....	65.5	51.5	14,672	12,154	16.8	12.4	1,882	1,401
OREG.....	20.4	16.7	4,733	3,808	6.8	7.3	707	818
CALIF....	136.0	128.0	32,232	30,720	151.0	127.0	16,610	14,097
48 STATES	7,705.4	6,824.4	1,836,958	1,643,186	1,055.0	896.2	112,081	91,688
HAWAII...	4.3	3.5	727	620	---	---	---	---
U. S.....	7,709.7	6,827.9	1,837,685	1,643,806	1,055.0	896.2	112,081	91,688

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LIVESTOCK SLAUGHTER, AVERAGE LIVE WEIGHT PER HEAD,
JANUARY 1969 AND 1970 1/

STATE 2/	CATTLE		CALVES		HOGS		SHEEP AND LAMBS	
	1969	1970	1969	1970	1969	1970	1969	1970
	POUNDS	POUNDS	POUNDS	POUNDS	POUNDS	POUNDS	POUNDS	POUNDS
NEW ENG..	1,127	1,083	102	104	240	243	88	85
N.Y.....	1,099	1,109	106	115	224	230	98	107
N.J.....	1,195	1,254	226	242	189	187	100	101
PA.....	1,130	1,135	130	129	234	230	92	95
OHIO.....	1,016	1,046	173	192	223	227	94	97
IND.....	1,037	1,039	182	192	254	247	91	97
ILL.....	1,013	1,037	196	178	253	248	107	109
MICH.....	1,043	1,093	159	167	230	229	103	97
WISC.....	1,139	1,163	117	131	237	237	102	99
MINN.....	1,077	1,108	159	142	239	246	107	111
IOWA.....	1,047	1,103	155	160	240	245	105	---
MO.....	1,027	1,037	276	256	245	245	106	106
N.DAK.....	1,162	1,093	---	---	236	231	111	110
S.DAK.....	1,032	1,087	---	---	254	258	106	111
NEBR.....	1,053	1,083	377	381	251	261	107	107
KANS.....	1,049	1,073	---	350	237	255	102	100
DEL.-MD..	1,046	1,040	188	258	217	224	89	103
VA.....	1,035	1,059	284	279	230	231	100	100
W.VA.....	1,042	1,054	195	218	248	273	97	100
N.C.....	995	1,001	218	242	227	225	98	---
S.C.....	796	815	406	423	253	241	---	---
GA.....	869	925	401	392	228	224	---	---
FLA.....	968	981	302	300	211	199	---	---
KY.....	965	981	218	247	245	238	103	102
TENN.....	965	1,001	293	297	243	248	98	102
ALA.....	866	895	460	475	229	229	---	---
MISS.....	872	889	532	538	224	230	---	---
ARK.....	912	915	504	535	247	245	---	---
LA.....	805	825	482	466	219	217	73	72
OKLA.....	942	969	494	504	247	258	110	83
TEXAS.....	890	918	528	508	242	248	97	100
MONT.....	1,012	1,066	---	378	229	237	106	108
IDAHO.....	1,046	1,061	355	---	218	224	106	110
WYO.....	997	1,009	---	---	235	236	115	118
COLO.....	1,059	1,061	311	294	231	237	111	113
N.MEX.....	983	1,008	---	---	238	229	112	109
ARIZ.....	997	1,018	497	497	232	234	100	---
UTAH.....	1,013	1,050	375	386	231	235	112	109
NEV.....	1,039	1,012	385	358	205	214	111	100
WASH.....	1,033	1,070	316	332	224	236	112	113
OREG.....	1,026	1,078	338	352	232	228	104	112
CALIF.....	1,026	1,037	363	349	237	240	110	111
48 STATES	1,025	1,053	225	230	238	241	106	102
HAWAII...	936	981	---	---	169	177	---	---
U. S.....	1,025	1,053	225	230	238	241	106	102

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INCREASE IN FEDERAL INSPECTION SINCE FEBRUARY 1, 1969: Between February 1, 1969 and January 31, 1970, a total of 57 plants began slaughter under Federal inspection. In January, these plants slaughtered 71,000 cattle, 4,000 calves, 183,000 hogs and 2,000 sheep and lambs. Plants withdrawn from Federal inspection since February 1, 1969 slaughtered about 44,000 cattle, 5,400 calves, 95,400 hogs and 10,800 sheep and lambs during the last full month of production 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 January 1970, compared with January 1969 is as follows: cattle 87.5 percent and 85.5 percent; calves 74.7 and 76.1 percent; hogs 90.4 and 88.4 percent; sheep and lambs 95.4 and 95.4 percent.

The number of slaughter days during January, excluding the New Year's holiday, included 21 weekdays and 5 Saturdays in 1970, and 22 weekdays and 4 Saturdays in 1969.

Classification of Livestock Slaughtered under Federal Inspection
48 States, January, with comparisons 1/

Species	January 1969	December 1969	January 1970	January 1969	December 1969	January 1970
	- - 1,000 head - -			- Percent of total -		
<u>CATTLE:</u>						
Steers	1,394	1,323	1,414	52.1	51.5	53.3
Heifers	714	704	698	26.7	27.4	26.3
Cows	533	503	501	19.9	19.6	18.9
Bulls & stags	35	38	40	1.3	1.5	1.5
Total	2,676	2,568	2,653	100.0	100.0	100.0
Canners & cutters <u>2/</u>	254	225	229	9.5	8.8	8.6
<u>HOGS:</u>						
Sows	402	428	312	5.9	6.8	5.0
Barrows & gilts	6,357	5,871	5,816	93.3	92.5	94.3
Stags & boars	55	45	42	.8	.7	.7
Total	6,814	6,344	6,170	100.0	100.0	100.0
<u>SHEEP AND LAMBS:</u>						
Lambs & yearlings	972	751	828	96.5	94.1	96.8
Sheep	35	47	27	3.5	5.9	3.2
Total	1,007	798	855	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.

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Livestock Slaughter For January 1970 - MtAn 1-2 (2-70)
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First Paragraph - Second line change 3,018 to 3,020

Fifth Paragraph - First line change 18 to 15
 Second line change 45 to 47 and 18 to 15
 Fourth line should read: Average live weight at 107
 pounds was 1 pound heavier than a year earlier.

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Commercial Meat and Lard Production

Kind	January 1970		January 1970 as % of			
			Jan. 1969		Dec. 1969	
	From	To	From	To	From	To
	Million lbs.		Percent			
Lamb & Mutton	45	47	82	85	102	107
Total Red Meat	3,018	3,020	1/	1/	1/	1/

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Commercial Livestock Slaughter

Species	Unit	January 1970		January 1970 as % of			
				January 1969		December 1969	
		From	To	From	To	From	To
				Percent			
SHEEP & LAMBS:							
Live Weight							
Per Head ...:lb.		102	107	96	101	96	101
Total:mil. lb.:		92	96	82	86	103	108

1/ Unchanged.



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Sheep and Lamb Slaughter

State	Total Live Weight	
	1970	
	From	To
	1,000 pounds	
Iowa	---	4,568
48 States	91,688	96,256
U. S.	91,688	96,256

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Livestock Slaughter, Average Live Weight Per Head

State	Sheep and Lambs	
	1970	
	From	To
	Pounds	
Iowa	---	105
48 States	102	107
U. S.	102	107