

livestock slaughter



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MARCH RED MEAT PRODUCTION UP 12 PERCENT FROM 1970: Commercial production of red meat in the 48 States totaled 3,300 million pounds in March, up 12 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 6 PERCENT ABOVE A YEAR EARLIER: Beef production in March was 1,866 million pounds, 6 percent above the 1,760 million in March 1970. Cattle killed totaled 3,045,000 head, up 8 percent from a year earlier. Live weight per head was 1,039 pounds, 9 pounds lighter than March 1970.

VEAL OUTPUT 2 PERCENT BELOW MARCH 1970: There were 48 million pounds of veal produced during March, down 2 percent from 1970. The 377,300 calves slaughtered were 1 percent less than a year earlier. Live weight per head was 228 pounds, the same as March 1970.

PORK PRODUCTION UP 24 PERCENT FROM A YEAR EARLIER: Pork production in March totaled 1,335 million pounds, up 24 percent from a year earlier. Hog kill totaled 9,004,400 head, up 28 percent from March 1970. Live weight per head was 235 pounds, 1 pound lighter than a year earlier. Lard rendered per 100 pounds of live weight was 9.6 pounds compared with 9.0 in March 1970.

LAMB AND MUTTON UP 4 PERCENT FROM MARCH 1970: There were 51 million pounds of lamb and mutton produced in March, 4 percent more than a year earlier. Sheep and lamb slaughter totaled 955,800 head, up 5 percent. Average live weight was 107 pounds, 1 pound lighter than a year earlier.

POULTRY PRODUCTION UP 9 PERCENT FROM MARCH 1970: Production of poultry meat during March totaled 791 million pounds, ready-to-cook basis. This is 9 percent more than a year earlier and 17 percent more than in February.

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

Kind	Mar. 1970		Feb. 1971		Mar. 1971		Mar. 1971 as % of		January-March 5/	
	Mar. 1970	Feb. 1971	Mar. 1971	Mar. 1970	Feb. 1971	Mar. 1971	1970	1971	1971 as % of 1970	
	Million pounds			Percent			Million pounds		Percent	
Beef	1,760	1,616	1,866	106	115	106	5,276	5,295	100	
Veal	49	41	48	98	117	98	143	132	92	
Pork 2/	1,076	1,075	1,335	124	124	124	3,055	3,678	120	
Lamb & Mutton	49	45	51	104	113	104	138	145	105	
Total Red Meat	2,934	2,777	3,300	112	119	112	8,612	9,250	107	
Poultry 3/	726	676	791	109	117	109	2,130	2,229	105	
Lard 4/	149	139	203	136	146	136	433	519	120	

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, March with comparisons 1/

Species	Unit	Mar. 1970		Feb. 1971		Mar. 1971		Mar. 1971 as % of		January-March	
		Mar. 1970	Feb. 1971	Mar. 1971	Mar. 1970	Feb. 1971	Mar. 1971	1970	1971	1971 as % of 1970	
					Percent					Percent	
CATTLE											
Number											
Fed. Insp.	thou.	2,477.3	2,298.9	2,680.9	108	117	108	7,448.6	7,549.2	101	
Other	thou.	353.3	317.9	364.1	103	115	103	1,067.8	1,030.4	96	
Total	thou.	2,830.6	2,616.8	3,045.0	108	116	108	8,516.4	8,579.6	101	
Live Weight											
Per Head	lb.	1,048	1,042	1,039	99	100	99	1,051	1,042	99	
Total	mil. lb.	2,966	2,727	3,164	107	116	107	8,949	8,944	100	
CALVES											
Number											
Fed. Insp.	thou.	289.9	236.6	299.3	103	127	103	819.4	782.7	96	
Other	thou.	90.5	70.2	78.0	86	111	86	276.4	223.3	81	
Total	thou.	380.4	306.8	377.3	99	123	99	1,095.8	1,006.0	92	
Live Weight											
Per Head	lb.	228	237	228	100	96	100	231	235	102	
Total	mil. lb.	87	73	86	99	118	99	254	236	93	
HOGS											
Number											
Fed. Insp.	thou.	6,415.0	6,378.6	8,265.9	129	130	129	18,092.0	22,133.9	122	
Other	thou.	617.5	650.7	738.5	120	113	120	1,857.3	2,156.9	116	
Total	thou.	7,032.5	7,029.3	9,004.4	128	128	128	19,949.3	24,290.8	122	
Live Weight											
Per Head	lb.	236	234	235	100	100	100	238	236	99	
Total	mil. lb.	1,663	1,647	2,112	127	128	127	4,750	5,725	121	
SHEEP & LAMBS											
Number											
Fed. Insp.	thou.	858.9	805.6	920.2	107	114	107	2,455.9	2,628.8	107	
Other	thou.	50.5	28.4	35.6	70	125	70	123.5	97.4	79	
Total	thou.	909.4	834.0	955.8	105	115	105	2,579.4	2,726.2	106	
Live Weight											
Per Head	lb.	108	109	107	99	98	99	108	107	99	
Total	mil. lb.	98	91	102	104	112	104	278	293	105	

1/ Excludes animals slaughtered on farms.

COMMERCIAL CATTLE SLAUGHTER 1/

STATE 2/	MARCH				JANUARY-MARCH			
	NUMBER SLAUGHTERED		TOTAL LIVE WEIGHT		NUMBER SLAUGHTERED		TOTAL LIVE WEIGHT	
	1970	1971	1970	1971	1970	1971	1970	1971
	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..	13.9	15.2	15,371	16,603	41.8	43.1	45,851	47,182
N.Y.....	32.0	31.0	35,040	35,216	94.5	90.0	104,894	102,069
N.J.....	26.5	29.0	34,000	37,178	79.6	81.7	101,045	104,942
PA.....	63.0	55.5	71,757	63,658	192.0	158.5	217,932	181,950
OHIO.....	86.0	93.0	89,440	97,929	260.0	93.0	270,634	97,929
IND.....	42.0	51.0	42,714	52,938	141.5	51.0	145,864	52,938
ILL.....	106.0	116.0	109,180	118,900	322.0	116.0	332,875	118,900
MICH.....	52.0	72.5	55,588	78,372	158.0	72.5	170,718	78,372
WISC.....	97.0	81.5	112,617	92,176	299.0	81.5	347,267	92,176
MINN.....	121.0	135.0	133,947	149,985	391.0	135.0	433,347	149,985
IOWA.....	298.0	338.0	322,734	359,970	935.0	338.0	1,019,465	359,970
MO.....	124.0	87.0	128,340	90,828	342.5	87.0	354,391	90,828
N.DAK....	14.1	16.8	15,651	18,799	42.5	16.8	46,977	18,799
S.DAK....	54.5	37.0	59,350	40,145	169.0	37.0	183,217	40,145
NEBR.....	345.0	396.0	372,255	432,432	1,051.0	396.0	1,138,189	432,432
KANS.....	163.0	198.0	174,736	208,098	489.0	198.0	526,943	208,098
DEL.-MD..	8.0	9.4	8,688	9,836	23.3	26.0	25,010	27,600
VA.....	13.5	11.6	14,202	11,983	44.7	34.3	47,256	35,631
W.VA.....	4.6	4.6	4,770	4,881	14.1	13.9	14,739	14,525
N.C.....	12.7	13.7	12,929	13,768	37.8	38.8	38,184	38,406
S.C.....	6.4	6.4	5,485	5,466	18.7	18.3	15,991	15,482
GA.....	25.0	25.5	22,275	22,414	74.4	69.0	67,855	61,522
FLA.....	31.0	36.5	30,349	36,244	91.5	102.5	89,899	100,686
KY.....	19.8	22.3	19,463	21,252	60.0	22.3	58,677	21,252
TENN.....	47.0	49.0	47,094	48,314	135.5	49.0	136,060	48,314
ALA.....	16.5	9.3	14,834	8,110	48.4	9.3	43,471	8,110
MISS.....	24.5	23.6	21,584	20,461	71.2	23.6	63,253	20,461
ARK.....	13.8	15.6	12,682	14,305	41.1	15.6	37,700	14,305
LA.....	11.7	13.1	9,898	11,672	33.3	13.1	27,922	11,672
OKLA.....	58.0	55.0	56,260	53,515	170.5	55.0	165,650	53,515
TEXAS....	251.0	312.0	226,653	282,360	734.0	312.0	669,135	282,360
MONT.....	17.0	17.6	17,867	18,410	52.4	17.6	55,180	18,410
IDAHO....	30.0	33.5	32,190	35,812	93.5	33.5	99,621	35,812
WYO.....	2.3	1.6	2,321	1,589	6.3	1.6	6,373	1,589
COLO.....	181.0	204.0	198,376	207,672	512.0	204.0	552,683	207,672
N.MEX....	29.0	31.5	29,000	30,807	82.3	31.5	82,799	30,807
ARIZ.....	45.5	45.5	46,501	45,318	133.0	45.5	136,043	45,318
UTAH.....	22.0	22.5	23,408	23,738	65.2	22.5	68,629	23,738
NEV.....	2.3	2.2	2,302	2,233	6.3	2.2	6,352	2,233
WASH.....	43.5	48.0	46,719	51,648	129.0	48.0	137,742	51,648
OREG.....	25.5	27.5	26,877	28,518	82.5	27.5	88,348	28,518
CALIF....	251.0	251.0	260,287	260,538	747.0	251.0	774,639	260,538
48 STATES	2,830.6	3,045.0	2,965,734	3,164,091	8,516.4	3,045.0	8,948,820	3,164,091
HAWAII...	5.1	4.7	4,768	4,451	14.9	4.7	13,988	4,451
U. S.....	2,835.7	3,049.7	2,970,502	3,168,542	8,531.3	3,049.7	8,962,808	3,168,542

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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/	MARCH				JANUARY-MARCH			
	NUMBER SLAUGHTERED		TOTAL LIVE WEIGHT		NUMBER SLAUGHTERED		TOTAL LIVE WEIGHT	
	1970	1971	1970	1971	1970	1971	1970	1971
	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..	26.1	27.6	2,625	2,893	62.9	64.2	6,408	6,823
N.Y.....	85.0	92.5	9,180	9,620	200.0	201.5	22,081	21,226
N.J.....	29.0	29.0	7,337	8,091	89.0	81.7	22,096	22,406
PA.....	36.0	32.0	4,608	4,160	107.0	90.0	13,699	12,077
OHIO.....	5.4	5.2	988	967	15.4	5.2	2,861	967
IND.....	3.9	3.6	745	709	11.8	3.6	2,269	709
ILL.....	14.4	17.3	2,635	3,045	47.3	17.3	8,606	3,045
MICH.....	10.7	11.4	1,766	1,744	35.0	11.4	5,772	1,744
WISC.....	31.5	27.5	4,442	3,960	104.0	27.5	14,097	3,960
MINN.....	.6	.7	119	136	6.5	.7	995	136
IOWA.....	19.5	22.1	3,120	3,868	64.3	22.1	10,288	3,868
MO.....	1.1	1.3	285	358	3.6	1.3	930	358
N.DAK.....	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
S.DAK.....	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
NEBR.....	.5	.4	192	142	1.8	.4	676	142
KANS.....	.1	.1	33	47	.2	.1	68	47
DEL.-MD..	1.6	2.0	369	459	5.3	5.3	1,288	1,211
VA.....	12.6	9.9	3,566	2,822	36.4	28.8	10,286	8,342
W.VA.....	.2	.2	46	42	.6	.6	134	135
N.C.....	.4	.5	102	126	1.3	1.5	309	392
S.C.....	9.9	12.4	4,158	5,617	27.9	33.0	11,812	15,013
GA.....	2.7	1.3	1,096	512	6.0	3.9	2,411	1,537
FLA.....	12.9	7.8	4,102	2,488	42.0	24.6	13,071	7,413
KY.....	.2	.2	46	46	.5	.2	118	46
TENN.....	5.6	9.2	1,674	3,192	18.1	9.2	5,288	3,192
ALA.....	1.8	.2	860	86	4.1	.2	1,958	86
MISS.....	5.1	5.8	2,841	3,422	17.5	5.8	9,626	3,422
ARK.....	.6	.4	316	209	2.4	.4	1,246	209
LA.....	17.3	17.6	8,806	9,504	52.1	17.6	25,908	9,504
OKLA.....	.8	.5	392	246	2.7	.5	1,331	246
TEXAS.....	24.1	20.0	13,255	11,240	68.2	20.0	36,601	11,240
MT.....	---	---	---	---	.1	---	38	---
IDAHO.....	.1	.2	33	72	.2	.2	58	72
WYO.....	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
COLO.....	.2	.2	71	56	.6	.2	188	56
N.MEX.....	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
ARIZ.....	.2	.3	98	151	.6	.3	295	151
UTAH.....	.3	.3	122	130	.8	.3	321	130
NEV.....	.1	.1	43	37	.3	.1	116	37
WASH.....	.7	.9	262	300	2.3	.9	805	300
OREG.....	.8	.7	267	234	2.3	.7	788	234
CALIF.....	18.4	15.9	6,054	5,183	54.7	15.9	18,775	5,183
48 STATES	380.4	377.3	86,651	85,914	1,095.8	377.3	253,617	85,914
HAWAII...	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
U. S.....	380.4	377.3	86,651	85,914	1,095.8	377.3	253,617	85,914

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COMMERCIAL HOG SLAUGHTER 1/

STATE 2/	MARCH				JANUARY-MARCH			
	NUMBER SLAUGHTERED		TOTAL LIVE WEIGHT		NUMBER SLAUGHTERED		TOTAL LIVE WEIGHT	
	1970	1971	1970	1971	1970	1971	1970	1971
	HEAD	HEAD	POUNDS	POUNDS	HEAD	HEAD	POUNDS	POUNDS
NEW ENG..	7.6	6.8	1,845	1,664	24.4	20.2	5,938	5,205
N.Y.....	80.0	94.5	18,000	21,830	239.0	266.5	53,904	61,082
N.J.....	34.0	47.5	6,426	9,738	99.5	138.5	18,675	28,484
PA.....	333.0	406.0	74,925	90,132	946.0	1,052.0	214,703	235,972
OHIO.....	337.0	430.0	77,510	95,890	1,015.0	430.0	232,036	95,890
IND.....	328.0	431.0	79,704	107,750	925.0	431.0	227,163	107,750
ILL.....	457.0	555.0	110,137	133,755	1,293.0	555.0	316,265	133,755
MICH.....	222.0	326.0	51,948	77,914	623.0	326.0	145,973	77,914
WISC.....	263.0	383.0	61,279	88,856	740.0	383.0	173,396	88,856
MINN.....	468.0	566.0	113,724	136,406	1,292.0	566.0	314,064	136,406
IOWA.....	1,754.0	2,304.0	417,452	543,744	4,951.0	2,304.0	1,187,163	543,744
MO.....	255.0	232.0	61,200	56,840	706.0	232.0	171,903	56,840
N.DAK.....	2.2	2.9	524	647	6.6	2.9	1,548	647
S.DAK.....	210.0	273.0	52,290	67,431	572.0	273.0	145,191	67,431
NEBR.....	213.0	270.0	51,546	65,610	581.0	270.0	144,939	65,610
KANS.....	160.0	229.0	39,680	55,189	450.0	229.0	112,678	55,189
DEL.-MD..	42.2	46.5	9,285	9,936	124.8	144.7	27,503	31,083
VA.....	290.0	313.0	66,120	70,425	824.0	844.0	189,224	190,191
W.VA.....	6.5	6.6	1,742	1,663	18.8	22.2	5,083	5,556
N.C.....	152.0	191.0	34,352	40,683	446.0	533.0	100,637	114,213
S.C.....	30.0	48.0	6,960	11,040	83.5	129.5	19,698	30,154
GA.....	151.0	206.0	33,975	45,526	440.0	569.0	98,577	126,158
FLA.....	49.5	62.0	9,900	12,710	141.5	62.0	28,208	12,710
KY.....	137.0	202.0	33,291	47,672	418.0	202.0	100,063	47,672
TENN.....	242.0	305.0	58,080	71,675	693.0	305.0	170,358	71,675
ALA.....	78.0	92.0	18,018	20,516	221.5	92.0	50,879	20,516
MISS.....	96.0	134.0	22,464	29,748	275.0	134.0	63,548	29,748
ARK.....	32.5	48.5	7,962	11,204	97.0	48.5	23,636	11,204
LA.....	17.9	20.2	3,866	4,222	50.7	20.2	10,951	4,222
OKLA.....	61.5	108.0	15,252	26,892	169.0	108.0	42,591	26,892
TEXAS....	169.0	216.0	40,729	50,976	481.0	216.0	117,541	50,976
MONT.....	27.0	36.5	6,345	8,614	77.8	36.5	18,360	8,614
IDAHO....	9.5	13.4	2,090	2,975	27.6	13.4	6,120	2,975
WYO.....	2.2	2.0	510	464	6.6	2.0	1,547	464
COLD.....	78.5	105.0	18,526	24,255	219.0	105.0	51,824	24,255
N.MEX....	8.6	10.1	2,055	2,313	25.0	10.1	5,825	2,313
ARIZ.....	15.5	22.9	3,580	5,313	44.7	22.9	10,413	5,313
UTAH.....	10.3	7.7	2,369	1,702	29.2	7.7	6,769	1,702
NEV.....	.2	.2	43	41	.6	.2	129	41
WASH.....	50.0	81.5	11,600	18,664	146.0	81.5	34,034	18,664
OREG.....	16.8	20.6	3,746	4,738	49.5	20.6	11,281	4,738
CALIF....	135.0	149.0	32,130	34,717	376.0	149.0	89,857	34,717
48 STATES	7,032.5	9,004.4	1,663,180	2,112,080	19,949.3	9,004.4	4,750,195	2,112,080
HAWAII...	3.9	4.0	702	768	11.0	4.0	1,962	768
U. S.....	7,036.4	9,008.4	1,663,882	2,112,848	19,960.3	9,008.4	4,752,157	2,112,848

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

COMMERCIAL SHEEP AND LAMB SLAUGHTER 1/

STATE 2/	MARCH				JANUARY-MARCH			
	NUMBER SLAUGHTERED		TOTAL LIVE WEIGHT		NUMBER SLAUGHTERED		TOTAL LIVE WEIGHT	
	1970	1971	1970	1971	1970	1971	1970	1971
	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..	2.0	1.0	151	88	3.9	2.6	316	232
N.Y.....	11.5	6.2	886	546	20.9	16.0	1,879	1,555
N.J.....	67.0	66.0	6,834	6,600	197.5	194.0	20,075	19,585
PA.....	12.9	10.7	1,161	1,006	29.6	27.5	2,731	2,609
OHIO.....	6.6	6.3	568	630	16.0	6.3	1,485	630
IND.....	1.1	.8	104	73	2.7	.8	263	73
ILL.....	63.0	59.0	7,182	6,490	197.5	59.0	21,905	6,490
MICH.....	32.5	33.5	3,152	3,283	93.0	33.5	9,230	3,283
WISC.....	.7	.1	71	9	1.9	.1	188	9
MINN.....	44.0	21.1	5,016	2,300	138.0	21.1	15,492	2,300
IOWA.....	36.5	38.0	3,978	4,142	117.0	38.0	12,431	4,142
MO.....	19.4	1.2	1,998	122	54.9	1.2	5,761	122
N.DAK.....	.1	---	10	---	.2	---	21	---
S.DAK.....	32.5	34.5	3,640	3,760	98.0	34.5	10,910	3,760
NEBR.....	68.5	84.0	7,398	9,156	210.5	84.0	22,525	9,156
KANS.....	.1	.3	10	31	.6	.3	60	31
DEL.-MD..	3.5	4.1	350	430	10.3	11.5	1,065	1,184
VA.....	.1	.1	10	10	.3	.3	33	30
W.VA.....	.3	.3	30	30	.9	.8	90	81
N.C.....	---	---	---	---	.1	.1	10	10
S.C.....	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
GA.....	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
FLA.....	.1	---	7	---	.1	---	7	---
KY.....	8.2	14.9	927	1,654	34.8	14.9	3,683	1,654
TENN.....	1.6	2.8	166	283	4.4	2.8	451	283
ALA.....	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
MISS.....	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
ARK.....	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
LA.....	.3	.3	24	24	.7	.3	53	24
OKLA.....	.1	.2	11	20	.4	.2	39	20
TEXAS.....	101.0	167.0	10,201	16,533	263.5	167.0	26,609	16,533
MONT.....	.1	.1	10	10	.3	.1	33	10
IDAHO.....	.7	.8	79	83	1.9	.8	213	83
WYO.....	.2	.2	24	23	.6	.2	69	23
COLO.....	163.0	141.0	19,071	15,792	414.0	141.0	47,670	15,792
N.MEX.....	5.1	7.9	561	916	14.3	7.9	1,563	916
ARIZ.....	.2	.1	22	11	.3	.1	33	11
UTAH.....	66.0	61.0	7,128	6,710	216.5	61.0	23,600	6,710
NEV.....	.2	.1	20	10	.4	.1	41	10
WASH.....	12.7	16.0	1,473	1,840	36.9	16.0	4,231	1,840
OREG.....	6.6	10.2	726	1,122	19.5	10.2	2,166	1,122
CALIF.....	141.0	166.0	15,087	18,094	377.0	166.0	41,283	18,094
48 STATES	909.4	955.8	98,086	101,831	2,579.4	955.8	278,214	101,831
HAWAII...	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
U. S.....	909.4	955.8	98,086	101,831	2,579.4	955.8	278,214	101,831

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LIVESTOCK SLAUGHTER, AVERAGE LIVE WEIGHT PER HEAD,
MARCH 1970 AND 1971 1/

STATE 2/	CATTLE		CALVES		HOGS		SHEEP AND LAMBS	
	1970	1971	1970	1971	1970	1971	1970	1971
	POUNDS	POUNDS	POUNDS	POUNDS	POUNDS	POUNDS	POUNDS	POUNDS
NEW ENG..	1,106	1,092	101	105	243	245	76	88
N.Y.....	1,095	1,136	108	104	225	231	77	88
N.J.....	1,283	1,282	253	279	189	205	102	100
PA.....	1,139	1,147	128	130	225	222	90	94
OHIO.....	1,040	1,053	183	186	230	223	86	100
IND.....	1,017	1,038	191	197	243	250	95	91
ILL.....	1,030	1,025	183	176	241	241	114	110
MICH.....	1,069	1,081	165	153	234	239	97	98
WISC.....	1,161	1,131	141	144	233	232	101	91
MINN.....	1,107	1,111	199	194	243	241	114	109
IOWA.....	1,083	1,065	160	175	238	236	109	109
MO.....	1,035	1,044	259	275	240	245	103	102
N.DAK.....	1,110	1,119	---	---	238	223	101	---
S.DAK.....	1,089	1,085	---	---	249	247	112	109
NEBR.....	1,079	1,092	384	355	242	243	108	109
KANS.....	1,072	1,051	333	473	248	241	101	103
DEL.-MD..	1,086	1,046	231	230	220	214	100	105
VA.....	1,052	1,033	283	285	228	225	103	97
W.VA.....	1,037	1,061	228	211	268	252	100	100
N.C.....	1,018	1,005	256	251	226	213	---	---
S.C.....	857	854	420	453	232	230	---	---
GA.....	891	879	406	394	225	221	---	---
FLA.....	979	993	318	319	200	205	67	---
KY.....	983	953	229	231	243	236	113	111
TENN.....	1,002	986	299	347	240	235	104	101
ALA.....	899	872	478	428	231	223	---	---
MISS.....	881	867	557	590	234	222	---	---
ARK.....	919	917	527	522	245	231	---	---
LA.....	846	891	509	540	216	209	80	81
OKLA.....	970	973	490	493	248	249	107	100
TEXAS....	903	905	550	562	241	236	101	99
MONT.....	1,051	1,046	---	---	235	236	100	100
IDAHO....	1,073	1,069	330	359	220	222	113	104
WYO.....	1,009	993	---	---	232	232	120	117
COLO.....	1,096	1,018	356	282	236	231	117	112
N.MEX....	1,000	978	---	---	239	229	110	116
ARIZ.....	1,022	996	488	503	231	232	109	112
UTAH.....	1,064	1,055	408	434	230	221	108	110
NEV.....	1,001	1,015	400	367	216	205	100	100
WASH.....	1,074	1,076	374	333	232	229	116	115
OREG.....	1,054	1,037	334	334	223	230	110	110
CALIF....	1,037	1,038	329	326	238	233	107	109
48 STATES	1,048	1,039	228	228	236	235	108	107
HAWAII...	935	947	---	---	180	192	---	---
U. S.....	1,048	1,039	228	228	236	235	108	107

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INCREASE IN FEDERAL INSPECTION SINCE APRIL 1, 1970: Between April 1, 1970 and March 31, 1971, 99 plants began slaughter under Federal inspection. During March 1971 these plants slaughtered 68,400 cattle, 7,500 calves, 106,000 hogs, and 1,700 sheep and lambs. Plants withdrawn from Federal inspection since April 1, 1970 slaughtered about 133,000 cattle, 7,000 calves, 153,000 hogs, and 44,100 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.

Federally inspected slaughter as a percent of total commercial slaughter in March 1971, compared with March 1970 is as follows: Cattle, 88.0 and 87.5 percent; calves, 79.3 and 76.2 percent; hogs, 91.8 and 91.2 percent; sheep and lambs, 96.3 and 94.4 percent.

March 1971 included 23 weekdays and 4 Saturdays compared with 22 weekdays and 4 Saturdays in March 1970.

Classification of livestock slaughtered under Federal inspection
 48 States, March 1971, with comparisons 1/

Species	Mar. :	Feb. :	Mar. :	Jan.-Mar. :		Mar. :	Feb. :	Mar. :	Jan.-Mar. :	
	1970	1971	1971	1970	1971	1970	1971	1971	1970	1971
	1,000 head					Percent of Total				
CATTLE:										
Steers	1,350	1,257	1,513	4,022	4,158:	54.5	54.7	56.4	54.0	55.1
Heifers	674	605	664	1,996	1,955:	27.2	26.3	24.8	26.8	25.9
Cows	416	400	461	1,318	1,317:	16.8	17.4	17.2	17.7	17.4
Bulls & stags	37	37	43	112	119:	1.5	1.6	1.6	1.5	1.6
Total	2,477	2,299	2,681	7,448	7,549:	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Canners & cutters 2/	209	203	241	620	670:	8.4	8.8	9.0	8.3	8.9
HOGS:										
Sows	262	348	389	833	1,157:	4.1	5.5	4.7	4.6	5.2
Barrows & gilts	6,113	6,000	7,806	17,134	20,825:	95.3	94.0	94.4	94.7	94.1
Stags & boars	40	31	71	125	152:	.6	.5	.9	.7	.7
Total	6,415	6,379	8,266	18,092	22,134:	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
SHEEP AND LAMBS:										
Lambs & yearlings	827	760	864	2,364	2,494:	96.3	94.3	93.9	96.3	94.9
Sheep	32	46	56	92	135:	3.7	5.7	6.1	3.7	5.1
Total	859	806	920	2,456	2,629:	100.0	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.

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E R R A T A

The report Livestock Slaughter, March, 1971 Mt An 1-2 (4-71) should be corrected as follows:

COMMERCIAL SLAUGHTER				
	March 1971		January - March 1971	
	Number slaughtered	Total live weight	Number slaughtered	Total live weight

CATTLE, Page 3				
48 States			8,579.6 3,045.0	8,944,127 3,164,091
Hawaii	5.5 4.7	5,236 4,451	15.5 4.7	14,931 4,451
U. S.	3,050.5 3,049.7	3,169,327 3,168,542	8,595.1 3,049.7	8,959,058 3,168,542

CALVES, Page 4				
48 States and U. S.			1,006.0 377.3	236,026 85,914

HOGS, Page 5				
48 States			24,290.8 9,004.6	5,725,191 2,112,080
Hawaii			10.8 4.0	2,026 768
U. S.			24,301.6 9,008.4	5,727,217 2,112,848

SHEEP AND LAMBS, Page 6				
48 States and U. S.			2,726.3 955.0	292,694 101,831

Cumulative totals for January - March, 1971 are incorrect for most States. Correct State totals can be computed by adding totals for March to the January - February totals published in the March 30, 1971 report.

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