

livestock slaughter



December 1971

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DECEMBER RED MEAT PRODUCTION DOWN 5 PERCENT FROM 1970: Commercial production of red meat in the 48 States totaled 3,160 million pounds in December, 5 percent below 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 5 PERCENT BELOW A YEAR EARLIER: Beef production in December was 1,767 million pounds, 5 percent below the 1,851 million pounds in December 1970, and 1 percent below the 1,784 million pounds produced last month. Cattle killed totaled 2,868,800 head, down 3 percent from a year earlier. Live weight per head was 1,049 pounds, 1 pound less than a year ago but 14 pounds above last month.

VEAL OUTPUT 9 PERCENT BELOW DECEMBER 1970: There were 40 million pounds of veal produced during December, down 9 percent from 1970. The 301,700 calves slaughtered was 14 percent less than the number of a year earlier. Average live weight was 236 compared with 223 pounds in December 1970.

PORK PRODUCTION DOWN 5 PERCENT FROM A YEAR EARLIER: Pork production totaled 1,307 million pounds, 5 percent below a year ago. Hog kill totaled 8,266,300 head, down 6 percent from December 1970. Live weight per head was 242, the same as last year and last month. Lard rendered per 100 pounds of live weight was 8.1 pounds, compared with 8.9 in December 1970.

LAMB AND MUTTON UNCHANGED FROM DECEMBER 1970: There were 46 million pounds of lamb and mutton produced in December, unchanged from a year earlier but 2 million pounds above last month. Sheep and lamb slaughter totaled 885,500 head, about the same as a year ago. Average live weight was 106 pounds, 1 pound more than a year earlier.

POULTRY PRODUCTION 3 PERCENT ABOVE A YEAR EARLIER: Production of poultry meat during December totaled 870 million pounds, ready-to-cook basis. This was 3 percent above a year ago but 7 percent below a month earlier.

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

| Kind | Million pounds | | Percent | | Million pounds | | Percent | |
|----------------|----------------|-----------|-----------|-----------------------------|----------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| | Dec. 1970 | Nov. 1971 | Dec. 1971 | Dec. 1971 as % of Dec. 1970 | Nov. 1971 | Dec. 1971 as % of Nov. 1971 | January-December 1970 | January-December 1971 |
| Beef | 1,851 | 1,784 | 1,767 | 95 | 99 | 21,472 | 21,690 | 101 |
| Veal | 44 | 42 | 40 | 91 | 95 | 558 | 516 | 92 |
| Pork 2/ | 1,372 | 1,296 | 1,307 | 95 | 101 | 13,248 | 14,606 | 110 |
| Lamb & Mutton | 46 | 44 | 46 | 100 | 105 | 540 | 545 | 101 |
| Total Red Meat | 3,313 | 3,166 | 3,160 | 95 | 100 | 35,818 | 37,357 | 104 |
| Poultry 3/ | 846 | 935 | 870 | 103 | 93 | 10,242 | 10,356 | 101 |
| Lard 4/ | 190 | 168 | 162 | 85 | 96 | 1,888 | 1,946 | 103 |

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, December with comparisons 1/

| Species | Unit | Number | | Percent | | Number | | Percent | | |
|--------------------------|----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------------------------|-----------|-----------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-------------------|
| | | Dec. 1970 | Nov. 1971 | Dec. 1971 | Dec. 1971 as % of Dec. 1970 | Nov. 1971 | Dec. 1971 as % of Nov. 1971 | January-December 1970 | January-December 1971 | 1971 as % of 1970 |
| CATTLE | | | | | | | | | | |
| Number | | | | | | | | | | |
| Fed. Insp. | thou. | 2,611.4 | 2,563.6 | 2,528.3 | 97 | 99 | 30,793.2 | 31,419.0 | 102 | |
| Other | thou. | 359.9 | 358.3 | 340.5 | 95 | 95 | 4,231.7 | 4,156.6 | 98 | |
| Total | thou. | 2,971.3 | 2,921.9 | 2,868.8 | 97 | 98 | 35,024.9 | 35,575.6 | 102 | |
| Live Weight | | | | | | | | | | |
| Per Head | lb. | 1,050 | 1,035 | 1,049 | 100 | 101 | 1,035 | 1,028 | 99 | |
| Total | mil. lb. | 3,119 | 3,023 | 3,010 | 97 | 100 | 36,260 | 36,577 | 101 | |
| CALVES | | | | | | | | | | |
| Number | | | | | | | | | | |
| Fed. Insp. | thou. | 275.8 | 232.7 | 238.1 | 86 | 102 | 3,024.2 | 2,806.3 | 93 | |
| Other | thou. | 76.1 | 71.0 | 63.6 | 84 | 90 | 1,048.1 | 885.0 | 84 | |
| Total | thou. | 351.9 | 303.7 | 301.7 | 86 | 99 | 4,072.3 | 3,691.3 | 91 | |
| Live Weight | | | | | | | | | | |
| Per Head | lb. | 223 | 248 | 236 | 106 | 95 | 244 | 249 | 102 | |
| Total | mil. lb. | 78 | 75 | 71 | 91 | 95 | 994 | 920 | 93 | |
| HOGS | | | | | | | | | | |
| Number | | | | | | | | | | |
| Fed. Insp. | thou. | 7,990.4 | 7,569.2 | 7,547.2 | 94 | 100 | 78,186.8 | 86,670.2 | 111 | |
| Other | thou. | 834.4 | 650.0 | 719.1 | 86 | 111 | 7,630.0 | 7,821.7 | 103 | |
| Total | thou. | 8,824.8 | 8,219.2 | 8,266.3 | 94 | 101 | 85,816.8 | 94,491.9 | 110 | |
| Live Weight | | | | | | | | | | |
| Per Head | lb. | 242 | 242 | 242 | 100 | 100 | 240 | 239 | 100 | |
| Total | mil. lb. | 2,133 | 1,990 | 1,998 | 94 | 100 | 20,617 | 22,547 | 109 | |
| SHEEP & LAMBS | | | | | | | | | | |
| Number | | | | | | | | | | |
| Fed. Insp. | thou. | 846.8 | 818.4 | 845.7 | 100 | 103 | 10,009.5 | 10,256.3 | 102 | |
| Other | thou. | 40.2 | 40.5 | 39.8 | 99 | 98 | 542.3 | 473.6 | 87 | |
| Total | thou. | 887.0 | 858.9 | 885.5 | 100 | 103 | 10,551.8 | 10,729.9 | 102 | |
| Live Weight | | | | | | | | | | |
| Per Head | lb. | 105 | 105 | 106 | 101 | 101 | 104 | 104 | 100 | |
| Total | mil. lb. | 93 | 90 | 94 | 101 | 104 | 1,099 | 1,111 | 101 | |

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COMMERCIAL CATTLE SLAUGHTER 1/

| STATE 2/ | DECEMBER | | | | JANUARY-DECEMBER | | | |
|-------------|--------------------|---------------|-------------------|-----------------|--------------------|---------------|-------------------|-----------------|
| | 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.. | 15.6 | 16.2 | 17,161 | 17,781 | 164.1 | 172.5 | 180,241 | 188,512 |
| N.Y..... | 33.0 | 29.0 | 37,752 | 33,118 | 373.0 | 339.5 | 413,042 | 383,711 |
| N.J..... | 29.0 | 22.6 | 35,922 | 28,431 | 326.4 | 292.3 | 414,090 | 368,926 |
| PA..... | 52.0 | 56.0 | 58,968 | 62,048 | 745.5 | 669.0 | 841,645 | 752,423 |
| OHIO..... | 89.5 | 88.5 | 91,827 | 93,544 | 1,066.0 | 1,117.0 | 1,090,133 | 1,153,136 |
| IND..... | 52.5 | 45.0 | 53,498 | 45,270 | 588.5 | 582.0 | 594,119 | 590,421 |
| ILL..... | 116.0 | 126.0 | 122,612 | 135,450 | 1,349.0 | 1,398.0 | 1,379,913 | 1,432,811 |
| MICH..... | 63.0 | 55.5 | 67,473 | 59,274 | 664.5 | 781.5 | 709,474 | 842,212 |
| WISC..... | 104.0 | 104.0 | 117,104 | 118,976 | 1,155.0 | 1,078.0 | 1,295,770 | 1,194,812 |
| MINN..... | 153.0 | 138.0 | 167,535 | 151,524 | 1,654.0 | 1,585.0 | 1,801,466 | 1,733,368 |
| IDAHO..... | 435.0 | 375.0 | 469,365 | 399,000 | 4,322.0 | 4,281.0 | 4,615,511 | 4,515,364 |
| MO..... | 71.0 | 77.0 | 72,846 | 81,312 | 1,271.5 | 946.5 | 1,302,169 | 969,312 |
| N.DAK..... | 20.5 | 17.2 | 21,894 | 18,696 | 195.9 | 197.0 | 212,532 | 212,770 |
| S.DAK..... | 57.5 | 58.5 | 61,238 | 62,186 | 661.5 | 508.5 | 702,420 | 542,966 |
| NEBR..... | 397.0 | 374.0 | 435,509 | 407,286 | 4,338.0 | 4,428.0 | 4,650,389 | 4,739,073 |
| KANS..... | 200.0 | 184.0 | 217,600 | 200,744 | 2,014.0 | 2,341.0 | 2,139,508 | 2,464,867 |
| DEL.-MD.. | 7.8 | 9.2 | 7,989 | 10,046 | 90.2 | 103.8 | 95,232 | 109,626 |
| VA..... | 11.2 | 10.2 | 11,446 | 10,618 | 157.0 | 134.8 | 161,193 | 138,197 |
| W.VA..... | 5.6 | 5.4 | 5,471 | 5,238 | 61.1 | 59.5 | 61,253 | 59,915 |
| N.C..... | 14.1 | 13.7 | 13,508 | 12,810 | 158.6 | 164.5 | 154,945 | 157,569 |
| S.C..... | 6.5 | 6.2 | 5,317 | 5,065 | 77.4 | 79.8 | 64,460 | 65,297 |
| GA..... | 21.0 | 19.6 | 18,417 | 18,032 | 292.8 | 285.7 | 259,309 | 257,360 |
| FLA..... | 34.5 | 29.0 | 33,154 | 28,333 | 392.5 | 412.0 | 376,948 | 400,486 |
| KY..... | 23.6 | 19.9 | 22,467 | 18,706 | 248.6 | 220.2 | 236,999 | 207,705 |
| TENN..... | 40.5 | 40.5 | 39,730 | 40,176 | 573.5 | 575.5 | 562,411 | 559,962 |
| ALA..... | 7.1 | 7.9 | 5,687 | 6,818 | 152.6 | 109.2 | 131,993 | 92,978 |
| MISS..... | 23.4 | 20.8 | 19,422 | 16,869 | 310.6 | 302.2 | 261,503 | 255,442 |
| ARK..... | 13.8 | 12.2 | 12,655 | 11,053 | 179.8 | 178.0 | 162,445 | 162,321 |
| LA..... | 11.8 | 13.7 | 9,794 | 12,878 | 144.0 | 166.6 | 120,769 | 149,662 |
| OKLA..... | 52.5 | 46.5 | 50,558 | 44,826 | 647.5 | 645.5 | 620,160 | 615,230 |
| TEXAS.... | 248.0 | 212.0 | 232,872 | 192,072 | 3,184.0 | 3,528.0 | 2,875,373 | 3,137,703 |
| MONT..... | 16.1 | 17.2 | 16,712 | 18,094 | 208.1 | 208.1 | 214,297 | 213,936 |
| IDAHO..... | 30.0 | 33.5 | 32,580 | 35,778 | 384.5 | 405.5 | 407,706 | 433,224 |
| WYO..... | 1.8 | 1.6 | 1,802 | 1,579 | 31.2 | 20.8 | 31,012 | 20,822 |
| COLD..... | 119.0 | 196.0 | 122,213 | 205,212 | 1,975.0 | 2,312.0 | 2,108,476 | 2,403,228 |
| N.MEX..... | 28.0 | 29.0 | 27,888 | 28,362 | 341.3 | 353.5 | 340,410 | 336,573 |
| ARIZ..... | 44.0 | 43.0 | 44,880 | 42,656 | 508.5 | 521.0 | 511,710 | 511,951 |
| UTAH..... | 19.9 | 21.1 | 20,378 | 22,303 | 258.5 | 268.8 | 268,914 | 278,954 |
| NEV..... | 2.0 | 1.6 | 1,968 | 1,602 | 24.2 | 19.7 | 23,776 | 19,791 |
| WASH..... | 45.5 | 48.0 | 48,503 | 52,368 | 545.0 | 599.0 | 578,338 | 640,558 |
| OREG..... | 78.0 | 26.5 | 28,224 | 28,222 | 340.5 | 330.1 | 348,925 | 341,071 |
| CALIF..... | 227.0 | 218.0 | 237,442 | 225,194 | 2,849.0 | 2,855.0 | 2,938,680 | 2,923,248 |
| 48 STATES | 2,971.3 | 2,868.8 | 3,119,361 | 3,009,550 | 35,024.9 | 35,575.6 | 36,259,659 | 36,577,493 |
| HAWAII... | 5.7 | 5.8 | 5,540 | 5,353 | 61.8 | 65.6 | 59,293 | 62,191 |
| U. S..... | 2,977.0 | 2,874.6 | 3,124,901 | 3,014,903 | 35,086.7 | 35,641.2 | 36,318,942 | 36,639,684 |

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| | 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.. | 21.6 | 20.9 | 2,226 | 2,352 | 235.3 | 236.6 | 25,692 | 26,139 |
| N.Y..... | 67.0 | 58.5 | 7,504 | 6,376 | 732.5 | 715.5 | 82,853 | 78,441 |
| N.J..... | 28.0 | 26.0 | 7,308 | 7,384 | 340.9 | 329.7 | 84,000 | 93,226 |
| PA..... | 34.0 | 29.5 | 4,182 | 3,953 | 374.4 | 329.6 | 50,165 | 47,006 |
| OHIO..... | 4.7 | 4.0 | 888 | 832 | 57.3 | 54.8 | 11,247 | 11,220 |
| IND..... | 2.6 | 3.6 | 541 | 763 | 44.8 | 44.5 | 9,101 | 9,355 |
| ILL..... | 17.2 | 8.2 | 2,924 | 1,640 | 181.2 | 129.6 | 34,404 | 24,081 |
| MICH..... | 11.8 | 10.1 | 1,994 | 1,818 | 125.8 | 118.8 | 20,990 | 20,680 |
| WISC..... | 40.5 | 33.5 | 5,265 | 4,924 | 346.5 | 287.7 | 49,266 | 43,375 |
| MINN..... | 1.0 | .7 | 205 | 155 | 12.1 | 7.3 | 2,105 | 1,509 |
| IOWA..... | 22.6 | 19.4 | 3,639 | 3,589 | 207.8 | 204.7 | 33,356 | 37,071 |
| MO..... | 1.3 | 1.4 | 308 | 370 | 14.6 | 15.5 | 3,683 | 4,145 |
| N.DAK..... | --- | --- | --- | --- | .1 | --- | 30 | --- |
| S.DAK..... | --- | --- | --- | --- | .1 | .1 | 40 | 30 |
| NEBR..... | .5 | .4 | 183 | 140 | 5.9 | 4.2 | 2,195 | 1,517 |
| KANS..... | --- | .1 | --- | 40 | .7 | .7 | 263 | 292 |
| DEL.-MD.. | 1.3 | 1.5 | 324 | 347 | 21.3 | 19.1 | 5,019 | 4,233 |
| VA..... | 9.2 | 7.1 | 2,686 | 2,194 | 137.8 | 115.5 | 38,785 | 33,600 |
| W.VA..... | .2 | .1 | 56 | 26 | 2.4 | 2.3 | 559 | 523 |
| N.C..... | .5 | .8 | 135 | 234 | 5.8 | 8.4 | 1,456 | 2,172 |
| S.C..... | 8.1 | 8.6 | 3,653 | 4,051 | 121.2 | 124.6 | 52,591 | 57,617 |
| GA..... | .4 | .6 | 150 | 253 | 15.6 | 10.9 | 6,114 | 4,431 |
| FLA..... | 8.2 | 8.1 | 2,140 | 2,487 | 160.3 | 102.9 | 50,335 | 32,387 |
| KY..... | .2 | .4 | 46 | 100 | 2.0 | 2.8 | 474 | 698 |
| TENN..... | 9.4 | 10.5 | 2,980 | 3,423 | 93.6 | 123.5 | 29,026 | 40,422 |
| ALA..... | .2 | .4 | 87 | 172 | 13.0 | 4.4 | 6,116 | 1,888 |
| MISS..... | 5.5 | 4.4 | 3,008 | 2,389 | 82.0 | 69.5 | 45,077 | 39,410 |
| ARK..... | 1.0 | .3 | 568 | 148 | 10.9 | 4.5 | 5,915 | 2,269 |
| LA..... | 14.5 | 13.5 | 7,728 | 6,926 | 218.4 | 206.3 | 112,639 | 108,449 |
| OKLA..... | .6 | .3 | 280 | 141 | 9.4 | 5.3 | 4,588 | 2,498 |
| TEXAS.... | 23.4 | 14.7 | 11,817 | 8,291 | 281.3 | 231.9 | 148,717 | 127,808 |
| MONT..... | .1 | --- | 35 | --- | .5 | .1 | 180 | 40 |
| IDAHO.... | --- | --- | --- | --- | .8 | .8 | 241 | 286 |
| WYO..... | --- | --- | --- | --- | .1 | .1 | 30 | 30 |
| COLO..... | .1 | --- | 27 | --- | 2.0 | .7 | 669 | 231 |
| N.MEX.... | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| ARIZ..... | .2 | .2 | 101 | 103 | 2.4 | 2.5 | 1,198 | 1,264 |
| UTAH..... | .2 | .2 | 74 | 77 | 3.2 | 3.0 | 1,270 | 1,193 |
| NEV..... | .1 | .1 | 40 | 39 | 1.3 | 1.2 | 521 | 468 |
| WASH..... | .7 | .8 | 236 | 278 | 9.4 | 9.5 | 3,382 | 3,119 |
| OREG..... | .5 | .8 | 164 | 304 | 8.9 | 9.0 | 2,954 | 3,177 |
| CALIF.... | 14.5 | 12.0 | 4,988 | 4,800 | 188.7 | 153.2 | 66,767 | 53,560 |
| 48 STATES | 351.9 | 301.7 | 78,490 | 71,119 | 4,072.3 | 3,691.3 | 994,013 | 919,860 |
| HAWAII... | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| U. S..... | 351.9 | 301.7 | 78,490 | 71,119 | 4,072.3 | 3,691.3 | 994,013 | 919,860 |

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| STATE 2/ | DECEMBER | | | | JANUARY-DECEMBER | | | |
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| | 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.. | 11.2 | 9.3 | 2,737 | 2,330 | 91.4 | 86.5 | 22,473 | 21,620 |
| N.Y..... | 107.0 | 99.0 | 24,610 | 22,968 | 1,007.0 | 969.0 | 231,292 | 223,206 |
| N.J..... | 59.0 | 52.0 | 12,095 | 10,036 | 458.0 | 545.5 | 89,474 | 109,731 |
| PA..... | 161.0 | 394.0 | 35,742 | 89,044 | 3,783.0 | 4,282.0 | 847,031 | 967,910 |
| OHIO..... | 455.0 | 409.0 | 104,195 | 93,252 | 4,263.0 | 4,611.0 | 966,955 | 1,037,105 |
| IND..... | 450.0 | 361.0 | 114,750 | 95,304 | 4,041.0 | 4,360.0 | 1,019,533 | 1,124,117 |
| ILL..... | 556.0 | 554.0 | 135,664 | 146,256 | 5,491.0 | 5,884.0 | 1,364,360 | 1,484,241 |
| MICH..... | 315.0 | 352.0 | 74,970 | 85,888 | 2,913.0 | 3,794.0 | 688,004 | 917,072 |
| WISC..... | 389.0 | 316.0 | 93,749 | 75,524 | 3,394.0 | 3,786.0 | 812,150 | 895,543 |
| MINN..... | 584.0 | 560.0 | 144,832 | 134,960 | 5,567.0 | 6,086.0 | 1,388,871 | 1,489,906 |
| IAWA..... | 2,389.0 | 2,021.0 | 585,305 | 493,124 | 22,094.0 | 23,787.0 | 5,384,363 | 5,740,052 |
| MO..... | 239.0 | 202.0 | 62,379 | 50,702 | 2,481.0 | 2,401.0 | 618,814 | 591,820 |
| N.DAK..... | 5.6 | 3.9 | 1,282 | 889 | 35.1 | 35.0 | 8,234 | 7,930 |
| S.DAK..... | 275.0 | 251.0 | 69,575 | 64,005 | 2,606.0 | 2,846.0 | 666,933 | 718,409 |
| NEBR..... | 274.0 | 246.0 | 70,692 | 64,206 | 2,566.0 | 2,748.0 | 650,335 | 686,471 |
| KANS..... | 213.0 | 197.0 | 52,611 | 48,856 | 1,998.0 | 2,297.0 | 495,878 | 562,760 |
| DEL.-MD.. | 61.7 | 51.3 | 13,646 | 10,560 | 532.0 | 552.1 | 117,110 | 117,186 |
| VA..... | 293.0 | 280.0 | 68,562 | 66,080 | 3,110.0 | 3,363.0 | 710,613 | 769,611 |
| W.VA..... | 9.3 | 8.3 | 2,223 | 2,266 | 80.0 | 85.4 | 20,329 | 21,352 |
| N.C..... | 191.0 | 175.0 | 42,020 | 38,500 | 1,860.0 | 2,079.0 | 412,992 | 450,925 |
| S.C..... | 43.5 | 47.5 | 9,918 | 10,782 | 388.0 | 514.0 | 89,151 | 118,574 |
| GA..... | 186.0 | 188.0 | 40,920 | 40,044 | 1,807.0 | 2,180.0 | 398,288 | 481,601 |
| FLA..... | 70.0 | 64.0 | 13,370 | 12,480 | 591.5 | 662.5 | 117,997 | 133,381 |
| KY..... | 217.0 | 183.0 | 54,250 | 45,201 | 1,798.0 | 2,024.0 | 436,244 | 487,912 |
| TENN..... | 259.0 | 271.0 | 64,232 | 65,311 | 2,892.0 | 3,222.0 | 706,021 | 767,398 |
| ALA..... | 80.0 | 86.0 | 18,720 | 20,640 | 861.0 | 946.0 | 198,288 | 220,264 |
| MISS..... | 135.0 | 117.0 | 30,240 | 26,091 | 1,232.0 | 1,435.0 | 279,698 | 314,811 |
| ARK..... | 44.0 | 45.0 | 10,560 | 11,115 | 414.5 | 524.5 | 99,900 | 123,517 |
| LA..... | 23.4 | 24.6 | 4,820 | 5,191 | 208.8 | 233.8 | 45,759 | 49,691 |
| OKLA..... | 105.0 | 91.5 | 26,880 | 23,424 | 878.5 | 1,130.0 | 223,767 | 284,458 |
| TEXAS..... | 194.0 | 193.0 | 46,948 | 46,706 | 1,999.0 | 2,221.0 | 482,715 | 523,818 |
| MONT..... | 32.5 | 35.0 | 7,475 | 8,155 | 346.6 | 412.0 | 81,456 | 96,404 |
| IDAHO..... | 12.8 | 12.6 | 2,701 | 2,810 | 131.8 | 157.5 | 29,230 | 35,101 |
| WYO..... | 2.3 | 1.8 | 524 | 403 | 24.0 | 22.0 | 5,564 | 5,021 |
| COLO..... | 98.0 | 95.5 | 22,834 | 22,060 | 945.5 | 1,149.5 | 220,999 | 266,365 |
| N.MEX..... | 10.4 | 11.0 | 2,423 | 2,596 | 108.5 | 121.4 | 25,212 | 28,438 |
| ARIZ..... | 19.9 | 19.6 | 4,657 | 4,508 | 183.4 | 219.0 | 42,650 | 50,762 |
| UTAH..... | 8.0 | 8.0 | 1,704 | 1,680 | 117.4 | 94.9 | 26,837 | 20,188 |
| NEV..... | .3 | .5 | 63 | 108 | 2.7 | 4.3 | 571 | 908 |
| WASH..... | 73.5 | 67.0 | 16,978 | 15,477 | 716.5 | 823.0 | 165,826 | 190,993 |
| OREG..... | 21.4 | 19.9 | 4,879 | 4,736 | 206.6 | 229.0 | 47,219 | 52,591 |
| CALIF..... | 151.0 | 143.0 | 35,787 | 33,605 | 1,593.0 | 1,569.0 | 377,447 | 364,608 |
| 48 STATES | 8,824.8 | 8,266.3 | 2,132,522 | 1,997,873 | 85,816.8 | 94,491.9 | 20,616,583 | 22,546,771 |
| HAWAII... | 5.9 | 5.9 | 1,062 | 1,038 | 50.6 | 50.3 | 9,198 | 9,321 |
| U. S..... | 8,830.7 | 8,272.2 | 2,133,584 | 1,998,911 | 85,867.4 | 94,542.2 | 20,625,781 | 22,556,092 |

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COMMERCIAL SHEEP AND LAMB SLAUGHTER 1/

| STATE 2/ | DECEMBER | | | | JANUARY-DECEMBER | | | |
|-------------|--------------------|---------------|-------------------|-----------------|--------------------|---------------|-------------------|-----------------|
| | 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.. | 1.3 | 1.5 | 113 | 131 | 13.6 | 13.2 | 1,155 | 1,137 |
| N.Y..... | 5.5 | 5.9 | 566 | 596 | 69.9 | 69.1 | 6,610 | 6,334 |
| N.J..... | 72.0 | 78.0 | 7,128 | 7,722 | 800.0 | 822.0 | 78,193 | 80,480 |
| PA..... | 8.6 | 11.5 | 791 | 1,081 | 106.9 | 132.3 | 9,706 | 12,111 |
| OHIO..... | 5.8 | 5.4 | 557 | 529 | 68.2 | 72.8 | 6,467 | 7,064 |
| IND..... | .3 | 1.3 | 31 | 117 | 10.3 | 15.6 | 931 | 1,364 |
| ILL..... | 63.5 | 39.0 | 6,604 | 4,017 | 702.5 | 530.0 | 75,614 | 57,040 |
| MICH..... | 34.5 | 35.0 | 3,346 | 3,850 | 369.5 | 392.0 | 36,670 | 39,691 |
| WISC..... | .2 | .4 | 19 | 39 | 4.8 | 3.4 | 473 | 327 |
| MINN..... | 31.5 | 28.0 | 3,308 | 2,884 | 359.5 | 247.5 | 38,940 | 25,896 |
| IOWA..... | 45.5 | 45.0 | 4,686 | 4,635 | 454.5 | 479.5 | 48,178 | 49,479 |
| MO..... | 21.6 | 1.6 | 2,246 | 152 | 246.0 | 25.4 | 25,158 | 2,516 |
| N.DAK.... | .1 | .1 | 10 | 10 | .8 | .7 | 80 | 71 |
| S.DAK.... | 40.5 | 39.0 | 4,334 | 4,134 | 377.0 | 385.5 | 40,625 | 40,621 |
| NEBP.... | 97.0 | 96.0 | 10,379 | 10,176 | 954.5 | 1,046.5 | 100,387 | 109,482 |
| KANS..... | .2 | .4 | 21 | 40 | 2.5 | 5.0 | 255 | 533 |
| DEL.-MD.. | 2.9 | 5.3 | 276 | 514 | 41.7 | 47.8 | 4,098 | 4,628 |
| VA..... | .2 | .2 | 20 | 22 | 2.3 | 1.9 | 226 | 186 |
| W.VA..... | .3 | .2 | 32 | 19 | 3.4 | 3.4 | 357 | 346 |
| N.C..... | .1 | .1 | 10 | 10 | 1.1 | .7 | 103 | 68 |
| S.C..... | --- | --- | --- | --- | .1 | .1 | 8 | 5 |
| GA..... | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | .1 | --- | 10 |
| FLA..... | --- | .1 | --- | 10 | .6 | .7 | 43 | 51 |
| KY..... | 21.1 | 20.0 | 2,216 | 2,160 | 177.8 | 225.4 | 18,703 | 24,132 |
| TENN..... | 1.9 | 11.5 | 182 | 1,150 | 22.1 | 78.7 | 2,128 | 7,647 |
| ALA..... | .1 | --- | 15 | --- | .5 | .5 | 53 | 46 |
| MISS..... | --- | .1 | --- | 10 | .1 | .2 | 15 | 20 |
| ARK..... | .1 | --- | 10 | --- | .2 | .2 | 20 | 20 |
| LA..... | .2 | .1 | 16 | 8 | 3.5 | 4.0 | 274 | 308 |
| OKLA.... | .1 | .2 | 9 | 20 | 1.7 | 2.8 | 169 | 277 |
| TEXAS.... | 116.0 | 74.0 | 11,484 | 7,326 | 1,354.0 | 1,537.5 | 128,904 | 145,176 |
| MONT..... | .1 | .2 | 11 | 23 | 2.1 | 2.2 | 212 | 224 |
| IDAHO.... | .8 | 1.0 | 83 | 112 | 9.5 | 11.5 | 1,046 | 1,246 |
| WYO..... | .2 | .3 | 22 | 32 | 2.8 | 2.5 | 320 | 273 |
| COLO..... | 84.5 | 169.0 | 9,295 | 18,759 | 1,497.5 | 1,763.0 | 163,868 | 192,462 |
| N.MEX.... | 8.0 | 6.9 | 856 | 780 | 73.1 | 88.3 | 7,981 | 9,635 |
| ARIZ..... | .1 | .1 | 11 | 10 | 1.6 | 1.4 | 170 | 149 |
| UTAH..... | 66.0 | 54.5 | 6,930 | 5,995 | 847.0 | 632.0 | 89,400 | 67,045 |
| NEV..... | .1 | .2 | 10 | 21 | 2.1 | 3.6 | 212 | 362 |
| WASH..... | 21.3 | 16.3 | 2,450 | 1,826 | 188.1 | 215.2 | 20,911 | 23,830 |
| OREG..... | 7.8 | 6.1 | 811 | 647 | 125.4 | 112.7 | 13,302 | 11,966 |
| CALIF.... | 127.0 | 131.0 | 14,097 | 14,017 | 1,653.0 | 1,753.0 | 177,071 | 187,078 |
| 48 STATES | 887.0 | 885.5 | 92,985 | 93,584 | 10,551.8 | 10,729.9 | 1,099,036 | 1,111,336 |
| HAWAII... | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| U. S..... | 887.0 | 885.5 | 92,985 | 93,584 | 10,551.8 | 10,729.9 | 1,099,036 | 1,111,336 |

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LIVESTOCK SLAUGHTER, AVERAGE LIVE WEIGHT PER HEAD,
DECEMBER 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.. | 1,100 | 1,098 | 103 | 113 | 244 | 251 | 87 | 87 |
| N.Y..... | 1,144 | 1,142 | 112 | 109 | 230 | 232 | 103 | 101 |
| N.J..... | 1,238 | 1,258 | 261 | 284 | 205 | 193 | 99 | 99 |
| PA..... | 1,134 | 1,108 | 123 | 134 | 222 | 226 | 92 | 94 |
| OHIO..... | 1,026 | 1,057 | 189 | 208 | 229 | 228 | 96 | 98 |
| IND..... | 1,019 | 1,006 | 208 | 212 | 255 | 264 | 103 | 90 |
| ILL..... | 1,057 | 1,075 | 170 | 200 | 244 | 264 | 104 | 103 |
| MICH..... | 1,071 | 1,068 | 169 | 180 | 238 | 244 | 97 | 110 |
| WISC..... | 1,126 | 1,144 | 130 | 147 | 241 | 239 | 96 | 98 |
| MINN..... | 1,095 | 1,098 | 205 | 222 | 248 | 241 | 105 | 103 |
| IOWA..... | 1,079 | 1,064 | 161 | 185 | 245 | 244 | 103 | 103 |
| MO..... | 1,026 | 1,056 | 237 | 264 | 261 | 251 | 104 | 95 |
| N.DAK..... | 1,068 | 1,087 | --- | --- | 229 | 228 | 100 | 100 |
| S.DAK..... | 1,065 | 1,063 | --- | --- | 253 | 255 | 107 | 106 |
| NEBR..... | 1,097 | 1,089 | 366 | 351 | 258 | 261 | 107 | 106 |
| KANS..... | 1,088 | 1,091 | --- | 399 | 247 | 248 | 106 | 100 |
| DEL.-MD.. | 1,024 | 1,092 | 249 | 231 | 221 | 206 | 95 | 97 |
| VA..... | 1,022 | 1,041 | 292 | 309 | 234 | 236 | 101 | 108 |
| W.VA..... | 977 | 970 | 280 | 255 | 239 | 273 | 107 | 96 |
| N.C..... | 958 | 935 | 270 | 293 | 220 | 220 | 95 | 96 |
| S.C..... | 818 | 817 | 451 | 471 | 228 | 227 | --- | --- |
| GA..... | 877 | 920 | 375 | 421 | 220 | 213 | --- | --- |
| FLA..... | 961 | 977 | 261 | 307 | 191 | 195 | --- | 100 |
| KY..... | 952 | 940 | 229 | 250 | 250 | 247 | 105 | 108 |
| TENN..... | 981 | 992 | 317 | 326 | 248 | 241 | 96 | 100 |
| ALA..... | 801 | 863 | 435 | 430 | 234 | 240 | 150 | --- |
| MISS..... | 830 | 811 | 547 | 543 | 224 | 223 | --- | 100 |
| ARK..... | 917 | 906 | 568 | 493 | 240 | 247 | 100 | --- |
| LA..... | 830 | 940 | 533 | 513 | 206 | 211 | 82 | 77 |
| OKLA..... | 963 | 964 | 467 | 470 | 256 | 256 | 90 | 100 |
| TEXAS..... | 939 | 906 | 505 | 564 | 242 | 242 | 99 | 99 |
| MONT..... | 1,038 | 1,052 | 350 | --- | 230 | 233 | 107 | 114 |
| IDAHO..... | 1,086 | 1,068 | --- | --- | 211 | 223 | 104 | 112 |
| WYO..... | 1,001 | 987 | --- | --- | 228 | 224 | 109 | 108 |
| COLO..... | 1,027 | 1,047 | 273 | --- | 233 | 231 | 110 | 111 |
| N.MEX..... | 996 | 978 | --- | --- | 233 | 236 | 107 | 113 |
| ARIZ..... | 1,020 | 992 | 504 | 517 | 234 | 230 | 114 | 100 |
| UTAH..... | 1,024 | 1,057 | 370 | 383 | 213 | 210 | 105 | 110 |
| NEV..... | 984 | 1,001 | 400 | 389 | 209 | 217 | 100 | 104 |
| WASH..... | 1,066 | 1,091 | 337 | 347 | 231 | 231 | 115 | 112 |
| OREG..... | 1,008 | 1,065 | 329 | 380 | 228 | 238 | 104 | 106 |
| CALIF..... | 1,046 | 1,033 | 344 | 400 | 237 | 235 | 111 | 107 |
| 48 STATES | 1,050 | 1,049 | 223 | 236 | 242 | 242 | 105 | 106 |
| HAWAII... | 972 | 923 | --- | --- | 180 | 176 | --- | --- |
| U. S..... | 1,050 | 1,049 | 223 | 236 | 242 | 242 | 105 | 106 |

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INCREASE IN FEDERAL INSPECTION SINCE JANUARY 1, 1971: Between January 1, 1971 and December 1971, a total of 214 plants began slaughter under Federal inspection. During December 1971, these plants slaughtered 107,177 cattle, 2,055 calves, 130,702 hogs, and 34,550 sheep and lambs. Plants withdrawn from Federal inspection since January 1, 1971 slaughtered about 72,000 cattle, 4,000 calves, 142,000 hogs, and 47,000 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.

Federally inspected slaughter as a percent of total commercial slaughter in December 1971 compared with December 1970 is as follows: cattle, 88.1 and 87.9 percent; calves, 78.9 and 78.4 percent; hogs, 91.3 and 90.5 percent; sheep and lambs, 95.5 and 95.5 percent.

The month of December 1971 included 23 weekdays, and 4 Saturdays while December 1970 included 22 weekdays and 4 Saturdays.

Classification of Livestock Slaughtered Under Federal Inspection
48 States, December 1971, with comparisons 1/

| Species | Dec. : 1970 | Nov. : 1971 | Dec. : 1971 | Jan.-Dec. 1970 | Jan.-Dec. 1971 | Dec. : 1970 | Nov. : 1971 | Dec. : 1971 | Jan.-Dec. 1970 | Jan.-Dec. 1971 |
|-------------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|-------------------|-------------------|------------------|----------------|----------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| | 1,000 head | | | | | Percent of total | | | | |
| CATTLE: | | | | | | | | | | |
| Steers | 1,414 | 1,374 | 1,372 | 16,608 | 17,003 | 54.2 | 53.6 | 54.3 | 53.9 | 54.1 |
| Heifers | 687 | 644 | 628 | 8,304 | 8,229 | 26.3 | 25.1 | 24.8 | 27.0 | 26.2 |
| Cows | 471 | 500 | 486 | 5,373 | 5,627 | 18.0 | 19.5 | 19.2 | 17.5 | 17.9 |
| Bulls & stags | 39 | 46 | 42 | 507 | 560 | 1.5 | 1.8 | 1.7 | 1.6 | 1.8 |
| Total | 2,611 | 2,564 | 2,528 | 30,792 | 31,419 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Canners & cutters 2/ | 231 | 249 | 229 | 2,701 | 2,854 | 8.8 | 9.7 | 9.1 | 8.8 | 9.1 |
| HOGS: | | | | | | | | | | |
| Sows | 506 | 487 | 524 | 5,015 | 5,374 | 6.3 | 6.4 | 6.9 | 6.4 | 6.2 |
| Barrows & gilts | 7,432 | 7,013 | 6,963 | 72,647 | 80,558 | 93.0 | 92.7 | 92.3 | 92.9 | 92.9 |
| Stags & boars | 52 | 69 | 60 | 525 | 738 | .7 | .9 | .8 | .7 | .9 |
| Total | 7,990 | 7,569 | 7,547 | 78,187 | 86,670 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| SHEEP AND LAMBS: | | | | | | | | | | |
| Lambs & yearlings | 798 | 749 | 755 | 9,298 | 9,328 | 94.2 | 91.6 | 89.2 | 92.9 | 91.0 |
| Sheep | 49 | 69 | 91 | 711 | 928 | 5.8 | 8.4 | 10.8 | 7.1 | 9.0 |
| Total | 847 | 818 | 846 | 10,009 | 10,256 | 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, FOD, C&MS. Canners and cutters and classification of hogs and sheep based on packer reports.

2/ Included in cattle classification.

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