

# livestock slaughter



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OCTOBER RED MEAT PRODUCTION UP 5 PERCENT FROM 1971: Commercial production of red meat in the 48 States totaled 3,300 million pounds in October, 5 percent above 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 10 PERCENT ABOVE A YEAR EARLIER: Beef production in October was 2,012 million pounds, 10 percent above the 1,824 million pounds in October 1971. Cattle kill totaled 3,192,000 head, up 6 percent from a year earlier. Live weight per head was 1,043 pounds, 24 pounds above last year and 17 pounds above last month.

VEAL OUTPUT 14 PERCENT BELOW OCTOBER 1971: There were 37 million pounds of veal produced during October 1972, down 14 percent from 1971. The 259,100 calves slaughtered was 16 percent below the number of a year earlier. Average live weight was 256 pounds compared with 250 pounds in October 1971.

PORK PRODUCTION DOWN 1 PERCENT FROM A YEAR EARLIER: Pork production totaled 1,201 million pounds, 1 percent below a year ago. Hog kill totaled 7,491,400 head, down 4 percent from October 1971. Live weight per head was 239 pounds, one pound more than last year. Lard rendered per 100 pounds of live weight was 7.2 pounds, compared with 8.0 for the same month a year ago.

LAMB AND MUTTON UP 4 PERCENT FROM OCTOBER 1971: There were 50 million pounds of lamb and mutton produced in October, up 4 percent from last year and up 14 percent from last month. Sheep and lamb slaughter totaled 966,200 head, 1 percent more than last year. Average live weight was 105 pounds, up 2 pounds from a year earlier.

POULTRY PRODUCTION 10 PERCENT ABOVE LAST YEAR: Production of poultry meat during October totaled 1,114 million pounds, ready-to-cook basis. This is 10 percent above last year and 11 percent above a month earlier.

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Commercial Meat and Lard Production: 48 States, October 1972 with comparisons 1/

Kind	Million pounds		Percent		Million pounds		Percent	
	October 1971	September 1972	October 1972	Oct. 1972 as % of Oct. 1971	Sept. 1972	January-October 1971	October 1972	1972 as % of 1971
Beef	1,824	1,883	2,012	110	107	18,144	18,502	102
Veal	43	34	37	86	109	434	360	83
Pork 2/	1,213	1,074	1,201	99	112	12,003	11,151	93
Lamb & Mutton	40	44	50	104	114	455	446	98
Total Red Meat	3,128	3,035	3,300	105	109	31,036	30,459	98
Poultry 3/	1,009	1,006	1,114	110	111	8,552	9,146	107
Lard 4/	148	113	128	86	113	1,606	1,296	81

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, October 1972 with comparisons 1/

Species	Unit	October		September		October		Oct. 1972 as % of		January-October 2/		1972 as % of 1971	
		1971	1972	1972	1972	1971	1972	1971	1972	1971	1972	1971	1972
<b>CATTLE</b>													
Number													
Fed. Insp.	thou.	2,666.9	2,789.3	2,908.6	109	104	26,327.1	26,930.6	102				
Other	thou.	342.1	256.4	283.4	83	111	3,464.5	2,990.7	86				
Total	thou.	3,009.0	3,045.7	3,192.0	106	105	29,791.6	29,921.3	100				
Live Weight													
Per Head	lb.	1,019	1,026	1,043	102	102	1,026	1,035	101				
Total	mil. lb.	3,065	3,125	3,331	109	107	30,553	30,958	101				
<b>CALVES</b>													
Number													
Fed. Insp.	thou.	231.3	197.3	211.3	91	107	2,335.6	2,009.4	86				
Other	thou.	75.9	46.4	47.8	63	103	749.7	549.2	73				
Total	thou.	307.2	243.7	259.1	84	106	3,085.3	2,558.6	83				
Live Weight													
Per Head	lb.	250	253	256	102	101	251	254	101				
Total	mil. lb.	77	62	66	86	106	773	650	84				
<b>HOGS</b>													
Number													
Fed. Insp.	thou.	7,189.7	6,419.7	7,047.9	98	110	71,553.7	65,552.7	92				
Other	thou.	590.5	389.7	443.5	75	114	6,400.0	5,011.6	78				
Total	thou.	7,780.2	6,809.4	7,491.4	96	110	77,953.7	70,564.3	91				
Live Weight													
Per Head	lb.	238	237	239	100	101	238	235	99				
Total	mil. lb.	1,852	1,615	1,790	97	111	18,547	16,813	91				
<b>SHEEP &amp; LAMBS</b>													
Number													
Fed. Insp.	thou.	919.1	866.5	937.0	102	108	8,592.1	8,324.3	97				
Other	thou.	40.1	26.9	29.2	73	109	393.6	330.9	84				
Total	thou.	959.2	893.4	966.2	101	108	8,985.7	8,655.2	96				
Live Weight													
Per Head	lb.	103	100	105	102	105	103	105	102				
Total	mil. lb.	98	90	102	104	113	928	905	98				

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

COMMERCIAL CATTLE SLAUGHTER 1/

STATE 2/	OCTOBER				JANUARY-OCTOBER			
	NUMBER SLAUGHTERED		TOTAL LIVE WEIGHT		NUMBER SLAUGHTERED		TOTAL LIVE WEIGHT	
	1971	1972	1971	1972	1971	1972	1971	1972
	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..	15.3	14.5	16,729	15,517	140.2	124.5	153,323	135,741
N.Y.....	27.5	32.0	29,838	36,320	281.5	282.9	318,345	321,865
N.J.....	20.2	20.3	24,846	24,949	248.5	201.3	314,122	254,263
PA.....	56.5	59.5	61,528	66,700	554.5	530.5	625,440	599,394
OHIO.....	95.5	90.5	97,696	93,577	943.5	898.0	970,649	921,802
IND.....	46.0	37.5	46,000	37,050	498.0	378.0	505,931	377,008
ILL.....	106.0	124.0	107,060	127,720	1,157.0	1,234.0	1,179,831	1,268,936
MICH.....	50.0	54.5	53,400	58,806	668.0	524.0	721,537	565,314
WISC.....	96.0	98.5	105,024	109,236	880.5	910.0	971,490	1,017,830
MINN.....	132.0	134.0	143,616	146,328	1,318.0	1,235.0	1,440,202	1,351,308
IOWA.....	378.0	404.0	391,986	425,412	3,534.0	3,858.0	3,724,276	4,032,773
MO.....	77.5	83.0	77,035	88,644	789.5	776.5	807,536	800,402
N.DAK....	17.0	19.9	18,020	21,671	169.5	170.8	182,927	183,569
S.DAK....	49.5	54.0	52,718	57,240	401.0	444.0	429,299	467,266
NEBR.....	363.0	423.0	380,787	447,534	3,703.0	3,905.0	3,954,462	4,164,154
KANS.....	204.0	222.0	216,240	238,872	1,958.0	2,078.0	2,049,203	2,206,433
DEL.-MD..	8.8	8.7	9,290	9,438	86.0	84.4	91,167	90,848
VA.....	10.9	11.6	11,172	12,064	113.3	112.2	115,838	115,557
W.VA.....	5.9	5.9	5,682	5,558	48.1	45.9	49,007	47,343
N.C.....	14.4	14.7	13,291	13,656	135.8	126.8	131,060	121,788
S.C.....	7.5	6.7	6,142	5,909	66.7	60.5	54,600	50,841
GA.....	25.0	23.8	22,725	22,158	243.6	227.5	218,718	205,843
FLA.....	36.5	32.0	35,514	31,680	349.5	314.5	339,658	309,511
KY.....	17.7	18.0	16,567	16,794	181.1	163.2	170,874	155,804
TENN.....	52.0	47.5	50,336	48,498	488.5	439.0	474,309	437,960
ALA.....	8.8	7.3	7,339	6,220	92.1	75.0	78,460	65,284
MISS.....	28.0	25.0	23,212	21,225	256.6	235.0	218,163	200,282
ARK.....	15.3	13.9	13,739	13,052	152.1	133.0	138,691	127,885
LA.....	15.6	14.3	14,680	14,171	138.2	152.8	122,714	145,841
OKLA.....	53.0	53.0	50,403	52,470	547.5	510.5	521,069	495,861
TEXAS....	295.0	317.0	264,910	298,614	3,046.0	2,963.0	2,698,311	2,683,061
MONT.....	20.4	19.5	20,624	20,709	170.6	175.2	174,385	183,019
IDAHO....	33.5	37.5	36,012	40,875	338.0	348.0	360,624	375,347
WYO.....	1.5	1.5	1,502	1,587	17.3	17.5	17,422	17,744
COLO.....	207.0	230.0	211,554	251,620	1,926.0	2,061.0	1,999,086	2,206,448
N.MEX....	31.5	33.5	30,492	33,332	294.5	331.5	279,531	323,458
ARIZ.....	41.0	45.5	39,524	45,272	435.0	463.0	427,545	469,511
UTAH.....	22.9	23.2	23,495	25,845	225.3	224.7	233,611	247,472
NEV.....	1.8	2.2	1,777	2,257	16.4	21.8	16,547	22,097
WASH.....	54.5	55.5	57,988	61,494	497.0	513.5	529,654	556,239
OREG.....	28.5	27.0	29,326	28,188	273.7	240.3	280,980	254,733
CALIF....	238.0	246.0	245,140	252,396	2,408.0	2,331.0	2,462,428	2,384,926
48 STATES	3,009.0	3,192.0	3,064,959	3,330,658	29,791.6	29,921.3	30,553,025	30,957,761
HAWAII...	5.5	5.0	5,181	4,660	54.2	53.0	51,845	49,047
U. S.....	3,014.5	3,197.0	3,070,140	3,335,318	29,845.8	29,974.3	30,604,870	31,006,808

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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/	OCTOBER				JANUARY-OCTOBER			
	NUMBER SLAUGHTERED		TOTAL LIVE WEIGHT		NUMBER SLAUGHTERED		TOTAL LIVE WEIGHT	
	1971	1972	1971	1972	1971	1972	1971	1972
	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..	20.4	18.0	2,333	1,973	196.0	177.1	21,623	18,661
N.Y.....	56.0	54.0	6,440	6,210	598.0	535.0	65,634	58,342
N.J.....	29.5	24.3	8,378	6,464	275.7	232.0	77,824	71,112
PA.....	30.0	24.6	4,350	3,050	271.6	212.0	39,035	29,502
OHIO.....	4.5	3.5	954	746	45.9	39.3	9,334	8,149
IND.....	4.5	4.0	976	904	37.5	36.1	7,832	7,814
ILL.....	8.1	7.1	1,547	1,448	113.9	66.2	20,949	14,097
MICH.....	9.4	7.7	1,795	1,432	97.3	79.5	16,692	14,516
WISC.....	27.0	17.2	3,996	3,182	230.3	191.0	34,770	32,826
MINN.....	.6	.6	121	126	5.9	5.9	1,188	1,176
IOWA.....	15.5	14.3	2,868	2,646	167.7	132.6	30,226	24,122
MO.....	1.4	1.1	379	329	12.7	12.7	3,417	3,681
N.DAK.....	---	---	---	---	.1	.1	40	39
S.DAK.....	---	---	---	---	.1	.1	40	40
NEBR.....	.4	.4	144	147	3.3	3.5	1,201	1,241
KANS.....	---	.1	---	40	.6	.4	252	155
DEL.-MD..	1.6	1.0	367	234	16.7	13.1	3,810	3,131
VA.....	9.6	8.0	2,880	2,360	99.1	70.2	28,560	20,090
W.VA.....	.2	.2	48	47	2.0	1.6	446	334
N.C.....	.9	.4	235	103	5.7	7.8	1,419	1,925
S.C.....	9.6	10.1	4,464	4,929	107.2	98.6	49,386	48,742
GA.....	.2	1.4	60	633	9.3	16.7	3,783	7,414
FLA.....	9.3	7.9	2,911	2,678	86.7	79.9	27,413	18,926
KY.....	.3	.2	82	53	2.1	2.3	522	584
TENN.....	10.6	9.3	3,265	2,967	102.3	89.1	33,789	29,257
ALA.....	.5	.4	188	178	2.9	3.4	1,203	1,422
MISS.....	5.6	3.6	3,041	2,023	60.2	38.6	34,414	21,976
ARK.....	.5	.1	253	42	3.9	2.5	1,981	1,229
LA.....	18.5	13.9	9,416	7,826	175.6	146.0	92,443	80,069
OKLA.....	.4	.4	182	189	4.8	3.4	2,253	1,566
TEXAS....	18.6	14.4	10,249	8,496	199.7	141.3	109,857	82,614
MONT.....	---	---	---	---	.1	---	40	---
IDAHO....	.1	---	35	---	.7	.4	250	145
WYO.....	---	---	---	---	.1	.2	30	58
COLO.....	---	.1	---	40	.6	.1	191	40
N.MEX....	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
ARIZ.....	.2	.2	99	92	2.1	2.1	1,062	1,030
UTAH.....	.2	.1	71	44	2.6	1.7	1,042	718
NEV.....	.1	.1	41	40	1.0	1.0	388	374
WASH.....	.9	.7	294	204	7.7	6.9	2,514	2,225
OREG.....	.8	1.0	283	396	7.3	6.0	2,537	2,179
CALIF....	11.2	8.7	4,144	4,106	128.3	102.2	43,884	38,456
48 STATES	307.2	259.1	76,889	66,377	3,085.3	2,558.6	773,274	649,977
HAWAII...	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
U. S.....	307.2	259.1	76,889	66,377	3,085.3	2,558.6	773,274	649,977

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COMMERCIAL HOG SLAUGHTER 1/

STATE 2/	OCTOBER				JANUARY-OCTOBER			
	NUMBER SLAUGHTERED		TOTAL LIVE WEIGHT		NUMBER SLAUGHTERED		TOTAL LIVE WEIGHT	
	1971	1972	1971	1972	1971	1972	1971	1972
	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..	7.4	6.1	1,927	1,607	68.5	60.8	17,095	15,556
N.Y.....	87.0	67.5	20,184	15,862	797.0	733.5	183,594	169,847
N.J.....	43.0	31.5	8,428	6,962	447.5	328.5	90,720	65,535
PA.....	358.0	368.0	80,192	82,064	3,511.0	3,396.0	787,041	748,326
OHIO.....	381.0	378.0	85,725	88,830	3,829.0	3,368.0	858,397	770,371
IND.....	327.0	309.0	84,039	78,486	3,628.0	3,038.0	932,319	764,795
ILL.....	464.0	545.0	116,928	132,980	4,792.0	5,268.0	1,199,719	1,298,709
MICH.....	336.0	341.0	79,632	81,499	3,071.0	3,237.0	743,972	783,804
WISC.....	310.0	287.0	73,780	65,436	3,137.0	2,776.0	740,765	653,971
MINN.....	538.0	466.0	131,810	114,170	4,948.0	4,209.0	1,211,602	1,026,325
IOWA.....	1,948.0	1,897.0	465,572	453,383	19,685.0	17,298.0	4,735,002	4,173,832
MO.....	195.0	169.0	47,775	40,729	1,989.0	1,581.0	488,489	385,209
N.DAK....	3.3	2.8	749	633	28.6	23.5	6,491	5,335
S.DAK....	238.0	239.0	59,024	58,555	2,349.0	2,028.0	592,900	498,730
NEBR.....	230.0	234.0	56,810	57,798	2,262.0	2,126.0	561,065	523,373
KANS.....	197.0	198.0	48,265	48,708	1,899.0	1,813.0	463,654	441,683
DEL.-MD..	47.1	45.6	10,276	10,048	451.5	432.3	97,788	94,195
VA.....	276.0	267.0	64,584	61,677	2,797.0	2,592.0	636,035	600,231
W.VA.....	7.9	6.9	1,920	1,980	68.9	63.3	16,913	17,124
N.C.....	170.0	148.0	37,740	33,744	1,734.0	1,501.0	374,521	333,909
S.C.....	40.5	34.5	9,234	8,522	423.5	370.5	97,945	88,262
GA.....	170.0	149.0	38,250	33,525	1,814.0	1,629.0	401,507	358,457
FLA.....	51.5	36.0	10,300	7,200	544.0	422.0	109,783	85,665
KY.....	159.0	161.0	38,955	40,089	1,679.0	1,549.0	402,049	381,816
TENN.....	260.0	254.0	61,880	61,214	2,672.0	2,425.0	633,453	576,034
ALA.....	79.0	75.5	18,565	17,818	734.0	755.5	170,122	179,807
MISS.....	120.0	112.0	26,040	25,312	1,204.0	1,024.0	263,535	228,720
ARK.....	41.0	33.5	9,799	8,308	435.5	364.5	101,974	90,782
LA.....	18.8	16.7	4,080	3,674	188.1	166.9	39,794	36,621
OKLA.....	97.0	79.0	24,638	20,698	950.0	750.0	238,023	193,157
TEXAS....	182.0	169.0	42,770	42,250	1,841.0	1,612.0	432,045	390,338
MONT.....	34.0	28.5	7,956	6,868	341.0	302.7	79,573	72,153
IDAHO....	13.0	9.9	2,899	2,267	132.5	104.9	29,476	23,494
WYO.....	1.5	1.6	342	376	18.4	17.5	4,199	3,987
COLO.....	98.5	81.5	22,950	19,560	957.0	844.0	221,802	196,681
N.MEX....	10.4	9.5	2,527	2,232	100.2	97.3	23,414	22,684
ARIZ.....	17.2	15.7	3,973	3,611	181.1	148.6	42,008	34,428
UTAH.....	7.9	8.0	1,714	1,712	78.9	75.9	16,848	16,193
NEV.....	.4	.3	85	68	3.3	3.7	695	802
WASH.....	64.0	62.5	15,040	14,500	689.5	600.5	159,888	139,346
OREG.....	18.8	16.3	4,230	3,782	190.2	161.9	43,451	37,288
CALIF....	132.0	131.0	30,888	30,785	1,283.5	1,266.0	297,383	285,614
48 STATES	7,780.2	7,491.4	1,852,475	1,789,522	77,953.7	70,564.3	18,547,049	16,813,189
HAWAII...	4.1	4.3	758	804	40.2	43.3	7,513	8,109
U. S.....	7,784.3	7,495.7	1,853,233	1,790,326	77,993.9	70,607.6	18,554,562	16,821,298

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	1971	1972	1971	1972	1971	1972	1971	1972
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NEW ENG..	1.6	1.3	140	115	10.5	10.7	899	903
N.Y.....	5.0	4.8	480	494	57.9	56.0	5,229	5,425
N.J.....	71.5	50.0	6,721	4,800	675.0	553.0	66,134	55,063
PA.....	11.0	14.7	990	1,411	109.5	108.0	9,979	10,282
OHIO.....	5.5	5.5	544	528	61.9	57.0	5,975	5,533
IND.....	1.6	1.8	134	173	13.0	17.0	1,114	1,555
ILL.....	39.0	34.5	4,134	3,760	452.5	359.0	48,903	38,137
MICH.....	34.5	37.0	3,484	3,774	322.5	337.5	32,458	34,570
WISC.....	.4	.6	38	59	2.6	2.9	249	280
MINN.....	22.0	24.9	2,266	2,565	197.7	186.5	20,767	19,660
IOWA.....	43.0	46.5	4,300	4,790	392.0	377.5	40,552	39,348
MO.....	1.3	1.4	129	133	21.9	14.3	2,182	1,415
N.DAK.....	.1	.1	11	11	.6	.7	65	72
S.DAK.....	33.0	42.0	3,399	4,242	315.0	343.5	33,209	35,827
NEBR.....	106.0	82.5	11,130	8,992	850.5	725.0	88,606	77,103
KANS.....	.3	.5	32	44	3.7	4.1	394	404
DEL.-MD..	4.8	4.6	451	455	39.3	43.9	3,813	4,314
VA.....	.2	.1	19	10	1.5	1.5	146	147
W.VA.....	.3	.2	31	24	2.9	2.1	295	227
N.C.....	.1	.1	9	9	.6	.7	58	65
S.C.....	---	---	---	---	.1	.1	5	10
GA.....	---	---	---	---	.1	---	10	---
FLA.....	---	.1	---	8	.6	.7	41	46
KY.....	23.0	23.3	2,392	2,516	186.5	180.0	19,969	19,175
TENN.....	8.0	7.2	776	706	58.6	49.0	5,680	6,882
ALA.....	---	---	---	---	.4	.1	36	11
MISS.....	---	---	---	---	.1	.2	10	17
ARK.....	---	.1	---	10	.2	.2	20	20
LA.....	.3	.3	27	26	3.6	3.4	278	298
OKLA.....	.3	.1	29	9	2.2	2.0	217	202
TEXAS....	122.0	149.0	11,834	13,857	1,369.0	1,291.0	128,684	122,068
MONT.....	.2	.3	20	29	1.7	2.0	170	198
IDAHO....	1.1	1.1	118	113	9.4	10.3	1,002	1,112
WYO.....	.2	.2	20	23	2.0	2.5	218	280
COLO.....	194.0	187.0	20,370	21,131	1,440.0	1,601.0	156,763	177,835
N.MEX....	6.7	12.4	710	1,364	75.4	104.6	8,231	11,416
ARIZ.....	.1	---	9	---	1.2	1.1	128	117
UTAH.....	59.0	50.0	5,900	5,400	531.5	441.5	56,081	47,822
NEV.....	.4	.3	40	31	3.1	3.0	310	304
WASH.....	20.2	21.4	2,283	2,397	179.6	168.5	19,823	18,637
OREG.....	6.5	8.3	676	863	100.3	80.2	10,645	8,447
CALIF....	136.0	152.0	14,688	16,872	1,489.0	1,493.0	158,310	159,823
48 STATES	959.2	966.2	98,334	101,744	8,985.7	8,655.3	927,658	905,050
HAWAII...	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
U. S.....	959.2	966.2	98,334	101,744	8,985.7	8,655.3	927,658	905,050

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LIVESTOCK SLAUGHTER, AVERAGE LIVE WEIGHT PER HEAD,  
OCTOBER 1971 AND 1972 1/

STATE 2/	CATTLE		CALVES		HOGS		SHEEP AND LAMBS	
	1971	1972	1971	1972	1971	1972	1971	1972
	POUNDS	POUNDS	POUNDS	POUNDS	POUNDS	POUNDS	POUNDS	POUNDS
NEW ENG..	1,093	1,070	114	110	260	263	88	88
N.Y.....	1,085	1,135	115	115	232	235	96	103
N.J.....	1,230	1,229	284	266	196	221	94	96
PA.....	1,089	1,121	145	124	224	223	90	96
OHIO.....	1,023	1,034	212	213	225	235	99	96
IND.....	1,000	988	217	226	257	254	84	96
ILL.....	1,010	1,030	191	204	252	244	106	109
MICH.....	1,068	1,079	191	186	237	239	101	102
WISC.....	1,094	1,109	148	185	238	228	94	98
MINN.....	1,088	1,092	201	210	245	245	103	103
IOWA.....	1,037	1,053	185	185	239	239	100	103
MO.....	994	1,068	271	299	245	241	99	95
N.DAK....	1,060	1,089	---	---	227	226	107	107
S.DAK....	1,065	1,060	---	---	248	245	103	101
NEBR.....	1,049	1,058	361	368	247	247	105	109
KANS.....	1,060	1,076	---	400	245	246	107	88
DEL.-MD..	1,056	1,085	229	234	218	220	94	99
VA.....	1,025	1,040	300	295	234	231	95	96
W.VA.....	963	942	238	233	243	287	103	118
N.C.....	923	929	261	258	222	228	90	94
S.C.....	819	882	465	488	228	247	---	---
GA.....	909	931	299	452	225	225	---	---
FLA.....	973	990	313	339	200	200	---	75
KY.....	936	933	275	264	245	249	104	108
TENN.....	968	1,021	308	319	238	241	97	98
ALA.....	834	852	376	445	235	236	---	---
MISS.....	829	849	543	562	217	226	---	---
ARK.....	898	939	506	417	239	248	---	100
LA.....	941	991	509	563	217	220	90	85
OKLA.....	951	990	454	472	254	262	98	93
TEXAS....	898	942	551	590	235	250	97	93
MONT.....	1,011	1,062	---	---	234	241	100	96
IDAHO....	1,075	1,090	348	---	223	229	107	103
WYO.....	1,001	1,058	---	---	228	235	101	116
COLO.....	1,022	1,094	---	397	233	240	105	113
N.MEX....	968	995	---	---	243	235	106	110
ARIZ.....	964	995	495	459	231	230	92	---
UTAH.....	1,026	1,114	354	436	217	214	100	108
NEV.....	987	1,026	409	400	213	226	100	103
WASH.....	1,064	1,108	327	291	235	232	113	112
OREG.....	1,029	1,044	354	396	225	232	104	104
CALIF....	1,030	1,026	370	472	234	235	108	111
48 STATES	1,019	1,043	250	256	238	239	103	105
HAWAII...	942	932	---	---	185	187	---	---
U. S.....	1,018	1,043	250	256	238	239	103	105

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**INCREASE IN FEDERAL INSPECTION SINCE NOVEMBER 1, 1971:** Between November 1, 1971 and October 31, 1972, a total of 530 plants began slaughter under Federal inspection. During October 1972, these plants slaughtered 79,000 cattle, 11,000 calves, 82,000 hogs, and 31,000 sheep and lambs. Plants withdrawn from Federal inspection since November 1, 1971 slaughtered about 27,000 cattle, less than 1,000 calves, 19,000 hogs and 6,000 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 October 1972 compared with October 1971 is as follows: cattle, 91.1 and 88.6 percent; calves, 81.6 and 75.3 percent; hogs, 94.1 and 92.4 percent; sheep and lambs, 97.0 and 95.8 percent.

October 1972 included 20 weekdays, 4 Saturdays and 2 Monday Holidays while October 1971 included 19 weekdays, 5 Saturdays and 2 Monday Holidays.

**Classification of Livestock Slaughtered Under Federal Inspection  
48 States, October 1972, with comparisons 1/**

Species	Oct. 1971	Sept. 1972	Oct. 1972	Jan.-Oct. 1971	Jan.-Oct. 1972	Oct. 1971	Sept. 1972	Oct. 1972	Jan.-Oct. 1971	Jan.-Oct. 1972
	1,000 head					Percent of total				
<b>CATTLE:</b>										
Steers	1,391	1,486	1,524	14,257	14,809	52.1	53.3	52.4	54.2	55.0
Heifers	738	833	853	6,957	7,136	27.7	29.8	29.3	26.4	26.5
Cows	490	418	480	4,641	4,491	18.4	15.0	16.5	17.6	16.7
Bulls & stags	48	52	52	472	495	1.8	1.9	1.8	1.8	1.8
Total	2,667	2,789	2,909	26,327	26,931	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Canners & cutters 2/	242	263	246	2,376	2,383	9.1	9.4	8.5	9.1	8.8
<b>HOGS:</b>										
Sows	428	411	438	4,363	3,679	6.0	6.4	6.2	6.1	5.6
Barrows & gilts	6,704	5,953	6,558	66,582	61,289	93.2	92.7	93.1	93.0	93.5
Stags & boars	58	56	52	609	585	.8	.9	.7	.9	.9
Total	7,190	6,420	7,048	71,554	65,553	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
<b>SHEEP AND LAMBS:</b>										
Lambs & yearlings	846	800	853	7,897	7,771	92.1	92.4	91.0	91.9	93.3
Sheep	73	66	84	695	554	7.9	7.6	9.0	8.9	6.7
Total	919	866	937	8,592	8,325	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, APHIS. Canners and cutters and classification of hogs and sheep based on packer reports.

2/ Included in cattle classification.

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