

livestock slaughter



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MAY RED MEAT PRODUCTION UP 7 PERCENT FROM 1973: Commercial production of red meat in the United States totaled 3,273 million pounds in May, 7 percent more than a year earlier, 3 percent above May 1972 and 4 percent more than April 1974, according to the Crop Reporting Board. Commercial meat production includes slaughter in Federally inspected and other slaughter plants, but excludes animals slaughtered on farms.

May 1974 included 22 weekdays, excluding Memorial Day, and 4 Saturdays, the same as May a year ago.

BEEF PRODUCTION INCREASED 7 PERCENT FROM 1973: Beef production was 1,946 million pounds, an increase of 7 percent from May 1973 and 1 percent above 1972. Cattle kill totaled 3,049,700 head, up 3 percent from a year ago but 2 percent below May 1972. Live weight per head was 1,064 pounds, up 32 pounds from May a year ago and up 6 pounds from April 1974.

VEAL PRODUCTION UP 7 PERCENT FROM A YEAR EARLIER: There were 29 million pounds of veal produced in May 1974. Calf slaughter at 204.7 thousand head was up 22 percent from a year earlier but 13 percent below May 1972. Live weight per head was 253 pounds, down 36 pounds from May last year.

PORK PRODUCTION INCREASED 10 PERCENT FROM A YEAR EARLIER: Pork production totaled 1,262 million pounds in May, 10 percent more than a year ago, 9 percent above 1972 and 3 percent above April 1974. Hog kill totaled 7,479,100 head, 6 percent above May last year and 2 percent above May 1972. Live weight per head was 245 pounds, 3 pounds more than last year and the same as last month's average. Lard rendered per 100 pounds of live weight was 6.9 pounds compared with 7.0 pounds in May a year ago.

LAMB AND MUTTON PRODUCTION DOWN 25 PERCENT FROM MAY 1973: There were 36 million pounds of lamb and mutton produced in May, a decrease of 25 percent from a year earlier. Sheep and lamb slaughter totaled 693,800 head, down 22 percent from a year ago, and down 17 percent from May 1972. Average live weight was 105 pounds, 5 pounds less than last year.

Federally inspected slaughter as a percent of total commercial slaughter in May 1974 and May 1973 is as follows: Cattle, 91.6 and 91.2 percent; calves, 81.7 and 78.1 percent; hogs, 94.6 and 94.2 percent; sheep and lambs, 96.6 and 97.0 percent.

Commercial Meat and Lard Production: United States, May 1974 with comparisons 1/

Kind	Million pounds		Percent		January-May 4/		1974 as % of 1973	
	May 1973	April 1974	May 1974	May 1974 as % of 1973	April 1974	1973	1974	1974 as % of 1973
Beef	1,826	1,852	1,946	107	105	8,702	9,227	106
Veal	27	28	29	107	104	147	140	95
Pork 2/	1,150	5/1,228	1,262	110	103	5,444	5,860	108
Lamb & Mutton	48	43	36	75	84	213	199	93
Total Red Meat	3,051	5/3,151	3,273	107	104	14,506	15,426	106
Lard 3/	126	113	127	106	112	546	556	102

1/ Excludes animals slaughtered on farms. 2/ Excludes lard and rendered pork fat. 3/ Includes rendered pork fat. 4/ Accumulated totals based on unrounded data. 5/ Revised.

Commercial Livestock Slaughter: United States, May 1974 with comparisons 1/

Species	Unit	1973		1974		May 1974 as % of 1973		January - May 2/		1974 as % of 1973
		May	April	May	May	April	1973	1974		
CATTLE										
Number										
Fed. Insp.	thou.	2,694.1	2,643.1	2,793.3	104	106	12,717.0	13,153.5	103	
Other	thou.	259.4	255.2	256.4	99	100	1,305.3	1,298.3	99	
Total	thou.	2,953.5	2,898.3	3,049.7	103	105	14,022.3	14,451.8	103	
Live Weight										
Per Head	lb.	1,032	1,058	1,064	103	101	1,039	1,063	102	
Total	mil. lb.	3,047	3,065	3,246	107	106	14,573	15,355	105	
CALVES										
Number										
Fed. Insp.	thou.	130.9	172.1	167.3	128	97	835.3	854.5	102	
Other	thou.	36.6	32.4	37.4	102	115	187.7	166.7	89	
Total	thou.	167.5	204.5	204.7	122	100	1,023.0	1,021.2	100	
Live Weight										
Per Head	lb.	289	236	253	88	107	255	237	93	
Total	mil. lb.	48	48	52	108	108	261	242	93	
HOGS 3/										
Number										
Fed. Insp.	thou.	6,637.6	6,866.8	7,076.7	107	103	31,634.6	32,899.3	104	
Other	thou.	405.5	413.0	402.4	99	97	1,994.4	1,997.1	100	
Total	thou.	7,043.1	7,279.8	7,479.1	106	103	33,629.0	34,896.4	104	
Live Weight										
Per Head	lb.	242	245	245	101	100	239	245	103	
Total	mil. lb.	1,703	1,782	1,834	108	103	8,021	8,534	106	
SHEEP & LAMBS										
Number										
Fed. Insp.	thou.	858.2	782.5	670.4	78	86	3,793.4	3,585.5	95	
Other	thou.	26.4	34.4	23.4	89	68	139.0	115.0	83	
Total	thou.	884.6	816.9	693.8	78	85	3,932.4	3,700.5	94	
Live Weight										
Per Head	lb.	110	107	105	95	98	109	108	99	
Total	mil. lb.	98	88	73	74	83	430	401	93	

1/ Excludes animals slaughtered on farms 2/ Accumulated totals based on unrounded data. 3/ April 1974 Revised.

COMMERCIAL CATTLE SLAUGHTER 1/

STATE 2/	MAY				JANUARY-MAY			
	NUMBER SLAUGHTERED		TOTAL LIVE WEIGHT		NUMBER SLAUGHTERED		TOTAL LIVE WEIGHT	
	1973	1974	1973	1974	1973	1974	1973	1974
	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
	HEAD	HEAD	POUNDS	POUNDS	HEAD	HEAD	POUNDS	POUNDS
ALA.....	13.3	15.9	11,904	14,119	50.1	71.5	45,736	65,528
ARIZ.....	45.0	44.5	44,460	45,434	207.5	218.5	204,074	223,264
ARK.....	14.8	14.2	13,157	12,524	67.1	69.8	62,419	63,408
CALIF....	239.0	236.0	243,302	249,688	1,089.0	1,142.0	1,111,383	1,205,520
COLO.....	194.0	203.0	209,520	230,202	928.0	972.0	981,779	1,081,596
DEL.-MD..	6.7	6.9	7,360	7,321	40.4	36.8	44,052	39,602
FLA.....	30.0	29.5	29,100	28,143	143.5	148.5	143,270	147,128
GA.....	24.5	26.0	22,662	23,166	114.8	126.1	106,679	114,987
HAWAII...	5.2	4.4	4,831	4,176	25.1	22.7	23,144	20,975
IDAHO....	35.0	41.5	39,095	45,608	160.5	226.0	176,578	250,235
ILL.....	108.0	111.0	114,480	113,109	519.0	543.5	541,823	557,242
IND.....	35.0	39.0	35,840	40,092	173.0	185.5	178,146	190,858
IOWA.....	375.0	391.0	387,750	424,626	1,788.0	1,811.0	1,881,815	1,958,314
KANS.....	215.0	231.0	221,665	249,942	1,026.0	1,089.0	1,072,955	1,178,680
KY.....	14.2	14.4	13,291	13,507	76.7	75.2	73,081	71,102
LA.....	15.5	14.1	15,392	13,959	66.3	66.1	64,397	65,045
MICH.....	48.0	49.5	53,712	54,994	248.0	247.0	269,171	274,030
MINN.....	106.0	112.0	119,674	126,560	525.0	519.0	581,529	590,015
MISS.....	27.0	27.0	22,680	23,490	118.2	128.7	104,020	118,261
MO.....	72.0	75.0	73,224	79,800	346.5	359.5	361,559	378,791
MONT.....	14.4	12.8	15,106	13,542	71.9	68.3	75,934	72,265
NEBR.....	408.0	438.0	428,400	484,428	1,933.0	1,934.0	2,038,773	2,129,341
NEV.....	2.5	2.5	2,570	2,580	11.8	10.9	12,303	11,358
N.J.....	10.4	17.4	12,802	21,367	72.0	58.4	89,433	72,246
N.MEX....	33.0	36.0	31,878	35,424	151.5	165.0	147,188	153,361
N.Y.....	24.6	24.0	27,995	26,760	127.1	122.1	145,312	137,228
N.C.....	10.3	9.7	10,063	9,273	51.8	54.6	50,924	52,840
N.DAK....	13.3	15.0	14,803	17,175	70.8	73.2	79,113	83,137
OHIO.....	77.0	75.5	81,466	79,426	383.0	377.5	405,617	400,568
OKLA.....	55.0	56.0	53,625	55,216	250.5	268.5	246,111	267,406
OREG.....	23.0	21.7	25,254	22,351	107.2	97.7	114,914	102,206
PA.....	58.0	61.5	66,816	69,249	287.0	304.0	332,106	348,573
S.C.....	5.7	5.9	5,136	5,050	27.7	28.7	25,031	25,121
S.DAK....	49.5	56.5	52,965	61,811	209.0	281.0	222,976	306,462
TENN.....	38.0	41.0	37,848	40,713	184.5	194.5	185,515	197,421
TEXAS....	324.0	313.0	292,896	304,236	1,435.0	1,482.0	1,331,086	1,406,602
UTAH.....	19.8	20.6	21,364	22,722	98.8	100.2	109,394	112,411
VA.....	8.9	9.4	9,087	9,879	44.8	48.0	46,837	50,742
WASH....	41.5	38.0	46,106	42,180	217.5	177.5	240,658	196,525
W.VA....	3.8	3.9	4,214	3,998	20.7	20.0	21,386	20,997
WISC....	97.5	95.5	109,980	107,724	491.5	485.5	556,374	557,794
WYO.....	1.6	1.8	1,666	1,865	7.6	8.1	7,842	8,242
NEW ENG..	10.5	8.1	11,515	8,864	54.9	43.7	60,432	47,977
U. S.....	2,953.5	3,049.7	3,046,654	3,246,293	14,022.3	14,451.8	14,572,869	15,355,404

1/ INCLUDES SLAUGHTER UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION AND OTHER COMMERCIAL SLAUGHTER, EXCLUDES FARM SLAUGHTER.

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/	MAY				JANUARY-MAY			
	NUMBER SLAUGHTERED		TOTAL LIVE WEIGHT		NUMBER SLAUGHTERED		TOTAL LIVE WEIGHT	
	1973	1974	1973	1974	1973	1974	1973	1974
	1,000 HEAD	1,000 HEAD	1,000 POUNDS	1,000 POUNDS	1,000 HEAD	1,000 HEAD	1,000 POUNDS	1,000 POUNDS
ALA.....	.2	.4	86	158	1.3	2.1	597	873
ARIZ.....	.1	.1	49	49	.6	.4	299	193
ARK.....	.1	.2	38	73	.4	1.1	167	410
CALIF....	5.7	8.2	2,787	3,559	36.7	38.0	15,638	15,699
COLO.....	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
DEL.-MD..	.8	.8	196	216	4.9	4.3	1,182	1,029
FLA.....	5.5	7.4	1,771	3,374	28.0	30.1	9,211	10,944
GA.....	1.2	1.3	578	590	4.7	4.6	2,289	2,056
HAWAII...	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
IDAHO....	.1	.1	20	37	.2	.2	63	83
ILL.....	6.0	7.2	1,440	1,620	33.8	34.6	7,661	7,852
IND.....	.3	.2	45	30	1.7	1.3	252	173
IOWA.....	8.0	13.0	1,480	1,937	53.7	62.0	9,934	11,002
KANS.....	.1	---	40	---	.2	.2	70	86
KY.....	.1	.2	29	54	1.0	.7	282	184
LA.....	13.4	11.8	7,491	6,030	63.8	51.4	36,137	27,921
MICH.....	5.0	4.9	1,180	1,078	29.8	24.1	6,441	5,178
MINN.....	.5	.5	130	99	3.5	2.6	881	535
MISS.....	3.4	4.2	1,999	2,331	13.5	13.0	7,849	7,192
MO.....	.8	1.0	258	297	4.5	4.5	1,423	1,338
MONT.....	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
NEBR.....	.2	.3	77	107	1.4	1.2	512	444
NEV.....	---	---	---	---	.2	---	81	---
N.J.....	11.8	14.2	3,611	4,388	80.9	74.3	23,378	22,860
N.MEX....	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
N.Y.....	37.5	50.5	4,500	5,959	239.0	268.5	25,706	29,857
N.C.....	.2	.2	68	48	.9	1.0	297	213
N.DAK....	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
OHIO.....	1.7	2.3	388	474	11.0	10.5	2,278	2,144
OKLA.....	.4	.6	174	268	1.6	3.6	727	1,586
OREG.....	.4	.4	182	168	2.3	2.6	1,007	1,041
PA.....	10.4	12.7	1,518	1,562	80.6	70.5	9,948	8,137
S.C.....	8.6	8.8	4,756	4,277	40.9	39.4	21,753	19,589
S.DAK....	.1	.1	20	40	.1	.1	20	40
TENN.....	3.6	.1	1,166	31	33.2	.8	11,574	248
TEXAS....	10.9	11.0	6,387	5,863	52.2	48.6	29,976	26,660
UTAH.....	.1	---	45	---	.2	.2	90	84
VA.....	4.9	5.8	1,612	1,926	25.0	28.4	8,087	9,479
WASH.....	.4	.5	125	162	2.2	2.4	682	776
W.VA.....	.1	.1	26	22	.3	.2	79	50
WISC.....	12.5	21.8	2,825	3,510	86.6	109.5	15,699	17,071
WYO.....	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
NEW ENG..	12.4	13.8	1,381	1,454	82.1	84.2	8,629	8,801
U. S.....	167.5	204.7	48,478	51,791	1,023.0	1,021.2	760,899	241,828

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COMMERCIAL HOG SLAUGHTER 1/

STATE 2/	MAY				JANUARY-MAY			
	NUMBER SLAUGHTERED		TOTAL LIVE WEIGHT		NUMBER SLAUGHTERED		TOTAL LIVE WEIGHT	
	1973	1974	1973	1974	1973	1974	1973	1974
	1,000 HEAD	1,000 HEAD	1,000 POUNDS	1,000 POUNDS	1,000 HEAD	1,000 HEAD	1,000 POUNDS	1,000 POUNDS
ALA.....	73.5	77.0	17,566	18,403	335.5	350.5	79,998	84,395
ARIZ.....	15.3	16.2	3,580	3,791	67.7	75.7	15,758	17,625
ARK.....	28.0	25.0	6,496	5,875	142.5	117.7	33,455	27,844
CALIF.....	121.0	132.0	28,919	30,888	561.0	612.0	130,887	144,304
COLO.....	45.5	50.5	10,647	11,564	339.5	219.5	78,919	50,915
DEL.-MD..	41.2	43.4	9,068	9,982	196.1	213.8	43,029	48,372
FLA.....	30.5	30.0	5,795	5,100	154.5	149.5	30,007	28,090
GA.....	157.0	146.0	35,168	33,726	774.0	746.0	173,938	171,928
HAWAII...	4.0	4.2	736	798	19.5	19.6	3,512	3,597
IDAHO.....	8.7	10.5	2,001	2,502	40.8	45.7	9,309	10,595
ILL.....	554.0	489.0	142,378	127,629	2,688.0	2,353.0	682,316	607,813
IND.....	255.0	335.0	63,750	86,765	1,255.0	1,553.0	310,410	398,946
IOWA.....	1,780.0	1,822.0	436,100	446,390	8,589.0	8,484.0	2,052,217	2,091,606
KANS.....	201.0	205.0	49,044	51,250	936.0	957.0	223,721	234,419
KY.....	154.0	144.0	38,192	37,584	736.0	730.0	182,002	188,324
LA.....	14.7	14.4	3,263	3,312	74.7	73.3	16,530	17,059
MICH.....	345.0	387.0	84,180	90,945	1,648.0	1,537.0	398,465	363,133
MINN.....	463.0	550.0	113,898	136,950	2,160.0	2,616.0	519,426	639,332
MISS.....	111.0	128.0	24,975	28,800	502.0	572.0	112,848	130,256
MO.....	161.0	233.0	39,123	60,580	772.0	1,127.0	184,037	297,966
MONT.....	29.5	63.5	7,286	14,986	135.6	257.0	32,785	60,489
NEBR.....	243.0	289.0	60,021	71,672	1,099.0	1,218.0	270,398	301,642
NEV.....	.5	.5	105	120	1.7	1.6	358	382
N.J.....	30.0	63.0	6,540	14,112	138.5	257.0	31,581	58,038
N.MEX.....	10.3	10.2	2,451	2,458	45.4	51.2	10,825	12,219
N.Y.....	80.0	39.0	18,720	9,594	348.5	226.5	81,073	52,870
N.C.....	156.0	170.0	34,944	38,760	713.0	808.0	160,249	185,378
N.DAK.....	1.9	2.3	435	534	10.6	12.8	2,368	2,934
OHIO.....	310.0	336.0	72,230	79,296	1,454.0	1,556.0	333,293	361,919
OKLA.....	74.0	59.0	19,684	16,343	372.5	265.5	97,768	71,321
OREG.....	15.0	16.2	3,465	3,969	70.9	79.8	16,150	19,253
PA.....	313.0	251.0	68,860	57,228	1,438.0	1,256.0	316,684	289,509
S.C.....	31.0	32.5	7,378	7,638	149.0	159.0	36,600	38,402
S.DAK.....	207.0	228.0	52,785	57,684	957.0	1,073.0	237,536	268,800
TENN.....	242.0	267.0	58,080	70,221	1,167.0	1,273.0	277,441	325,075
TEXAS.....	140.0	124.0	34,300	30,876	716.0	603.0	173,706	152,732
UTAH.....	5.9	7.7	1,280	1,656	29.4	32.6	6,393	6,935
VA.....	254.0	288.0	58,674	65,376	1,175.0	1,371.0	270,896	313,213
WASH.....	53.5	63.5	12,412	14,922	247.5	287.0	57,522	67,926
W.VA.....	3.0	3.0	1,089	939	20.7	17.0	6,857	5,363
WISC.....	274.0	319.0	65,760	81,345	1,318.0	1,519.0	312,838	377,735
WYO.....	1.5	1.4	354	332	7.5	6.8	1,746	1,576
NEW ENG..	4.6	3.0	1,164	831	22.4	13.3	5,644	3,559
U. S.....	7,043.1	7,479.1	1,702,896	1,833,726	33,629.0	34,896.4	8,021,495	8,533,789

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COMMERCIAL SHEEP AND LAMB SLAUGHTER 1/

STATE 2/	MAY				JANUARY-MAY			
	NUMBER SLAUGHTERED		TOTAL LIVE WFIGHT		NUMBER SLAUGHTERED		TOTAL LIVE WEIGHT	
	1973	1974	1973	1974	1973	1974	1973	1974
	1,000 HEAD	1,000 HEAD	1,000 POUNDS	1,000 POUNDS	1,000 HEAD	1,000 HEAD	1,000 POUNDS	1,000 POUNDS
ALA.....	---	.1	---	10	.1	.2	10	20
ARIZ.....	.2	.1	21	10	.9	.8	91	73
ARK.....	---	---	---	---	.1	.2	5	19
CALIF....	161.0	156.0	18,193	16,536	694.0	725.0	77,745	78,961
COLO.....	164.0	85.0	19,352	10,115	776.0	655.0	90,376	76,434
DEL.-MD..	2.7	4.0	270	388	17.6	21.7	1,760	2,161
FLA.....	---	.1	---	8	.2	.1	14	8
GA.....	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
HAWAII...	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
IDAHO....	.9	.7	94	79	3.4	3.4	379	366
ILL.....	32.0	28.5	3,488	3,106	160.0	166.0	16,590	18,019
IND.....	1.6	1.1	144	90	6.5	3.2	638	267
IOWA.....	37.0	29.5	3,996	3,098	179.5	163.5	19,243	17,533
KANS.....	.3	.2	30	18	1.8	1.3	174	131
KY.....	20.2	16.0	2,303	1,760	83.3	75.1	9,256	8,385
LA.....	.3	.3	26	29	1.3	1.4	115	134
MICH.....	34.5	31.5	3,795	3,213	159.0	156.5	17,406	16,631
MINN.....	17.0	12.4	1,904	1,352	93.2	80.1	10,212	8,827
MISS.....	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
MO.....	1.2	1.1	122	107	6.6	6.8	686	692
MONT.....	.1	---	10	---	.6	.5	65	57
NEBR.....	69.5	55.0	7,784	5,830	329.0	298.0	35,937	31,553
NEV.....	.4	.4	39	44	.8	.8	80	92
N.J.....	39.5	27.5	4,068	2,778	203.5	145.4	20,669	14,755
N.MEX....	11.3	8.5	1,254	918	51.0	44.0	5,688	4,840
N.Y.....	4.7	3.8	484	376	33.3	32.6	3,138	3,205
N.C.....	---	.1	---	10	.2	.2	20	20
N.DAK....	.1	.1	10	16	.3	.4	31	50
OHIO.....	4.1	4.1	398	398	21.9	19.0	2,105	1,807
OKLA.....	.2	.1	20	10	1.0	1.0	98	99
OREG.....	7.7	4.3	847	473	29.5	19.8	3,318	2,162
PA.....	12.5	14.4	1,262	1,426	64.2	76.0	6,568	7,717
S.C.....	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
S.DAK....	40.0	35.0	4,400	3,955	195.0	183.5	21,289	20,331
TENN.....	9.9	---	1,000	---	40.4	.2	4,115	23
TEXAS....	157.0	133.0	15,700	12,369	570.5	613.5	57,992	62,407
UTAH.....	37.0	24.7	4,625	2,692	125.7	127.2	14,635	13,983
VA.....	.2	.3	20	29	.8	.9	84	89
WASH....	16.6	14.9	1,975	1,639	73.2	79.4	8,557	8,679
W.VA....	---	.1	---	10	.4	.4	43	44
WISC.....	.2	.2	19	20	.9	1.2	86	119
WYO.....	.2	.2	25	24	1.0	1.0	116	107
NEW ENG..	.5	.5	44	45	5.7	5.2	442	412
U. S.....	884.6	693.8	97,722	72,981	3,932.4	3,700.5	429,776	401,202

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LIVESTOCK SLAUGHTER, AVERAGE LIVE WEIGHT PER HEAD,
MAY 1973 AND 1974 1/

STATE 2/	CATTLE		CALVES		HOGS		SHEEP AND LAMBS	
	1973	1974	1973	1974	1973	1974	1973	1974
	POUNDS	POUNDS	POUNDS	POUNDS	POUNDS	POUNDS	POUNDS	POUNDS
ALA.....	895	888	430	395	239	239	---	100
ARIZ.....	988	1,021	491	486	234	234	107	100
ARK.....	889	882	380	367	232	235	---	---
CALIF....	1,018	1,058	489	434	239	234	113	106
COLO.....	1,080	1,134	---	---	234	229	118	119
DEL.-MD..	1,099	1,061	245	270	220	230	100	97
FLA.....	970	954	322	456	190	170	---	75
GA.....	925	891	482	454	224	231	---	---
HAWAII...	929	949	---	---	184	190	---	---
IDAHO....	1,117	1,099	200	367	230	236	104	113
ILL.....	1,060	1,019	240	225	257	261	109	109
IND.....	1,024	1,028	149	148	250	259	90	82
IOWA.....	1,034	1,086	185	149	245	245	108	105
KANS.....	1,031	1,082	399	---	244	250	100	88
KY.....	936	938	291	272	248	261	114	110
LA.....	993	990	559	511	222	230	85	97
MICH.....	1,119	1,111	236	220	244	235	110	102
MINN.....	1,129	1,130	260	198	246	249	112	109
MISS.....	840	870	588	555	225	225	---	---
MO.....	1,017	1,064	323	297	243	260	102	97
MONT.....	1,049	1,058	---	---	247	236	104	---
NEBR.....	1,050	1,106	384	358	247	248	112	106
NEV.....	1,028	1,032	---	---	210	240	98	110
N.J.....	1,231	1,228	306	309	218	224	103	101
N.MEX....	966	984	---	---	238	241	111	108
N.Y.....	1,138	1,115	120	118	234	246	103	99
N.C.....	977	956	340	242	224	228	---	101
N.DAK....	1,113	1,145	---	---	229	232	100	157
OHIO.....	1,058	1,052	228	206	233	236	97	97
OKLA.....	975	986	435	446	266	277	100	99
OREG.....	1,098	1,030	455	419	231	245	110	110
PA.....	1,152	1,126	146	123	220	228	101	99
S.C.....	901	856	553	486	238	235	---	---
S.DAK....	1,070	1,094	200	400	255	253	110	113
TENN.....	996	993	324	306	240	263	101	---
TEXAS....	904	972	586	533	245	249	100	93
UTAH.....	1,079	1,103	452	---	217	215	125	109
VA.....	1,021	1,051	329	332	231	227	99	96
WASH.....	1,111	1,110	313	325	232	235	119	110
W.VA.....	1,109	1,025	260	225	363	313	---	100
WISC.....	1,128	1,128	226	161	240	255	94	100
WYO.....	1,041	1,036	---	---	236	237	126	118
NEW ENG..	1,097	1,094	111	105	253	277	88	90
U. S.....	1,032	1,064	289	253	242	245	110	105

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**Classification of Livestock Slaughtered under
Federal Inspection, United States, May 1974 with comparisons**

Species	May	April	May	Jan.-May	May	April	May	Jan.-May		
	1973	1974	1974	1973	1974	1973	1974	1974	1973	1974
	1,000 head					Percent of Total				
CLASSIFICATION: 1/										
CATTLE:										
Steers	1,534	1,558	1,626	7,155	7,427	56.9	59.0	58.2	56.3	56.5
Heifers	636	600	659	3,028	3,054	23.6	22.7	23.6	23.8	23.2
Cows	470	437	449	2,299	2,417	17.5	16.5	16.1	18.1	18.4
Bulls & Stags	54	48	59	235	255	2.0	1.8	2.1	1.8	1.9
Total	2,694	2,643	2,793	12,717	13,153	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Canners & cutters 2/	261	228	261	1,221	1,242	9.7	8.6	9.3	9.6	9.4
HOGS: 5/										
Sows	339	336	387	1,639	1,733	5.1	4.9	5.5	5.2	5.3
Barrows & gilts	6,233	6,475	6,632	29,689	30,878	93.9	94.3	93.7	93.8	93.8
Stags & boars	66	56	58	308	289	1.0	.8	.8	1.0	.9
Total	6,638	6,867	7,077	31,636	32,900	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
SHEEP AND LAMBS:										
Lambs & yearlings	779	741	616	3,606	3,385	90.8	94.8	92.0	95.1	94.4
Sheep	79	41	54	187	200	9.2	5.2	8.0	4.9	5.6
Total	858	782	670	3,793	3,585	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
AVERAGE DRESSED WEIGHT:3/										
	Pounds									
Cattle	625	648	647	628	647					
Steers 4/	672	704	700	--	--					
Heifers 4/	577	597	606	--	--					
Cows 4/	521	510	504	--	--					
Bulls & Stags 4/	767	732	737	--	--					
Calves & Vealers	133	116	120	120	115					
Hogs	189	192	194	186	192					
Sheep & Lambs	55	54	52	55	54					

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.

3/ Based on packer reports.

4/ Included in cattle average dressed weight.

5/ April 1974 - revised.

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