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MARCH RED MEAT PRODUCTION UP 19 PERCENT: Commercial production of red meat in the United States totaled 3.5 billion pounds in March, 19 percent above a year ago, and 13 percent above March 1974, according to the Crop Reporting Board. Commercial meat production includes slaughter in Federally inspected and other plants, but excludes animals slaughtered on farms.

March 1976 includes 23 weekdays, excluding 4 Saturdays compared with 21 weekdays and 5 Saturdays for March 1974 and 1975.

BEEF PRODUCTION UP 23 PERCENT: Beef production totaled 2.3 billion pounds, 23 percent above March last year and 25 percent over March 1974. Cattle kill totaled 3,813,400 head, up 22 percent from last year and 33 percent above March 1974. Live weight per head averaged 1,022 pounds, 2 pounds below March 1975 and 43 pounds under March 1974.

VEAL PRODUCTION UP 25 PERCENT: There were 71 million pounds of veal produced in March, 25 percent above the 57 million pounds produced in March 1975. Calf slaughter at 496,200 head was up 37 percent from a year ago and 133 percent over the March 1974 total. Live weight per head averaged 251 pounds compared with 278 for March 1975 and 224 pounds for March 1974.

PORK PRODUCTION UP 12 PERCENT: Pork production totaled nearly 1.1 billion pounds in March, 12 percent above a year ago but 6 percent below March 1974. Hog kill totaled 6,611,700 head, 8 percent above last year but 5 percent less than March 1974. Live weight per head averaged 235 pounds, the same as March 1975 but 9 pounds under March 1974. Lard rendered per 100 pounds live weight was 5.8 pounds compared with 6.6 pounds in March 1975.

LAMB AND MUTTON PRODUCTION DROPS 6 PERCENT: There were 33 million pounds of lamb and mutton produced in March, a decrease of 6 percent from a year earlier. Sheep and lamb slaughter totaled 586,700 head, 13 percent less than a year ago and 26 percent below March 1974. Average live weight was 112 pounds, 7 pounds above last year and 1 pound above March 1974.

Federally inspected slaughter as a percent of total commercial slaughter in March 1976 and March 1975 was as follows: Cattle 91.6 and 90.2; calves, 83.7 and 76.2; hogs, 95.7 and 94.2; sheep and lambs, 97.1 and 96.0.

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COMMERCIAL MEAT AND LARD PRODUCTION; UNITED STATES,  
WITH COMPARISONS 1/

KIND	MAR 1975	FEB 1976	MAR 1976	MAR 1976 AS % OF		JAN-MAR 4/		1976 AS % OF 1975
				MAR 1975	FEB 1976	1975	1976	
	MILLION POUNDS			PERCENT		MILLION POUNDS		PERCENT
BEEF	1,890	1,966	2,317	123	118	5,840	6,491	111
VEAL	57	62	71	125	115	165	206	125
PORK 2/	976	850	1,092	112	128	3,044	2,895	95
LAMB & MUTTON	35	29	33	94	114	101	95	94
TOTAL RED MEAT	2,958	2,907	3,513	119	121	9,150	9,687	106
LARD 3/	94	67	90	96	134	284	244	86

1/ EXCLUDES ANIMALS SLAUGHTERED ON FARMS. 2/ EXCLUDE LARD AND RENDERED PORK FAT. 3/ INCLUDES RENDERED PORK FAT. 4/ ACCUMULATED TOTALS BASED ON UNROUNDED DATA.

COMMERCIAL LIVESTOCK SLAUGHTER; UNITED STATES, MAR 1976 WITH COMPARISONS 1/

SPECIES	UNIT	MAR 1975	FEB 1976	MAR 1976	MAR 1976 AS % OF		JAN-MAR 2/		1976 AS % OF 1975	
					MAR 1975	FEB 1976	1975	1976		
					PERCENT				PERCENT	
<u>CATTLE</u>										
NUMBER										
FED. INSP.	THOU.	2,825.6	3,031.9	3,492.4	124	115	8,755.5	9,927.5	113	
OTHER	THOU.	307.1	304.5	321.0	105	105	976.9	984.2	101	
TOTAL	THOU.	3,132.7	3,336.4	3,813.4	122	114	9,732.4	10,911.7	112	
<u>LIVE WEIGHT</u>										
PER HEAD	LB.	1,024	1,013	1,022	100	101	1,022	1,014	99	
TOTAL	MIL. LB.	3,207	3,381	3,899	122	115	9,947	11,066	111	
<u>CALVES</u>										
NUMBER										
FED. INSP.	THOU.	275.6	327.0	415.4	151	127	809.2	1,111.7	137	
OTHER	THOU.	86.0	80.7	80.8	94	100	258.9	258.4	100	
TOTAL	THOU.	361.6	407.7	496.2	137	122	1,068.1	1,370.1	128	
<u>LIVE WEIGHT</u>										
PER HEAD	LB.	278	267	251	90	94	275	266	97	
TOTAL	MIL. LB.	101	109	125	124	115	294	365	124	
<u>HOGS</u>										
NUMBER										
FED. INSP.	THOU.	5,751.1	4,872.7	6,324.6	110	130	17,640.5	16,597.0	94	
OTHER	THOU.	353.4	249.3	287.1	81	115	1,119.1	834.6	75	
TOTAL	THOU.	6,104.5	5,122.0	6,611.7	108	129	18,759.6	17,431.6	93	
<u>LIVE WEIGHT</u>										
PER HEAD	LB.	235	236	235	100	100	237	238	100	
TOTAL	MIL. LB.	1,435	1,209	1,555	108	129	4,455	4,148	93	
<u>SHEEP &amp; LAMBS</u>										
NUMBER										
FED. INSP.	THOU.	648.2	513.0	569.6	88	111	1,881.1	1,664.6	88	
OTHER	THOU.	26.8	15.4	17.1	64	111	63.0	51.3	81	
TOTAL	THOU.	675.0	528.4	586.7	87	111	1,944.1	1,715.9	88	
<u>LIVE WEIGHT</u>										
PER HEAD	LB.	105	110	112	107	102	106	111	105	
TOTAL	MIL. LB.	71	58	65	92	112	205	190	93	

1/ EXCLUDES ANIMALS SLAUGHTERED ON FARMS. 2/ ACCUMULATED TOTALS BASED ON UNROUNDED DATA.

COMMERCIAL CATTLE SLAUGHTER 1/

STATE 2/	MARCH				JANUARY-MARCH			
	NUMBER SLAUGHTERED		TOTAL LIVE WEIGHT		NUMBER SLAUGHTERED		TOTAL LIVE WEIGHT	
	1975	1976	1975	1976	1975	1976	1975	1976
	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.....	24.5	28.5	18,204	23,114	72.6	82.8	55,557	66,306
ARIZ.....	42.0	50.5	42,168	50,601	128.0	139.5	130,130	138,169
ARK.....	20.9	20.8	18,099	18,616	63.0	65.1	54,041	57,715
CALIF.....	219.0	262.0	232,359	273,790	711.0	760.0	746,921	796,342
COLD.....	176.0	223.0	192,368	241,509	538.0	576.0	587,421	617,430
DEL.-MD..	7.8	8.4	8,005	8,915	24.7	25.1	25,809	25,984
FLA.....	43.0	51.5	39,603	47,586	126.5	161.5	116,975	147,745
GA.....	40.0	45.0	31,480	34,425	117.5	140.5	92,358	106,051
HAWAII...	4.2	5.5	3,994	5,484	12.5	15.4	12,003	15,411
IDAHO.....	41.5	48.5	45,774	52,865	130.5	141.0	143,360	155,473
ILL.....	110.0	131.0	109,890	129,297	354.0	378.0	352,499	374,700
IND.....	41.0	48.0	40,713	46,992	130.5	138.5	129,866	135,225
IDWA.....	343.0	380.0	362,208	398,240	1,041.0	1,063.0	1,101,634	1,113,995
KANS.....	234.0	296.0	248,274	309,912	704.0	820.0	754,268	857,139
KY.....	24.9	30.0	21,912	27,000	79.9	97.0	70,516	85,993
LA.....	16.1	16.6	14,039	13,263	47.8	50.1	41,222	39,948
MICH.....	54.5	60.5	59,187	67,458	176.5	187.5	191,461	206,133
MINN.....	111.0	130.0	122,433	141,700	374.0	388.0	411,751	418,042
MISS.....	32.0	36.0	27,136	30,312	109.5	118.0	89,928	96,988
MO.....	79.5	106.0	81,328	108,332	244.0	306.0	248,438	309,364
MONT.....	10.2	10.4	10,394	10,140	39.7	35.5	42,338	34,782
NEBR.....	396.0	464.0	425,304	494,160	1,218.0	1,293.0	1,310,046	1,360,317
NEV.....	1.5	1.5	1,503	1,538	3.7	4.5	3,725	4,610
N.J.....	18.8	23.0	22,372	27,968	54.8	62.4	64,202	74,994
N.MEX.....	46.0	53.5	44,574	53,072	132.5	144.5	128,224	142,205
N.Y.....	24.2	30.0	26,620	31,980	80.7	90.0	87,792	95,152
N.C.....	14.3	19.5	12,841	17,745	46.7	60.7	41,036	54,782
N.DAK.....	18.7	20.5	20,439	23,698	65.4	65.0	71,830	71,634
OHIO.....	82.5	96.5	84,150	99,974	264.0	287.5	273,952	292,785
OKLA.....	59.0	69.0	56,286	66,723	183.5	192.0	172,911	184,194
OREG.....	22.7	22.0	23,290	22,308	73.6	65.7	73,286	68,277
PA.....	67.5	84.5	75,262	94,471	209.5	251.5	233,974	275,774
S.C.....	9.6	12.0	7,027	8,604	29.3	35.3	21,409	25,364
S.DAK.....	45.5	68.0	48,912	70,788	160.0	204.0	169,533	210,460
TENN.....	50.0	59.5	46,500	56,168	157.0	182.5	148,842	168,829
TEXAS.....	403.0	552.0	367,133	519,432	1,194.0	1,543.0	1,062,473	1,437,615
UTAH.....	23.8	25.5	25,752	27,693	73.3	72.2	78,959	78,210
VA.....	15.9	18.0	15,757	17,568	53.8	57.7	50,896	55,320
WASH.....	36.0	60.5	39,636	66,066	117.0	169.5	127,388	183,707
W.VA.....	4.3	5.0	4,175	4,715	14.5	16.4	13,611	14,871
WISC.....	106.0	124.0	116,388	136,400	337.0	375.0	372,078	412,900
WYO.....	2.3	2.8	2,318	2,834	6.2	8.0	6,180	8,006
NEW ENG..	10.0	13.9	10,925	15,056	32.7	42.8	35,945	46,581
U. S.....	3,132.7	3,813.4	3,206,732	3,898,512	9,732.4	10,911.7	9,946,788	11,065,522

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/	MARCH				JANUARY-MARCH			
	NUMBER SLAUGHTERED		TOTAL LIVE WEIGHT		NUMBER SLAUGHTERED		TOTAL LIVE WEIGHT	
	1975	1976	1975	1976	1975	1976	1975	1976
	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.....	3.4	1.3	1,411	541	10.0	6.2	4,222	2,615
ARIZ.....	.2	.4	75	186	.4	1.5	154	715
ARK.....	.4	.6	145	266	1.3	1.3	548	576
CALIF.....	22.7	33.0	8,626	12,870	62.1	91.0	25,182	37,570
COLOR.....	---	1.2	---	391	.1	3.3	48	1,133
DEL.-MD..	1.0	1.4	214	326	2.8	5.1	638	1,177
FLA.....	12.1	16.2	5,022	6,205	36.1	50.1	14,668	19,682
GA.....	2.1	3.6	655	1,282	6.6	9.3	2,017	3,226
HAWAII...	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
IDAHO.....	.1	.1	37	36	.3	.3	108	108
ILL.....	9.2	12.5	1,941	2,312	28.9	35.0	6,141	6,541
IND.....	.4	.5	67	82	1.3	1.5	224	251
IOWA.....	23.6	42.5	3,894	7,012	74.6	112.0	12,172	18,479
KANS.....	.4	.1	131	34	1.3	.4	484	134
KY.....	.4	.5	112	144	1.2	1.1	372	346
LA.....	20.0	23.2	10,040	10,811	62.6	69.0	30,631	31,853
MICH.....	7.8	12.4	1,303	2,034	24.2	36.2	4,462	6,045
MINN.....	1.4	1.4	272	248	4.4	3.7	814	703
MISS.....	14.1	8.9	7,050	4,210	31.0	31.2	15,618	14,732
MO.....	.9	1.2	237	302	2.9	3.7	812	957
MONT.....	---	.2	---	84	.1	.4	39	165
NEBR.....	.4	.1	173	41	1.1	.1	467	41
NEV.....	---	.1	---	35	.1	.2	42	73
N.J.....	16.0	26.0	4,576	8,580	55.5	74.6	15,372	23,675
N.MEX.....	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
N.Y.....	81.0	110.0	10,206	13,640	219.5	266.0	26,826	32,836
N.C.....	.5	.8 <sup>2</sup>	140	199	1.4	2.4	357	549
N.DAK.....	---	---	---	---	.1	.1	26	48
OHIO.....	2.7	3.5	578	822	8.7	10.9	1,799	2,426
OKLA.....	1.9	1.1	901	515	6.7	4.8	3,031	2,247
OREG.....	2.1	1.1	1,006	520	6.7	4.7	3,089	2,161
PA.....	23.4	39.0	3,346	4,407	69.6	100.5	8,471	11,391
S.C.....	11.7	12.3	5,733	5,929	34.8	35.0	16,523	16,213
S.DAK.....	---	.1	---	48	.1	.1	50	48
TENN.....	2.2	5.2	871	1,758	12.1	25.7	4,745	8,707
TEXAS.....	39.0	38.5	20,475	22,754	108.5	130.5	57,213	72,593
UTAH.....	.2	.2	71	75	.5	.7	178	247
VA.....	12.1	14.7	4,562	5,527	43.3	50.7	16,650	18,359
WASH.....	1.4	1.7	512	570	3.8	4.7	1,365	1,602
W.VA.....	.1	.1	25	22	.2	.3	51	62
WISC.....	28.5	43.5	4,275	6,090	95.5	118.0	12,872	16,299
WYO.....	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
NEW ENG..	18.2	37.0	1,937	3,679	47.7	77.8	5,072	8,013
U. S.....	361.6	496.2	100,619	124,587	1,068.1	1,370.1	293,553	364,598

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

COMMERCIAL HOG SLAUGHTER 1/

STATE 2/	MARCH				JANUARY-MARCH			
	NUMBER SLAUGHTERED		TOTAL LIVE WEIGHT		NUMBER SLAUGHTERED		TOTAL LIVE WEIGHT	
	1975	1976	1975	1976	1975	1976	1975	1976
	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.....	55.0	44.5	12,925	10,680	172.5	128.0	41,083	31,050
ARIZ.....	14.8	17.9	3,271	4,045	45.9	47.7	10,181	10,781
ARK.....	14.8	13.9	3,374	3,280	44.7	38.2	10,240	9,026
CALIF.....	130.0	142.0	30,940	33,512	375.0	385.0	88,876	90,598
COLO.....	52.0	57.5	11,960	13,110	157.5	160.5	36,442	37,297
DEL.-MD..	40.2	31.0	9,008	6,978	116.8	93.6	26,369	21,250
FLA.....	24.5	19.7	4,900	2,778	77.9	58.0	15,018	10,548
GA.....	139.0	133.0	31,136	30,058	430.0	364.0	96,823	82,402
HAWAII...	4.1	3.9	758	722	11.6	10.7	2,145	1,946
IDAHO.....	7.5	7.3	1,680	1,642	24.6	20.4	5,563	4,653
ILL.....	390.0	438.0	96,330	105,558	1,189.0	1,161.0	296,736	285,309
IND.....	246.0	310.0	59,532	74,400	769.0	825.0	188,524	201,142
IOWA.....	1,379.0	1,500.0	322,686	352,500	4,300.0	3,855.0	1,018,350	918,384
KANS.....	157.0	89.0	37,209	21,627	492.0	245.5	116,939	60,227
KY.....	128.0	146.0	30,208	34,018	374.0	388.0	91,788	94,699
LA.....	17.1	15.0	3,933	3,600	50.3	44.2	11,636	10,540
MICH.....	339.0	406.0	78,648	95,816	1,054.0	1,095.0	247,583	261,239
MINN.....	355.0	438.0	83,780	102,930	1,169.0	1,143.0	278,474	270,427
MISS.....	95.0	91.0	21,280	20,384	284.5	241.5	63,850	54,484
MO.....	213.0	256.0	54,315	64,256	622.0	642.0	157,842	163,128
MONT.....	21.9	38.0	5,037	8,740	75.4	92.7	17,342	21,446
NEBR.....	271.0	284.0	62,872	63,900	698.0	750.0	163,301	170,957
NEV.....	.2	.2	46	46	.8	.6	184	138
N.J.....	41.0	74.0	9,020	16,280	163.0	185.0	35,872	40,700
N.MEX.....	14.9	17.1	3,427	3,933	42.9	47.6	9,837	11,100
N.Y.....	32.5	27.0	7,410	6,345	102.0	76.6	23,334	17,906
N.C.....	144.0	161.0	32,112	36,225	436.0	444.0	98,146	101,058
N.DAK.....	1.9	1.8	433	407	6.4	5.0	1,454	1,137
OHIO.....	315.0	286.0	71,820	67,210	1,009.0	798.0	235,288	188,873
OKLA.....	50.5	61.5	12,726	15,314	161.0	159.5	41,520	40,708
OREG.....	15.5	14.7	3,534	3,410	45.2	41.0	10,450	9,512
PA.....	237.0	220.0	54,747	49,720	724.0	605.0	166,073	137,575
S.C.....	30.5	27.5	7,106	6,325	90.5	75.1	21,159	17,887
S.DAK.....	168.0	211.0	39,816	49,585	538.0	535.0	127,966	127,617
TENN.....	257.0	285.0	63,993	70,680	743.0	769.0	191,757	189,652
TEXAS.....	104.0	91.0	25,792	21,749	332.0	259.0	82,720	63,493
UTAH.....	6.2	6.0	1,333	1,284	18.6	16.4	3,998	3,499
VA.....	265.0	272.0	58,300	62,016	800.0	724.0	179,493	165,962
WASH.....	57.0	57.0	13,167	13,224	182.5	147.0	42,241	34,112
W.VA.....	3.4	2.8	751	784	10.7	8.2	2,751	2,346
WISC.....	262.0	310.0	62,618	74,400	805.0	734.0	192,251	179,728
WYO.....	1.0	.9	237	210	3.1	2.3	732	530
NEW ENG..	4.0	3.5	1,005	883	12.2	10.3	3,043	2,621
U. S.....	6,104.5	6,611.7	1,435,175	1,554,564	18,759.6	17,431.6	4,455,374	4,147,687

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COMMERCIAL SHEEP AND LAMB SLAUGHTER 1/

STATE 2/	MARCH				JANUARY-MARCH			
	NUMBER SLAUGHTERED		TOTAL LIVE WEIGHT		NUMBER SLAUGHTERED		TOTAL LIVE WEIGHT	
	1975	1976	1975	1976	1975	1976	1975	1976
	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.....	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
ARIZ.....	.2	.2	19	20	.3	.4	28	42
ARK.....	---	---	---	---	.1	.1	7	10
CALIF....	144.0	121.0	15,552	13,673	375.0	320.5	40,932	36,215
COLO.....	109.0	143.0	11,990	16,874	371.0	418.0	40,688	48,224
DEL.-MD..	2.6	2.5	258	255	10.1	8.6	991	869
FLA.....	---	.1	---	7	---	.1	---	7
GA.....	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
HAWAII...	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
IDAHO....	.4	.3	42	32	1.7	1.1	188	118
ILL.....	31.0	29.5	3,255	3,274	100.0	96.0	10,698	10,810
IND.....	.6	.3	47	26	1.5	1.0	122	87
IOWA.....	14.2	20.6	1,505	2,287	48.1	57.4	5,010	6,316
KANS.....	.5	.2	64	22	1.5	.9	181	95
KY.....	9.0	.4	1,008	44	32.6	10.8	3,614	1,218
LA.....	.4	.7	39	64	.8	.9	78	79
MICH.....	30.0	26.0	3,150	2,808	90.0	77.0	9,474	8,316
MINN.....	10.8	13.2	1,188	1,558	39.7	37.1	4,239	4,235
MISS.....	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
MO.....	1.7	1.3	173	127	4.7	3.9	485	389
MONT.....	.1	.1	10	11	.5	.3	50	31
NEBR.....	45.0	28.5	4,905	3,164	141.5	77.5	15,231	8,456
NEV.....	---	.1	---	10	.2	.2	21	20
N.J.....	32.5	24.9	3,315	2,739	100.5	79.9	10,319	8,617
N.MEX....	8.5	8.8	952	933	22.9	23.6	2,479	2,480
N.Y.....	10.6	3.6	795	374	20.0	11.0	1,760	1,148
N.C.....	.1	---	7	---	.1	.1	7	10
N.DAK....	.1	.2	10	20	.3	.5	30	51
OHIO.....	3.7	2.6	337	250	10.7	8.0	1,000	779
OKLA....	.2	.3	21	31	.4	.4	41	42
OREG.....	3.4	2.7	360	289	8.4	8.0	884	850
PA.....	16.8	10.9	1,663	1,155	41.8	33.0	4,185	3,464
S.C.....	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
S.DAK....	23.5	28.0	2,468	3,080	84.0	83.5	8,914	9,074
TENN.....	.1	.1	10	10	.1	.1	10	10
TEXAS....	136.0	101.0	13,600	10,605	332.5	301.5	32,952	31,938
UTAH.....	18.8	1.8	1,993	194	52.4	5.9	5,556	635
VA.....	.1	.1	10	10	.6	.3	60	31
WASH....	18.9	11.9	2,022	1,345	45.8	43.8	4,803	4,839
W.VA....	.1	.1	10	13	.2	.3	20	35
WISC....	.2	.2	19	20	.8	.6	77	59
WYO.....	.1	.1	11	12	.4	.5	46	56
NEW ENG..	1.8	1.4	109	126	2.9	3.1	209	281
U. S.....	675.0	586.7	70,917	65,462	1,944.1	1,715.9	205,389	189,936

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LIVESTOCK SLAUGHTER, AVERAGE LIVE WEIGHT PER HEAD,  
MARCH 1975 AND 1976 1/

STATE 2/	CATTLE		CALVES		HOGS		SHEEP AND LAMBS	
	1975	1976	1975	1976	1975	1976	1975	1976
	POUNDS	POUNDS	POUNDS	POUNDS	POUNDS	POUNDS	POUNDS	POUNDS
ALA.....	743	811	415	416	235	240	---	---
ARIZ.....	1,004	1,002	377	466	221	226	94	100
ARK.....	866	895	362	443	228	236	---	---
CALIF.....	1,061	1,045	380	390	238	236	108	113
COLOR.....	1,093	1,083	---	326	230	228	110	118
DEL.-MD..	1,026	1,061	214	233	224	225	99	102
FLA.....	921	924	415	383	200	141	---	67
GA.....	787	765	312	356	224	226	---	---
HAWAII...	951	997	---	---	185	185	---	---
IDAHO.....	1,103	1,090	366	364	224	225	106	106
ILL.....	999	987	211	185	247	241	105	111
IND.....	993	979	167	165	242	240	79	86
IOWA.....	1,056	1,048	165	165	234	235	106	111
KANS.....	1,061	1,047	327	343	237	243	129	112
KY.....	880	900	280	289	236	233	112	111
LA.....	872	799	502	466	230	240	97	91
MICH.....	1,086	1,115	167	164	232	236	105	108
MINN.....	1,103	1,090	194	177	236	235	110	118
MISS.....	848	842	500	473	224	224	---	---
MO.....	1,023	1,022	263	252	255	251	102	98
MONT.....	1,019	975	---	420	230	230	100	113
NEBR.....	1,074	1,065	432	410	232	225	109	111
NEV.....	1,002	1,025	---	350	230	230	---	105
N.J.....	1,190	1,216	286	330	220	220	102	110
N.MEX....	969	992	---	---	230	230	112	106
N.Y.....	1,100	1,066	126	124	228	235	75	104
N.C.....	898	910	279	249	223	225	74	---
N.DAK....	1,093	1,156	---	---	228	226	98	100
OHIO.....	1,020	1,036	214	235	228	235	91	96
OKLA.....	954	967	474	468	252	249	104	104
OREG.....	1,026	1,014	479	473	228	232	106	107
PA.....	1,115	1,118	143	113	231	226	99	106
S.C.....	732	717	490	482	233	230	---	---
S.DAK....	1,075	1,041	---	479	237	235	105	110
TENN.....	930	944	396	338	249	248	100	95
TEXAS....	911	941	525	591	248	239	100	105
UTAH.....	1,082	1,086	357	375	215	214	106	108
VA.....	991	976	377	376	220	228	103	105
WASH.....	1,101	1,092	366	335	231	232	107	113
W.VA....	971	943	253	217	221	280	100	133
WISC.....	1,098	1,100	150	140	239	240	94	100
WYO.....	1,008	1,012	---	---	237	233	111	123
NEW ENG..	1,092	1,083	106	99	251	252	61	90
U. S.....	1,024	1,022	278	251	235	235	105	112

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CLASSIFICATION OF LIVESTOCK SLAUGHTERED UNDER  
FEDERAL INSPECTION, UNITED STATES, MARCH 1976 WITH COMPARISONS

SPECIES	MAR	FEB	MAR	JAN-MAR		MAR	FEB	MAR	JAN-MAR	
	1975	1976	1976	1975	1976	1975	1976	1976	1975	1976
	1,000 HEAD					PERCENT OF TOTAL				
CLASSIFICATION: 1/										
CATTLE										
STEERS	1,452	1,306	1,612	4,399	4,268	51.4	43.1	46.2	50.2	43.0
HEIFERS	700	899	1,074	2,166	2,942	24.8	29.6	30.8	24.7	29.6
COWS	611	760	731	2,003	2,500	21.6	25.1	20.9	22.9	25.2
BULLS & STAGS	63	67	75	188	217	2.2	2.2	2.1	2.2	2.2
TOTAL	2,826	3,032	3,492	8,756	9,927	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
CANNERS & CUTTERS 2/	327	405	377	1,018	1,295	11.6	13.4	10.8	11.6	13.0
HOGS										
SOWS	245	185	221	838	661	4.3	3.8	3.5	4.7	4.0
BARROWS & GILTS	5,453	4,650	6,058	16,651	15,810	94.8	95.4	95.8	94.4	95.2
STAGS & BOARS	53	38	46	151	127	.9	.8	.7	.9	.8
TOTAL	5,751	4,873	6,325	17,640	16,598	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
SHEEP AND LAMBS										
LAMBS & YEARLINGS	625	489	547	1,817	1,598	96.4	95.4	96.0	96.6	96.0
SHEEP	23	24	23	63	67	3.6	4.6	4.0	3.4	4.0
TOTAL	648	513	570	1,880	1,665	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
AVERAGE DRESSED WEIGHT: 3/										
CATTLE	614	598	616	610	604					
STEERS 4/	685	679	693							
HEIFERS 4/	565	565	577							
COWS 4/	488	493	497							
BULLS & STAGS 4/	699	665	695							
CALVES &										
VEALERS	126	123	116	123	123					
HOGS	183	186	186	185	187					
SHEEP & LAMBS	52	56	56	53	56					

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.

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