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DECEMBER RED MEAT PRODUCTION UP 7 PERCENT: Commercial production of red meat in the United States totaled nearly 3.4 billion pounds in December, 7 percent more than a year ago and 9 percent above December 1974, according to the Crop Reporting Board. Total red meat output for January-December 1976 was up 8 percent from 1975 ... change by individual components: beef, up 8 percent; veal, down 2 percent; pork, up 8 percent; lamb and mutton, down 10 percent. Commercial meat production includes slaughter in Federally inspected and other plants, but excludes animals slaughtered on farms.

December 1976 included 21 weekdays, excluding 4 Saturdays and two holidays, compared with 22 weekdays, 4 Saturdays, and one holiday for 1975 and 21 weekdays, 4 Saturdays, and one holiday for 1974.

BEEF PRODUCTION UP 3 PERCENT: Beef production totaled over 2.1 billion pounds, 3 percent above December last year and 10 percent more than December 1974. Cattle kill totaled 3,508,400 head, 3 percent below last year but 8 percent over December 1974. Live weight per head averaged 1,026 pounds, 32 pounds more than December 1975 and 2 pounds above December 1974.

VEAL PRODUCTION RISES 1 PERCENT: There were 77 million pounds of veal produced in December, 1 percent above the 76 million pounds produced in December 1975. Calf slaughter at 490,500 head was about the same as a year ago, but 49 percent above the December 1974 kill. Live weight per head averaged 272 pounds compared with 278 for December 1975 and 251 for December 1974.

PORK PRODUCTION INCREASES 15 PERCENT: Pork production totaled over 1.1 billion pounds in December, 15 percent over a year ago and 5 percent over December 1974. Hog kill totaled 6,880,300 head, 18 percent over last year and 3 percent above December 1974. Live weight per head averaged 239 pounds, 6 pounds below December 1975 and 1974. Lard rendered per 100 pounds live weight was 5.8 pounds, compared with 5.9 for December 1975.

LAMB AND MUTTON PRODUCTION DROPS 3 PERCENT: There were 31 million pounds of lamb and mutton produced in December, a decrease of 3 percent from a year earlier. Sheep and lamb slaughter totaled 551,500 head, 9 percent below a year ago and 11 percent lower than December 1974. Average live weight was 112 pounds, 3 pounds above last year and 6 pounds over December 1974.

Federally inspected slaughter as a percent of total commercial slaughter in December 1976 and December 1975 was as follows: Cattle, 91.3 and 90.0; calves, 85.7 and 77.8; hogs, 94.8 and 94.3; sheep and lambs, 96.9 and 96.3.

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

KIND	DEC	NOV	DEC	DEC 1976 AS % OF		JAN-DEC 4/		
	1975	1976	1976	DEC 1975	NOV 1976	1975	1976	1976 AS % OF 1975
	MILLION POUNDS			PERCENT		MILLION POUNDS		PERCENT
BEEF	2,055	2,096	2,112	103	101	23,673	25,662	108
VEAL	76	72	77	101	107	827	813	98
PORK 2/	996	1,255	1,146	115	91	11,314	12,220	108
LAMB & MUTTON	32	30	31	97	103	399	361	90
TOTAL RED MEAT	3,159	3,453	3,366	107	97	36,213	39,056	108
LARD 3/	84	108	95	113	88	995	1,044	105

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, DECEMBER 1976 WITH COMPARISONS 1/

SPECIES	UNIT	DEC	NOV	DEC	DEC 1976 AS % OF		JAN-DEC 2/		
		1975	1976	1976	DEC 1975	NOV 1976	1975	1976	1976 AS % OF 1975
					PERCENT		PERCENT		
CATTLE									
NUMBER									
FED. INSP.	THOU.	3,266.8	3,153.5	3,204.6	98	102	36,903.7	38,990.7	106
OTHER	THOU.	364.7	337.3	303.8	83	90	4,007.5	3,654.0	91
TOTAL	THOU.	3,631.5	3,490.8	3,508.4	97	101	40,911.2	42,644.7	104
LIVE WEIGHT									
PER HEAD	LB.	994	1,022	1,026	103	100	996	1,019	102
TOTAL	MIL. LB.	3,611	3,569	3,598	100	101	40,733	43,435	107
CALVES									
NUMBER									
FED. INSP.	THOU.	380.6	387.4	420.4	110	109	3,893.6	4,437.4	114
OTHER	THOU.	108.8	79.0	70.1	64	89	1,315.8	913.8	69
TOTAL	THOU.	489.4	466.4	490.5	100	105	5,209.4	5,351.2	103
LIVE WEIGHT									
PER HEAD	LB.	278	271	272	98	100	283	267	94
TOTAL	MIL. LB.	136	126	133	98	106	1,477	1,428	97
HOGS									
NUMBER									
FED. INSP.	THOU.	5,508.2	7,110.3	6,524.8	118	92	64,926.0	70,456.6	109
OTHER	THOU.	330.9	346.0	355.5	107	103	3,760.8	3,326.6	88
TOTAL	THOU.	5,839.1	7,456.3	6,880.3	118	92	68,686.8	73,783.2	107
LIVE WEIGHT									
PER HEAD	LB.	245	243	239	98	98	240	238	99
TOTAL	MIL. LB.	1,433	1,808	1,646	115	91	16,458	17,566	107
SHEEP & LAMBS									
NUMBER									
FED. INSP.	THOU.	584.3	516.8	534.3	91	103	7,551.9	6,474.0	86
OTHER	THOU.	22.3	20.8	17.2	77	83	283.0	244.9	87
TOTAL	THOU.	606.6	537.6	551.5	91	103	7,834.9	6,718.9	86
LIVE WEIGHT									
PER HEAD	LB.	109	112	112	103	100	104	109	105
TOTAL	MIL. LB.	66	60	62	94	103	819	731	89

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COMMERCIAL CATTLE SLAUGHTER 1/

STATE 2/	DECEMBER				JANUARY-DECEMBER			
	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.....	28.0	17.7	21,084	14,018	334.8	292.9	248,575	240,952
ARIZ.....	41.0	38.0	40,508	39,292	477.0	492.5	476,186	500,352
ARK.....	24.2	15.9	20,594	13,579	293.4	245.0	246,009	214,250
CALIF.....	247.0	211.0	257,127	225,770	2,892.0	2,862.0	3,015,955	2,991,102
COLO.....	147.0	165.0	150,528	176,385	1,986.0	2,309.0	2,110,252	2,456,953
DEL.-MD..	8.8	8.3	9,034	8,698	96.7	92.5	99,139	96,851
FLA.....	55.0	45.5	49,610	42,634	603.5	578.0	547,714	531,695
GA.....	46.5	39.5	32,550	31,995	550.0	557.5	411,196	438,936
HAWAII...	4.6	5.0	4,490	4,910	53.0	59.8	50,769	58,424
IDAHO.....	46.0	53.5	50,738	59,813	551.0	564.0	601,413	622,608
ILL.....	133.0	132.0	132,867	131,340	1,459.0	1,516.0	1,426,966	1,502,780
IND.....	50.0	39.5	48,000	39,540	540.0	519.5	519,295	510,526
IOWA.....	368.0	401.0	390,080	429,872	4,167.0	4,680.0	4,299,168	4,985,984
KANS.....	236.0	256.0	241,664	273,408	2,826.0	3,003.0	2,934,543	3,177,410
KY.....	39.5	33.0	34,088	30,459	394.7	377.0	341,992	341,614
LA.....	16.3	14.9	11,345	11,741	211.7	186.8	163,306	150,126
MICH.....	67.5	66.0	71,752	74,712	755.5	745.0	800,393	826,787
MINN.....	148.0	140.0	156,436	143,080	1,547.0	1,564.0	1,640,221	1,666,394
MISS.....	46.0	33.5	36,570	26,733	549.0	484.0	443,173	398,483
MO.....	106.0	74.5	103,350	77,554	1,078.0	953.0	1,067,121	965,162
MONT.....	16.6	16.2	16,700	16,346	151.8	154.4	153,730	154,135
NEBR.....	423.0	439.0	437,382	466,218	4,777.0	5,010.0	5,043,449	5,349,979
NEV.....	1.5	1.2	1,530	1,200	17.7	15.1	17,665	19,480
N.J.....	22.4	21.4	26,275	25,744	253.7	254.4	296,455	302,920
N.MEX.....	51.5	38.0	49,749	37,772	576.5	524.5	551,858	522,998
N.Y.....	36.0	31.0	38,196	33,015	368.2	348.5	392,881	368,681
N.C.....	22.7	19.5	19,613	17,160	222.5	224.7	193,386	201,415
N.DAK.....	27.0	25.0	27,270	25,625	283.2	275.1	300,759	292,807
OHIO.....	100.0	79.5	99,100	82,124	1,124.0	1,130.0	1,130,122	1,159,174
OKLA.....	64.5	63.5	59,276	60,134	787.0	760.5	724,137	728,884
OREG.....	26.5	21.0	25,281	22,071	299.3	245.1	291,327	258,586
PA.....	83.0	90.5	86,403	96,564	938.5	1,020.5	999,105	1,098,482
S.C.....	10.2	10.5	7,293	7,508	139.3	130.7	98,355	94,351
S.DAK.....	80.5	78.5	81,868	84,074	744.5	822.5	770,012	864,810
TENN.....	70.0	48.5	61,670	45,832	769.5	729.0	679,391	690,104
TEXAS.....	462.0	457.0	422,268	420,897	5,297.0	5,929.0	4,716,845	5,468,085
UTAH.....	28.5	23.1	29,554	24,740	301.1	280.6	319,203	302,332
VA.....	23.8	16.3	22,301	15,371	240.0	203.1	221,891	194,280
WASH.....	59.0	62.0	63,307	66,340	551.0	676.0	591,052	723,572
W.VA.....	6.9	6.0	6,258	5,184	69.8	67.0	61,868	59,332
WISC.....	137.0	152.0	145,631	168,264	1,442.0	1,557.0	1,530,818	1,699,734
WYO.....	3.2	3.0	3,210	3,057	32.1	35.1	31,859	35,714
NEW ENG..	17.3	15.9	18,837	17,208	160.2	170.4	173,519	184,471
U. S.....	3,631.5	3,508.4	3,611,387	3,597,981	40,911.2	42,644.7	40,733,073	43,434,715

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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/	DECEMBER				JANUARY-DECEMBER			
	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.....	4.6	3.3	2,024	1,406	52.3	23.5	23,329	9,939
ARIZ.....	.3	.9	141	388	3.4	4.9	1,633	2,232
ARK.....	.9	1.0	424	431	10.0	6.7	4,391	9,015
CALIF.....	29.5	28.0	13,275	11,200	333.8	356.0	138,165	144,007
COLO.....	.8	.8	301	321	2.4	10.5	920	3,868
DEL.-MD..	1.1	1.0	264	236	13.1	17.0	3,055	9,963
FLA.....	15.3	18.7	6,258	7,200	166.6	209.3	66,695	81,553
GA.....	4.4	4.4	1,822	1,720	44.7	30.5	16,199	11,547
HAWAII...	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
IDAHO.....	.1	.1	36	37	1.9	1.3	685	468
ILL.....	12.7	15.0	2,464	2,730	129.6	156.8	26,237	28,650
IND.....	.5	3.7	97	829	5.8	17.4	979	3,696
INDA.....	43.5	42.0	7,178	9,870	398.1	463.5	65,550	92,366
KANS.....	.6	.2	193	71	6.5	1.5	2,384	536
KY.....	.4	.3	138	76	5.3	4.7	1,642	1,475
LA.....	28.5	20.3	12,426	9,216	320.8	283.7	146,598	131,460
MICH.....	10.9	11.0	1,766	1,760	119.9	116.2	20,842	19,515
MINN.....	1.5	1.1	300	221	17.2	14.2	3,303	2,685
MISS.....	13.6	8.0	6,419	3,952	177.2	103.6	85,659	50,552
MO.....	1.1	1.1	262	277	13.1	14.2	3,411	3,564
MONT.....	.1	.1	40	37	1.3	1.4	523	571
NERR.....	---	.1	---	39	1.9	.3	802	120
NEV.....	---	.1	---	35	.6	1.0	232	353
N.J.....	24.4	31.5	7,442	9,450	270.7	304.9	80,654	99,238
N.MEX.....	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
N.Y.....	87.0	92.5	11,484	11,285	893.0	1,029.5	110,811	125,781
N.C.....	.7	.7	150	160	7.5	8.8	1,772	2,174
N.DAK.....	---	.2	---	111	.4	1.1	182	554
OHIO.....	4.1	4.1	910	931	45.5	51.9	9,319	11,448
OKLA.....	3.1	1.9	1,510	906	29.2	17.8	13,789	8,344
OREG.....	2.2	3.0	1,010	1,347	30.1	20.4	14,009	9,326
PA.....	31.0	37.0	3,379	3,848	343.4	431.5	39,862	48,230
S.C.....	12.3	12.2	5,412	5,490	160.8	147.0	71,969	65,571
S.DAK.....	.1	---	48	---	.6	.4	296	173
TENN.....	15.2	1.7	5,138	568	94.1	39.8	33,045	13,348
TEXAS.....	52.5	61.0	27,930	31,781	628.0	527.0	321,681	286,481
UTAH.....	.2	.1	70	36	2.6	2.2	925	771
VA.....	19.7	16.1	6,954	5,973	220.2	190.5	77,754	66,182
WASH.....	1.2	1.3	433	416	16.7	18.8	5,978	6,250
W.VA.....	.2	.1	48	21	2.4	1.1	638	233
WISC.....	41.5	45.0	5,644	6,615	421.5	461.0	56,996	65,678
WYO.....	---	---	---	---	.1	---	50	---
NEW ENG..	23.6	20.9	2,613	2,421	217.1	259.3	23,663	28,401
U. S.....	489.4	490.5	136,003	133,411	5,209.4	5,351.2	1,476,627	1,428,318

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COMMERCIAL HOG SLAUGHTER 1/

STATE 2/	DECEMBER				JANUARY-DECEMBER			
	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.....	46.5	53.0	11,392	12,985	577.5	493.0	138,043	119,904
ARIZ.....	18.5	18.8	4,292	4,286	186.2	194.3	41,780	43,686
ARK.....	13.4	17.3	3,176	4,100	157.8	156.4	36,149	38,867
CALIF.....	134.0	93.5	31,356	21,879	1,453.0	1,556.5	339,974	366,218
COLO.....	56.5	62.5	13,390	14,812	645.0	655.0	150,031	152,818
DEL.-MD..	42.7	32.4	9,903	7,376	443.0	317.2	99,999	71,444
FLA.....	21.4	30.0	4,344	6,270	256.0	251.5	50,072	49,951
GA.....	121.0	155.0	27,346	34,720	1,488.0	1,562.0	333,737	350,492
HAWAII...	5.3	5.0	928	925	48.5	42.0	8,682	7,700
IDAHO.....	6.1	7.2	1,434	1,663	85.8	84.9	19,639	19,503
ILL.....	364.0	451.0	92,456	117,711	4,438.0	4,859.0	1,120,571	1,215,261
IND.....	264.0	216.0	67,584	54,864	2,975.0	3,303.0	736,181	819,312
IOWA.....	1,272.0	1,625.0	318,000	388,375	15,190.0	17,042.0	3,649,523	4,077,988
KANS.....	83.0	95.0	20,584	22,990	1,363.0	1,002.0	325,287	243,529
KY.....	129.0	152.0	32,637	38,760	1,456.0	1,522.0	352,124	370,472
LA.....	18.6	23.6	4,408	5,570	189.6	207.9	43,998	49,124
MICH.....	371.0	396.0	90,524	94,248	4,060.0	4,488.0	978,360	1,060,771
MINN.....	407.0	431.0	100,122	102,147	4,428.0	4,914.0	1,069,246	1,164,913
MISS.....	79.0	137.0	18,012	30,825	980.5	1,107.5	218,982	246,104
MO.....	211.0	274.0	54,860	70,692	2,415.0	2,807.0	620,213	707,220
MONT.....	27.5	45.5	6,380	10,465	308.0	457.2	70,930	105,465
NEBR.....	280.0	304.0	67,200	69,920	2,907.0	3,293.0	683,905	742,353
NEV.....	.3	.4	69	94	3.4	2.8	782	654
N.J.....	59.0	30.5	12,980	6,710	773.0	478.5	168,981	105,394
N.MEX....	12.5	11.0	2,912	2,541	168.4	157.1	38,962	36,426
N.Y.....	28.5	27.5	6,726	6,298	325.9	299.0	74,709	68,993
N.C.....	150.0	163.0	35,400	37,001	1,687.0	1,735.0	379,060	391,001
N.DAK....	2.5	3.0	578	660	21.9	26.3	4,996	5,937
OHIO.....	283.0	324.0	67,920	76,788	3,397.0	3,551.0	798,257	840,594
OKLA.....	54.0	65.0	13,932	16,250	618.5	687.0	159,879	171,965
OREG.....	13.9	13.5	3,211	3,132	171.7	154.9	39,925	35,861
PA.....	210.0	296.0	47,250	65,712	2,452.0	2,531.0	559,107	568,045
S.C.....	28.5	37.0	6,726	8,621	326.7	338.6	77,053	79,722
S.DAK....	175.0	205.0	44,275	48,175	2,029.0	2,245.0	496,442	538,432
TENN.....	247.0	318.0	64,467	77,274	2,901.0	3,264.0	733,545	801,081
TEXAS....	86.5	107.0	21,279	26,643	1,098.0	1,072.0	268,415	264,428
UTAH.....	5.6	12.9	1,193	3,418	69.9	80.3	14,836	19,449
VA.....	223.0	283.0	52,851	65,090	2,798.0	2,947.0	637,068	671,819
WASH.....	53.5	53.5	12,519	12,252	648.0	601.5	149,955	138,933
W.VA.....	3.4	3.9	918	1,080	37.5	33.9	10,126	9,392
WISC.....	225.0	294.0	56,025	70,560	3,050.0	3,208.0	743,644	786,094
WYO.....	.9	1.2	212	276	10.9	9.8	2,581	2,281
NEW ENG..	5.5	6.1	1,397	1,571	48.1	45.1	12,179	11,660
U. S.....	5,839.1	6,880.3	1,433,168	1,645,729	68,686.8	73,783.2	16,457,928	17,566,256

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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	
	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.....	---	---	---	---	.1	.2	7	16
ARIZ.....	.1	.1	10	10	1.7	1.7	166	178
ARK.....	.1	.1	10	10	.6	.4	59	43
CALIF.....	93.5	102.0	10,566	11,424	1,477.0	1,306.5	159,595	143,896
COLO.....	137.0	117.0	15,618	14,040	1,513.0	1,546.5	164,977	176,898
DEL.-MD..	4.7	4.1	479	430	40.1	39.1	3,920	3,956
FLA.....	.1	---	7	---	.3	.4	22	26
GA.....	.1	---	13	---	.2	.1	23	10
HAWAII...	---	---	---	---	---	3.5	---	665
IDAHO.....	.8	.7	87	77	9.4	7.0	1,010	758
ILL.....	37.0	37.5	3,922	4,050	396.5	396.9	42,130	43,087
IND.....	.7	.5	53	46	9.2	8.1	778	679
IOWA.....	18.7	27.5	1,964	2,998	220.0	279.8	22,840	29,919
KANS.....	.4	.3	46	34	6.4	4.3	742	470
KY.....	16.5	.9	1,848	98	184.5	20.1	20,436	2,231
LA.....	.2	.2	15	18	3.4	3.4	291	293
MICH.....	29.5	24.1	3,009	2,555	355.9	286.1	36,862	30,802
MINN.....	15.1	22.2	1,676	2,553	200.0	213.2	21,557	24,104
MISS.....	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
MO.....	1.7	1.4	173	116	19.4	16.5	1,918	1,471
MONT.....	.2	.1	21	10	2.6	2.4	272	252
NEBR.....	40.5	35.0	4,455	3,920	439.7	298.9	47,662	32,455
NEV.....	.1	.1	10	10	1.8	1.7	196	169
N.J.....	36.5	22.8	3,832	2,417	409.5	268.6	41,847	28,559
N.MEX.....	7.4	7.9	777	822	95.3	92.1	10,098	9,445
N.Y.....	3.7	4.5	377	482	61.1	60.9	5,851	6,329
N.C.....	---	---	---	---	.6	.6	54	57
N.DAK.....	.2	.2	26	21	1.3	1.3	138	138
OHIO.....	3.7	3.7	363	377	47.2	48.8	4,491	4,685
OKLA.....	.1	.1	10	9	1.3	1.5	130	153
ORFG.....	3.2	2.8	346	305	42.6	34.2	4,493	3,611
PA.....	11.4	12.1	1,140	1,234	153.8	146.6	15,127	14,781
S.C.....	---	---	---	---	---	.1	---	10
S.DAK.....	30.0	31.5	3,240	3,402	330.6	314.4	34,549	33,856
TENN.....	---	---	---	---	.6	.5	53	49
TEXAS.....	88.5	69.5	9,204	7,506	1,409.5	1,044.5	134,369	107,675
UTAH.....	2.3	1.9	264	211	142.5	28.0	15,104	2,987
VA.....	.2	.2	20	20	2.6	2.6	254	270
WASH.....	20.7	18.8	2,298	2,143	233.5	215.4	24,669	23,526
W.VA.....	.1	.1	11	10	1.3	1.3	146	144
WISC.....	.3	.4	28	39	4.8	5.1	458	497
WYO.....	.2	.1	23	12	2.6	2.2	282	245
NEW ENG..	1.1	1.1	96	103	12.4	13.4	1,024	1,227
U. S.....	606.6	551.5	66,037	61,512	7,834.9	6,718.9	818,540	730,622

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LIVESTOCK SLAUGHTER, AVERAGE LIVE WEIGHT PER HEAD,
DECEMBER 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.....	753	792	440	426	245	245	---	---
ARIZ.....	988	1,034	469	431	232	228	100	100
ARK.....	851	854	471	431	237	237	100	100
CALIF.....	1,041	1,070	450	400	234	234	113	112
COLO.....	1,024	1,069	376	401	237	237	114	120
DEL.-MD..	1,027	1,048	240	236	232	228	102	105
FLA.....	902	937	409	385	203	209	67	---
GA.....	700	810	414	391	226	224	133	---
HAWAII...	976	982	---	---	175	185	---	---
IDAHO.....	1,103	1,118	364	368	235	231	109	110
ILL.....	999	995	194	182	254	261	106	108
IND.....	960	1,001	194	224	256	254	76	92
IOWA.....	1,060	1,072	165	235	250	239	105	109
KANS.....	1,024	1,068	322	355	248	242	114	114
KY.....	863	923	345	253	253	255	112	109
LA.....	696	788	436	454	237	236	75	89
MICH.....	1,063	1,132	162	160	244	238	102	106
MINN.....	1,057	1,022	200	201	246	237	111	115
MISS.....	795	798	472	494	228	225	---	---
MO.....	975	1,041	238	252	260	258	102	83
MONT.....	1,006	1,009	400	370	232	230	104	104
NERR.....	1,034	1,062	---	388	240	230	110	112
NEV.....	1,020	1,000	---	350	230	235	105	100
N.J.....	1,173	1,203	305	300	220	220	105	106
N.MEX....	966	994	---	---	233	231	105	104
N.Y.....	1,061	1,065	132	122	236	229	102	107
N.C.....	864	880	215	228	236	227	---	---
N.DAK....	1,010	1,025	---	557	231	220	128	106
OHIO.....	991	1,033	222	227	240	237	98	102
OKLA.....	919	947	487	477	258	250	100	92
OREG.....	954	1,051	459	449	231	232	108	109
PA.....	1,041	1,067	109	104	225	222	100	102
S.C.....	715	715	440	450	236	233	---	---
S.DAK....	1,017	1,071	483	---	253	235	108	108
TENN.....	881	945	338	334	261	243	---	---
TEXAS....	914	921	532	521	246	249	104	108
UTAH.....	1,037	1,071	351	361	213	265	115	111
VA.....	937	943	353	371	237	230	99	101
WASH.....	1,073	1,070	361	320	234	229	111	114
W.VA.....	907	864	241	211	270	277	114	100
WISC.....	1,063	1,107	136	147	249	240	94	97
WYO.....	1,003	1,019	---	---	235	230	117	124
NEW ENG..	1,089	1,082	111	116	254	258	87	94
U. S.....	994	1,026	278	272	245	239	109	112

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

SPECIES	DEC	NOV	DEC	JAN-DEC		DEC	NOV	DEC	JAN-DEC	
	1975	1976	1976	1975	1976	1975	1976	1976	1975	1976
	1,000 HEAD					PERCENT OF TOTAL				
<u>CLASSIFICATION: 1/</u>										
CATTLE										
STEERS	1,229	1,299	1,361	16,070	17,270	37.6	41.2	42.4	43.6	44.3
HEIFERS	834	874	884	9,420	11,110	25.5	27.7	27.6	25.5	28.5
COWS	1,123	905	893	10,421	9,705	34.4	28.7	27.9	28.2	24.9
BULLS & STAGS	82	76	67	996	907	2.5	2.4	2.1	2.7	2.3
TOTAL	3,268	3,154	3,205	36,907	38,992	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
CANNERS & CUTTERS 2/	500	555	558	4,895	5,735	15.3	17.6	17.4	13.3	14.7
HOGS										
SOWS	347	391	387	3,603	3,399	6.3	5.5	5.9	5.6	4.8
BARROWS & GILTS	5,119	6,669	6,091	60,709	66,512	92.9	93.8	93.4	93.5	94.4
STAGS & BOARS	42	51	46	614	548	.8	.7	.7	.9	.8
TOTAL	5,508	7,111	6,524	64,926	70,459	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
SHEEP AND LAMBS										
LAMBS & YEARLINGS	544	486	510	6,993	5,058	93.1	94.0	95.5	92.6	93.6
SHEEP	40	31	24	558	416	6.9	6.0	4.5	7.4	6.4
TOTAL	584	517	534	7,551	6,474	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
<u>AVERAGE DRESSED</u>	<u>POUNDS</u>									
<u>WEIGHT: 3/</u>										
CATTLE	576	610	611	588	610					
STEERS 4/	671	708	702							
HEIFERS 4/	553	590	588							
COWS 4/	479	483	488							
BULLS & STAGS 4/	706	686	706							
CALVES & VEALERS	126	130	138	128	128					
HOGS	192	190	187	186	187					
SHEEP & LAMBS	54	56	56	51	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.

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