

# LIVESTOCK SLAUGHTER



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**FEBRUARY RED MEAT PRODUCTION SHOWS 6 PERCENT GAIN:** Commercial production of red meat in the United States totaled almost 3.1 billion pounds in February, 6 percent above a year earlier, according to the Crop Reporting Board. Total red meat output for January-February 1977 was up 3 percent from 1976 -- change by individual components: beef, down 1 percent; veal, up 4 percent; pork, up 12 percent; lamb and mutton, down 10 percent. Commercial meat production includes slaughter in Federally inspected and other plants, but excludes animals slaughtered on farms.

February 1977 included 19 weekdays, excluding 4 Saturdays, and one holiday, the same as February 1976.

**BEEF PRODUCTION UP 1 PERCENT:** Beef production totaled nearly 2.0 billion pounds, 1 percent above February last year. Cattle kill totaled 3,299,300 head, 1 percent below the previous year.

**VEAL PRODUCTION INCREASES 2 PERCENT:** There were 63 million pounds of veal produced in February, 2 percent over the 62 million pounds last year. Calf slaughter at 443,100 head was 9 percent above a year ago.

**PORK PRODUCTION UP 19 PERCENT:** Pork production totaled over 1.0 billion pounds in February, 19 percent above a year ago. Hog kill totaled 6,096,400 head, a 19 percent gain from the previous year.

**LAMB AND MUTTON PRODUCTION DECLINES 7 PERCENT:** There were 27 million pounds of lamb and mutton produced in February, a decrease of 7 percent from a year earlier. Sheep and lamb slaughter totaled 473,800 head, 10 percent below February 1976.

This is the first monthly release to contain red meat production by States and U. S. average live weight by species for Federal, other non-Federal and commercial slaughter.

Average live and dressed weights for February 1977 are based on reports from nearly all Federal Inspected slaughter plants, plus a sample of other plants. For previous months, these estimates were based on a sample of all plants.

COMMERCIAL MEAT AND LARD PRODUCTION: UNITED STATES 1/

K I N D	FEB 1977 AS % OF			JAN - FEB 4/			
	FEB 1976	JAN 1977	FEB 1977	FEB 1976	JAN 1977	FEB 1977	1977 AS % OF 1976
	MILLION POUNDS			PERCENT			
BEEF	1,966	2,160	1,981	101	92	4,173	4,141 99
VEAL	62	77	63	102	82	135	140 104
PORK 2/	850	1,007	1,013	119	101	1,803	2,020 112
LAMB & MUTTON	29	29	27	93	93	62	56 90
TOTAL RED MEAT	2,907	3,273	3,084	106	94	6,173	6,357 103
LARD 3/	67	5/73	NA	NA	NA	154	NA NA

1/ BASED ON PACKERS DRESS WEIGHTS AND EXCLUDES FARM SLAUGHTER. 2/ EXCLUDES LARD AND RENDERED PORK FAT. 3/ INCLUDES RENDERED PORK FAT. 4/ ACCUMULATED TOTALS BASED ON UNROUNDED DATA. 5/ ACTUAL LARD RENDERED.

LIVESTOCK SLAUGHTER: NUMBER AND AVERAGE WEIGHTS, UNITED STATES 1/

SPECIES	UNIT	FEB 77 AS % OF			JAN - FEB 2/			
		FEB 1976	JAN 1977	FEB 1977	FEB 1976	JAN 1977	FEB 1977	1977 AS % OF 1976
		PERCENT			PERCENT			
CATTLE NUMBER								
FED. INSP.	:THOU:	3,031.9	3,272.4	3,040.7	100	93	6,435.1	6,313.1 98
OTHER	:THOU:	304.5	273.5	258.6	85	95	663.2	532.1 80
COMMERCIAL	:THOU:	3,336.4	3,545.9	3,299.3	99	93	7,098.3	6,845.2 96
LIVE WEIGHT/HD:								
FED. INSP.	:LBS:	1,026	1,044	1,043	102	100	1,023	1,044 102
OTHER	:LBS:	888	916	918	103	100	1,081	917 85
COMMERCIAL	:LBS:	1,013	1,034	1,034	102	100	1,010	1,034 102
CALVES NUMBER								
FED. INSP.	:THOU:	327.0	406.0	379.9	116	94	696.3	785.9 113
OTHER	:THOU:	80.7	71.7	63.2	78	88	177.6	134.9 76
COMMERCIAL	:THOU:	407.7	477.7	443.1	109	93	873.9	920.8 105
LIVE WEIGHT/HD:								
FED. INSP.	:LBS:	215	247	210	98	85	224	231 103
OTHER	:LBS:	479	464	474	99	102	473	469 99
COMMERCIAL	:LBS:	267	279	246	92	88	275	263 96
HOGS NUMBER								
FED. INSP.	:THOU:	4,872.7	5,832.9	5,825.4	120	100	10,272.4	11,658.3 113
OTHER	:THOU:	249.3	284.2	271.0	109	95	547.5	555.2 101
COMMERCIAL	:THOU:	5,122.0	6,117.1	6,096.4	119	100	10,819.9	12,213.5 113
LIVE WEIGHT/HD:								
FED. INSP.	:LBS:	236	236	233	99	99	240	235 98
OTHER	:LBS:	231	234	234	101	100	233	234 100
COMMERCIAL	:LBS:	236	236	233	99	99	240	235 98
SHEEP AND LAMBS NUMBER								
FED. INSP.	:THOU:	513.0	499.0	461.3	90	92	1,095.0	960.3 88
OTHER	:THOU:	15.4	14.5	12.5	81	86	34.2	27.0 79
COMMERCIAL	:THOU:	528.4	513.5	473.8	90	92	1,129.2	987.3 87
LIVE WEIGHT/HD:								
FED. INSP.	:LBS:	111	113	114	103	101	110	114 104
OTHER	:LBS:	104	106	104	100	98	104	105 101
COMMERCIAL	:LBS:	110	113	113	103	100	110	113 103

1/ EXCLUDES SLAUGHTER ON FARMS.

2/ ACCUMULATED TOTALS AND PERCENTAGES BASED ON UNROUNDED DATA.

FEDERALLY INSPECTED SLAUGHTER AS PERCENT OF TOTAL COMMERCIAL SLAUGHTER  
BY SPECIES, U.S.

SPECIES	FEB	JAN	FEB	JAN - FEB	
	1976	1977	1977	1976	1977
	PERCENT				
CATTLE	90.9	92.3	92.2	90.7	92.2
CALVES	80.2	85.0	85.7	79.7	85.4
HOGS	95.1	95.4	95.6	94.9	95.5
SHEEP	97.1	97.2	97.4	97.0	97.3

RED MEAT PRODUCTION BY STATE AND U.S. 1/

STATE	FEB	JAN	FEB	FEB 77 AS % OF		JAN - FEB		1977 AS % OF 1976
	1976	1977	1977	FEB	JAN	1976	1977	
	THOUSAND		POUNDS			THOUSAND POUNDS		
ALA			16,957					
ARIZ			27,617					
ARK			10,915					
CALIF			153,336					
COLO			150,915					
DEL-MD			8,110					
FLA			27,068					
GA			37,719					
HAW			2,938					
IDAHO			32,568					
ILL			150,532					
IND			64,760					
IOWA			469,687					
KANS			177,375					
KY			36,284					
LA			14,976					
MICH			98,771					
MINN			128,843					
MISS			30,281					
MO	NOT		76,632			NOT		
MONT	AVAILABLE		12,853			AVAILABLE		
NEBR			305,430					
NEV			975					
N ENG 2/			8,328					
N J			19,904					
N MEX			26,228					
N Y			25,016					
N C			30,713					
N DAK			9,897					
OHIO			98,827					
OKLA			41,811					
OREG			14,110					
PA			83,322					
S C			11,840					
S DAK			69,817					
TENN			66,603					
TEX			305,780					
UTAH			16,285					
VA			46,674					
WASH			44,044					
W VA			2,920					
WISC			124,693					
WYO			1,426					
U.S.			3,083,780					

1/ INCLUDES TOTAL BEEF, VEAL, PORK, AND LAMB AND MUTTON.

2/ NEW ENGLAND INCLUDES CONNECTICUT, MAINE, MASSACHUSETTS, NEW HAMPSHIRE, RHODE ISLAND, AND CONNECTICUT.

COMMERCIAL CATTLE SLAUGHTER 1/

STATE	FEBRUARY				JANUARY-FEBRUARY			
	NUMBER SLAUGHTERED		TOTAL LIVE WEIGHT		NUMBER SLAUGHTERED		TOTAL LIVE WEIGHT	
	1976	1977	1976	1977	1976	1977	1976	1977
	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	24.3	18.2	19,732	15,338	54.3	36.8	43,192	30,497
ARIZ	44.0	41.2	43,648	42,343	89.0	85.2	87,568	87,663
ARK	20.5	19.4	17,917	16,489	44.3	38.1	39,099	32,608
CALIF	234.0	217.4	244,296	225,903	498.0	458.4	522,552	481,363
COLO	175.0	206.4	187,775	222,027	353.0	402.4	375,921	433,903
DEL-MD	7.6	7.0	7,924	7,458	16.7	15.1	17,069	16,229
FLA	51.0	39.3	46,410	35,852	110.0	84.3	100,159	77,702
GA	42.5	41.5	32,300	34,040	95.5	83.0	71,626	70,477
HAW	4.9	4.7	4,822	4,332	9.9	9.6	9,927	9,075
IDAHO	44.0	51.2	49,016	55,083	92.5	106.7	102,608	118,020
ILL	115.0	118.5	114,195	121,364	247.0	235.5	245,403	235,907
IND	43.0	36.7	41,968	36,402	90.5	67.7	88,233	67,867
IOWA	313.0	346.4	330,215	367,489	683.0	739.4	715,755	769,135
KANS	255.0	256.5	268,005	268,105	524.0	522.5	547,227	558,311
KY	29.5	32.2	26,255	28,856	67.0	61.7	58,993	55,937
LA	15.6	13.8	12,293	11,844	33.5	29.4	26,685	25,806
MICH	59.5	56.0	66,045	63,301	127.0	116.0	138,675	131,101
MINN	120.0	109.6	130,200	117,833	258.0	234.6	276,342	252,958
MISS	36.5	28.2	30,003	23,644	82.0	60.2	66,676	48,796
MO	93.0	62.8	94,674	65,189	200.0	127.8	201,032	134,999
MONT	10.2	13.5	9,772	10,349	25.1	29.1	24,642	25,637
NEBR	396.0	396.0	415,404	426,780	829.0	845.0	866,157	907,210
NEV	1.5	1.4	1,542	1,575	3.0	2.8	3,072	2,975
N ENG 2/	13.5	12.1	14,833	12,893	28.9	25.9	31,525	27,788
N J	18.8	18.6	22,842	23,147	39.4	39.1	47,026	48,177
N MEX	44.0	40.5	43,120	40,726	91.0	82.0	89,133	82,807
N Y	28.0	25.2	29,540	28,132	60.0	52.2	63,172	58,642
N C	17.8	15.5	15,860	13,817	41.2	33.5	37,037	30,377
N DAK	19.0	17.6	20,064	18,377	44.5	44.6	47,936	45,998
OHIO	91.0	83.6	92,911	86,382	191.0	163.6	192,811	169,662
OKLA	58.5	57.7	55,809	54,874	123.0	120.7	117,471	114,283
OREG	19.7	20.2	20,409	20,781	43.7	41.9	45,969	42,611
PA	76.0	80.1	83,296	88,335	167.0	166.6	181,303	178,901
S C	10.4	9.9	7,498	8,027	23.3	20.5	16,760	15,882
S DAK	60.5	65.0	62,738	69,215	136.0	142.0	139,672	152,375
TENN	55.0	45.3	50,985	41,458	123.0	91.3	112,661	85,296
TEX	472.0	462.1	431,880	457,005	991.0	957.1	918,183	931,710
UTAH	22.5	23.9	24,502	25,462	46.7	47.0	50,517	51,450
VA	17.9	12.0	17,238	11,852	39.7	25.5	37,752	25,028
WASH	50.0	53.6	52,800	59,102	109.0	117.1	117,641	127,682
W VA	4.9	4.1	4,508	3,911	11.4	9.2	10,156	8,629
WISC	119.0	132.0	133,280	145,026	251.0	269.0	276,500	301,617
WYO	2.3	2.4	2,298	2,447	5.2	5.1	5,172	5,185
U S	3,336.4	3,299.3	3,380,822	3,412,567	7,098.3	6,845.2	7,167,010	7,078,278

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	FEBRUARY				JANUARY-FEBRUARY			
	NUMBER SLAUGHTERED		TOTAL LIVE WEIGHT		NUMBER SLAUGHTERED		TOTAL LIVE WEIGHT	
	1976	1977	1976	1977	1976	1977	1976	1977
	1,000 HEAD		1,000 POUNDS		1,000 HEAD		1,000 POUNDS	
ALA	2.0	2.7	870	1,442	4.9	5.5	2,074	2,750
ARIZ	.5	.8	239	133	1.1	1.6	529	470
ARK	.3	.3	128	135	.7	.6	310	256
CALIF	28.0	31.6	11,200	4,583	58.0	63.1	24,700	17,971
COLO	.9	.8	292	394	2.1	1.6	742	732
DEL-MD	2.5	1.0	574	268	3.7	2.2	851	573
FLA	15.4	18.7	5,744	7,039	33.9	39.8	13,477	16,386
GA	3.1	12.4	1,159	1,691	5.7	18.6	1,944	4,283
HAW								
IDAHO	.1	.1	36	40	.2	.2	72	77
ILL	11.0	14.8	2,090	2,743	22.5	29.1	4,229	5,274
IND	.5	2.3	87	703	1.0	5.4	169	1,394
IOWA	33.0	38.4	5,445	5,137	69.5	77.9	11,467	14,617
KANS		.1		29	.3	.2	100	70
KY	.3	.3	103	79	.6	.6	202	158
LA	20.3	19.9	9,338	9,766	45.8	41.9	21,042	20,634
MICH	11.8	11.3	1,959	1,743	23.8	23.8	4,011	3,855
MINN	1.2	1.0	232	161	2.3	2.1	455	391
MISS	9.4	6.7	4,343	3,751	22.3	13.5	10,522	7,097
MO	1.3	1.4	347	270	2.5	2.7	655	602
MONT	.1	.1	42	29	.2	.2	81	66
NEBR								
NEV		.1		32	.1	.2	38	67
N ENG 2/	21.9	18.9	2,287	1,923	40.8	37.2	4,334	4,062
N J	20.6	19.2	6,695	5,226	48.6	44.7	15,095	11,805
N MEX								
N Y	76.0	85.6	9,196	10,974	156.0	172.1	19,196	20,230
N C	1.0	.9	230	214	1.6	1.5	350	340
N DAK	.1	.1	48	67	.1	.3	48	167
OHIO	3.0	2.7	627	551	7.4	6.3	1,604	1,343
OKLA	1.6	1.5	739	653	3.7	3.2	1,732	1,459
OREG	1.1	2.8	493	442	3.6	6.0	1,641	1,959
PA	29.5	26.8	3,304	3,903	61.5	54.8	6,984	6,983
S C	10.2	9.4	4,784	4,725	22.7	20.7	10,284	9,957
S DAK								
TENN	7.0	4.0	2,373	853	20.5	7.1	6,949	1,898
TEX	41.5	49.5	23,074	25,530	92.0	117.5	49,839	57,830
UTAH	.2	.1	78	45	.5	.2	172	84
VA	14.7	13.2	5,292	4,922	36.0	28.6	12,832	10,682
WASH	1.5	2.1	510	387	3.0	3.8	1,032	997
W VA	.1	.1	22	26	.2	.1	40	26
WISC	36.0	41.2	4,896	8,272	74.5	85.7	10,209	14,724
WYO								
U S	407.7	443.1	108,876	108,902	873.9	920.8	240,011	242,290

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 HOG SLAUGHTER 1/

STATE	FEBRUARY				JANUARY-FEBRUARY			
	NUMBER SLAUGHTERED		TOTAL LIVE WEIGHT		NUMBER SLAUGHTERED		TOTAL LIVE WEIGHT	
	1976	1977	1976	1977	1976	1977	1976	1977
	1,000 HEAD		1,000 POUNDS		1,000 HEAD		1,000 POUNDS	
ALA	39.5	46.4	9,678	11,223	83.5	97.4	20,370	23,616
ARIZ	14.1	13.4	3,172	3,004	29.8	29.3	6,736	6,550
ARK	11.9	13.4	2,844	3,263	24.3	27.8	5,746	6,710
CALIF	112.0	66.0	26,432	14,777	243.0	104.0	97,086	24,049
COLO	48.5	51.2	11,543	11,668	103.0	107.2	24,187	24,660
DEL-MD	26.3	23.7	5,970	5,275	62.6	50.2	14,272	11,183
FLA	16.4	27.1	3,280	5,506	38.3	54.1	7,770	11,311
GA	108.0	126.9	24,300	28,477	231.0	260.9	52,344	57,287
HAW	3.5	3.5	630	630	6.8	6.7	1,224	1,238
IDAHO	5.7	6.0	1,265	1,386	13.1	13.1	3,011	3,040
ILL	352.0	414.6	85,888	102,496	723.0	806.6	179,751	201,280
IND	251.0	254.2	60,742	61,520	515.0	434.2	126,742	104,900
IOWA	1,092.0	1,459.1	257,712	343,970	2,355.0	2,966.1	565,884	704,143
KANS	75.0	84.5	18,225	19,638	156.5	173.0	38,600	41,144
KY	117.0	129.1	28,431	32,037	242.0	257.1	60,681	64,293
LA	12.9	18.6	3,044	4,441	29.2	40.1	6,940	9,601
MICH	334.0	365.4	79,158	87,537	689.0	681.4	165,423	161,165
MINN	344.0	375.6	80,496	85,522	705.0	775.6	167,497	177,522
MISS	73.0	108.7	16,352	24,665	150.5	222.7	34,100	50,429
MO	186.0	222.3	46,872	52,444	386.0	462.3	98,872	116,524
MONT	24.7	47.6	5,656	10,409	54.7	94.6	12,706	21,031
NEBR	223.0	296.1	49,952	64,994	466.0	594.1	107,057	130,554
NEV	.2	.3	46	61	.4	.6	92	131
N ENG 2/	3.1	4.0	786	944	6.8	8.8	1,738	2,206
N J	52.0	18.4	11,440	4,263	111.0	36.7	24,420	8,289
N MEX	14.6	7.8	3,431	1,796	30.5	20.6	7,167	4,727
N Y	22.6	24.3	5,243	5,541	49.6	49.3	11,561	11,241
N C	135.0	148.6	30,645	32,672	283.0	305.6	64,833	66,113
N DAK	1.4	1.5	318	346	3.2	3.4	730	766
OHIO	235.0	309.3	55,460	70,609	512.0	609.3	121,663	141,409
OKLA	48.0	52.5	12,144	12,401	98.0	111.0	25,394	27,260
OREG	12.0	11.8	2,784	2,755	26.3	24.2	6,102	5,657
PA	180.0	221.7	40,500	49,662	385.0	452.7	87,855	100,482
S C	22.1	29.2	5,238	6,945	47.6	60.2	11,562	14,571
S DAK	152.0	188.9	35,720	43,836	324.0	377.9	78,032	87,306
TENN	236.0	271.9	54,988	62,133	484.0	560.9	118,972	133,227
TEX	79.5	86.4	19,796	21,240	168.0	187.4	41,744	46,692
UTAH	4.9	12.4	1,049	2,907	10.4	28.1	2,215	7,130
VA	219.0	241.8	50,589	53,996	452.0	483.8	103,946	106,752
WASH	41.0	48.3	9,471	11,072	90.0	100.8	20,888	22,727
W VA	2.4	2.5	701	846	5.4	5.3	1,562	1,616
WISC	190.0	260.5	46,360	61,445	424.0	526.5	105,328	125,285
WYO	.7	.9	160	193	1.4	1.9	320	432
U S	5,122.0	6,096.4	1,208,511	1,420,564	10,819.9	12,213.5	2,593,123	2,866,248

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COMMERCIAL SHEEP AND LAMB SLAUGHTER 1/

STATE	FEBRUARY				JANUARY-FEBRUARY			
	NUMBER SLAUGHTERED		TOTAL LIVE WEIGHT		NUMBER SLAUGHTERED		TOTAL LIVE WEIGHT	
	1976	1977	1976	1977	1976	1977	1976	1977
	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	.1	.1	11	9	.2	.2	22	22
ARK	.1		10		.1	.1	10	
CALIF	100.0	103.8	11,100	11,970	199.5	210.8	22,542	24,275
COLO	122.0	81.8	13,908	9,721	275.0	191.8	31,350	22,921
DEL-MD	2.8	3.1	300	328	6.1	6.7	614	702
FLA								
GA								
HAW								
IDAHO	.3	.3	32	34	.8	.7	86	79
ILL	31.5	32.0	3,686	3,557	66.5	66.5	7,536	7,317
IND	.3	.3	27	21	.7	.7	61	55
IOWA	18.2	24.7	2,002	2,775	36.8	45.0	4,029	5,028
KANS	.3	.2	31	23	.7	.4	73	47
KY	.9	1.0	100	105	10.4	1.9	1,174	199
LA	.1	.2	8	17	.2	.4	15	32
MICH	25.5	22.8	2,728	2,485	51.0	47.2	5,508	5,218
MINN	10.9	20.7	1,221	2,432	23.9	38.3	2,677	4,421
MISS								
MO	1.1	1.1	114	121	2.6	2.3	262	251
MONT	.1	.1	10	10	.2	.2	20	20
NEBR	23.5	27.5	2,538	3,119	49.0	60.0	5,292	6,759
NEV		.1		11	.1	.2	10	21
N ENG 2/	1.2	.5	106	47	1.7	1.0	155	95
N J	25.5	14.2	2,780	1,664	55.0	30.4	5,878	3,446
N MEX	7.4	6.7	755	704	14.8	13.4	1,547	1,488
N Y	3.8	3.0	407	316	7.4	7.4	774	778
N C		.1		5	.1	.1	10	5
N DAK	.1	.1	10	12	.3	.3	31	36
OHIO	2.5	2.7	248	277	5.4	5.3	529	553
OKLA	.1	.1	11	14	.1	.2	11	24
OREG	2.3	2.0	246	228	5.3	4.3	561	474
PA	11.0	8.2	1,166	835	22.1	18.8	2,309	1,937
S C								
S DAK	26.0	24.6	2,808	2,721	55.5	51.6	5,994	5,691
TENN								
TEX	93.5	70.1	10,098	7,665	200.5	139.6	21,333	15,171
UTAH	2.0	1.6	208	175	4.1	1.6	441	433
VA	.1	.1	11	13	.2	.1	21	23
WASH	14.7	19.5	1,602	2,298	31.9	19.5	3,494	4,270
W VA	.1		10		.2		22	
WISC	.2	.2	20	15	.4	.4	39	34
WYO	.2	.2	22	18	.4	2.2	44	42
U S	528.4	473.8	58,334	53,757	1,129.2	987.3	124,474	111,889

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LIVESTOCK SLAUGHTER, AVERAGE LIVE WEIGHT PER HEAD,  
FEBRUARY 1976 AND 1977 1/

STATE	CATTLE		CALVES		HOGS		SHEEP AND LAMBS	
	1976	1977	1976	1977	1976	1977	1976	1977
	POUNDS		POUNDS		POUNDS		POUNDS	
ALA	812	844	435	530	245	242		
ARIZ	992	1,028	478	160	225	224	112	100
ARK	874	849	428	436	239	245	100	
CALIF	1,044	1,039	400	145	236	224	111	115
COLO	1,073	1,076	325	479	238	228	114	119
DEL-MD	1,043	1,063	230	268	227	223	107	105
FLA	910	913	373	377	200	203		
GA	760	821	374	136	225	224		
HAW	984	922			180	180		
IDAHO	1,114	1,075	357	366	222	231	106	110
ILL	993	1,024	190	185	244	247	117	111
IND	976	992	174	300	242	242	90	81
IOWA	1,055	1,061	165	134	236	236	110	112
KANS	1,051	1,045		414	243	232	104	108
KY	890	895	342	311	243	248	111	107
LA	788	859	460	491	236	239	83	94
MICH	1,110	1,131	166	154	237	240	107	109
MINN	1,085	1,075	193	160	234	228	112	117
MISS	822	839	462	558	224	227		
MO	1,018	1,037	267	187	252	236	104	110
MONT	958	766	425	330	229	219	103	100
NEBR	1,049	1,078			224	220	108	114
NEV	1,028	1,090		427	230	217		106
N ENG 2/	1,099	1,066	104	102	254	237	88	95
N J	1,215	1,247	325	272	220	232	109	117
N MEX	980	1,005			235	231	102	105
N Y	1,055	1,116	121	128	232	228	107	104
N C	891	891	230	250	227	220		104
N DAK	1,056	1,043	475	581	227	236	100	121
OHIO	1,021	1,034	209	205	236	228	99	101
OKLA	954	950	462	428	253	236	114	108
OREG	1,036	1,030	448	160	232	234	107	114
PA	1,096	1,103	112	145	225	224	106	102
S C	721	815	469	501	237	238		
S DAK	1,037	1,064			235	232	108	111
TENN	927	916	339	212	233	229		
TEX	915	989	556	516	249	246	108	109
UTAH	1,089	1,065	389	357	214	234	104	112
VA	963	987	360	372	231	223	108	100
WASH	1,056	1,103	340	183	231	229	109	118
W VA	920	952	222	325	292	335	100	
WISC	1,120	1,099	136	201	244	236	100	94
WYO	999	1,019			229	222	111	106
U S	1,013	1,034	267	246	236	233	110	114

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CLASSIFICATION OF LIVESTOCK SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION, UNITED STATES

CLASSIFICATION: 1/	1,000 HEAD					PERCENT OF TOTAL				
	FEB 1976	JAN 1977	FEB 1977	JAN - FEB 1976	FEB 1977	FEB 1976	JAN 1977	FEB 1977	JAN - FEB 1976	FEB 1977
<b>CATTLE</b>										
STEERS	1,306	1,422	1,374	2,656	2,796	43.0	43.4	45.1	41.3	44.3
HEIFERS	899	941	859	1,868	1,800	29.7	28.8	28.3	29.0	28.5
COWS	760	848	745	1,769	1,593	25.1	25.9	24.5	27.5	25.2
BULLS & STAGS	67	61	63	142	124	2.2	1.9	2.1	2.2	2.0
TOTAL	3,032	3,272	3,041	6,435	6,313	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
<b>HOGS</b>										
BARROW & GILTS	4,650	5,484	5,371	9,752	10,855	95.4	94.0	92.2	94.9	93.2
SOWS	185	307	373	440	680	3.8	5.3	6.4	4.3	5.8
STAGS & BOARS	38	41	81	81	122	.8	.7	1.4	.8	1.0
TOTAL	4,873	5,832	5,825	10,273	11,657	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
<b>SHEEP</b>										
MATURE SHEEP	24	20	27	44	47	4.7	4.0	5.7	4.0	4.8
LAMBS & YRLNGS	489	479	435	1,051	914	95.3	96.0	94.3	96.0	95.2
TOTAL	513	499	462	1,095	961	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
<b>AVERAGE DRESSED WEIGHT: 2/</b>	-----POUNDS-----									
<b>CATTLE</b>	598	617	608	597	613					
STEERS 3/	679	709	685	690	685					
HEIFERS 3/	565	587	582	573	582					
COWS 3/	493	490	487	487	487					
BULLS & STAGS 3/	665	711	685	700	685					
<b>CALVES &amp; VEALERS</b>	123	143	125	130	135					
<b>HOGS</b>	186	185	167	190	176					
BARROWS & GLTS 4/	NA	NA	161	NA	161					
SOWS 4/	NA	NA	272	NA	272					
STAGS & BOARS 4/	NA	NA	240	NA	240					
<b>SHEEP</b>	56	57	57	56	57					
MATURE SHEEP 5/	NA	NA	57	NA	57					
LAMBS & YRLNGS 5/	NA	NA	58	NA	58					

1/ SPECIES TOTALS AND CLASSIFICATION REPORTED BY MEAT INSPECTORS, FOD, APHIS. 2/ BASED ON PACKER REPORTS 3/ INCLUDED IN CATTLE AVERAGE DRESSED WEIGHT. 4/ INCLUDED IN HOGS AVERAGE DRESSED WEIGHT. 5/ INCLUDED IN SHEEP AVERAGE DRESSED WEIGHT.

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