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COMMERCIAL RED MEAT PRODUCTION for the United States in December 1978 totaled 3.09 billion pounds, down 5 percent from December 1977, according to the Crop Reporting Board. January-December red meat production at 38.1 billion pounds was 3 percent below last year...change by individual components: beef, down 4 percent; veal, down 24; pork, up 1; lamb and mutton, down 12 percent. Commercial red meat production includes slaughter in federally inspected and other plants, but excludes animals slaughtered on farms.

Kill days for December included 21 weekdays (one a holiday) and 5 Saturdays, compared with 22 weekdays (one a holiday) and 5 Saturdays for 1977.

COMPARING DECEMBER 1978 WITH DECEMBER 1977:

Beef Production at 1.90 billion pounds was down 7 percent. Head kill at 3.05 million was down 12 percent, while average live weight increased 41 pounds to 1065.

Veal Production at 40 million pounds declined 37 percent from a year ago. Calf slaughter of 300 thousand head was down 33 percent and average live weight dropped 10 pounds to 229.

Pork Production totaled 1.13 billion pounds, up 2 percent from a year ago. The 6.43 million head killed was down 1 percent, while average live weight increased 8 pounds to 247. Preliminary lard production was 91 million pounds, up 10 percent.

Lamb and Mutton Production declined 4 percent to 24 million pounds. Head kill at 411 thousand was down 10 percent, while average live weight rose 6 pounds to 115.

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1979 slaughter report release dates.

COMMERCIAL RED MEAT AND LARD PRODUCTION: UNITED STATES 1/

K I N D	DEC 1978 AS % OF					JAN - DEC 2/		
	DEC	NOV	DEC	DEC	NOV	1978 AS %		
	1977	1978	1978	1977	1978	1977	1978	OF 1977
	MILLION POUNDS			PERCENT		MILLION POUNDS		PERCENT
BEEF	2,045	2,038	1,901	93	93	24,986	24,001	96
VEAL	63	45	40	63	89	794	600	76
PORK	1,108	1,236	1,128	102	91	13,051	13,203	101
LAMB & MUTTON	25	25	24	96	96	341	300	88
TOTAL RED MEAT	3,241	3,343	3,092	95	92	39,172	38,104	97
LARD 3/	83	95	91	110	96	1,021	999	98

1/ BASED ON PACKERS DRESS WEIGHTS AND EXCLUDES FARM SLAUGHTER, 2/ACCUMULATED TOTALS BASED ON UNROUNDED DATA, 3/PRELIMINARY LARD PRODUCTION INCLUDES RENDERED PORK FAT.

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

SPECIES	UNIT	DEC 78 AS % OF					JAN - DEC 2/		
		DEC	NOV	DEC	DEC	NOV	1978 AS %		
		1977	1978	1978	1977	1978	1977	1978	OF 1977
		PERCENT					PERCENT		
CATTLE									
NUMBER									
FED. INSP.	:THOU:	3,200.2	3,029.2	2,833.5	89	94	38,717.0	36,947.4	95
OTHER	:THOU:	269.9	238.5	212.3	79	89	3,139.4	2,585.5	82
COMMERCIAL 3/	:THOU:	3,470.1	3,267.7	3,045.7	88	93	41,856.4	39,532.8	94
LIVE WEIGHT/HO:									
FED. INSP.	:LBS:	1,033	1,070	1,073	104	100	1,033	1,043	101
OTHER	:LBS:	919	944	952	104	101	916	939	103
COMMERCIAL	:LBS:	1,024	1,061	1,065	104	100	1,024	1,036	101
CALVES									
NUMBER									
FED. INSP.	:THOU:	387.3	273.8	267.0	69	98	4,696.3	3,620.1	77
OTHER	:THOU:	62.4	41.9	33.2	53	79	820.9	550.4	67
COMMERCIAL 3/	:THOU:	449.7	315.6	300.2	67	95	5,517.1	4,170.4	76
LIVE WEIGHT/HO:									
FED. INSP.	:LBS:	196	201	197	101	98	207	206	100
OTHER	:LBS:	503	487	486	97	100	488	482	99
COMMERCIAL	:LBS:	239	239	229	96	96	249	243	98
HOGS									
NUMBER									
FED. INSP.	:THOU:	6,186.2	6,737.3	6,104.6	99	91	74,018.5	74,142.0	100
OTHER	:THOU:	341.5	300.3	325.5	95	108	3,284.5	3,145.1	96
COMMERCIAL 3/	:THOU:	6,527.7	7,037.6	6,430.1	99	91	77,303.0	77,287.1	100
LIVE WEIGHT/HO:									
FED. INSP.	:LBS:	239	248	247	103	100	237	240	101
OTHER	:LBS:	231	240	244	106	102	231	234	101
COMMERCIAL	:LBS:	239	247	247	103	100	237	240	101
SHEEP AND LAMBS									
NUMBER									
FED. INSP.	:THOU:	440.8	412.9	396.1	90	96	6,132.8	5,169.0	84
OTHER	:THOU:	14.6	17.1	15.1	103	88	223.0	199.2	89
COMMERCIAL 3/	:THOU:	455.4	429.9	411.1	90	96	6,355.8	5,368.2	84
LIVE WEIGHT/HO:									
FED. INSP.	:LBS:	109	115	116	106	101	108	112	104
OTHER	:LBS:	98	101	101	103	100	100	99	99
COMMERCIAL	:LBS:	109	115	115	106	100	108	112	104

1/ EXCLUDES SLAUGHTER ON FARMS, 2/ ACCUMULATED TOTALS AND PERCENTAGES BASED ON UNROUNDED DATA, 3/ TOTALS MAY NOT EQUAL SUM OF THE PARTS DUE TO ROUNDING

FEDERALLY INSPECTED RED MEAT PRODUCTION: UNITED STATES 1/

K I N D	: DEC 1978 AS % OF :						JAN - DEC 2/		: 1978 AS % : OF 1977
	: DEC :		: NOV :		: DEC :		:		
	: 1977	: 1978	: 1978	: 1977	: 1978	: 1977	: 1978	:	
	: MILLION POUNDS			PERCENT		MILLION POUNDS		PERCENT	
BEEF	1,908	1,910	1,786	94	94	23,364	22,623	97	
VEAL	45	33	31	69	94	569	447	79	
PORK	1,053	1,185	1,073	102	91	12,518	12,689	101	
LAMB & MUTTON	24	24	23	96	96	330	290	88	
TOTAL RED MEAT	3,030	3,152	2,913	96	92	36,781	36,049	98	

1/ BASED ON PACKERS DRESS WEIGHTS AND EXCLUDES FARM SLAUGHTER.
2/ ACCUMULATED TOTALS BASED ON UNROUNDED DATA.

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

STATE	: DEC 78 AS % OF :						JAN - DEC 3/		: 1978 AS % : OF 1977
	: DEC :		: NOV :		: DEC :		:		
	: 1977	: 1978	: 1978	: 1977	: 1978	: 1977	: 1978	:	
	: THOUSAND POUNDS		PERCENT		THOUSAND POUNDS		PERCENT		
ALA	18,390	16,963	14,774	80	87	233,592	186,772	80	
ARIZ	15,885	17,959	15,593	98	87	276,482	194,550	70	
ARK	9,596	8,665	6,987	73	81	124,264	106,594	86	
CALIF	149,160	154,577	139,740	94	90	1,956,734	1,765,481	90	
COLO	155,332	155,892	149,674	96	96	1,861,612	1,904,383	102	
DEL-MD	10,476	9,121	9,184	88	101	109,051	108,840	100	
FLA	28,435	23,438	22,976	81	98	353,168	323,883	92	
GA	41,370	35,695	30,290	73	85	489,028	462,747	95	
HAW	3,665	3,459	3,717	101	107	38,455	40,962	107	
IDAHO	41,440	41,024	40,656	98	99	443,844	458,573	103	
ILL	169,262	188,763	174,302	103	92	1,919,314	2,050,716	107	
IND	78,576	67,104	60,857	77	91	892,150	783,562	88	
IOWA	497,245	558,406	522,732	105	94	6,261,008	6,029,587	96	
KANS	178,974	176,188	159,640	89	91	2,174,079	2,109,956	97	
KY	43,455	46,416	41,609	96	90	458,795	495,466	108	
LA	16,292	14,165	11,290	69	80	197,206	170,275	86	
MICH	100,505	88,017	88,188	88	100	1,105,158	1,106,618	100	
MINN	160,554	152,004	146,586	91	96	1,719,605	1,709,580	99	
MISS	31,880	34,467	29,511	93	86	402,390	351,108	87	
MO	97,315	98,821	91,006	94	92	1,153,878	1,118,792	97	
MONT	13,418	13,254	10,455	78	79	168,579	145,872	87	
NEBR	303,472	367,689	347,980	115	95	3,548,044	4,048,421	114	
NEV	1,724	757	437	25	58	15,818	10,187	64	
N ENG 2/	11,497	8,815	7,945	69	90	116,876	109,141	93	
N J	22,159	12,256	12,473	56	102	251,782	214,664	85	
N MEX	30,027	28,342	22,746	76	80	362,748	321,369	89	
N Y	29,247	25,694	23,471	80	91	325,379	303,428	93	
N C	31,690	35,579	30,670	97	86	386,470	377,355	98	
N DAK	16,799	3,618	3,303	20	91	154,679	64,809	42	
OHIO	100,750	108,414	102,136	101	94	1,282,902	1,190,980	93	
OKLA	46,451	49,148	43,495	94	88	566,215	562,643	99	
OREG	12,942	9,802	9,035	70	92	182,322	122,433	67	
PA	96,645	88,553	88,002	91	99	1,096,435	1,025,257	94	
S C	12,784	9,952	9,808	77	99	150,702	134,589	89	
S DAK	73,389	84,678	78,200	107	92	860,751	888,548	103	
TENN	51,374	53,106	49,464	96	93	746,754	598,736	80	
TEX	305,056	341,245	296,160	97	87	3,941,228	3,943,259	100	
UTAH	13,246	12,767	10,766	81	84	185,706	150,211	81	
VA	48,108	47,946	43,244	90	90	568,438	538,196	95	
WASH	45,154	49,580	48,064	106	97	571,328	571,609	100	
W VA	3,233	3,449	2,588	80	75	35,772	29,691	83	
WISC	122,765	96,463	91,897	75	95	1,466,120	1,261,390	86	
WYO	1,300	1,055	821	63	78	16,956	12,992	77	
U.S.	3,241,058	3,343,326	3,092,493	95	92	39,171,837	38,104,227	97	

1/ INCLUDES TOTAL BEEF, VEAL, PORK, AND LAMB AND MUTTON.
2/ NEW ENGLAND INCLUDES CONNECTICUT, MAINE, MASSACHUSETTS, NEW HAMPSHIRE, RHODE ISLAND, AND VERMONT. 3/ ACCUMULATED TOTALS BASED ON UNROUNDED DATA

COMMERCIAL CATTLE SLAUGHTER 1/

STATE	DECEMBER				JANUARY-DECEMBER 3/			
	NUMBER SLAUGHTERED		TOTAL LIVE WEIGHT		NUMBER SLAUGHTERED		TOTAL LIVE WEIGHT	
	1977	1978	1977	1978	1977	1978	1977	1978
	1,000 HEAD		1,000 POUNDS		1,000 HEAD		1,000 POUNDS	
ALA	22.4	11.8	18,956	10,854	263.6	175.8	223,413	153,684
ARIZ	23.8	21.5	23,410	21,588	412.1	279.3	416,226	280,447
ARK	15.8	9.6	13,146	8,604	214.4	168.6	180,550	148,849
CALIF	193.8	174.8	203,803	188,686	2,621.0	2,291.6	2,730,551	2,401,245
COLO	216.9	210.1	228,872	224,832	2,591.8	2,701.9	2,754,076	2,858,978
DEL-MD	8.4	6.1	8,569	6,473	89.3	79.8	93,992	85,042
FLA	43.5	34.5	40,994	33,931	535.4	490.6	497,016	470,319
GA	45.4	23.8	38,041	21,221	573.7	439.5	466,405	381,805
HAW	5.4	5.4	5,138	5,241	61.2	64.2	56,805	61,061
IDAHO	64.6	60.0	69,633	65,996	688.4	685.5	731,126	748,462
ILL	136.2	121.8	137,436	128,764	1,541.2	1,498.1	1,563,153	1,532,030
IND	43.9	36.5	43,594	36,743	494.2	455.3	490,805	454,928
IOWA	351.8	323.8	371,537	351,208	4,556.0	3,956.2	4,851,875	4,188,018
KANS	253.9	216.3	267,586	233,803	3,071.1	2,928.9	3,238,938	3,106,407
KY	36.9	25.7	33,169	24,319	379.6	348.1	340,640	322,246
LA	13.1	10.8	11,504	9,811	165.3	150.2	144,657	133,924
MICH	62.8	43.1	70,288	50,302	734.4	626.6	816,636	716,115
MINN	141.7	114.0	149,700	124,813	1,410.2	1,324.1	1,505,061	1,429,918
MISS	31.3	15.3	25,807	13,835	417.6	304.4	339,862	260,764
MO	85.4	82.3	87,488	85,919	977.0	1,004.6	999,270	1,040,888
MONT	14.9	14.6	13,441	13,704	170.9	158.0	164,820	158,822
NEBR	407.0	460.5	431,361	501,387	4,612.8	5,365.1	4,871,449	5,728,604
NEV	2.8	.7	2,778	677	24.6	16.1	25,208	16,271
N ENG 2/	17.3	11.1	17,078	10,918	169.3	161.4	169,408	160,025
N J	21.5	9.7	26,085	11,777	241.2	208.1	294,743	250,784
N MEX	49.5	37.4	48,645	35,901	573.6	539.4	574,986	516,530
N Y	32.4	23.8	35,457	26,294	340.1	322.1	377,335	363,256
N C	17.5	9.6	15,084	8,634	197.6	150.6	171,084	135,034
N DAK	32.7	5.8	33,534	6,204	276.0	115.9	284,855	122,888
OHIO	85.7	70.1	88,424	74,128	1,092.0	965.0	1,126,326	1,009,154
OKLA	61.8	54.3	59,671	53,520	761.9	739.2	723,184	709,510
OREG	18.2	11.6	19,229	12,750	257.4	161.3	267,493	173,012
PA	88.1	65.4	97,278	75,282	1,056.2	884.3	1,146,609	990,940
S C	9.6	7.4	7,911	6,787	123.4	122.1	99,610	107,732
S DAK	71.9	65.2	75,075	71,297	775.6	733.9	815,091	777,779
TENN	36.9	24.6	32,268	22,874	543.5	375.5	482,165	338,104
TEX	470.4	442.7	451,715	455,329	6,127.6	6,158.8	5,921,580	6,033,446
UTAH	21.0	14.9	21,584	15,921	268.1	217.8	276,233	230,334
VA	17.0	8.3	16,155	8,144	168.7	139.1	163,713	136,471
WASH	55.9	58.5	62,323	67,340	705.8	710.7	772,600	784,527
W VA	5.6	3.7	4,912	3,396	57.5	44.4	53,238	40,834
WISC	133.4	97.2	143,163	112,886	1,488.7	1,250.8	1,599,342	1,390,789
WYO	2.0	1.4	2,038	1,267	26.3	19.6	27,134	20,122
U S	3,470.1	3,045.7	3,553,879	3,243,360	41,856.4	39,532.8	42,849,261	40,970,097

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.
 3/ ACCUMULATED TOTALS BASED ON UNROUNDED DATA.

COMMERCIAL CALF SLAUGHTER 1/

STATE	DECEMBER				JANUARY-DECEMBER 3/			
	NUMBER SLAUGHTERED		TOTAL LIVE WEIGHT		NUMBER SLAUGHTERED		TOTAL LIVE WEIGHT	
	1977	1978	1977	1978	1977	1978	1977	1978
	1,000 HEAD		1,000 POUNDS		1,000 HEAD		1,000 POUNDS	
ALA	1.8	.5	789	220	30.4	20.7	14,535	9,795
ARIZ	1.3	.3	331	39	12.8	6.4	2,283	951
ARK	.5		219		5.6	1.3	2,619	527
CALIF	26.4	17.0	4,144	3,622	361.9	257.2	56,174	50,236
COLO					7.5	.2	3,686	62
DEL-MD	1.2	1.1	352	336	16.0	16.9	4,300	5,005
FLA	16.5	8.6	5,753	3,469	233.0	161.8	83,784	63,394
GA	8.8	9.2	1,230	1,357	77.6	101.7	10,522	16,462
HAW								
IDAHO	.1		22		1.4	.6	492	230
ILL	17.3	14.1	3,259	2,629	188.1	178.8	35,591	34,603
IND	4.4	3.4	1,389	1,119	41.0	52.5	11,587	16,598
IOWA	35.5	22.1	4,845	3,515	397.0	241.6	56,300	38,480
KANS	.1	.1	15	22	1.1	1.2	405	366
KY	.5	.1	132	35	2.6	9.0	704	2,214
LA	27.3	12.9	10,559	4,918	307.6	231.8	138,008	95,646
MICH	10.1	7.0	1,613	1,480	132.8	100.6	22,109	18,530
MINN	1.1	.7	180	123	11.6	8.7	1,903	1,538
MISS	5.7	2.0	3,101	1,071	81.6	34.4	43,929	19,257
MO	2.0	1.0	293	271	25.6	13.9	5,132	3,692
MONT	.1		32		1.1	.5	350	165
NEBR					.2	.1	90	37
NEV	.1		31		1.1	.2	444	92
N ENG 2/	20.9	15.5	2,353	1,886	245.2	203.4	27,168	24,596
N J	18.7	11.6	4,762	3,660	238.4	164.2	61,790	49,323
N MEX						.5		200
N Y	86.4	65.3	11,503	9,057	1,091.9	895.2	143,477	120,989
N C	.6	.4	152	119	7.7	5.5	1,820	1,490
N DAK	.1		39		1.5	.4	682	169
OHIO	2.2	1.0	455	187	34.3	20.1	7,085	4,122
OKLA	1.5	1.2	773	596	18.4	11.2	8,787	5,279
OREG	2.0	.7	731	279	24.8	10.0	7,454	3,878
PA	31.0	25.7	4,090	3,817	380.0	352.3	55,026	50,674
S C	9.5	2.8	4,175	1,181	139.3	64.2	62,439	30,171
S DAK					.2	.2	76	51
TENN	3.9	4.2	901	661	38.4	46.6	9,112	8,120
TEX	50.4	24.1	26,159	12,510	655.1	428.2	336,697	222,964
UTAH	.1		36		1.9	.7	581	236
VA	12.7	10.3	4,461	3,880	181.4	80.3	62,866	27,798
WASH	4.3	2.9	492	311	41.6	34.5	5,865	4,963
W VA	.1	.1	25	23	1.5	1.1	359	319
WISC	44.8	34.2	7,903	6,142	478.0	411.8	84,996	78,979
WYO								
U S	449.7	300.2	107,315	68,609	5,517.1	4,170.4	1,371,262	1,012,204

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

3/ ACCUMULATED TOTALS BASED ON UNROUNDED DATA.

COMMERCIAL HOG SLAUGHTER 1/

STATE	DECEMBER				JANUARY-DECEMBER 3/			
	NUMBER SLAUGHTERED		TOTAL LIVE WEIGHT		NUMBER SLAUGHTERED		TOTAL LIVE WEIGHT	
	1977	1978	1977	1978	1977	1978	1977	1978
	1,000 HEAD		1,000 POUNDS		1,000 HEAD		1,000 POUNDS	
ALA	46.8	46.8	11,974	13,355	597.5	565.5	151,515	153,951
ARIZ	15.3	16.1	3,437	3,997	179.8	182.6	40,191	41,782
ARK	14.8	13.7	3,482	3,221	177.3	162.1	42,255	37,861
CALIF	147.9	131.6	34,088	30,592	1,535.3	1,628.1	354,365	373,723
COLO	49.6	48.0	11,676	11,336	552.6	480.1	128,602	110,844
DEL-MD	31.8	31.1	7,310	7,183	318.3	338.0	72,363	77,481
FLA	24.0	14.4	5,257	3,284	264.6	202.3	55,642	44,247
GA	148.6	115.5	32,722	26,811	1,672.9	1,692.7	369,891	380,284
HAW	5.6	4.8	1,036	852	48.0	47.7	9,055	8,663
IDAHO	7.3	6.2	1,711	1,451	82.1	79.3	19,018	18,326
ILL	453.9	499.0	114,700	131,348	5,134.0	5,922.1	1,291,802	1,514,546
IND	305.5	221.7	73,994	55,324	3,514.8	2,963.0	848,359	716,333
IOWA	1,531.5	1,682.2	380,539	425,280	18,653.8	19,548.7	4,551,779	4,793,622
KANS	88.8	85.3	20,840	20,642	1,098.6	1,150.6	257,662	271,736
KY	160.0	158.5	38,024	41,700	1,665.4	1,873.9	403,727	462,944
LA	23.8	18.5	5,351	4,137	249.2	209.6	58,598	47,918
MICH	376.2	360.1	89,011	87,185	3,786.6	4,262.4	909,489	1,012,861
MINN	436.8	424.1	105,390	103,469	4,974.1	5,111.3	1,181,532	1,223,113
MISS	112.5	134.9	25,925	31,603	1,360.0	1,319.3	312,706	306,214
MO	261.6	207.7	63,967	55,477	3,196.8	2,795.9	770,607	697,919
MONT	35.2	16.7	8,235	3,876	478.3	343.0	108,255	78,441
NEBR	307.6	282.9	68,402	66,155	3,868.6	3,749.5	850,821	837,972
NEV	.4	.3	89	63	3.8	3.6	848	871
N ENG 2/	6.0	5.2	1,448	1,217	57.3	44.7	14,378	11,097
N J	26.2	22.5	5,839	4,806	219.4	219.7	50,891	49,265
N MEX	2.7	2.7	637	676	84.4	29.2	19,539	6,716
N Y	30.2	26.9	6,945	6,404	310.6	309.2	71,026	70,914
N C	154.0	160.0	33,989	36,553	1,879.1	1,932.3	417,073	431,778
N DAK	2.3	2.5	551	583	20.1	19.8	4,691	4,692
OHIO	312.0	358.3	72,389	84,427	3,861.3	3,670.7	887,803	857,959
OKLA	63.5	62.4	15,371	15,658	772.3	799.3	184,290	195,429
OREG	12.9	11.6	2,718	2,442	161.1	156.2	35,508	33,196
PA	268.9	279.8	60,163	64,462	2,857.4	2,923.2	644,167	659,314
S C	37.8	34.0	8,945	8,049	377.4	373.7	89,801	89,265
S DAK	196.5	218.5	46,201	54,007	2,397.6	2,619.3	560,345	628,880
TENN	204.9	202.7	48,535	53,389	2,961.4	2,397.1	685,438	588,919
TEX	97.2	87.5	24,264	23,903	1,090.8	1,061.7	269,971	273,775
UTAH	6.9	8.8	1,667	2,072	159.0	99.3	37,098	23,042
VA	232.9	221.7	53,006	52,164	2,818.8	2,778.1	639,968	637,888
WASH	45.3	39.5	10,485	9,289	614.9	538.5	140,541	123,767
W VA	4.2	3.1	1,454	1,131	31.3	27.4	10,885	10,126
WISC	236.7	161.2	57,873	39,240	3,205.1	2,645.6	774,705	636,008
WYO	1.1	.9	257	200	11.6	10.6	2,748	2,548
U S	6,527.7	6,430.1	1,559,898	1,589,014	77,303.0	77,287.1	18,329,947	18,546,230

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 3/ ACCUMULATED TOTALS BASED ON UNROUNDED DATA.

COMMERCIAL SHEEP AND LAMB SLAUGHTER 1/

STATE	DECEMBER				JANUARY-DECEMBER 3/			
	NUMBER SLAUGHTERED		TOTAL LIVE WEIGHT		NUMBER SLAUGHTERED		TOTAL LIVE WEIGHT	
	1977	1978	1977	1978	1977	1978	1977	1978
	1,000 HEAD		1,000 POUNDS		1,000 HEAD		1,000 POUNDS	
ALA					.2	.2	14	13
ARIZ	.1		6		1.5	1.3	151	130
ARK					.4	.2	42	24
CALIF	72.1	71.6	7,967	8,369	1,269.9	1,029.8	138,839	116,603
COLO	122.4	82.5	13,819	9,819	1,417.8	1,388.7	158,715	162,904
DEL-MD	3.1	2.8	308	289	37.8	33.3	3,857	3,318
FLA					.3	.5	21	38
GA					.1	.2	13	17
HAW								
IDAHO	.5	.4	55	41	5.9	4.5	647	497
ILL	32.9	25.8	3,573	2,972	383.0	321.8	40,666	35,786
IND	.5	.5	43	39	7.7	7.2	634	547
IOWA	23.6	25.3	2,513	2,737	306.8	243.0	32,751	25,936
KANS	.2	.3	23	30	4.1	4.0	433	452
KY	.8	1.0	83	100	12.5	11.7	1,249	1,188
LA	.2	.2	12	16	3.4	3.7	290	334
MICH	26.1	24.3	2,827	2,718	327.9	294.3	34,836	32,145
MINN	26.4	25.2	2,975	2,988	277.8	260.0	31,587	30,077
MISS								
MO	1.3	1.0	124	104	15.6	13.6	1,520	1,322
MONT	.1	.1	11	13	2.1	2.0	204	217
NEBR	.1	.1	13	14	195.3	1.7	21,788	180
NEV	.1	.1	8	11	2.3	2.2	243	239
N ENG 2/	1.1	.9	101	80	11.9	12.8	1,084	1,095
N J	9.0	.6	1,006	57	191.3	85.8	20,857	9,205
N MEX	5.5	5.9	652	694	85.7	82.5	9,893	9,876
N Y	3.7	3.0	391	286	50.6	43.1	5,124	4,068
N C					.6	.8	55	74
N DAK	.1	.1	8	11	.8	.6	94	65
OHIO	2.3	1.5	223	150	40.2	27.1	3,964	2,592
OKLA	.4	.2	36	19	2.8	2.1	289	221
OREG	2.4	1.7	202	203	31.6	26.4	3,344	2,774
PA	11.1	11.0	1,113	1,126	135.4	120.3	13,378	11,998
S C					.1	.2	14	17
S DAK	22.5	31.9	2,451	3,724	285.0	291.8	30,613	32,192
TENN	.1		5		.7	.7	62	68
TEX	70.7	70.6	7,280	7,940	980.3	797.6	98,882	85,341
UTAH	1.9	1.9	209	231	24.1	23.9	2,692	2,691
VA	.1	.2	10	23	2.6	3.1	261	316
WASH	13.5	19.7	1,556	2,405	230.7	217.7	26,301	25,703
W VA	.1		6		1.1	.7	114	73
WISC	.3	.4	29	42	5.4	5.2	533	533
WYO	.2	.1	24	9	2.7	1.7	306	208
U S	455.4	411.1	49,670	47,275	6,355.8	5,368.2	686,439	601,077

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3/ ACCUMULATED TOTALS BASED ON UNROUNDED DATA.

LIVESTOCK SLAUGHTER, AVERAGE LIVE WEIGHT PER HEAD,
DECEMBER 1977 AND 1978 1/

STATE	CATTLE		CALVES		HOGS		SHEEP AND LAMBS	
	1977	1978	1977	1978	1977	1978	1977	1978
	POUNDS		POUNDS		POUNDS		POUNDS	
ALA	846	923	434	436	256	285		
ARIZ	984	1,003	259	146	225	248	100	
ARK	830	899	476		235	234		
CALIF	1,051	1,079	157	213	230	232	111	117
COLO	1,055	1,070			235	236	113	119
DEL-MD	1,024	1,061	293	309	230	231	101	103
FLA	942	983	349	406	219	228		
GA	838	892	140	147	220	232		
HAW	958	969			185	179		
IDAHO	1,078	1,100	369		235	234	110	110
ILL	1,009	1,057	189	187	253	263	109	115
IND	992	1,007	317	325	242	249	86	79
IOWA	1,056	1,085	137	159	248	253	107	108
KANS	1,054	1,081	300	293	235	242	105	109
KY	900	947	254	292	238	263	98	101
LA	878	905	387	381	225	224	67	78
MICH	1,119	1,167	160	212	237	242	108	112
MINN	1,056	1,094	166	178	241	244	113	118
MISS	824	907	547	540	230	234		
MO	1,024	1,044	146	284	245	267	94	101
MONT	905	940	314		234	233	102	116
NEBR	1,060	1,089			222	234	109	103
NEV	975	977	411		251	205	104	117
N ENG 2/	990	981	113	122	241	234	93	92
N J	1,213	1,212	255	315	223	213	112	92
N MEX	983	959			234	249	117	119
N Y	1,093	1,107	133	139	230	238	104	94
N C	864	903	238	313	221	228		
N DAK	1,027	1,064	451		235	236	120	117
OHIO	1,031	1,058	209	190	232	236	96	100
OKLA	966	985	503	481	242	251	92	90
OREG	1,056	1,098	365	409	211	210	83	118
PA	1,105	1,150	132	149	224	230	101	102
S C	821	916	440	417	237	236		
S DAK	1,044	1,093			235	247	109	117
TENN	875	928	229	158	237	263	96	
TEX	960	1,029	519	519	250	273	103	112
UTAH	1,026	1,072	318		243	234	108	121
VA	950	977	350	376	228	235	103	109
WASH	1,115	1,152	113	107	231	235	115	122
W VA	883	929	227	303	346	365	100	
WISC	1,073	1,162	176	180	245	243	100	100
WYO	998	938			244	233	115	122
U S	1,024	1,065	239	229	239	247	109	115

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

SPECIES	DEC	NOV	DEC	JAN - DEC	
	1977	1978	1978	1977	1978
	PERCENT				
CATTLE	92.2	92.7	93.0	92.5	93.5
CALVES	86.1	86.7	88.9	85.1	86.8
HOGS	94.8	95.7	94.9	95.8	95.9
SHEEP	96.8	96.0	96.3	96.5	96.3

CLASSIFICATION OF LIVESTOCK SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION, UNITED STATES

ITEM	DEC	NOV	DEC	JAN - DEC		DEC	NOV	DEC	JAN - DEC	
	1977	1978	1978	1977	1978	1977	1978	1978	1977	1978
	1,000 HEAD					PERCENT OF TOTAL				
CLASSIFICATION: 2/										
CATTLE										
STEERS	1,438	1,406	1,394	17,892	17,307	45.0	46.5	49.2	46.2	46.9
HEIFERS	862	918	826	10,866	10,981	26.9	30.3	29.2	28.1	29.7
COWS	840	641	562	9,128	7,913	26.2	21.2	19.8	23.6	21.4
BULLS & STAGS	60	62	51	832	746	1.9	2.0	1.8	2.1	2.0
TOTAL 1/	3,200	3,029	2,833	38,717	36,947	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
HOGS										
BARROW & GILTS	5,741	6,322	5,701	69,191	69,538	92.8	93.8	93.4	93.4	93.8
SOWS	386	357	346	4,055	3,874	6.2	5.3	5.7	5.5	5.2
STAGS & BOARS	59	59	58	783	730	1.0	.9	.9	1.1	1.0
TOTAL 1/	6,186	6,737	6,105	74,019	74,142	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
SHEEP										
MATURE SHEEP	22	23	21	489	359	5.0	5.6	5.4	8.0	6.9
LAMBS & YRLNGS	419	390	375	5,643	4,810	95.0	94.4	94.6	92.0	93.1
TOTAL 1/	441	413	396	6,133	5,169	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
AVERAGE DRESSED WEIGHT: 3/	-----POUNDS-----									
CATTLE										
STEERS 4/	597	632	632	605	614					
HEIFERS 4/	679	704	700	684	684					
COWS 4/	577	606	598	579	585					
BULLS & STAGS 4/	480	496	506	473	489					
	690	721	725	689	723					
CALVES & VEALERS	116	124	116	122	123					
HOGS										
BARROWS & GLTSS 5/	171	176	176	170	171					
SOWS 5/	163	168	168	163	164					
STAGS & BOARS 5/	286	306	307	282	290					
	239	247	239	237	239					
SHEEP										
MATURE SHEEP 6/	56	58	58	54	56					
LAMBS & YRLNGS 6/	59	54	58	55	56					
	55	58	58	54	57					

1/ TOTALS AND PERCENTAGES BASED ON UNROUNDED DATA. 2/ SPECIES TOTALS AND CLASSIFICATION REPORTED BY MEAT INSPECTORS, FOD, FSQS. 3/ BASED ON PACKER REPORTS. 4/ INCLUDED IN CATTLE AVERAGE DRESSED WEIGHT. 5/ INCLUDED IN HOGS AVERAGE DRESSED WEIGHT 6/ INCLUDED IN SHEEP AVERAGE DRESSED WEIGHT.

U.S. FEDERALLY INSPECTED SLAUGHTER BY REGIONS
DECEMBER 1978

STANDARD FEDERAL REGIONS ^{1/}	C A T T L E					C A L V E S
	TOTAL ^{2/}	STEERS	HEIFERS	COWS	BULLS & STAGS	TOTAL ^{2/}
	T H O U S A N D H E A D					
1 ^{3/}						
2	42.2	12.3	3.0	25.0	1.9	92.2
3	70.9	27.4	6.3	33.7	3.6	36.7
4	122.2	25.7	14.3	75.7	6.5	23.8
5	394.3	151.5	104.9	129.3	8.5	58.0
6	522.3	285.0	146.4	82.2	8.7	12.5
7	1061.0	569.5	378.2	102.8	10.5	23.0
8	301.8	104.1	136.6	54.6	6.5	.1
9	192.1	146.0	14.8	29.2	2.1	17.2
10	126.7	72.7	21.4	29.5	3.1	3.5
U.S. ^{2/}	2833.5	1394.3	826.0	561.9	51.3	267.0

STANDARD FEDERAL REGIONS ^{1/}	H O G S				S H E E P		
	TOTAL ^{2/}	BAR. & GILTS	SOWS	STAGS & BOARS	TOTAL ^{2/}	MATURE SHEEP	LAMBS & YRLG
	T H O U S A N D H E A D						
1 ^{3/}							
2	51.8	51.2	.4	.2	4.1	.7	3.3
3	523.9	510.5	10.0	3.3	12.8	.5	12.3
4	725.1	674.2	46.6	4.4	1.0	.4	.7
5	1929.7	1786.8	101.2	41.7	67.9	7.7	60.1
6	145.2	127.8	16.6	.8	75.3	6.7	68.7
7	2240.0	2080.7	152.7	6.6	26.3	.0	26.3
8	287.9	270.7	16.9	.3	115.7	1.3	114.5
9	146.3	145.6	.5	.3			
10	54.6	53.9	.6	.1	^{4/} 93.0	4.2	88.9
U.S. ^{2/}	6104.6	5701.4	345.5	57.7	396.1	21.4	374.7

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U.S. FEDERALLY INSPECTED SLAUGHTER BY REGIONS
JAN-DEC, 1978 *

STANDARD FEDERAL REGIONS 1/	C A T T L E					C A L V E S
	TOTAL 2/	STEERS	HEIFERS	COWS	BULLS & STAGS	
	T H O U S A N D H E A D					
1 3/						
2	667.1	223.5	45.8	361.2	36.4	1260.6
3	1020.4	393.0	94.4	476.8	56.2	442.6
4	1990.5	345.1	212.6	1328.6	104.2	384.7
5	5103.2	2082.9	1340.0	1566.3	114.0	734.6
6	7309.0	3470.1	2150.9	1544.2	143.7	234.6
7	13001.1	6896.3	4746.0	1234.8	124.0	255.0
8	3821.6	1341.4	1767.3	621.2	91.8	1.3
9	2521.2	1787.5	254.6	444.6	34.6	262.6
10	1513.2	767.5	369.2	335.6	40.9	43.9
U.S. 2/	36947.4	17307.4	10980.9	7913.3	745.7	3620.1

STANDARD FEDERAL REGIONS 1/	H O G S			S H E E P		
	TOTAL 2/	BAR. & GILTS	SOWS	STAGS & BOARS	TOTAL 2/	IMMATURE SHEEP LAMBS & YRLG
	T H O U S A N D H E A D					
1 3/						
2	548.3	541.6	4.1	2.5	135.4	24.9
3	6001.1	5814.5	143.2	43.4	141.9	11.6
4	9030.5	8397.8	587.8	44.9	12.2	3.5
5	23599.0	21848.8	1199.6	550.6	789.3	101.1
6	1856.1	1651.5	189.8	14.8	861.6	143.1
7	27069.4	25416.7	1586.3	66.4	255.3	.6
8	3499.3	3349.4	145.2	4.7	1698.3	16.6
9	1796.5	1787.2	7.0	2.3		
10	741.9	730.4	10.7	.8	4/ 1274.9	57.2
U.S. 2/	74142.0	69538.1	3873.6	730.4	5169.0	358.7

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REVISIED RELEASE DATES
FOR
LIVESTOCK SLAUGHTER REPORTS IN 1979

<u>SLAUGHTER MONTH</u>	<u>FROM</u>	<u>RELEASE DATE</u> <u>TO</u>
JANUARY	FEBRUARY 20	FEBRUARY 23
FEBRUARY	MARCH 20	MARCH 22
APRIL	MAY 21	MAY 24
JULY	AUGUST 20	AUGUST 23
OCTOBER	NOVEMBER 20	NOVEMBER 23