

CATTLE AND CALVES ON FEED
CATTLE SOLD FOR SLAUGHTER--Selected States
April 1, 1962

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CATTLE ON FEED UP 1 PERCENT

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A total of 7,200,000 head of cattle and calves was on feed for slaughter market in the 26 major feeding States April 1, 1962, according to the Crop Reporting Board. This number is 1 percent more than the 7,100,000 head on feed in these States April 1 a year earlier, but down seasonally from the 7,862,000 head on feed three months ago (January 1, 1962). Cattle and calves on feed declined 8 percent from January 1 to April 1 this year compared with a 7 percent decline during this period in 1961.

All of the increase in number on feed this April over a year earlier was in cattle weighing less than 900 pounds, and occurred mostly in steers and steer calves.

In 28 States (26 States plus Georgia and Alabama) having quarterly data, there were 7,291,000 head on feed April 1, 1962 compared with 7,990,000 head on feed the first of the year. Comparable 1961 data for Georgia and Alabama are not available.

NORTH CENTRAL STATES DOWN 1 PERCENT

On April 1, there were 4,974,000 head of cattle and calves on feed in North Central States--down 1 percent from the 5,042,000 head on feed a year earlier. Decreases were shown for most States in this region, however, Indiana, South Dakota, Nebraska and Kansas were higher than a year earlier and Iowa was unchanged.

WESTERN STATES 7 PERCENT HIGHER

There were 1,814,000 head of cattle and calves on feed April 1 in the 11 Western States--7 percent more than April 1 last year. California, the ranking Western State, was up 12 percent, and second and third ranking Colorado and Arizona were up 7 and 8 percent respectively. Declines were shown for Montana, Idaho, Wyoming, Nevada and Washington.

PLACEMENTS UP 1 PERCENT--MARKETINGS UP 5 PERCENT

Cattle and calves placed on feed during January-March this year in the 26 States totaled 2,806,000 head, 1 percent above the 2,766,000 head during the same period in 1961. Shipments of stocker and feeder cattle into 8 Corn Belt States

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for which data are available during January and February this year were down 18 percent from the same two months in 1961.

Fed cattle marketed for slaughter from the 26 States during January, February and March 1962 totaled, 3,468,000 head--5 percent more than for the same period last year.

Beef steers and heifers (grading prime, choice, and good) sold out of first hands for slaughter at 12 livestock markets during January through March were down 1 percent from the same period last year. These data do not include direct sales to packing plants, mixed lots of steers and heifers, and some deliveries bought on prior contracts.

WEIGHT OF CATTLE ON FEED

A breakdown of the April 1 number on feed in the 26 States by weight groups shows a somewhat smaller number in the heavier weight groups compared with a year earlier. The 900-1099 pound group totaled 1,653,000 head, a decrease of 5 percent, and the over 1100 pound group totaled 376,000 head, a decrease of 25 percent. All other weight groups were up from a year earlier. Those weighing under 500 pounds totaled 579,000 head or 21 percent more; the 500-699 pound group totaled 2,590,000 head--up 5 percent; and the 700-899 pound group totaled 2,002,000 head, also 5 percent higher than a year earlier.

KINDS ON FEED

In the 26 States, 71 percent of the cattle and calves on feed April 1 were steers and steer calves. This compares with 70 percent a year earlier and is the same as the January 1, 1962 percentage. Heifers and heifer calves accounted for 28 percent of the total compared with 29 percent a year earlier and is the same percentage breakdown as on January 1 this year. Cows and others made up 1 percent of the total, the same percentage as last year and on January 1, 1962.

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Beginning with this report, steers and heifers sold out of first hands for slaughter at South St. Paul are included (page 18). The totals, however, are not complete for the entire South St. Paul market.

Cattle and calves: Inventories, placements and marketings,
January 1 to April 1

Item	26 States			28 States 2/
	1961		1962	1962
	Number	Number	% of 1961	
	1,000 head	1,000 head	Percent	1,000 head
Cattle and calves on feed, Jan. 1...	7,645	7,862	102	7,990
Cattle and calves placed on feed, January 1-March 31 1/	2,766	2,806	101	2,838
Total fed cattle marketed January-March 31 1/.....	3,311	3,468	105	3,537
Cattle and calves on feed, April 1	7,100	7,200	101	7,291

1/ Includes cattle placed on feed after beginning of quarter and marketed before end of quarter. 2/ 26 States plus Georgia and Alabama.

Cattle and calves on feed by quarters
April 1, 1961, January 1 and April 1, 1962 with comparisons 1/

State	April 1, 1961	January 1, 1962	April 1, 1962	April 1, 1962 as percent of April 1 1961
	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head	Percent
Pennsylvania ...	78	89	72	92
Ohio	191	192	187	98
Indiana	170	193	175	103
Illinois	686	729	645	94
Michigan	134	138	130	97
Wisconsin	122	121	120	98
Minnesota	473	440	430	91
Iowa	1,617	1,571	1,617	100
Missouri	242	255	225	93
North Dakota ..	150	133	112	75
South Dakota ..	285	325	311	109
Nebraska	697	845	730	105
Kansas	275	347	292	106
North Central States	5,042	5,289	4,974	99
Georgia <u>2/</u>		88	67	
Alabama <u>2/</u>		40	24	
Oklahoma	65	86	68	105
Texas	218	323	272	125
Montana	58	69	47	81
Idaho	113	121	107	95
Wyoming	44	47	40	91
Colorado	362	397	387	107
New Mexico	49	64	66	135
Arizona	251	310	270	108
Utah	54	76	57	106
Nevada	16	24	15	94
Washington	107	118	104	97
Oregon	56	73	64	114
California	587	776	657	112
Western States	1,697	2,075	1,814	107
26 State total:	7,100	7,862	7,200	101
28 State total 3/.....		7,990	7,291	

1/ Cattle and calves on feed are animals being fattened for the slaughter market on grain or other concentrates which are expected to produce a carcass that will grade good or better.

2/ Data not available for periods blank.

3/ Includes 26 States plus Georgia and Alabama.

Cattle and calves: Placements and marketings,
by quarters, 1961-62

State	Number placed on feed ^{1/}				Number marketed ^{1/}			
	Jan.-	Oct.-	Jan.-	Jan.-Mar.	Jan.-	Oct.-	Jan.-	Jan.-Mar.
	Mar.	Dec.	Mar.	1962 as %	Mar.	Dec.	Mar.	1962 as %
	1961	1961	1962	of Jan.-	1961	1961	1962	of Jan.-
	1,000	1,000	1,000	Mar. 1961	1,000	1,000	1,000	Mar. 1961
	head	head	head	Percent	head	head	head	Percent
Pa.:	19	71	22	116	30	32	39	130
Ohio	36	153	46	128	54	64	51	94
Ind.:	41	144	54	132	66	72	72	109
Ill.:	242	600	199	82	285	291	283	99
Mich.:	36	105	28	78	28	34	36	129
Wis.:	31	77	31	100	30	35	32	107
Minn.:	126	313	126	100	131	170	136	104
Iowa	622	1,146	605	97	545	768	559	103
Mo.:	55	190	76	138	110	107	106	96
N.Dak.:	39	107	34	87	64	44	55	86
S.Dak.:	93	257	102	110	102	132	116	114
Nebr.:	410	652	356	87	412	424	471	114
Kans.:	119	220	114	96	181	116	169	93
N.C. States:	1,850	3,964	1,771	96	2,008	2,257	2,086	104
Ga. ^{2/}:		55	22			20	43	
Ala. ^{2/}:		27	10			10	26	
Okl.:	38	68	40	105	47	45	58	123
Texas	114	229	149	131	150	125	200	133
Mont.:	15	47	13	87	34	22	35	103
Idaho:	40	85	45	112	70	42	59	84
Wyo.:	10	41	16	160	22	12	23	105
Colo.:	144	279	171	119	196	206	181	92
N.Mex.:	22	40	31	141	26	23	29	112
Ariz.:	97	214	102	105	139	109	142	102
Utah:	14	62	15	107	31	23	34	110
Nev.:	4	16	3	75	18	3	12	67
Wash.:	53	71	57	103	52	66	71	137
Oreg.:	26	49	33	127	39	26	42	108
Calif.:	320	459	338	106	449	439	457	102
Western States:	745	1,363	824	111	1,076	971	1,085	101
26 State Total	2,766	5,695	2,806	101	3,311	3,430	3,468	105
28 State Total		5,777	2,838			3,460	3,537	

^{1/} Includes cattle placed on feed after beginning of quarter and marketed by end of quarter.

^{2/} Data not available for periods blank.

Cattle and calves on feed by classes, by quarters

April 1, 1961 and January 1 and April 1, 1962

State	Steers & steer calves			Heifers & heifer calves:			Cows and others		
	Apr. 1, 1961:	Jan. 1, 1962:	Apr. 1, 1962:	Apr. 1, 1961:	Jan. 1, 1962:	Apr. 1, 1962:	Apr. 1, 1961:	Jan. 1, 1962:	Apr. 1, 1962:
	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head
Pa.:	69	79	62	6	7	7	3	3	3
Ohio	153	148	144	38	44	43	---	---	---
Ind.:	121	143	124	48	48	49	1	2	2
Ill.:	556	569	497	130	160	148	---	---	---
Mich.:	108	115	108	25	22	21	1	1	1
Wis.:	89	87	84	32	32	34	1	2	2
Minn.:	303	273	275	170	163	151	---	4	4
Iowa:	1,195	1,113	1,170	420	456	445	2	2	2
Mo.:	177	199	164	63	53	59	2	3	2
N. Dak.:	90	84	61	58	48	50	2	1	1
S. Dak.:	182	195	212	100	124	96	3	6	3
Nebr.:	449	577	501	244	254	225	4	14	4
Kans.:	167	235	187	105	109	103	3	3	2
N.C. States:	3,590	3,738	3,527	1,433	1,513	1,424	19	38	23
Ga. 1/ ..:		76	59		11	8		1	---
Ala. 1/ ..:		29	18		11	6		---	---
Okla.:	31	48	33	33	38	35	1	---	---
Texas:	128	164	130	88	155	139	2	4	3
Mont.:	31	38	25	26	25	21	1	6	1
Idaho:	70	82	72	40	34	30	3	5	5
Wyo.:	25	24	20	19	19	18	---	4	2
Colo.:	194	223	231	165	167	153	3	7	3
N. Mex.:	22	29	32	26	32	32	1	3	2
Ariz.:	184	232	216	62	69	52	5	9	2
Utah:	33	41	28	21	31	27	---	4	2
Nev.:	10	16	11	6	6	4	---	2	---
Wash.:	79	93	82	25	22	20	3	3	2
Oreg.:	39	48	38	15	22	23	2	3	3
Calif.:	493	691	591	89	78	63	5	7	3
Western States ...:	1,180	1,517	1,346	494	505	443	23	53	25
26 State Total	4,998	5,546	5,098	2,054	2,218	2,048	48	98	54
28 State Total		5,651	5,175		2,240	2,062		99	54

Percentage distribution of total

	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.
N.C. States:	71	71	71	29	28	29	2/	1
Western States ...:	70	73	74	29	24	25	1	3
26 States...:	70	71	71	29	28	28	1	1

1/ Data not available for periods that are blank.

2/ Less than .5 percent.

Cattle and calves on feed by weight groups, by quarters

April 1, 1961, January 1 and April 1, 1962

	Under 500 pounds			500-699 pounds			700-899 pounds		
State	Apr. 1, 1961	Jan. 1, 1962	Apr. 1, 1962	Apr. 1, 1961	Jan. 1, 1962	Apr. 1, 1962	Apr. 1, 1961	Jan. 1, 1962	Apr. 1, 1962
	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head
Pa.	4	10	5	18	20	16	23	28	20
Ohio	9	42	15	64	64	67	68	52	67
Ind.	13	33	29	59	60	69	58	52	48
Ill.	35	131	36	245	198	230	187	200	170
Mich.	9	35	6	45	44	46	45	32	44
Wis.	9	31	14	39	21	40	26	42	28
Minn.	26	123	37	221	114	216	100	96	89
Iowa	86	364	100	616	324	663	372	482	391
Mo.	31	63	30	96	82	96	70	61	63
N.Dak.	10	28	6	74	41	55	41	28	31
S.Dak.	14	84	26	108	75	127	74	92	72
Nebr.	37	118	47	211	138	192	185	288	198
Kans.	15	41	13	77	75	84	89	112	105
N.C. States:	294	1,093	359	1,855	1,236	1,885	1,315	1,537	1,306
Ga. 1/		16	10		36	12		24	34
Ala. 1/		12	6		13	6		9	7
Okla.	6	15	8	28	33	31	18	22	17
Texas	38	105	60	82	121	128	56	54	52
Mont.	2	19	4	26	17	19	16	15	12
Idaho	9	18	10	33	24	30	32	38	30
Wyo.	1	5	4	15	11	12	8	17	11
Colo.	16	42	12	84	55	92	88	163	121
N.Mex.	9	12	11	17	20	24	14	24	19
Ariz.	44	93	42	79	87	90	74	90	85
Utah	4	16	6	17	16	24	17	22	14
Nev.	---	4	1	4	8	5	8	7	8
Wash.	3	11	2	32	26	33	33	35	40
Oreg.	8	11	8	16	16	20	15	22	20
Calif.	41	89	47	171	200	181	196	242	247
Western States	137	320	147	494	480	530	501	675	607
26 State Total	479	1,543	579	2,477	1,890	2,590	1,913	2,316	2,002
28 State Total		1,571	595		1,939	2,608		2,349	2,043

Percentage distribution of total

	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.
N.C. States:	6	21	7	37	23	38	26	29
Western States	8	15	8	29	23	29	29	33
26 States ..	7	20	8	35	24	36	27	29

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Cattle and calves on feed by weight groups, by quarters

April 1, 1961, January 1 and April 1, 1962

State	900 to 1,099 pounds			1,100 pounds and over		
	April 1,	Jan. 1,	April 1,	April 1,	Jan. 1,	April 1,
	1961	1962	1962	1961	1962	1962
	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
	head	head	head	head	head	head
Pa.:	21	24	22	12	7	9
Ohio	44	31	34	6	3	4
Ind.:	30	38	27	10	10	2
Ill.:	164	166	164	55	34	45
Mich.:	31	25	30	4	2	4
Wis.:	37	22	28	11	5	10
Minn.:	96	87	71	30	20	17
Iowa	434	292	357	109	109	106
Mo.:	38	40	31	7	9	5
N.Dak.:	16	27	15	9	9	5
S.Dak.:	66	61	74	23	13	12
Nebr.:	195	223	233	69	78	60
Kans.:	63	92	72	31	27	18
N.C. States :	1,214	1,104	1,136	364	319	288
Ga. 1/ :		12	11		---	---
Ala. 1/ :		5	5		1	---
Okla.:	9	13	12	4	3	---
Texas	36	37	25	6	6	7
Mont.:	8	13	9	6	5	3
Idaho	29	33	32	10	8	5
Wyo.:	13	11	9	7	3	4
Colo.:	133	119	135	41	18	27
N.Mex.:	8	6	11	1	2	1
Ariz.:	46	36	50	8	4	3
Utah	12	20	8	4	2	5
Nev.:	3	5	---	1	---	1
Wash.:	27	38	25	12	8	4
Oreg.:	16	23	15	1	1	1
Calif.:	157	207	164	22	38	18
Western States:	452	511	458	113	89	72
26 State Total	1,732	1,689	1,653	499	424	376
28 State Total		1,706	1,669		425	376

Percentage distribution of total

	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.
	24	21	23	7	6	6
N.C. States :						
Western States:	27	25	25	7	4	4
26 States ...:	24	22	23	7	5	5

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Steers and steer calves on feed by weight groups, by quarters
April 1, 1961, January 1 and April 1, 1962

State	Under 500 pounds			500-699 pounds			700-900 pounds		
	April 1, 1961	January 1, 1962	April 1, 1962	April 1, 1961	January 1, 1962	April 1, 1962	April 1, 1961	January 1, 1962	April 1, 1962
	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head
Pa.	3	6	3	14	17	12	20	26	17
Ohio	6	25	9	40	46	46	58	44	53
Ind.	7	20	16	33	36	47	42	41	35
Ill.	22	80	20	167	137	144	156	170	134
Mich.	6	24	4	33	37	33	36	28	39
Wis.	5	23	9	24	14	25	19	30	19
Minn.	12	66	19	121	68	116	61	63	63
Iowa	48	200	47	406	215	414	263	345	288
Mo.	18	40	20	65	61	59	55	52	51
N.Dak.	6	14	2	36	23	27	28	18	17
S.Dak.	4	37	13	53	43	78	53	60	51
Nebr.	12	56	19	100	80	95	110	184	129
Kans.	5	16	7	20	34	31	57	80	69
N.C. States	151	601	185	1,098	794	1,115	938	1,115	948
Ga. 1/		8	7		33	7		23	34
Ala. 1/		6	3		9	3		8	7
Okl.	2	6	2	7	13	10	10	14	10
Texas	15	36	21	34	49	49	42	42	33
Mont.	1	10	2	12	10	8	8	8	5
Idaho	4	11	6	17	12	15	16	26	21
Wyo.	---	1	1	6	4	5	4	11	6
Colo.	7	17	3	25	22	30	39	90	67
N.Mex.	3	5	2	5	8	9	7	11	12
Ariz.	26	57	24	54	68	68	53	72	74
Utah	2	6	2	9	7	9	9	11	7
Nev.	---	2	1	2	5	3	4	6	6
Wash.	2	8	1	18	18	22	22	26	33
Oreg.	5	6	5	9	9	10	11	12	11
Calif.	30	76	41	127	166	160	165	214	212
Western States	80	199	88	284	329	339	338	487	454
26 State Total	251	848	299	1,437	1,202	1,525	1,348	1,684	1,462
28 State Total		862	309		1,244	1,535		1,715	1,503
Percentage distribution of total									
	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.
N.C. States	4	16	5	31	21	32	26	30	27
Western States	7	13	6	24	22	25	29	32	34
26 States ..	5	15	6	29	22	30	27	30	29

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Steers and steer calves on feed by weight groups, by quarters,
April 1, 1961, January 1 and April 1, 1962

State	900 to 1,099 pounds			1,100 pounds and over		
	April 1,	January 1,	April 1,	April 1,	January 1,	April 1,
	1961	1962	1962	1961	1962	1962
	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
	head	head	head	head	head	head
Pa.	20	23	21	12	7	9
Ohio	43	30	32	6	3	4
Ind.	30	36	25	9	10	1
Ill.	156	148	154	55	34	45
Mich.	29	24	28	4	2	4
Wis.	31	16	22	10	4	9
Minn.	79	57	61	30	19	16
Iowa	370	245	316	108	108	105
Mo.	32	38	29	7	8	5
N.Dak.	13	21	10	7	8	5
S.Dak.	50	43	59	22	12	11
Nebr.	159	180	199	68	77	59
Kans.	56	78	63	29	27	17
N.C. States	1,048	916	998	355	312	281
Ga. 1/		12	11		---	---
Ala. 1/		5	5		1	---
Okl.	8	12	11	4	3	---
Texas	32	31	21	5	6	6
Mont.	6	8	7	4	2	3
Idaho	23	26	26	10	7	4
Wyo.	8	6	5	7	2	3
Colo.	83	77	105	40	17	26
N.Mex.	7	5	9	---	---	---
Ariz.	43	33	48	8	2	2
Utah	9	15	6	4	2	4
Nev.	3	3	---	1	---	1
Wash.	25	34	22	12	7	4
Oreg.	13	20	11	1	1	1
Calif.	150	200	160	21	35	18
Western States	370	427	399	108	75	66
26 State Total	1,478	1,409	1,450	484	403	362
28 State Total		1,426	1,466		404	362
Percentage distribution of total						
	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.
N.C. States	29	25	28	10	8	8
Western States	31	28	30	9	5	5
26 States ..	29	26	28	10	7	7

1/ Data not available for periods blank.

**Heifers and heifer calves on feed by weight groups, by quarters,
April 1, 1961, January 1 and April 1, 1962**

State	Under 500 pounds			500-699 pounds			700-899 pounds		
	Apr. 1, 1961	Jan. 1, 1962	Apr. 1, 1962	Apr. 1, 1961	Jan. 1, 1962	Apr. 1, 1962	Apr. 1, 1961	Jan. 1, 1962	Apr. 1, 1962
	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head
Pa.	1	4	2	3	2	3	2	1	2
Ohio	3	17	6	24	18	21	10	8	14
Ind.	6	13	13	26	23	22	16	11	13
Ill.	13	51	16	78	61	86	31	30	36
Mich.	3	11	2	12	7	13	9	3	5
Wis.	4	8	5	15	7	15	7	12	9
Minn.	14	57	18	100	46	100	39	32	26
Iowa	38	164	53	210	109	249	109	137	103
Mo.	13	23	10	31	21	37	14	8	11
N.Dak.	4	14	4	38	18	28	13	10	14
S.Dak.	12	47	13	55	32	49	20	31	21
Nebr.	25	62	28	110	58	97	75	95	69
Kans.	10	25	6	57	41	53	32	30	36
N.C. States	145	492	174	756	441	770	375	407	357
Ga. 1/		8	3		3	5		---	---
Ala. 1/		6	3		4	3		1	---
Okl.	4	9	6	21	20	21	8	8	7
Texas	23	69	39	47	72	79	14	11	18
Mont.	1	9	2	14	7	11	8	7	7
Idaho	5	7	4	16	12	15	15	12	9
Wyo.	1	4	3	9	7	7	4	6	5
Colo.	9	25	9	59	33	62	49	72	54
N.Mex.	6	7	9	12	12	15	7	13	7
Ariz.	18	36	18	25	19	22	18	13	11
Utah	2	10	4	8	9	15	8	10	7
Nev.	---	2	---	2	3	2	4	1	2
Wash.	1	3	1	14	8	11	10	9	7
Oreg.	3	5	3	7	7	10	4	9	9
Calif.	11	13	6	43	34	21	29	27	33
Western States	57	121	59	209	151	191	156	179	151
26 State Total	230	695	280	1,036	686	1,064	555	606	535
28 State Total		709	286		693	1,072		607	535
Percentage distribution of total									
N.C. States	Pct. 10	Pct. 33	Pct. 12	Pct. 53	Pct. 29	Pct. 54	Pct. 26	Pct. 27	Pct. 25
Western States	11	24	13	42	30	43	32	35	34
26 States ..	11	31	14	51	31	52	27	27	26

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Heifer and heifer calves on feed by weight groups, by quarters,
April 1, 1961, January 1 and April 1, 1962

State	900 to 1,099 pounds			1,100 pounds and over		
	April 1,	Jan. 1,	April 1,	April 1,	Jan. 1,	April 1,
	1961	1962	1962	1961	1962	1962
	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
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Pa.	---	---	---	---	---	---
Ohio	1	1	2	---	---	---
Ind.	---	1	1	---	---	---
Ill.	8	18	10	---	---	---
Mich.	1	1	1	---	---	---
Wis.	6	5	5	---	---	---
Minn.	17	28	7	---	---	---
Iowa	63	46	40	---	---	---
Mo.	5	1	1	---	---	---
N.Dak.	3	6	4	---	---	---
S.Dak.	13	14	13	---	---	---
Nebr.	34	39	31	---	---	---
Kans.	6	13	8	---	---	---
N.C. States	157	173	123	---	---	---
Ga. 1/	---	---	---	---	---	---
Ala. 1/	---	---	---	---	---	---
Okla.	---	1	1	---	---	---
Texas	4	3	3	---	---	---
Mont.	3	2	1	---	---	---
Idaho	4	3	2	---	---	---
Wyo.	5	2	3	---	---	---
Colo.	48	37	28	---	---	---
N.Mex.	1	---	1	---	---	---
Ariz.	1	1	1	---	---	---
Utah	3	2	1	---	---	---
Nev.	---	---	---	---	---	---
Wash.	---	2	1	---	---	---
Oreg.	1	1	1	---	---	---
Calif.	6	4	3	---	---	---
Western States	72	54	42	---	---	---
26 State Total	233	231	169	---	---	---
28 State Total		231	169		---	---
Percentage distribution of total						
N.C. States	<u>Pct.</u> 11	<u>Pct.</u> 11	<u>Pct.</u> 9	<u>Pct.</u> ---	<u>Pct.</u> ---	<u>Pct.</u> ---
Western States	15	11	10	---	---	---
26 States	11	11	8	---	---	---

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Cattle and calves: Length of time on feed beginning of each quarter,
April 1, 1961, January 1 and April 1, 1962

State	Less than 3 months			3 - 6 months			More than 6 months		
	Apr. 1,	Jan. 1,	Apr. 1,	Apr. 1,	Jan. 1,	Apr. 1,	Apr. 1,	Jan. 1,	Apr. 1,
	1961	1962	1962	1961	1962	1962	1961	1962	1962
	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
	head	head	head	head	head	head	head	head	head
Pa.:	18	65	20	50	18	44	10	6	8
Ohio	34	146	43	132	38	123	25	8	21
Ind.:	40	139	52	116	41	112	14	13	11
Ill.:	233	593	194	412	100	406	41	36	45
Mich.:	35	101	26	79	29	91	20	8	13
Wis.:	29	74	30	76	33	66	17	14	24
Minn.:	125	310	125	315	84	275	33	46	30
Iowa	614	1,144	598	922	259	922	81	168	97
Mo.:	53	179	74	167	65	137	22	11	14
N.Dak.:	38	105	34	106	20	74	6	8	4
S.Dak.:	91	244	96	174	55	187	20	26	28
Nebr.:	395	630	328	270	183	369	32	32	33
Kans.:	111	205	105	151	129	177	13	13	10
N.C. States:	1,798	3,870	1,705	2,920	1,036	2,939	324	383	330
Ga. 1/:		53	21		28	36		7	10
Ala. 1/:		27	10		11	12		2	2
Okla.:	37	63	38	27	21	30	1	2	---
Texas	110	220	143	99	89	113	9	14	16
Mont.:	15	46	13	35	22	32	8	1	2
Idaho	39	82	44	65	37	59	9	2	4
Wyo.:	10	38	14	27	7	24	7	2	2
Colo.:	139	267	168	176	116	187	47	14	32
N.Mex.:	22	39	30	23	21	33	4	4	3
Ariz.:	96	212	101	144	89	159	11	9	10
Utah.:	12	57	12	35	17	40	7	2	5
Nev.:	4	16	3	12	8	12	---	---	---
Wash.:	51	65	52	49	46	43	7	7	9
Oreg.:	24	48	31	27	24	32	5	1	1
Calif.:	307	445	322	257	300	296	23	31	39
Western States ...:	719	1,315	790	850	687	917	128	73	107
26 State Total:	2,682	5,533	2,696	3,946	1,851	4,043	472	478	461
28 State Total:		5,613	2,727		1,890	4,091		487	473
Percentage distribution of total									
	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.
N.C. States:	36	73	34	58	20	59	6	7	7
Western States ...:	42	63	44	50	33	50	8	4	6
26 States:	38	70	38	55	24	56	7	6	6

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**Cattle and calves: Marketings of cattle and calves on feed,
April 1, 1961 and 1962**

State	On feed		Expected marketings of cattle and		
	April 1, 1961		calves on feed, April 1, 1962		
	Marketed Apr.- June 1961 1/	Marketed after: June 30, 1961:	April-June 1962 Number	After :1962 as % of 1961:	After June 30, 1962
	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head	Percent	1,000 head
Pa.:	39	39	38	97	34
Ohio	89	102	85	96	102
Ind.:	74	96	65	88	110
Ill.:	326	360	322	99	323
Mich.:	52	82	52	100	78
Wis.:	57	65	54	95	66
Minn.:	148	325	138	93	292
Iowa:	575	1,042	550	96	1,067
Mo.:	106	136	92	87	133
N.Dak.:	65	85	55	85	57
S.Dak.:	111	174	110	99	201
Nebr.:	429	268	415	97	315
Kans.:	159	116	165	104	127
N.C. States:	2,191	2,851	2,103	96	2,871
Ga. 2/:			31		36
Ala. 2/:			12		12
Okla.:	42	23	45	107	23
Texas:	146	72	160	110	112
Mont.:	29	29	24	83	23
Idaho:	68	45	60	88	47
Wyo.:	23	21	19	83	21
Colo.:	199	163	201	101	186
N.Mex.:	27	22	35	130	31
Ariz.:	159	92	170	107	100
Utah:	29	25	30	103	27
Nev.:	12	4	13	108	2
Wash.:	62	45	52	84	52
Oreg.:	35	21	36	103	28
Calif.:	377	210	390	103	267
Western States ...:	1,020	677	1,030	101	784
26 State Total:	3,438	3,662	3,376	98	3,824
28 State Total:			3,419		3,872
Percentage distribution of total					
N.C. States:	Pct. 43	Pct. 57	Pct. 42		Pct. 58
Western States ...:	60	40	57		43
26 States:	48	52	47		53

1/ Excludes "Short Feds", that is cattle which were put on feed after April 1, 1961, and marketed before July 1, 1961.

2/ Data not available for periods blank.

STEERS SOLD OUT OF FIRST HANDS FOR SLAUGHTER AT SELECTED MARKETS,
MARCH 1961 AND 1962 1/

MARKET AND GRADE	NUMBER		AVERAGE WEIGHT		AVERAGE PRICE PER 100 POUNDS LIVE WEIGHT	
	1961	1962	1961	1962	1961	1962
	HEAD	HEAD	POUNDS	POUNDS	DOLLARS	DOLLARS
<u>CHICAGO</u>						
PRIME.....	16,976	5,974	1,264	1,241	27.37	30.12
CHOICE.....	69,030	51,459	1,195	1,173	25.70	27.31
GOOD.....	29,661	25,201	1,111	1,074	23.84	24.98
OTHER 2/	5,337	3,569	1,033	1,030	20.67	21.13
TOTAL.....	121,004	86,203	1,177	1,142	25.33	26.65
<u>CINCINNATI</u>						
PRIME.....	---	---	---	---	---	---
CHOICE.....	1,150	1,364	1,082	1,116	25.66	26.23
GOOD.....	1,488	2,064	1,057	1,045	23.89	24.55
OTHER 2/	896	796	1,006	1,024	20.29	21.17
TOTAL.....	3,534	4,224	1,052	1,064	23.61	24.51
<u>DENVER</u>						
PRIME.....	---	---	---	---	---	---
CHOICE.....	9,104	6,162	1,179	1,171	24.77	25.91
GOOD.....	3,907	3,733	1,141	1,098	23.65	24.59
OTHER 2/	369	202	1,085	1,063	19.32	19.80
TOTAL.....	13,380	10,097	1,166	1,142	24.31	25.33
<u>FORT WORTH</u>						
PRIME.....	---	---	---	---	---	---
CHOICE.....	292	417	1,146	1,072	24.69	25.65
GOOD.....	1,220	1,586	1,062	988	23.98	23.79
OTHER 2/	914	772	890	887	21.97	22.06
TOTAL.....	2,426	2,775	1,007	973	23.41	23.66
<u>INDIANAPOLIS</u>						
PRIME.....	---	11	---	1,100	---	28.00
CHOICE.....	1,920	3,488	1,096	1,097	25.71	26.23
GOOD.....	7,721	8,998	1,062	1,060	23.98	24.72
OTHER 2/	3,228	2,422	984	1,005	20.79	21.54
TOTAL.....	12,869	14,919	1,048	1,059	23.50	24.60
<u>KANSAS CITY</u>						
PRIME.....	32	69	1,231	1,109	25.94	27.24
CHOICE.....	8,731	8,037	1,157	1,128	24.87	25.53
GOOD.....	15,993	13,748	1,094	1,061	23.62	24.23
OTHER 2/	2,809	2,159	1,059	1,030	20.24	20.68
TOTAL.....	27,565	24,013	1,111	1,081	23.71	24.39
<u>OKLAHOMA CITY</u>						
PRIME.....	---	---	---	---	---	---
CHOICE.....	406	1,387	1,126	1,144	24.85	25.29
GOOD.....	1,944	1,786	1,108	1,041	23.67	24.02
OTHER 2/	394	231	1,046	996	21.39	22.11
TOTAL.....	2,744	3,404	1,102	1,080	23.54	24.45

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STEERS SOLD OUT OF FIRST HANDS FOR SLAUGHTER AT SELECTED MARKETS,
MARCH 1961 AND 1962 1/--CONTINUED

MARKET AND GRADE	NUMBER		AVERAGE WEIGHT		AVERAGE PRICE PER 100 POUNDS LIVE WEIGHT	
	1961	1962	1961	1962	1961	1962
	HEAD	HEAD	POUNDS	POUNDS	DOLLARS	DOLLARS
<u>OMAHA</u>						
PRIME.....	647	314	1,232	1,122	26.50	27.41
CHOICE.....	32,247	28,436	1,191	1,150	24.73	25.89
GOOD.....	33,968	37,434	1,117	1,083	23.53	24.24
OTHER 2/	4,113	4,028	1,090	1,085	19.70	20.38
TOTAL.....	70,975	70,212	1,150	1,111	23.91	24.73
<u>ST. LOUIS NSY</u>						
PRIME.....	---	---	---	---	---	---
CHOICE.....	3,476	5,202	1,077	1,099	25.18	25.88
GOOD.....	17,534	16,437	1,046	1,019	23.81	24.24
OTHER 2/	6,646	4,671	959	964	20.76	21.29
TOTAL.....	27,656	26,310	1,029	1,025	23.31	24.10
<u>SIOUX CITY</u>						
PRIME.....	418	649	1,204	1,262	26.55	27.94
CHOICE.....	25,010	22,881	1,190	1,150	24.88	25.80
GOOD.....	18,211	18,054	1,138	1,071	23.50	23.91
OTHER 2/	3,237	2,259	1,096	1,083	20.00	19.90
TOTAL.....	46,876	43,843	1,163	1,115	24.06	24.80
<u>SIOUX FALLS</u>						
PRIME.....	47	24	1,216	1,292	26.04	27.50
CHOICE.....	2,121	3,468	1,216	1,170	24.98	26.09
GOOD.....	5,216	7,199	1,149	1,101	23.49	24.15
OTHER 2/	1,170	1,775	1,101	1,080	20.21	19.95
TOTAL.....	8,554	12,466	1,159	1,117	23.47	24.14
<u>SO. ST. JOSEPH</u>						
PRIME.....	---	---	---	---	---	---
CHOICE.....	10,838	11,516	1,152	1,145	24.88	25.82
GOOD.....	21,693	20,453	1,120	1,068	23.46	24.26
OTHER 2/	1,951	2,061	1,097	1,082	20.04	20.81
TOTAL.....	34,482	34,030	1,129	1,095	23.72	24.61
<u>TOTAL 12 MARKETS</u>						
PRIME.....	18,120	7,041	1,262	1,236	27.31	29.76
CHOICE.....	164,325	143,817	1,183	1,154	25.21	26.38
GOOD.....	158,556	156,693	1,106	1,067	23.64	24.35
OTHER 2/	31,064	24,945	1,031	1,032	20.40	20.82
TOTAL.....	372,065	332,496	1,142	1,106	24.32	25.15

1/ Data collected by Livestock Division, AMS and Statistical Reporting Service.

2/ Standard, Commercial and Utility.

HEIFERS SOLD OUT OF FIRST HANDS FOR SLAUGHTER AT SELECTED MARKETS,
MARCH 1961 AND 1962 1/

MARKET AND GRADE	NUMBER		AVERAGE WEIGHT		AVERAGE PRICE PER 100 POUNDS LIVE WEIGHT	
	1961	1962	1961	1962	1961	1962
	HEAD	HEAD	POUNDS	POUNDS	DOLLARS	DOLLARS
<u>CHICAGO</u>						
PRIME.....	458	501	1,037	1,011	26.06	27.77
CHOICE.....	13,404	6,426	971	963	24.72	26.25
GOOD.....	8,342	8,814	914	899	22.76	24.04
OTHER 2/	1,967	1,956	909	888	19.61	19.92
TOTAL.....	24,171	17,697	948	924	23.70	24.55
<u>CINCINNATI</u>						
PRIME.....	---	---	---	---	---	---
CHOICE.....	736	603	786	819	24.45	25.04
GOOD.....	959	1,130	753	752	22.90	23.53
OTHER 2/	677	629	736	737	19.84	20.96
TOTAL.....	2,372	2,362	758	765	22.55	23.28
<u>DENVER</u>						
PRIME.....	---	---	---	---	---	---
CHOICE.....	6,945	4,712	975	962	23.96	25.40
GOOD.....	3,301	3,327	955	920	22.66	24.03
OTHER 2/	142	23	990	983	19.11	19.85
TOTAL.....	10,388	8,062	969	945	23.49	24.83
<u>FORT WORTH</u>						
PRIME.....	---	---	---	---	---	---
CHOICE.....	33	2	649	742	25.27	24.51
GOOD.....	1,064	1,333	648	659	23.91	23.73
OTHER 2/	858	377	655	621	21.83	21.95
TOTAL.....	1,955	1,712	651	651	23.01	23.35
<u>INDIANAPOLIS</u>						
PRIME.....	---	---	---	---	---	---
CHOICE.....	675	1,058	887	883	24.86	25.22
GOOD.....	1,793	1,180	850	859	23.22	23.61
OTHER 2/	659	214	813	852	20.53	21.03
TOTAL.....	3,127	2,452	850	869	23.05	24.10
<u>KANSAS CITY</u>						
PRIME.....	90	5	1,049	864	25.57	26.25
CHOICE.....	3,882	2,429	966	927	24.43	25.30
GOOD.....	4,867	4,386	887	863	22.72	23.34
OTHER 2/	812	872	945	858	19.58	20.97
TOTAL.....	9,651	7,692	925	883	23.20	23.73
<u>OKLAHOMA CITY</u>						
PRIME.....	---	---	---	---	---	---
CHOICE.....	465	356	980	910	24.85	24.50
GOOD.....	1,363	644	851	788	23.19	23.27
OTHER 2/	127	161	840	865	20.68	21.51
TOTAL.....	1,955	1,161	881	836	23.48	23.43

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HEIFERS SOLD OUT OF FIRST HANDS FOR SLAUGHTER AT SELECTED MARKETS,
MARCH 1961 AND 1962 1/--CONTINUED

MARKET AND GRADE	NUMBER		AVERAGE WEIGHT		AVERAGE PRICE PER 100 POUNDS LIVE WEIGHT	
	1961	1962	1961	1962	1961	1962
	HEAD	HEAD	POUNDS	POUNDS	DOLLARS	DOLLARS
<u>OMAHA</u>						
PRIME.....	416	156	1,037	999	25.53	26.52
CHOICE.....	17,564	13,784	987	969	24.38	25.54
GOOD.....	20,443	18,498	936	908	22.86	23.72
OTHER 2/.....	2,818	2,518	923	900	19.65	20.00
TOTAL.....	41,241	34,956	958	932	23.35	24.22
<u>ST. LOUIS NSY</u>						
PRIME.....	---	---	---	---	---	---
CHOICE.....	1,358	962	866	895	24.57	25.10
GOOD.....	4,702	3,717	815	841	22.68	23.36
OTHER 2/.....	2,469	1,684	813	813	20.23	21.01
TOTAL.....	8,529	6,363	823	842	22.29	23.04
<u>SIOUX CITY</u>						
PRIME.....	41	24	982	1,064	25.87	26.75
CHOICE.....	7,203	7,180	990	969	23.91	25.41
GOOD.....	9,232	7,497	932	914	22.41	23.14
OTHER 2/.....	1,685	1,293	926	891	19.68	20.29
TOTAL.....	18,161	15,994	955	937	22.79	23.98
<u>SIOUX FALLS</u>						
PRIME.....	11	22	1,036	1,093	25.31	26.72
CHOICE.....	1,420	1,405	988	990	24.01	25.23
GOOD.....	4,174	3,985	978	946	22.60	23.41
OTHER 2/.....	1,083	1,415	932	922	19.78	19.88
TOTAL.....	6,688	6,827	973	950	22.47	23.10
<u>SO. ST. JOSEPH</u>						
PRIME.....	---	---	---	---	---	---
CHOICE.....	3,760	1,876	944	943	24.20	25.33
GOOD.....	4,887	3,666	905	874	22.72	23.71
OTHER 2/.....	323	263	828	858	20.03	20.87
TOTAL.....	8,970	5,805	918	896	23.27	24.14
<u>TOTAL 12 MARKETS</u>						
PRIME.....	1,016	708	1,036	1,012	25.78	27.42
CHOICE.....	57,445	40,793	971	958	24.35	25.55
GOOD.....	65,127	58,177	910	890	22.75	23.63
OTHER 2/.....	13,620	11,405	870	863	19.92	20.37
TOTAL.....	137,208	111,083	932	913	23.21	24.08

1/ Data collected by Livestock Division, AMS and Statistical Reporting Service.

2/ Standard, Commercial and Utility.

NOTE: Beef steer and heifer data for So. St. Paul market are shown on page 18.

Steers and heifers sold out of first hands for slaughter at South St. Paul,
January, February and March 1962 (partial receipts) 1/

Month and grade	Steers			Heifers		
	Number	Average weight	Average price per 100 pounds live weight	Number	Average weight	Average price per 100 pounds live weight
	Head	Pounds	Dollars	Head	Pounds	Dollars
<u>January</u>						
Prime	415	1,233	26.62	197	1,075	26.41
Choice	13,863	1,161	25.52	6,288	991	24.97
Good	5,874	1,095	24.18	5,268	932	23.96
Other <u>2/</u>	5,344	1,050	20.78	4,305	929	19.87
Total	25,496	1,124	24.31	16,058	956	23.34
<u>February</u>						
Prime	569	1,235	27.22	156	1,090	26.57
Choice	9,695	1,156	25.79	3,104	982	25.33
Good	4,916	1,070	24.24	5,326	923	23.62
Other <u>2/</u>	3,945	1,027	19.79	3,102	920	18.83
Total	19,125	1,110	24.31	11,688	940	22.89
<u>March</u>						
Prime	485	1,228	28.01	217	1,041	26.70
Choice	6,939	1,152	26.10	2,022	983	25.63
Good	7,130	1,065	24.08	5,241	923	23.44
Other <u>2/</u>	5,203	1,017	19.68	3,533	912	19.18
Total	19,757	1,087	23.86	11,013	933	22.60

1/ Data collected by Statistical Reporting Service.

2/ Standard, commercial and utility.

Cattle and calves on feed: Inventories, placements and marketings, by months,
 Arizona, California and Colorado, October 1, 1960 - April 1, 1961 and
 October 1, 1961 - April 1, 1962

Item	Arizona			California			Colorado
	1960	1961	1961 as % of 1960	1960	1961	1961 as % of 1960	1961
	1,000 head	1,000 head	Percent	1,000 head	1,000 head	Percent	1,000 head
On feed October 1	202	205	101	760	756	99	324
Placed on feed during Oct.	76	98	129	175	205	117	161
Marketed during October	37	30	81	152	138	91	76
On feed November 1	241	273	113	783	823	105	409
Placed on feed during Nov.	61	64	105	113	128	113	75
Marketed during November	37	34	92	148	156	105	66
On feed December 1	265	303	114	748	795	106	418
Placed on feed during Dec.	65	52	80	121	126	104	43
Marketed during December	37	45	122	153	145	95	64
Item	Arizona			California			Colorado
	1961	1962	1962 as % of 1961	1961	1962	1962 as % of 1961	1962
	1,000 head	1,000 head	Percent	1,000 head	1,000 head	Percent	1,000 head
On feed January 1	293	310	106	716	776	108	397
Placed on feed during Jan.	36	34	94	112	117	104	77
Marketed during January	37	44	119	158	178	113	62
On feed February 1	292	300	103	670	715	107	412
Placed on feed during Feb.	24	27	112	49	54	110	35
Marketed during February	41	40	98	140	143	102	52
On feed March 1	275	287	104	579	626	108	395
Placed on feed during March	37	41	111	159	167	105	59
Marketed during March	61	58	95	151	136	90	67
Cattle and calves on feed April 1	251	270	108	587	657	112	387

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TIME ON FEED

In the 26 States, the number on feed under 3 months at 2,696,000 head was up slightly from the 2,682,000 head a year earlier. The 3 to 6 months group at 4,043,000 head was up 2 percent from the 3,946,000 head last year, while the over 6 months group, at 461,000 head was 2 percent below the 472,000 head on April 1, 1961.

MARKETING INTENTIONS

Cattle feeders in the 26 States intend to market 47 percent or 3,376,000 head of the April 1 inventory number during April, May, and June. If intentions are carried out, the marketings would be 2 percent below the 3,438,000 head marketed the second quarter of 1961 from the April 1, 1961 number on feed. A breakdown by months of anticipated marketings of the April 1 inventory number during the second quarter of 1962 shows 35 percent to be marketed in April, 34 percent in May, and 31 percent in June. Expected marketings as published are based upon the usual relationship between survey data and actual marketings.

MARCH MARKETINGS FOR 12 LIVESTOCK MARKETS

Steers and heifers marketed out of first hands for slaughter at 12 markets during March 1962 totaled 443,579 head compares with 509,273 head in March a year earlier. Of the total, steers accounted for 75 percent or 332,496 head. This compared with 372,065 steers marketed the same month last year. Marketings of heifers at 111,083 head compares with 137,208 head marketed during March 1961--down 19 percent.

Steers and heifers grading prime, choice, and good totaled 407,229 head, compared with 464,589 head marketed at these grades in March 1961.