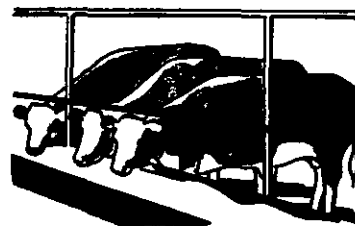


CATTLE ON FEED



CATTLE SOLD FOR SLAUGHTER--Selected Markets

February 1, 1970

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Cattle on Feed up 8 Percent

Cattle and calves on feed February 1 intended for slaughter are up 8 percent from a year earlier in 6 States--Arizona, California, Colorado, Iowa, Nebraska and Texas. Feedlots in these States contained 7,338,000 cattle and calves on February 1, according to the Crop Reporting Board. Texas continued to show the largest increase from a year earlier--up 30 percent. Colorado and Arizona also showed large increases--up 14 and 12 percent, respectively. The number on feed in California was up 8 percent; Nebraska up 2 percent, but Iowa was down 2 percent from a year earlier.

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Cattle and calves: Inventories, placements and marketings,
fed cattle, by States, January 1 to
February 1

State	Number on feed 1/					
	January 1			February 1		
	1969	1970	1970 as % of 1969	1969	1970	1970 as % of 1969
	1,000 head		Percent	1,000 head		Percent
Arizona	442	510	115	448	500	112
California	968	1,031	107	854	925	108
Colorado	711	795	112	690	785	114
Iowa 2/	2,213	2,213	100	2,321	2,275	98
Nebraska	1,430	1,477	103	1,424	1,449	102
Texas	1,075	1,417	132	1,083	1,404	130
Total 6 States	6,839	7,443	109	6,820	7,338	108
State	Placements during January			Marketings during January		
	1969	1970	1970 as % of 1969	1969	1970	1970 as % of 1969
	1,000 head		Percent	1,000 head		Percent
Arizona	68	56	82	62	66	106
California	104	89	86	218	195	89
Colorado	117	132	113	138	142	103
Iowa 2/	474	446	94	366	384	105
Nebraska	316	281	89	322	309	96
Texas	221	238	108	213	251	118
Total 6 States	1,300	1,242	96	1,319	1,347	102

1/ Cattle and calves on feed are animals being fattened for slaughter market on grain or other concentrates and are expected to produce a carcass that will grade good or better. 2/ Monthly report financed by matching funds provided jointly by State agencies and C&MS, USDA under provisions of Agricultural Marketing Act of 1946.

STEERS SOLD OUT OF FIRST HANDS AT SELECTED MARKETS FOR SLAUGHTER,
JANUARY 1969 AND 1970 1/

MARKET AND GRADE	NUMBER		AVERAGE WEIGHT		AVERAGE PRICE PER 100 POUNDS LIVELWEIGHT	
	1969	1970	1969	1970	1969	1970
	HEAD	HEAD	POUNDS	POUNDS	DOLLARS	DOLLARS
CHICAGO						
PRIME.....	7126	13707	1260	1275	31.08	29.70
CHOICE.....	46760	40711	1150	1157	29.23	29.31
GOOD.....	6862	4292	1074	1157	27.15	27.88
OTHER 2/.....	1745	1004	1094	1211	23.74	26.01
TOTAL.....	62493	59714	1153	1192	29.10	29.25
KANSAS CITY						
PRIME.....	129	143	1041	1098	28.61	29.16
CHOICE.....	5596	3667	1104	1098	27.45	28.19
GOOD.....	3479	1406	1094	1120	25.64	26.28
OTHER 2/.....	406	161	1142	1172	21.96	23.65
TOTAL.....	9610	5377	1101	1105	26.57	27.57
OMAHA						
PRIME.....	2297	2661	1175	1132	28.98	28.90
CHOICE.....	30664	25437	1132	1135	27.82	28.23
GOOD.....	11991	6349	1090	1173	26.26	26.95
OTHER 2/.....	1881	692	1116	1213	22.95	24.24
TOTAL.....	46833	35139	1122	1143	27.30	27.96
ST. LOUIS NSY						
PRIME.....	151	509	1139	1168	29.39	29.58
CHOICE.....	7667	9337	1076	1096	27.74	28.75
GOOD.....	10095	5166	1024	1078	26.25	27.56
OTHER 2/.....	1328	1022	1060	1144	22.98	25.07
TOTAL.....	19241	16034	1048	1096	26.66	28.15
SIOUX CITY						
PRIME.....	2707	2127	1206	1180	29.02	28.88
CHOICE.....	27778	20920	1126	1162	27.76	28.23
GOOD.....	6183	4301	1043	1181	26.17	26.97
OTHER 2/.....	570	168	1158	1239	22.85	23.84
TOTAL.....	37238	27516	1118	1167	27.53	28.06
SIOUX FALLS						
PRIME.....	234	353	1204	1201	28.87	28.79
CHOICE.....	7793	9303	1138	1179	27.67	28.09
GOOD.....	3250	1071	1093	1196	25.95	26.44
OTHER 2/.....	1156	365	1180	1269	23.24	24.52
TOTAL.....	12433	11092	1132	1184	26.83	27.83
SO. ST. JOSEPH						
PRIME.....	192	1147	1120	1152	28.47	29.07
CHOICE.....	12676	15151	1105	1117	27.52	28.21
GOOD.....	5737	2668	1104	1187	25.82	26.57
OTHER 2/.....	351	226	1172	1204	22.39	24.20
TOTAL.....	18956	19192	1106	1130	26.91	27.97
SO. ST. PAUL 3/						
PRIME.....	10	91	1231	1196	29.00	28.86
CHOICE.....	7835	6472	1115	1145	27.82	28.32
GOOD.....	4466	2123	1045	1189	25.96	26.31
OTHER 2/.....	3687	1962	1104	1158	23.11	24.63
TOTAL.....	15998	10648	1093	1157	26.23	27.23
TOTAL 8 MARKETS						
PRIME.....	12846	20738	1227	1234	30.18	29.46
CHOICE.....	146769	130998	1130	1147	28.21	28.60
GOOD.....	52063	27376	1068	1155	26.23	27.06
OTHER 2/.....	11124	5600	1113	1184	23.10	24.83
TOTAL.....	222802	184712	1120	1159	27.64	28.36

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JANUARY 1969 AND 1970 1/

MARKET AND GRADE	NUMBER		AVERAGE WEIGHT		AVERAGE PRICE PER 100 POUNDS LIVELWEIGHT	
	1969	1970	1969	1970	1969	1970
	HEAD	HEAD	POUNDS	POUNDS	DOLLARS	DOLLARS
CHICAGO						
PRIME.....	1663	2320	992	1019	29.05	29.28
CHOICE.....	13093	11418	954	966	28.03	28.62
GOOD.....	3141	2066	900	929	25.69	26.96
OTHER 2/.....	748	154	876	959	23.71	24.83
TOTAL.....	18645	15958	945	969	27.59	28.48
KANSAS CITY						
PRIME.....	158	103	926	956	27.16	28.13
CHOICE.....	1957	1770	915	915	26.14	27.38
GOOD.....	1438	696	849	907	24.42	25.64
OTHER 2/.....	163	105	912	935	21.41	22.89
TOTAL.....	3716	2674	890	915	25.34	26.78
QMAHA						
PRIME.....	2352	2140	1017	1006	27.97	28.44
CHOICE.....	23772	22656	956	981	26.98	27.67
GOOD.....	8409	6175	923	964	25.30	26.43
OTHER 2/.....	511	575	1007	1042	21.12	23.12
TOTAL.....	35044	31546	953	981	26.57	27.40
ST. LOUIS NSY						
PRIME.....	20	202	1047	979	27.00	28.44
CHOICE.....	3659	4411	923	908	26.47	27.69
GOOD.....	4394	2601	847	893	24.52	26.44
OTHER 2/.....	472	262	849	890	21.56	24.04
TOTAL.....	8545	7476	880	904	25.25	27.16
SIOUX CITY						
PRIME.....	1070	1506	1007	1026	27.90	28.22
CHOICE.....	14227	12607	947	990	26.64	27.46
GOOD.....	3836	2182	907	970	24.68	25.88
OTHER 2/.....	219	48	960	962	22.03	22.91
TOTAL.....	19352	16343	942	991	26.29	27.31
SIOUX FALLS						
PRIME.....	138	244	1036	1049	27.70	28.01
CHOICE.....	6460	6946	967	1003	26.68	27.37
GOOD.....	3775	1121	922	986	25.19	25.48
OTHER 2/.....	986	245	944	1031	21.80	23.42
TOTAL.....	11359	8556	951	1003	25.79	27.03
SO. ST. JOSEPH						
PRIME.....	233	250	955	950	27.67	28.08
CHOICE.....	4484	7247	926	927	26.47	27.31
GOOD.....	2670	969	890	943	24.71	25.49
OTHER 2/.....	---	---	---	---	---	---
TOTAL.....	7387	8466	914	930	25.89	27.12
SO. ST. PAUL 3/						
PRIME.....	73	70	1079	1073	28.19	28.54
CHOICE.....	6028	7412	949	984	27.04	27.98
GOOD.....	4548	1940	909	959	24.77	25.87
OTHER 2/.....	2394	1603	984	1053	20.18	22.46
TOTAL.....	13043	11025	943	990	24.97	26.77
TOTAL 8 MARKETS						
PRIME.....	5707	6835	1004	1013	28.23	28.65
CHOICE.....	73680	74467	950	972	27.00	27.74
GOOD.....	32211	17750	901	948	24.99	26.22
OTHER 2/.....	5493	2992	950	1025	21.22	22.93
TOTAL.....	117091	102044	939	972	26.26	27.40

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Placements down 4 Percent

January placements of cattle and calves on feed in these 6 States were 4 percent less than the same month last year. During January, placements were larger than a year earlier in Colorado and Texas but down in Arizona, California, Iowa and Nebraska.

Fed Cattle Marketings up 2 Percent

Marketing of cattle from feedlots in the 6 States totaled 1,347,000 during January. This is 2 percent more than were marketed during January 1969. Larger marketings than a year earlier were reported in Texas, up 18 percent; Arizona, up 6 percent; Iowa, up 5 percent and Colorado, up 3 percent. Marketings were down 4 percent in Nebraska and 11 percent in California.

January Marketings for 8 Markets

Steers marketed out of first hands for slaughter at 8 major livestock markets during January 1970 totaled 184,712 head and averaged 1,159 pounds live weight, 39 pounds more than a year earlier. Heifers sold out of first hands for slaughter at these 8 markets totaled 102,044 head and averaged 972 pounds, 33 pounds more than the average live weight a year earlier.

Cattle and calves: Inventories, placements and marketings,
 fed cattle, January 1 to February 1.

Item	Total 6 States			
	1968	1969	1970	1970 as % of 1969
	- - 1,000 head - -			Percent
On feed January 1	6,003	6,839	7,443	109
Placed on feed during January ..	1,401	1,300	1,242	96
Marketed during January	1,196	1,319	1,347	102
On feed February 1	6,208	6,820	7,338	108