

CATTLE AND CALVES ON FEED
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CATTLE ON FEED IN 26 STATES

Cattle and calves on feed for market in 26 major feeding States April 1, totaled 6,663,000 head, according to the Crop Reporting Board. These same 26 States had 7,206,000 head on feed January 1, 1960 and 5,001,000 head on feed October 1, 1959.

FEEDING UP 8 PERCENT IN 21 STATES

In the 21 States for which comparable 1959 data are available, a total of 6,401,000 head of cattle and calves were on feed April 1, compared to 5,939,000 head a year earlier--an 8 percent increase. Larger numbers on feed April 1 were shown for 15 States, two States were unchanged, and four States were down from April 1, 1959. The number on feed declined 7 percent from January 1 to April 1 this year, compared to a 6 percent decline during the same period in 1959.

NORTH CENTRAL STATES 6 PERCENT HIGHER

The number of cattle and calves on feed in the North Central States April 1, 1960 at 4,852,000 head, was up 6 percent from the 4,596,000 head on feed a year earlier. Iowa, the leading State, was up 11 percent, but Nebraska, the second leading State, was down 1 percent.

WESTERN STATES INCREASE 17 PERCENT

Cattle on feed April 1, 1960 in 6 Western States for which comparable data are available (Montana, Idaho, Colorado, Arizona, Utah, and California) totaled 1,263,000 head compared to 1,075,000 head April 1, 1959--a gain of 17 percent. California, the leading State in the West, was up 34 percent and Colorado, the second ranking Western State, was 7 percent higher than a year earlier.

MARKETINGS UP 9 PERCENT--PLACEMENTS UP 6 PERCENT

Fed cattle marketings from the 21 States January-March 1960 totaled 3,147,000 head, 9 percent above the number marketed during the same period in 1959. Marketings from the North Central States were up 7 percent and marketings from the 6 Western States were up 10 percent.

Beef steers and heifers (prime, choice and good grades) sold out of first hands for slaughter during January, February and March at 12 major markets were 11 percent above the same period in 1959. Steer marketings were up 9 percent and heifer marketings were up 17 percent. These sales data do not include

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direct sales to packing plants, mixed lots of steers and heifers, and some deliveries bought on prior contracts.

Cattle and calves placed on feed in the 21 States during the first quarter of 1960 totaled 2,667,000 head, 6 percent more than during the same period in 1959. Shipments of stocker and feeder cattle into 8 Corn Belt States (for which data are available) during January and February this year were 4 percent less than during the same two months in 1959.

WEIGHT OF CATTLE ON FEED

A breakdown of the April 1 numbers on feed in 21 States by weight groups indicates an increase in all groups except the 500-699 pound group which was down 3 percent from a year earlier. The number weighing less than 500 pounds totaled 453,000 head on April 1, compared to 393,000 head a year earlier; the 500-699 pound group totaled 2,133,000 head, down 64,000 head; and the 700-899 pound group at 1,933,000 head was up 299,000 head. The number weighing over 900 pounds totaled 1,882,000 head--up 167,000 head. The number weighing less than 500 pounds accounted for 7 percent of the total--the same as last year; those weighing 500-699 pounds, 34 percent this year, and 37 percent last year; and the 700-899 pound group, 30 and 27 percent respectively. Those weighing 900-1099 pounds at 24 percent of the total; and those 1,100 pounds and over at 5 percent of the total were the same proportion of the April 1 inventory as a year earlier.

KINDS ON FEED

Of the cattle and calves on feed in the 26 States on April 1, 70 percent were steers and steer calves, 29 percent were heifers and heifer calves, and 1 percent cows and others. For 21 States with comparable data, 70 percent were steers and steer calves compared to 72 percent a year earlier. Heifers and heifer calves accounted for 29 percent this year and 27 percent a year earlier. Cows and others accounted for 1 percent both years.

TIME ON FEED

In the 26 States, 40 percent of the cattle on feed April 1, 1960 had been on feed less than three months, 54 percent had been on feed from 3-6 months, and 6 percent had been on feed more than 6 months. For the 21 States with comparable data available, the number on feed less than three months accounted for 40 percent of the total this year, the same as last year. The number on feed 3-6 months was 54 percent, compared to 56 percent a year earlier, and the number on feed more than 6 months was 6 percent, compared to 4 percent last year.

MARKETING INTENTIONS

Cattle feeders in 21 States expect to market 53 percent (3,366,000 head) of the April 1, 1960 inventory during April, May and June. If intentions are carried out marketings for this quarter would be 19 percent above the number marketed from the April 1 inventory during April, May and June 1959. Feeders in the 26 States report marketing intentions of 3,532,000 head during the April-June period, 53 percent of the April 1 inventory. No comparable marketing data are available for these 26 States during the same three months of 1959.

Cattle and calves: Inventories, marketings and placements
January 1 to March 31

Item	21 States			26 States	
	1959	1960	% of 1959	1960	
	Number	Number		Number	
	1,000	1,000		1,000	
	head	head	Percent	head	
Cattle and Calves on Feed, Jan. 1	6,324	6,881	109	7,206	
Cattle and Calves Placed on Feed January 1 - March 31 1/	2,509	2,667	106	2,781	
Total Fed Cattle Marketed January 1 - March 31 1/	2,894	3,147	109	3,324	
Cattle and Calves on Feed, April 1	5,939	6,401	108	6,663	

1/ Includes cattle placed on feed after beginning of quarter and marketed before end of quarter.

Cattle and calves on feed by Quarters
April 1, 1959, January 1 and April 1, 1960, with Comparisons 1/

State	April 1, 1959	January 1, 1960	April 1, 1960	April 1, 1960 as percent of April 1, 1959
	1,000	1,000	1,000	
	head	head	head	Percent
Pennsylvania	69	83	76	110
Ohio	172	194	172	100
Indiana	228	224	192	84
Illinois	628	688	653	104
Michigan	108	130	125	116
Wisconsin	99	121	121	122
Minnesota	402	416	434	108
Iowa	1,446	1,510	1,605	111
Missouri	275	298	275	100
North Dakota	91	125	100	110
South Dakota	250	247	232	93
Nebraska	688	665	680	99
Kansas	209	293	263	126
North Central States	4,596	4,911	4,852	106
Oklahoma	44	69	54	123
Texas	155	239	156	101
Montana	40	70	57	142
Idaho	116	138	115	99
Wyoming 2/		55	47	
Colorado	318	385	341	107
New Mexico 2/		54	45	
Arizona	187	265	207	111
Utah	44	58	47	107
Nevada 2/		35	17	
Washington 2/		115	100	
Oregon 2/		66	53	
California	370	663	496	134
Western States 2/		1,904	1,525	
21 State				
Total 3/	5,939	6,881	6,401	108
26 State				
Total 2/ 4/		7,206	6,663	

1/ Estimates include only cattle being fattened for market as a more or less distinct agricultural enterprise, and excludes small operations incidental to dairy and general farming. Cattle thus fed are presumed to produce carcasses that will grade good or better.

2/ Data for April 1, 1959 is not available.

3/ Includes 12 North Central States, Pennsylvania, Oklahoma, Texas, Montana, Idaho, Colorado, Utah, Arizona and California.

4/ Includes 21 States in 3/ and Wyoming, New Mexico, Nevada, Washington and Oregon.

Cattle and calves: Placements and marketings,
by quarters, 1959-60

State	Number placed on feed <u>1/</u>				Number marketed <u>1/</u>			
	Jan.- Mar. 1959	Oct.- Dec. 1959	Jan.- Mar. 1960	Jan.-Mar. :1960 as % :of Jan.- :Mar. 1959:	Jan.- Mar. 1959	Oct.- Dec. 1959	Jan.- Mar. 1960	Jan.-Mar. :1960 as % :of Jan.- :Mar. 1959
	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head	Percent	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head	Percent
Pa.....	28	60	29	104	36	29	36	100
Ohio.....	36	145	28	78	54	54	50	93
Ind.....	62	180	48	77	89	93	80	90
Ill.....	248	580	280	113	263	301	315	120
Mich.....	28	98	25	89	30	32	30	100
Wis.....	26	99	24	92	40	47	24	60
Minn.....	122	306	145	119	120	140	127	106
Iowa.....	570	1,140	667	117	549	659	572	104
Mo.....	94	233	96	102	111	116	119	107
N.Dak.....	31	103	30	97	54	36	55	102
S.Dak.....	74	201	78	105	93	104	93	100
Nebr.....	382	464	385	101	331	339	370	112
Kans.....	118	192	139	118	138	124	169	122
N.C. States	1,791	3,741	1,945	109	1,872	2,045	2,004	107
Okla.....	34	49	35	103	43	22	50	116
Texas.....	96	142	77	80	125	85	160	128
Mont.....	10	57	21	210	35	14	34	97
Idaho.....	42	96	47	112	75	48	70	93
Wyo. <u>2/</u>		44	15			9	23	
Colo.....	147	237	134	91	167	155	178	107
N.Mex. <u>2/</u> ...		35	26			18	35	
Ariz.....	77	160	59	77	100	100	117	117
Utah.....	15	49	20	133	38	28	31	82
Nev. <u>2/</u>		26	7			7	25	
Wash. <u>2/</u>		80	46			55	61	
Oreg. <u>2/</u>		44	20			27	33	
Calif.....	269	436	300	112	403	409	467	116
Western States <u>2/</u>		1,264	695			870	1,074	
21 State Total	2,509	5,027	2,667	106	2,894	2,935	3,147	109
26 State Total <u>2/</u>		5,256	2,781			3,051	3,324	

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

2/ Data not available January 1959 through March 1959.

Cattle and calves on feed by classes, by quarters,
April 1, 1959, January 1 and April 1, 1960

State	:Steers & steer calves			:Heifers & heifer calves:			Cows and others		
	:Apr. 1,:	:Jan. 1,:	:Apr. 1,:	:Apr. 1,:	:Jan. 1,:	:Apr. 1,:	:Apr. 1,:	:Jan. 1,:	:Apr. 1,
	: 1959 :	: 1960 :	: 1960 :	: 1959 :	: 1960 :	: 1960 :	: 1959 :	: 1960 :	: 1960
	<u>1,000</u>	<u>1,000</u>	<u>1,000</u>	<u>1,000</u>	<u>1,000</u>	<u>1,000</u>	<u>1,000</u>	<u>1,000</u>	<u>1,000</u>
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Pa.....	60	75	68	7	6	6	2	2	2
Ohio.....	139	159	139	31	33	31	2	2	2
Ind.....	155	143	123	71	79	67	2	2	2
Ill.....	471	523	490	157	165	163	---	---	---
Mich.....	79	100	99	28	29	26	1	1	---
Wis.....	77	91	90	21	29	30	1	1	1
Minn.....	269	279	286	131	137	148	2	---	---
Iowa.....	1,081	1,102	1,160	362	401	442	3	7	3
Mo.....	214	212	195	58	80	77	3	6	3
N.Dak.....	59	74	61	28	45	37	4	6	2
S.Dak.....	180	151	156	33	91	74	2	5	2
Nebr.....	468	454	462	213	204	211	2	7	7
Kans.....	145	204	192	62	87	69	2	2	2
N.C. States	3,337	3,492	3,453	1,235	1,380	1,375	24	39	24
Okla.....	24	42	33	19	26	20	1	1	1
Texas.....	104	139	92	50	97	62	1	3	2
Mont.....	22	32	26	16	33	27	2	5	4
Idaho.....	77	82	72	36	51	41	3	5	2
Wyo.1/.....		31	26		21	20		3	1
Colo.....	175	199	189	141	182	151	2	4	1
N.Mex.1/.....		25	21		27	22		2	2
Ariz.....	139	195	156	42	64	48	6	6	3
Utah.....	24	28	21	13	27	25	2	3	1
Nev.1/.....		22	9		11	8		2	---
Wash.1/.....		89	78		23	21		3	1
Oreg.1/.....		46	39		16	13		4	1
Calif.....	311	503	402	55	133	89	4	27	5
Western States 1/		1,252	1,039		588	465		64	21
21 State Total	4,273	4,787	4,512	1,619	1,999	1,844	47	99	45
26 State Total 1/		5,000	4,685		2,097	1,926		109	50

Percentage distribution of total

	<u>Pct.</u>	<u>Pct.</u>	<u>Pct.</u>	<u>Pct.</u>	<u>Pct.</u>	<u>Pct.</u>	<u>Pct.</u>	<u>Pct.</u>	<u>Pct.</u>
N.C. States	72	71	71	27	28	28	1	1	1
21 States	72	70	70	27	29	29	1	1	1
26 States 1/		69	70		29	29		2	1

1/ Data not available for April 1, 1959.

Cattle and calves on feed by weight groups, by quarters,
April 1, 1959, January 1 and April 1, 1960

State	Under 500 pounds			500 - 699 pounds			700 - 899 pounds		
	Apr. 1,	Jan. 1,	Apr. 1,	Apr. 1,	Jan. 1,	Apr. 1,	Apr. 1,	Jan. 1,	Apr. 1,
	1959	1960	1960	1959	1960	1960	1959	1960	1960
	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.....	4	5	4	15	16	14	20	26	20
Ohio.....	16	41	11	66	67	59	61	52	60
Ind.....	17	41	18	105	88	80	71	59	57
Ill.....	28	109	40	262	178	200	148	198	204
Mich.....	6	29	7	33	47	42	40	34	45
Wis.....	10	23	9	41	26	37	24	43	30
Minn.....	33	108	30	191	108	201	88	113	101
Iowa.....	61	306	99	506	336	607	347	476	445
Mo.....	23	84	38	97	108	115	97	57	91
N.Dak.....	8	42	13	48	31	51	18	24	22
S.Dak.....	20	77	17	109	51	90	51	60	59
Nebr.....	37	59	32	205	97	176	210	257	211
Kans.....	11	24	9	59	59	62	66	83	96
N.C. States	270	943	323	1,822	1,196	1,720	1,221	1,456	1,421
Okla.....	4	11	10	16	21	17	14	18	15
Texas.....	35	73	34	61	77	54	37	53	39
Mont.....	3	14	3	10	15	21	11	22	16
Idaho.....	8	36	8	37	34	44	31	40	31
Wyo. 1/.....		8	1		11	18		27	10
Colo.....	6	33	13	65	67	71	91	166	100
N.Mex. 1/.....		10	8		18	16		18	16
Ariz.....	37	73	29	62	82	58	50	81	73
Utah.....	3	16	4	11	14	16	16	20	15
Nev. 1/.....		10	1		7	6		7	6
Wash. 1/.....		15	2		28	32		31	29
Oreg. 1/.....		9	2		13	17		22	16
Calif.....	23	61	25	98	137	118	143	233	203
Western States 1/.....		285	96		426	417		667	515
21 State Total	393	1,265	453	2,197	1,659	2,133	1,634	2,115	1,933
26 State Total 1/.....		1,317	467		1,736	2,222		2,220	2,010
Percentage distribution of total									
	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.
N.C. States:	6	19	7	40	24	36	26	30	29
21 States	7	18	7	37	24	34	27	31	30
26 States 1/.....		18	7		24	33		31	30

1/ Data not available for April 1, 1959.

Cattle and calves on feed by weight groups,
by quarters, April 1, 1959, January 1 and April 1, 1960

State	900 to 1,099 pounds			1,100 pounds and over		
	April 1,	Jan. 1,	April 1,	April 1,	Jan. 1,	April 1,
	1959	1960	1960	1959	1960	1960
	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
	<u>head</u>	<u>head</u>	<u>head</u>	<u>head</u>	<u>head</u>	<u>head</u>
Pa.....	20	24	26	10	12	12
Ohio.....	27	31	38	2	3	4
Ind.....	32	35	32	3	1	5
Ill.....	152	130	170	38	73	39
Mich.....	24	18	23	5	2	3
Wis.....	20	25	35	4	4	10
Minn.....	76	73	79	14	14	23
Iowa.....	366	258	376	66	134	78
Mo.....	54	42	29	4	7	2
N.Dak.....	12	21	9	5	7	5
S.Dak.....	54	40	53	16	19	13
Nebr.....	178	184	206	58	63	55
Kans.....	61	104	83	12	23	13
N.C. States	1,056	961	1,138	227	355	250
Okla.....	8	15	10	2	4	2
Texas.....	16	28	22	6	3	7
Mont.....	10	13	13	6	6	4
Idaho.....	33	23	26	7	5	6
Wyo 1/.....		8	13		1	5
Colo.....	126	100	120	30	19	37
N.Mex. 1/.....		6	4		2	1
Ariz.....	35	29	46	3	---	1
Utah.....	13	8	10	1	---	2
Nev. 1/.....		11	4		---	---
Wash. 1/.....		36	24		5	13
Oreg. 1/.....		20	15		2	3
Calif.....	86	198	132	20	34	18
Western States 1/..		452	407		74	90
21 State Total	1,403	1,392	1,543	312	443	339
26 State Total 1/		1,480	1,603		453	361
<u>Percentage distribution of total</u>						
	<u>Pct.</u>	<u>Pct.</u>	<u>Pct.</u>	<u>Pct.</u>	<u>Pct.</u>	<u>Pct.</u>
N.C. States	23	20	23	5	7	5
21 States	24	20	24	5	7	5
26 States 1/		21	24		6	6

1/ Data not available for April 1, 1959.

Steers and steer calves on feed by weight groups, by quarters,
April 1, 1959, January 1 and April 1, 1960

State	Under 500 pounds			500 - 699 pounds			700 - 899 pounds		
	Apr. 1, 1959	Jan. 1, 1960	Apr. 1, 1960	Apr. 1, 1959	Jan. 1, 1960	Apr. 1, 1960	Apr. 1, 1959	Jan. 1, 1960	Apr. 1, 1960
	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.....	2	4	3	12	13	11	17	24	18
Ohio.....	10	29	7	50	52	40	51	46	52
Ind.....	9	17	10	58	48	42	54	47	38
Ill.....	19	63	20	155	115	117	113	157	152
Mich.....	3	17	4	19	37	29	30	28	37
Wis.....	7	15	5	23	15	22	21	35	21
Minn.....	19	59	17	100	72	106	62	73	71
Iowa.....	32	165	51	400	232	382	249	353	325
Mo.....	15	51	21	60	72	69	84	47	76
N.Dak.....	5	21	7	30	20	29	12	15	14
S.Dak.....	11	42	9	68	30	51	38	35	40
Nebr.....	17	30	13	85	53	89	156	160	127
Kans.....	6	12	4	28	24	30	44	54	68
N.C. States	153	521	168	1,089	770	1,006	914	1,050	1,021
Okla.....	1	5	5	6	12	7	8	9	9
Texas.....	22	34	15	33	39	26	28	36	24
Mont.....	1	6	1	5	6	8	5	9	6
Idaho.....	3	17	3	19	19	20	20	24	20
Wyo.1/.....		4	---		6	7		16	6
Colo.....	1	12	5	22	26	23	38	82	42
N.Mex.1/.....		3	2		8	7		9	9
Ariz.....	24	42	19	44	63	42	36	65	54
Utah.....	2	7	2	5	6	5	7	11	5
Nev.1/.....		4	---		6	3		5	2
Wash.1/.....		10	1		20	20		22	21
Oreg.1/.....		6	1		7	8		14	13
Calif.....	15	45	16	78	96	80	118	161	135
Western States 1/		156	50		263	223		418	343
21 State Total	224	693	237	1,313	1,050	1,228	1,191	1,471	1,364
26 State Total 1/		720	241		1,097	1,273		1,537	1,415
Percentage distribution of total									
	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.
N.C. States	4	15	5	33	22	29	27	30	30
21 States	5	14	5	31	22	27	28	31	30
26 States 1/		14	5		22	27		31	30

1/ Data not available for April 1, 1959.

Steers and steer calves on feed by weight groups,
by quarters, April 1, 1959, January 1 and April 1, 1960

State	900 to 1,099 pounds			1,100 pounds and over		
	April 1,	Jan. 1,	April 1,	April 1,	Jan. 1,	April 1,
	1959	1960	1960	1959	1960	1960
	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
	head	head	head	head	head	head
Pa.....	19	22	24	10	12	12
Ohio.....	26	29	36	2	3	4
Ind.....	31	30	28	3	1	5
Ill.....	146	115	162	38	73	39
Mich.....	22	16	26	5	2	3
Wis.....	17	22	32	4	4	10
Minn.....	67	61	69	13	14	23
Iowa.....	335	220	325	65	132	77
Mo.....	51	36	27	4	6	2
N.Dak.....	8	14	7	4	4	4
S.Dak.....	47	27	44	16	17	12
Nebr.....	153	144	179	57	67	54
Kans.....	55	92	77	12	22	13
N.C. States	958	806	1,012	223	345	246
Okla.....	7	12	10	2	4	2
Texas.....	15	23	20	6	7	7
Mont.....	6	6	8	5	5	3
Idaho.....	28	18	23	7	4	6
Wyo. 1/.....		4	8		1	5
Colo.....	85	62	82	29	17	37
N.Mex. 1/.....		4	3		1	---
Ariz.....	33	25	40	2	---	1
Utah.....	9	4	7	1	---	2
Nev. 1/.....		7	4		---	---
Wash. 1/.....		32	23		5	13
Oreg. 1/.....		17	14		2	3
Calif.....	31	171	125	19	30	16
Western States 1/		350	337		65	86
21 State Total	1,241	1,149	1,351	304	424	332
26 State Total 1/		1,213	1,403		433	353
Percentage distribution of total						
	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.
N.C. States	29	23	29	7	10	7
21 States	29	24	30	7	9	8
26 States 1/		24	30		9	8

1/ Data not available for April 1, 1959.

Heifers and heifer calves on feed by weight groups, by
quarters, April 1, 1959, January 1 and April 1, 1960

State	Under 500 pounds			500 - 699 pounds			700 - 899 pounds		
	Apr. 1,	Jan. 1,	Apr. 1,	Apr. 1,	Jan. 1,	Apr. 1,	Apr. 1,	Jan. 1,	Apr. 1,
	1959	1960	1960	1959	1960	1960	1959	1960	1960
	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.....	2	1	1	3	3	3	3	1	1
Ohio.....	6	12	4	16	15	19	9	5	7
Ind.....	8	24	8	47	40	38	15	12	19
Ill.....	9	46	20	107	63	83	35	41	52
Mich.....	3	12	3	14	10	13	10	6	8
Wis.....	3	8	4	13	11	15	3	8	9
Minn.....	14	49	13	83	36	95	26	40	30
Iowa.....	29	141	48	206	104	225	98	120	119
Mo.....	8	33	17	36	36	45	13	9	14
N.Dak.....	3	21	6	18	11	22	5	9	8
S.Dak.....	9	35	8	41	21	39	12	24	19
Nebr.....	20	29	19	120	44	86	54	95	82
Kans.....	5	12	5	31	35	32	22	29	27
N.C. States	117	422	155	732	426	712	302	398	394
Okla.....	3	6	5	10	9	10	6	9	5
Texas.....	13	39	19	28	38	28	8	17	13
Mont.....	2	8	2	5	9	13	6	12	9
Idaho.....	5	19	5	18	15	24	10	15	10
Wyo. 1/.....		4	1		5	11		10	4
Colo.....	5	21	8	43	41	48	53	84	58
N.Mex. 1/.....		7	6		10	9		9	7
Ariz.....	13	30	10	18	19	16	10	15	18
Utah.....	1	9	2	6	8	11	9	9	10
Nev. 1/.....		6	1		1	3		2	4
Wash. 1/.....		5	1		8	12		8	7
Oreg. 1/.....		3	1		6	9		7	3
Calif.....	8	16	9	20	40	38	24	62	37
Western States 1/		128	46		162	194		233	167
21 State Total	169	571	216	883	608	903	431	622	555
26 State Total 1/		596	226		638	947		658	580
Percentage distribution of total									
	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.
N.C. States	10	30	11	59	31	52	24	29	29
21 States	10	29	12	55	30	49	27	31	30
26 States 1/		28	12		31	49		31	30

1/ Data not available for April 1, 1959.

Heifers and heifer calves on feed by weight groups,
by quarters, April 1, 1959, January 1 and April 1, 1960

State	900 to 1,099 pounds			1,100 pounds and over		
	April 1,	Jan. 1,	April 1,	April 1,	Jan. 1,	April 1,
	1959	1960	1960	1959	1960	1960
	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
	head	head	head	head	head	head
Pa.....	---	1	1	---	---	---
Ohio.....	---	1	1	---	---	---
Ind.....	1	3	2	---	---	---
Ill.....	6	15	8	---	---	---
Mich.....	1	1	2	---	---	---
Wis.....	2	2	2	---	---	---
Minn.....	8	12	10	---	---	---
Iowa.....	29	36	50	---	---	---
Mo.....	1	2	1	---	---	---
N.Dak.....	2	4	1	---	---	---
S.Dak.....	6	11	8	---	---	---
Nebr.....	24	36	24	---	---	---
Kans.....	4	11	5	---	---	---
M.C. States	84	134	114	---	---	---
Okla.....	---	2	---	---	---	---
Texas.....	1	3	2	---	---	---
Mont.....	3	4	3	---	---	---
Idaho.....	3	2	2	---	---	---
Wyo. 1/.....		2	4		---	---
Colo.....	40	36	37	---	---	---
N.Mex. 1/.....		1	---		---	---
Ariz.....	1	---	4	---	---	---
Utah.....	2	1	2	---	---	---
Nev. 1/.....		2	---		---	---
Wash. 1/.....		2	1		---	---
Oreg. 1/.....		---	---		---	---
Calif.....	3	15	5	---	---	---
Western States 1/		65	58		---	---
21 State Total	137	198	170	---	---	---
26 State Total 1/		205	175		---	---
Percentage distribution of total						
	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.
M.C. States	7	10	8	---	---	---
21 States	8	10	9	---	---	---
26 States 1/		10	9		---	---

1/ Data not available for April 1, 1959.

Cattle and Calves: Length of time on feed beginning of each quarter,
April 1, 1959, January 1 and April 1, 1960

State	Less than 3 months			3 - 6 months			More than 6 months		
	Apr. 1, 1959	Jan. 1, 1960	Apr. 1, 1960	Apr. 1, 1959	Jan. 1, 1960	Apr. 1, 1960	Apr. 1, 1959	Jan. 1, 1960	Apr. 1, 1960
	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.....	25	56	26	36	21	42	8	6	8
Ohio.....	34	142	27	121	44	126	17	8	19
Ind.....	60	177	46	157	31	137	11	16	9
Ill.....	238	558	261	371	100	366	19	30	26
Mich.....	27	96	24	66	29	85	15	5	16
Wis.....	22	97	23	67	17	86	10	7	12
Minn.....	117	304	143	257	62	261	28	50	30
Iowa.....	550	1,132	658	853	272	883	43	106	64
Mo.....	91	220	94	176	69	165	8	9	16
N.Dak.....	28	100	28	60	18	63	3	7	9
S.Dak.....	70	194	74	165	34	139	15	19	19
Nebr.....	368	453	361	301	186	292	19	26	27
Kans.....	110	179	126	91	111	130	8	3	7
N.C. States	1,715	3,652	1,865	2,685	973	2,733	196	286	254
Okla.....	31	44	33	13	24	20	---	1	1
Texas.....	92	139	70	61	90	79	2	10	7
Mont.....	9	56	20	25	12	33	6	2	4
Idaho.....	38	93	46	69	39	60	9	6	9
Wyo 1/.....		43	12		11	34		1	1
Colo.....	139	226	124	165	146	191	14	13	26
N.Mex.1/....		34	25		18	17		2	3
Ariz.....	71	158	57	107	88	131	9	19	19
Utah.....	14	46	18	27	11	24	3	1	5
Nev.1/.....		26	6		9	10	---		1
Wash. 1/....		66	38		46	58		3	4
Oreg. 1/....		42	19		23	27		1	7
Calif.....	249	418	317	117	232	159	4	13	20
Western States1/		1,208	682		635	744		61	99
21 State Total	2,383	4,888	2,576	3,305	1,636	3,472	251	357	353
26 State Total 1/		5,099	2,676		1,743	3,618		364	369
Percentage distribution of total									
	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.
N.C. States	37	74	39	59	20	56	4	6	5
21 States	40	71	40	56	24	54	4	5	6
26 States1/		71	40		24	54		5	6

1/ Data not available for April 1, 1959.

Cattle and calves: Marketings of cattle and calves on feed,
April 1, 1959 and 1960

State	On feed		Expected marketings of cattle and calves					
	April 1, 1959		on feed April 1, 1960					
	Marketed	Marketed	April-:					
	April-June	after	April	May	June	June	After	
	1959 1/	June 30, 1959:				Total	June 30, 1960	
	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	
	head	head	head	head	head	head	head	
Pa.....	37	32	16	16	17	49	27	
Ohio.....	75	97	24	31	38	93	79	
Ind.....	91	137	25	33	29	87	105	
Ill.....	320	308	78	124	111	313	340	
Mich.....	41	67	15	20	22	57	68	
Wis.....	47	52	25	15	16	56	65	
Minn.....	140	262	61	52	56	159	265	
Iowa.....	577	869	176	209	273	658	947	
Mo.....	122	153	36	44	47	127	148	
N.Dak.....	39	52	11	11	15	37	63	
S.Dak.....	88	162	37	35	44	116	116	
Nebr.....	374	314	119	139	152	410	270	
Kans.....	103	106	73	73	54	200	63	
N.C. States	2,017	2,579	680	786	857	2,323	2,529	
Okla.....	37	7	19	16	9	44	10	
Texas.....	88	67	46	37	36	119	37	
Mont.....	24	16	15	12	10	37	20	
Idaho.....	69	47	24	23	19	66	49	
Wyo. 2/.....			12	10	7	29	18	
Colo.....	178	140	77	74	66	217	124	
N.Mex. 2/.....			9	8	9	26	19	
Ariz.....	113	74	59	42	42	143	64	
Utah.....	27	17	11	10	10	31	16	
Nev. 2/.....			5	5	4	14	3	
Wash. 2/.....			22	21	21	64	36	
Oreg. 2/.....			14	10	9	33	20	
Calif.....	247	123	114	114	109	337	159	
Western States 2/.....			362	329	306	997	528	
21 State Total.....	2,837	3,102	1,061	1,130	1,175	3,366	3,035	
26 State Total 2/.....			1,123	1,184	1,225	3,532	3,131	

Percentage distribution of total

	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.
N.C. States	44	56	14	16	18	48	52
21 States	48	52	17	18	18	53	47
26 States 2/			17	18	18	53	47

1/ Excludes "Short Feds", that is cattle which were put on feed after April 1, 1959 and marketed before July 1, 1959.

2/ Marketings of cattle on feed April 1, 1959 not available.

Steers sold out of first hands for slaughter at selected markets,
March 1959 and 1960 1/

Market and grade	Number		Average weight		Average price per 100 pounds live weight	
	1959	1960	1959	1960	1959	1960
	Head	Head	Pounds	Pounds	Dollars	Dollars
<u>Chicago</u>						
Prime.....	6,612	11,089	1,260	1,268	32.31	31.06
Choice.....	59,398	67,824	1,211	1,208	29.11	28.08
Good.....	49,154	43,585	1,130	1,105	27.15	25.91
Other <u>2/</u>	11,124	6,632	1,047	1,027	24.95	22.26
Total.....	126,288	129,130	1,168	1,169	28.22	27.40
<u>Cincinnati</u>						
Prime.....	1	---	1,030	---	29.00	---
Choice.....	1,182	1,116	1,070	1,117	27.79	27.55
Good.....	2,067	2,118	1,016	1,053	26.12	25.65
Other <u>2/</u>	1,180	1,221	980	990	23.58	21.88
Total.....	4,430	4,455	1,021	1,052	25.91	25.18
<u>Denver</u>						
Prime.....	---	---	---	---	---	---
Choice.....	6,786	7,793	1,202	1,194	27.43	26.38
Good.....	7,617	5,150	1,143	1,098	26.39	25.11
Other <u>2/</u>	77	567	1,027	1,039	21.75	19.82
Total.....	14,480	13,510	1,170	1,151	26.87	25.67
<u>Fort Worth</u>						
Prime.....	---	---	---	---	---	---
Choice.....	171	607	1,080	1,046	27.68	25.91
Good.....	1,235	1,149	975	996	26.86	24.54
Other <u>2/</u>	1,463	720	910	827	24.88	21.43
Total.....	2,869	2,476	948	959	25.95	24.13
<u>Indianapolis</u>						
Prime.....	45	21	1,146	1,185	29.99	29.59
Choice.....	3,231	3,049	1,052	1,094	28.09	27.21
Good.....	8,901	6,942	1,004	1,059	26.35	25.63
Other <u>2/</u>	1,789	2,737	914	997	23.71	22.36
Total.....	13,966	12,749	1,004	1,054	26.49	25.36
<u>Kansas City</u>						
Prime.....	22	39	1,349	1,165	31.00	28.60
Choice.....	5,683	12,277	1,198	1,122	27.92	26.29
Good.....	16,615	10,014	1,105	1,084	26.46	24.82
Other <u>2/</u>	3,444	6,122	1,056	1,029	24.06	21.85
Total.....	25,764	28,452	1,119	1,088	26.51	24.87
<u>Oklahoma City</u>						
Prime.....	---	---	---	---	---	---
Choice.....	752	597	1,109	1,138	26.88	25.78
Good.....	2,059	2,411	1,082	1,048	25.57	24.49
Other <u>2/</u>	222	716	1,030	1,003	23.62	22.06
Total.....	3,033	3,724	1,085	1,054	25.77	24.27

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Steers sold out of first hands for slaughter at selected markets,
March 1959 and 1960 1/--Continued

Market and grade	Number		Average weight		Average price per 100 pounds live weight	
	1959	1960	1959	1960	1959	1960
	Head	Head	Pounds	Pounds	Dollars	Dollars
<u>Omaha</u>						
Prime.....	329	554	1,197	1,212	30.36	28.46
Choice.....	24,914	24,972	1,205	1,203	27.65	26.94
Good.....	49,553	45,150	1,124	1,100	26.07	25.14
Other 2/.....	3,855	4,726	1,087	1,055	23.02	20.31
Total.....	78,651	75,402	1,148	1,132	26.47	25.52
<u>St. Louis NSY</u>						
Prime.....	16	---	1,109	---	29.50	---
Choice.....	4,172	2,111	1,114	1,075	27.75	27.16
Good.....	14,460	16,216	1,068	1,028	26.21	25.44
Other 2/.....	5,401	8,176	992	972	24.19	22.42
Total.....	24,049	26,503	1,059	1,015	26.07	24.69
<u>Sioux City</u>						
Prime.....	366	714	1,264	1,226	29.93	29.39
Choice.....	17,882	18,970	1,183	1,181	27.65	27.09
Good.....	31,228	32,960	1,142	1,112	26.12	25.51
Other 2/.....	3,008	2,945	1,097	1,059	23.39	20.93
Total.....	52,484	55,589	1,154	1,134	26.53	25.90
<u>Sioux Falls</u>						
Prime.....	12	25	1,259	1,121	29.00	28.20
Choice.....	4,526	2,868	1,204	1,182	27.20	26.68
Good.....	3,686	5,574	1,137	1,139	25.81	25.06
Other 2/.....	633	1,094	1,091	1,080	23.01	20.74
Total.....	8,857	9,561	1,168	1,145	26.36	25.11
<u>So. St. Joseph</u>						
Prime.....	20	---	1,070	---	31.00	---
Choice.....	8,014	12,123	1,159	1,129	27.50	26.73
Good.....	20,704	19,109	1,097	1,070	25.99	24.93
Other 2/.....	2,272	2,128	1,040	1,039	23.35	20.88
Total.....	31,010	33,360	1,109	1,090	26.22	25.36
<u>Total 12 Markets</u>						
Prime.....	7,423	12,442	1,257	1,262	32.08	30.84
Choice.....	136,711	154,307	1,194	1,184	28.28	27.37
Good.....	207,279	190,378	1,113	1,091	26.39	25.38
Other 2/.....	34,468	37,784	1,033	1,016	24.11	21.68
Total.....	385,881	394,911	1,137	1,126	27.03	26.07

1/ Data collected by Livestock and Agricultural Estimates Division, AMS.

2/ Standard, commercial and utility.

Heifers sold out of first hands for slaughter at selected markets,
March 1959 and 1960 1/

Market and grade	Number		Average weight		Average price per 100 pounds live weight	
	1959	1960	1959	1960	1959	1960
	<u>Head</u>	<u>Head</u>	<u>Pounds</u>	<u>Pounds</u>	<u>Dollars</u>	<u>Dollars</u>
<u>Chicago</u>						
Prime.....	529	556	1,008	1,045	29.22	28.65
Choice.....	10,470	12,630	983	978	27.72	26.88
Good.....	14,422	14,392	916	908	25.95	24.83
Other <u>2/</u>	3,292	3,705	871	870	23.65	21.33
Total.....	28,713	31,283	937	934	26.45	25.39
<u>Cincinnati</u>						
Prime.....	---	---	---	---	---	---
Choice.....	852	911	807	766	27.45	26.30
Good.....	1,630	1,335	744	783	26.01	24.58
Other <u>2/</u>	725	829	726	714	23.22	21.57
Total.....	3,207	3,075	757	760	25.82	24.33
<u>Denver</u>						
Prime.....	---	---	---	---	---	---
Choice.....	7,718	4,865	980	968	26.84	25.94
Good.....	9,219	5,295	943	923	25.78	24.17
Other <u>2/</u>	269	160	962	922	21.69	19.03
Total.....	17,206	10,320	960	944	26.21	24.95
<u>Forth Worth</u>						
Prime.....	---	---	---	---	---	---
Choice.....	208	463	658	679	28.58	25.91
Good.....	698	943	623	645	27.47	24.87
Other <u>2/</u>	513	388	685	628	24.87	22.35
Total.....	1,419	1,794	651	650	26.64	24.62
<u>Indianapolis</u>						
Prime.....	---	9	---	942	---	28.50
Choice.....	651	662	839	869	27.43	26.58
Good.....	1,495	1,428	798	833	25.80	24.78
Other <u>2/</u>	354	558	774	836	23.02	22.10
Total.....	2,500	2,657	805	843	25.86	24.70
<u>Kansas City</u>						
Prime.....	---	8	---	1,005	---	28.50
Choice.....	2,457	5,086	942	903	27.39	26.10
Good.....	5,271	2,773	889	858	26.08	24.09
Other <u>2/</u>	1,831	1,851	865	835	23.68	21.95
Total.....	9,559	9,718	898	877	25.99	24.79
<u>Oklahoma City</u>						
Prime.....	---	---	---	---	---	---
Choice.....	402	401	777	904	27.00	25.75
Good.....	1,003	1,147	850	790	25.54	24.36
Other <u>2/</u>	123	244	897	800	22.93	22.08
Total.....	1,528	1,792	835	817	25.67	24.40

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Heifers sold out of first hands for slaughter at selected markets,
March 1959 and 1960 ^{1/}---Continued

Market and grade	Number		Average weight		Average price per 100 pounds live weight	
	1959	1960	1959	1960	1959	1960
	<u>Head</u>	<u>Head</u>	<u>Pcuds</u>	<u>Pounds</u>	<u>Dollars</u>	<u>Dollars</u>
<u>Omaha</u>						
Prime.....	76	291	968	1,018	29.25	27.62
Choice.....	13,720	11,984	969	958	27.11	26.63
Good.....	21,056	22,006	927	901	25.33	24.51
Other ^{2/}	2,098	2,624	898	879	22.13	20.03
Total.....	36,950	36,905	941	919	25.84	24.95
<u>St. Louis NSY</u>						
Prime.....	---	---	---	---	---	---
Choice.....	679	1,623	823	842	27.18	25.90
Good.....	4,695	4,515	813	812	25.44	24.03
Other ^{2/}	2,799	3,029	814	808	23.11	21.61
Total.....	8,173	9,167	814	816	24.79	23.58
<u>Sioux City</u>						
Prime.....	105	79	1,046	959	27.40	27.54
Choice.....	6,522	5,642	975	975	26.46	26.17
Good.....	13,795	13,010	934	915	25.08	24.15
Other ^{2/}	1,912	1,778	947	911	22.66	20.17
Total.....	22,334	20,509	948	931	25.30	24.40
<u>Sioux Falls</u>						
Prime.....	---	5	---	994	---	26.99
Choice.....	2,032	2,767	1,003	986	26.13	25.72
Good.....	3,039	3,475	956	938	24.50	23.69
Other ^{2/}	598	1,095	948	944	21.81	19.92
Total.....	5,669	7,342	972	957	24.83	23.93
<u>So. St. Joseph</u>						
Prime.....	---	---	---	---	---	---
Choice.....	3,750	3,754	923	924	27.00	26.33
Good.....	3,383	3,652	887	867	25.48	24.21
Other ^{2/}	863	468	880	844	22.92	21.22
Total.....	7,996	7,874	903	893	25.94	25.09
<u>Total 12 Markets</u>						
Prime.....	710	948	1,009	1,028	28.95	28.24
Choice.....	49,461	50,788	962	948	27.09	26.41
Good.....	79,706	73,971	909	891	25.51	24.39
Other ^{2/}	15,377	16,729	863	850	23.05	21.04
Total.....	145,254	142,436	922	907	25.35	24.81

^{1/} Data collected by Livestock and Agricultural Estimates Division, AMS.
^{2/} Standard, commercial and utility.

Cattle and calves on feed: Inventories, marketings and placements,
Arizona and California, October 1, 1959 - April 1, 1960

I t e m	Arizona	California
	<u>1,000</u> <u>head</u>	<u>1,000</u> <u>head</u>
Cattle and calves on feed October 1, 1959	205	636
Cattle and calves placed on feed during October	79	192
Fed cattle marketed during October	35	141
Cattle and calves on feed November 1, 1959	249	687
Cattle and calves placed on feed during November	49	121
Fed cattle marketed during November	33	143
Cattle and calves on feed December 1, 1959	265	665
Cattle and calves placed on feed during December	32	123
Fed cattle marketed during December	32	125
Cattle and calves on feed January 1, 1960	265	663
Cattle and calves placed on feed during January	14	72
Fed cattle marketed during January	32	157
Cattle and calves on feed February 1, 1960	247	578
Cattle and calves placed on feed during February	21	76
Fed cattle marketed during February	33	162
Cattle and calves on feed March 1, 1960	235	492
Cattle and calves placed on feed during March	24	152
Fed cattle marketed during March	52	148
Cattle and calves on feed April 1, 1960	207	496

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In 1959, actual marketings April-June in the 21 States were 6 percent more than intended April 1. During 1956, 1957 and 1958 marketings in the 13 feeding States for this quarterly period averaged 6 percent more than intentions.