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1930	69	FIGURES NOT AVAILABLE - SEE FOOTNOTE /2															1.2%																									
1931	159																	2.7%																								
1932	208																	3.8%																								
1933	238																	3.9%																								
1934	262																	3.3%																								
1935	268																	4.2%																								
1936	450																	6.3%																								
1937	408																	6.2%																								
1938	598	27	4.5%	283	47.3%	187	31.3%			54	9.0%	34	5.7%	11	1.8%	2	0.33%	9.0%																								
1939	509	10	2.0%	232	45.6%	176	34.6%			55	10.8%	29	5.7%	6	1.2%	1	0.20%	7.5%																								
1940	579	12	2.1%	230	39.7%	234	40.4%			69	11.9%	25	4.3%	7	1.2%	2	0.35%	8.3%																								
1941	789	13	1.6%	308	39.0%	344	43.6%			86	10.9%	26	3.3%	9	1.1%	3	0.38%	10.1%																								
1942	1,478			439	29.7%	560	37.9%			284	19.2%	173	11.7%	15	1.0%	7	0.47%	17.3%																								
1943	6,691			1,297	19.4%	2,081	31.1%			1,544	23.1%	984	14.7%	785	11.7%			80.8%																								
1944	8,328			865	10.4%	2,329	28.0%			2,104	25.3%	1,560	18.7%	1,470	17.7%			94.9%																								
1945	9,067			1,258	13.9%	2,791	30.8%			2,421	26.7%	1,506	16.6%	1,091	12.0%			92.4%																								
1946	6,681			1,049	15.7%	2,512	37.6%			1,710	25.6%	869	13.0%	541	8.1%			76.0%																								
1947	2,932	6	0.2%	305	10.4%	1,536	52.4%			695	23.7%	252	8.6%	138	4.7%			29.0%																								
1948	2,022	FIGURES NOT AVAILABLE - SEE FOOTNOTE /2															23.1%																									
1949	2,280																	24.9%																								
1950	2,262																	24.5%																								
1951	6,250																	73.1%																								
1952	8,784																	94.1%																								
1953	6,529																	54.2%																								
1954	5,708																	45.3%																								
1955	6,050																	45.8%																								
1956	6,989	401	5.7%	3,994	57.1%	1,843	26.4%	153	2.19%	249	3.56%	300	4.29%	39	0.56%	10	0.14%	49.6%																								
1957	6,943	366	5.3%	4,097	59.0%	1,883	27.1%	263	3.79%	115	1.66%	174	2.51%	37	0.53%	8	0.12%	50.1%																								
1958	6,449	231	3.6%	3,998	62.0%	1,847	28.6%	190	2.95%	72	1.12%	77	1.19%	29	0.45%	5	0.08%	49.6%																								
1959	6,728	191	2.8%	4,445	66.1%	1,776	26.4%	170	2.53%	55	0.82%	77	1.14%	12	0.18%	2	0.03%	50.8%																								
1960	7,058	199	2.8%	4,660	66.0%	1,773	25.1%	199	2.82%	57	0.81%	156	2.21%	12	0.17%	2	0.03%	49.1%																								
1961	7,439	260	3.5%	5,149	69.2%	1,590	21.4%	202	2.72%	45	0.60%	145	1.95%	45	0.60%	3	0.04%	49.8%																								
1962	7,400	243	3.3%	5,135	69.4%	1,620	21.9%	192	2.59%	55	0.74%	125	1.69%	28	0.38%	2	0.03%	49.6%																								
1963	8,312	306	3.7%	6,040	72.7%	1,616	19.4%	170	2.05%	37	0.45%	120	1.44%	21	0.25%	2	0.02%	51.8%																								
1964	10,053	439	4.4%	7,215	71.8%	1,756	17.5%	204	2.03%	38	0.38%	184	1.83%	214	2.13%	3	0.03%	55.7%																								
1965	10,295	611	5.9%	7,577	73.6%	1,593	15.5%	188	1.83%	57	0.55%	195	1.89%	73	0.71%	1	0.01%	58.1%																								
1966	12,037	770	6.4%	9,158	76.1%	1,742	14.5%	125	1.04%	50	0.42%	150	1.25%	42	0.35%			61.8%																								
1967	12,729	919	7.2%	9,774	76.8%	1,758	13.8%	93	0.73%	35	0.27%	125	0.98%	25	0.20%			63.7%	10	0.9%	403	35.4%	706	62.0%	19	1.67%	1	0.09%														
1968	13,081	889	6.8%	10,181	77.8%	1,717	13.1%	75	0.57%	39	0.30%	165	1.26%	15	0.11%			63.3%	17	0.7%	776	33.8%	1,467	64.0%	31	1.35%	2	0.09%														
1969	13,385	911	6.8%	10,382	77.6%	1,727	12.9%	75	0.56%	43	0.32%	222	1.66%	25	0.19%			63.9%	26	1.0%	949	37.3%	1,542	60.6%	24	0.94%	3	0.12%														

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2013	19,755	758	3.9%	13,038	66.5%	5,788	29.5%	11	0.100%	4	0.020%	16	0.081%					94.2%	79.7%	369	7.0%	1,839	34.7%	2,499	47.1%	536	10.1%	60	1.131%
2014	19,212	841	4.4%	13,157	68.9%	5,067	26.5%	8	0.042%	4	0.021%	18	0.094%					94.3%	80.9%	413	7.7%	1,929	35.9%	2,436	45.4%	526	9.8%	67	1.247%

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* INDICATES ESTIMATED FIGURES

- 1/ Grade designations are those in use at time data were reported.
- 2/ Breakdown on volume or percentages by grade not available for 1930-37 and 1948-55
- 3/ During the period of 1942-46, beef that met the requirements of the Prime grade were identified as Choice, pursuant to Amendment 5, MPR 169, Office of Price Administration.
- 4/ Quality grades Cutter & Canner were combined from 1943 to 1947.
- 5/ Total includes beef officially graded for the Commodity Credit Corporation (Federal Surplus Commodities Corporation prior to April 3, 1944)
 - 1942 - 6.7 million lbs.
 - 1943 - 18.5 " "
 - 1944 - 28.1 " "
 - 1945 - 109.3 " "
 - 1946 - 168.6 " "
- 6/ Pounds designated as "0" are .5 million or less.
- 7/ Yield grade figures prior to 1967 are not available.
- 8/ Quality and Yield Grades were coupled in February, 1976.
- 9/ Grade name change November, 1987. The grade name of Good was changed to Select. Figures from 1930 through 1987 reference Good. Figures from 1988 to present reference Select.
- 10/ Quality and Yield Grades were uncoupled in August, 1989.

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