NATIONAL SUMMARY OF MEATS GRADED (POUNDS IN THOUSANDS)

CALENDAR YEAR 2000					OTALS	01/02/2000 TO 12/30/2000			
BEEF									
_			YIELD GRADE			TOTAL	% OF	% OF TOTAL	
QUALITY GRADE	#1	#2	#3	#4	#5	QUALITY ONLY	QUALITY GRADED THIS PD	ALL QUALITY GRADED	STEER AND HEIFER SLAUGHTER
PRIME	7,844	154,717	365,128	35,259	3,450	161,435	727,834	3.5	3.2
CHOICE	572,768	4,574,355	5,484,948	315,726	30,374	989,567	11,967,739	57.2	52.4
SELECT	1,318,812	4,118,323	2,225,624	65,699	6,752	469,931	8,205,141	39.2	36.0
STANDARD	186	322	145	0	0	653	1,306	0.0	0.0
COMMERCIA	7	351	326	0	0	46	730	0.0	
UTILITY	359	2,977	1,607	1	1	83	5,027	0.0	
CUTTER	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	
CANNER	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	
YIELD ONLY	314,765	373,702	189,223	18,106	2,027				
TOTAL YIELD GRADED THIS									
PERIOD	2,214,741	9,224,746	8,267,001	434,791	42,604				

95.5% of Federal Inspected Steer and Heifer slaughter represents total Steers and Heifers Graded.

41.0

2.2

0.2

0.2% of Federal Inspected Cow slaughter represents total Cows graded.

45.7

% OF ALL YIELD GRAD

11.0

84.0% of Federal Inspected Beef slaughter represents total Beef (Steers, Heifers, and Cows) graded.

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CALENDAR YEAR 2000				TOTALS					01/02/2000 TC	D 12/30/2000			
LAMB AND MUTTON										VEAL AND CALF			
QUALITY	YIELD GRADE					QUALITY	TOTAL QUALITY	% OF ALL	QUALITY	TOTAL	%		
GRADE	#1	#2	#3	#4	#5	ONLY	GRADED THIS PD	QUALITY GRADED	GRADE	THIS PD			
									PRIME	4,477	8.2		
PRIME	96	3,333	5,333	1,997	453	0	11,212	6.1	CHOICE	50,040	91.3		
CHOICE	12,780	76,125	69,160	12,516	1,948	0	172,529	93.9	GOOD	308	0.6		
GOOD	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	STANDARD	0	0.0		
UTILITY	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	UTILITY	0	0.0		
CULL	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	TOTAL	54,826	100.0		
YIELD ONLY	0	0	0	0	0								
									26.2% of Federal Veal				
TOTAL YIELD GRADED THIS										and Calf slaughter represents total Veal and Calf graded.			
PERIOD	12,876	79,457	74,494	14,513	2,402								
% OF ALL													
YIELD GRAD	7.0	43.2	40.5	7.9	1.3				TOTAL BULL/BULLOCK TOTAL PORK		134 0		

86.6% of Federal Inspected Lamb slaughter represents total Lambs Graded.

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NATIONAL SUMMARY OF MEATS GRADED (NUMBER OF HEAD)

CALENDAR YEAR 2000 01/02/2000 TO 12/30/2000 BEEF TOTAL % OF % OF TOTAL YIELD GRADE QUALITY QUALITY QUALITY ALL STEER AND QUALITY GRADE #2 #3 #4 #5 ONLY GRADED HEIFER #1 THIS PD GRADED SLAUGHTER PRIME 10,172 200,626 473,472 45,721 4,474 209,337 943,802 3.4% 3.2 CHOICE 742,724 5,931,691 7,112,482 409,411 39,387 1,283,198 15,518,893 57.2% 52.4 SELECT 1,710,140 5,340,341 2,886,027 85,194 8,756 609,372 10,639,830 39.2% 36.0 STANDARD 241 417 188 0 0 847 1,693 0.0% 0.0 COMMERCIA 12 605 563 0 0 80 1,260 0.0% UTILITY 619 5,138 2,773 1 1 144 8,676 0.0% 0 CUTTER 0 0 0 0 0 0.0% 0 CANNER 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0.0% YIELD ONLY 408,164 484,590 245,370 23,479 2,628 TOTAL YIELD GRADED THIS PERIOD 2,872,072 11,963,408 10,720,875 563,806 55,246 % OF ALL YIELD GRAD 10.9% 45.6% 41.0% 2.1% 0.2%

LAMB AND MUT	TON								VEAL AND CALF		
QUALITY GRADE	YIELD GRADE						TOTAL	% OF			
	#1	#2	#3	#4	#5	QUALITY ONLY	QUALITY GRADED THIS PD	ALL QUALITY GRADED	QUALITY TOTAL GRADE THIS PD		%
									PRIME	23,292	8.1%
PRIME	1,423	49,324	78,935	29,553	6,709	0	165,944	6.0%	CHOICE	260,354	91.3%
CHOICE	189,144	1,126,660	1,023,585	185,237	28,837	0	2,553,463	93.9%	GOOD	1,605	0.5%
GOOD	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%	STANDARD	2	0.0%
UTILITY	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%	UTILITY	0	0.0%
CULL YIELD ONLY	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%	TOTAL	285,253	
TOTAL YIELD GRADED THIS PERIOD	190,567	1,175,984	1,102,520	214,790	35,546						
YIELD GRAD	7.0%	43.2%	40.5%	7.9%	1.2%				TOTAL BULL/BULLOCK TOTAL PORK		150 0

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