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ESTIMATED DAILY LIVESTOCK SLAUGHTER UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION

	CATTLE	CALVES	HOGS	SHEEP
Thursday 03/22/2012 (est)	116,000	3,000	416,000	8,000
Week ago (est)	118,000	3,000	416,000	8,000
Year ago (act)	129,000	2,000	416,000	9,000
Week to date (est)	489,000	12,000	1,661,000	31,000
Same Period Last Week (est)	492,000	12,000	1,668,000	34,000
Same Period Last Year (act)	501,000	12,000	1,657,000	34,000
Previous Day Estimated	Steer and Heifer		Cow and Bull	
Wednesday	96,000		27,000	

NATIONAL DAILY BOXED BEEF CUTOUT AND BOXED BEEF CUTS - Negotiated Sales - Afternoon

USDA ESTIMATED BOXED BEEF CUT-OUT VALUES - as of 1:30pm, based on FOB Plant negotiated prices and volume of boxed beef cuts delivered within 0-21 days and on average industry cutting yields. Values reflect U.S. dollars per 100 pounds.

Boxed beef cutout values steady to weak on light demand and offerings. Select and Choice rib, chuck, round and loin cuts steady to weak. Beef trimmings lower on light to moderate demand and moderate offerings.

	CHOICE 600-900	SELECT 600-900
Current Cutout Values:	188.92	187.67
Change from prior day:	(0.05)	(0.65)

Choice/Select spread: 1.25
Total Load Count (Cuts, Trimmings, Grinds): 157

COMPOSITE PRIMAL VALUES

Primal Rib	281.32	275.54
Primal Chuck	151.38	150.28
Primal Round	160.68	161.16
Primal Loin	264.20	261.70
Primal Brisket	133.11	133.12
Primal Short Plate	137.28	141.07
Primal Flank	115.34	111.78

LOAD COUNT AND CUTOUT VALUE SUMMARY FOR PRIOR 5 DAYS

Date	Choice	Select	Trim	Grinds	Total	CHOICE 600-900	SELECT 600-900
03/21	135	57	18	46	256	188.97	188.32
03/20	89	44	20	26	179	191.09	188.98
03/19	69	34	8	24	136	191.74	189.02
03/16	59	69	9	40	177	189.91	188.17
03/15	155	72	25	36	287	190.20	188.58

Current 5 Day Simple Average: 190.38 188.62

CURRENT VOLUME - (one load equals 40,000 pounds)

Choice Cuts	73.81	loads	2,952,328	pounds
Select Cuts	34.33	loads	1,373,221	pounds
Trimmings	19.59	loads	783,521	pounds
Ground Beef	29.12	loads	1,164,618	pounds

Choice Cuts, Fat Limitations 1-6		(IM) = Individual Muscle				Weighted Average
IMPS/FL	Sub-Primal	# of Trades	Total Pounds	Price Range		
109E 1	Rib, ribeye, lip-on, bn-in	19	50,818	534.50	591.00	542.77
112A 3	Rib, ribeye, bnls, light	9	35,508	605.00	665.00	613.49
112A 3	Rib, ribeye, bnls, heavy	41	135,804	604.03	657.09	621.49
113C 1	Chuck, semi-bnls, neck/off	11	28,110	191.00	211.00	196.01
114 1	Chuck, shoulder clod	13	15,269	189.06	207.79	194.20
114A 3	Chuck, shoulder clod, trmd	35	250,990	196.00	222.00	202.29
114D 3	Chuck, clod, top blade	12	36,803	244.00	290.00	252.32
114E 3	Chuck, clod, arm roast	10	35,764	239.00	279.63	250.65
114F 5	Chuck, clod tender (IM)	12	14,786	316.88	392.00	339.27
115 1	Chuck, 2-piece, boneless					
116A 3	Chuck, roll, 1x1, neck/off	42	130,380	207.00	237.79	212.98
116B 1	Chuck, chuck tender (IM)	21	28,575	223.00	246.00	233.25
	Chuck roll, retail ready					
120 1	Brisket, deckle-off, bnls	45	241,977	195.00	212.63	198.17
120A 3	Brisket, point/off, bnls	7	8,344	303.30	356.00	336.11
123A 3	Short Plate, short rib	23	31,119	305.00	393.50	348.71
130 4	Chuck, short rib	26	373,323	194.00	231.79	196.15
160 1	Round, bone-in	9	5,038	200.50	227.00	214.17
161 1	Round, boneless	6	22,557	211.00	219.00	212.06
	Round, bnls/peeled heel-out					
167A 4	Round, knuckle, peeled	37	121,205	230.00	249.75	235.62
168 1	Round, top inside round	20	76,919	195.00	203.15	198.56
168 3	Round, top inside round	17	63,078	202.00	218.00	207.82
169 5	Round, top inside, denuded	14	31,426	236.00	251.00	244.57
	Round, top inside, side off					
170 1	Round, bottom gooseneck	9	6,462	189.25	216.25	197.66
171B 3	Round, outside round	39	217,902	191.89	224.60	203.48
171C 3	Round, eye of round (IM)	23	56,524	212.30	233.70	223.02
174 1	Loin, short loin, 2x3					
174 3	Loin, short loin, 0x1	17	113,350	495.00	559.15	505.19
175 3	Loin, strip loin, 1x1					
180 1	Loin, strip, bnls, heavy					
	Loin, strip loin bnls. 1x1	7	3,564	480.00	537.75	504.65
180 3	Loin, strip, bnls, 0x1	38	178,175	498.00	581.00	526.98
184 1	Loin, top butt, bnls, heavy	5	4,981	291.63	320.00	304.07
184 3	Loin, top butt, boneless	31	129,110	300.00	348.00	317.52
185A 4	Loin, bottom sirloin, flap	24	108,026	380.00	436.00	394.52
185B 1	Loin, ball-tip, bnls, heavy	19	24,480	286.00	326.00	301.58
185C 1	Loin, sirloin, tri-tip (IM)	21	49,838	326.25	355.00	337.17
185D 4	Loin, tri-tip, pld (IM)	7	7,912	450.00	478.00	464.05
189A 4	Loin, tndrloin, trmd, heavy	21	53,044	945.79	991.00	966.17
191A 4	Loin, butt tender, trimmed	5	2,389	926.00	1037.00	965.54
193 4	Flank, flank steak (IM)	18	16,461	415.00	475.00	433.45

NATIONAL/REGIONAL DAILY BONELESS PROCESSING BEEF AND BEEF TRIMMINGS
- Negotiated Sales - Afternoon

FOB Plant basis negotiated sales for delivery within 0-21 day period, U.S. dollars per 100 pounds.

Compared to last market test: Lean boneless was 1.00 to 2.00 lower; 85% was unevenly steady; 65% was 1.00 to 2.00 lower; Other lean percentages were not fully established. Beef trimmings lower on light to moderate demand and moderate offerings.

CURRENT VOLUME - (one load equals 40,000 pounds)

Central	50.05	Loads	--	2,001,898	pounds
National	82.24	Loads	--	3,289,538	pounds

FOB Plant - Central

	# of Trades	Total Pounds	Price Range	Weighted Average
Chemical Lean				
Fresh 92-94%	3	40,500	\$224.00	\$229.00
Frozen 92-94%				
Fresh 90%	25	826,649	\$214.00	\$220.00
Frozen 90%	1	42,000	\$223.00	\$223.00
Fresh 85%	36	939,366	\$199.00	\$213.00
Frozen 85%				
Fresh 81%				
Frozen 81%				
Fresh 75%	2	26,260	\$167.05	\$173.00
Frozen 75%				
Fresh 73%				
Frozen 73%				
Fresh 65%	4	127,123	\$126.50	\$131.00
Frozen 65%				
Bull Product				
Fresh 94-96%				
Frozen 94-96%				

FOB Plant - National

	# of Trades	Total Pounds	Price Range	Weighted Average
Chemical Lean				
Fresh 92-94%	12	202,500	\$224.00	\$234.50
Frozen 92-94%				
Fresh 90%	35	970,067	\$214.00	\$221.50
Frozen 90%	1	42,000	\$223.00	\$223.00
Fresh 85%	44	1,063,339	\$199.00	\$214.72
Frozen 85%				
Fresh 81%				
Frozen 81%				
Fresh 75%	3	67,488	\$160.00	\$173.00
Frozen 75%				
Fresh 73%				
Frozen 73%				
Fresh 65%	7	165,123	\$126.50	\$136.00
Frozen 65%				
Fresh 50%	23	779,021	\$84.00	\$93.75
Frozen 50%				
Bull Product				
Fresh 94-96%				
Frozen 94-96%				

Regional Breakdown:
Central - AR,CO,IA,IL,IN,KS,KY,LA,MI,MO,MN,MT,ND,NE,NM,OH,OK,SD,TX
National - all states

IMPORT BEEF TRADE (Australia and New Zealand) WED, Mar 21, 2012
Compared to Last Week: Market activity on imported beef was very slow and prices were 1.00 to 2.00 lower. Supplies remained light as flooding in Australia and New Zealand continued to disrupt slaughter schedules. Weaker food service demand and more available product pressured the nearby import and domestic markets.

AUSTRALIA AND NEW ZEALAND - FOB AND TIS
0-15 Days

BULL MEAT:	East Coast	West Coast
95%		228.00
COW MEAT:		
95%		
90%		215.00
CFM Fores 85%		
Shank 85-90%		
Chuck 85%		
Beef Trim 85%		
Beef Trim 80%		
Beef Trim 75%		
Beef Trim 70%		
Beef Trim 65%		
100 % LEAN:		
Top Rounds		
Flats & Eyes		
S.P.B.		

BULL MEAT:	East Coast	West Coast
95%		228.00
COW MEAT:		
95%		
90%		214.00- 215.00
CFM Fores 85%		
Shank 85-90%		
Chuck 85%		
Beef Trim 85%		
Beef Trim 80%		
Beef Trim 75%		

URUGUAY - FOB AND TIS

BULL MEAT:	0-15 Days	16-45 Days
95%		
COW MEAT:		
95%		
90%		
CFM Fores 85%		
Beef Trim 85%		
Beef Trim 80%		
Beef Trim 75%		

WEEKLY CAF WEST COAST COW AND BULL CARCASS REPORT
9.0 Loads Reported

Compared to last market test: Utility and Cutter carcass market was steady on good demand and light to moderate offerings.

Market for Week Ended:	Lds	Price Range
UT,brk 2-4	450#/up	
UT,bng 1-3	400#/up	126.00
Cutter 1-2	350#/up	126.00
Bulls YG 1	500#/up	

USDA BEEF CARCASS PRICE EQUIVALENT INDEX VALUE

Index	CHOICE 600-900#	SELECT 600-900#
Values =>	\$180.75	\$178.03
Change =>	0.08	-0.21
Current Index Reflects the Equivalent of 270,017 head of cattle.		
SUPPLY (Live)	202,232 Hd	
Equivalent:	\$184.59	\$180.39
DEMAND (Box)	67,785 Hd*	
Equivalent:	\$176.92	\$175.67
Live-Box Spread:	\$7.67	\$4.72
Input Breakdown		
National Daily Direct Cattle (5 day accumulated wghtd avg)		Boxed Beef Cutouts
Weight	Price	Head
Live Steer:	1339	\$126.51
Live Heifer:	1229	\$126.50
Drstd Steer:	885	\$202.63
Drstd Heifer:	831	\$202.56
Grading % Breakdown		
Ch 600-900# :	76.70%	Drop Credit :
Ch 600-750# :	25.10%	Steer Dressing % :
Ch 750-900# :	51.60%	Heifer Dressing % :
Se 600-900# :	23.30%	Processing Cost :
Se 600-750# :	4.56%	Slaughter Cost :
Se 750-900# :	18.74%	
Equivalent Values for Outlying Beef Carcass Types		
Basis Value = 180.75		
	400-500#	500-600#
Qlty/Yield	(1)	600-900#
	-28.93	-13.04
Prime 1-3	16.43	\$168.25
Certified 1-3	4.32	\$156.14
Choice 1	3.38	\$155.20
Select 1	-0.26	\$151.56
Stdndr 1-3	-17.43	\$134.39
Prime 4	3.73	\$155.55
Choice 4	-11.38	\$140.44

NATIONAL 5-DAY ROLLING CUTTER COW CUTOFF AND BOXED COW BEEF CUTS - NEGOTIATED -
USDA ESTIMATE CUTTER COW CARCASS CUT-OUT VALUE

Based on negotiated carlot volume prices of cow cuts delivered within 0-21 days and on average industry cutting yields. U.S. dollars per 100 pounds.

	Cutter 90% 350#/up
Current-Cutout Value:	\$169.81
Change from prior day:	(\$0.92)
Item	Price
90% lean	\$216.97
100% lean inside round	\$270.77
100% lean, flats and eyes	\$258.22
100% lean, S.P.B.	\$246.63
Chuck Tender	\$229.06
Knuckle	\$239.56
Tenderloin	\$445.63
Tenderloin	\$472.11
Ribeye Roll	\$243.82
Ribeye Roll	\$252.20
Ribeye Roll	\$246.48
Flank Steak	\$269.66
Kidney, Edible	\$41.99
Fat, inedible	\$31.32
Bone	\$6.53

USDA NATIONAL BOXED COW BEEF CUTS - NEGOTIATED SALES
negotiated sales for delivery within 0-21 day period.

CURRENT VOLUME - (one load equals 40,000 pounds)

Boner/Breaker Cuts	41.10	loads	--	1,644,136	pounds
Cutter/Canner Cuts	5.42	loads	--	216,735	pounds
Boner/Breaker/Cutter/Canner	30.38	loads	--	1,215,267	pounds
100% Lean Items	33.77	loads	--	1,350,659	pounds
Frozen Cuts	6.56	loads	--	262,547	pounds

IMPS	Sub-Primal	# of Trades	Total Pounds	Weighted Average	Change from Prior Day
BONER/BREAKER					
112	Rib, ribeye roll, 6-8 lbs.	15	32,653	\$265.97	\$2.58
112	Rib, ribeye roll, 8-10 lbs.	72	219,816	\$262.57	\$0.68
112	Rib, ribeye roll, 10-up lbs.	32	63,758	\$274.15	\$4.20
112A	Rib, ribeye roll-lip-on, 8-dn lbs.	30	72,778	\$327.67	(\$12.34)
112A	Rib, ribeye roll-lip-on, 8-up lbs.	31	60,511	\$273.49	(\$0.63)
	Chuck, boneless 85%	12	90,155	\$213.99	(\$0.46)
120	Chuck, brisket	28	23,354	\$203.83	(\$0.42)
168	Round, top inside, 10-dn lbs.	5	11,230	\$196.83	\$0.84
168	Round, top inside, 10-up lbs.	28	110,026	\$214.01	\$2.91
169A	Round, top inside c-off, 8-10 lbs.	4	20,300	\$259.16	(\$0.10)
169A	Round, top inside c-off, 10-14 lbs.	47	367,985	\$256.97	\$0.11
169A	Round, top inside c-off, 14-up lbs.	14	75,613	\$259.48	\$0.06
171B	Round, outside round	16	77,278	\$225.42	\$0.85
171C	Round, eye of round	47	84,137	\$238.71	\$8.39
	Loin, Semi-Bnls Short Loin, 13-dn lbs.	3	11,570	\$252.66	
	Loin, Semi-Bnls Short Loin, 13-up lbs.				
180	Loin, strip, bnls, 7-9 lbs.				
180	Loin, strip, bnls, 9-up lbs.	26	43,239	\$238.88	\$0.53
182	Loin, sirloin butt				
184	Loin, top sirloin butt	39	80,731	\$210.42	(\$0.77)
185A	Loin, bottom sirloin butt flap, bnls.	53	196,797	\$269.23	\$0.65
191A	Loin, butt tender, peeled	3	2,205	\$467.31	
CUTTER/CANNER					
112	Rib, ribeye roll, 4-6 lbs.				
112	Rib, ribeye roll, 6-8 lbs.	46	100,835	\$250.93	(\$2.81)
112	Rib, ribeye roll, 8-up lbs.	19	115,900	\$246.78	(\$2.00)
100% LEAN					
	Inside round - Combo	27	293,190	\$269.68	\$1.52
	Inside round - Boxed	41	46,865	\$277.60	\$0.88
	Outside round	8	25,876	\$260.70	\$0.44
	Eye of round	23	55,690	\$266.15	(\$1.77)
	Flats and eyes - Combo	22	305,003	\$256.56	\$0.03
	Flats and eyes - Boxed				
	Striploin	54	144,137	\$340.43	(\$0.30)
	S.P.B. - Combo	44	479,898	\$246.63	(\$0.46)
	S.P.B. - Boxed				
BONER/BREAKER & CUTTER/CANNER					
116B	Chuck, chuck tender	50	152,543	\$229.06	(\$0.42)
167A	Round, knuckle, peeled	91	405,142	\$239.56	\$0.29
190	Loin, tenderloin, 2-3 lbs.	10	17,230	\$445.63	(\$0.16)
190	Loin, tenderloin, 3-4 lbs.	40	75,781	\$471.82	\$0.18
190	Loin, tenderloin, 4-5 lbs.	148	233,333	\$498.22	\$5.24
190	Loin, tenderloin, 5-up lbs.	35	57,637	\$511.53	(\$5.27)
193	Flank, flank steak	100	141,818	\$275.37	(\$6.16)
	Flank, rough	67	131,783	\$224.50	(\$0.85)
FROZEN BONER/BREAKER					
112	Rib, ribeye roll, 6-8 lbs.				
112	Rib, ribeye roll, 8-10 lbs.				
112	Rib, ribeye roll, 10-up lbs.				
112A	Rib, ribeye roll-lip-on, 8-dn lbs.				
112A	Rib, ribeye roll-lip-on, 8-up lbs.				
169A	Round, top inside c-off, 8-10 lbs.				
169A	Round, top inside c-off, 10-14 lbs.				
169A	Round, top inside c-off, 14-up lbs.				
180	Loin, strip, bnls, 7-9 lbs.				
180	Loin, strip, bnls, 9-up lbs.	3	55,425	\$208.29	
FROZEN CUTTER/CANNER					
112	Rib, ribeye roll, 4-6 lbs.	3	36,319	\$243.82	
112	Rib, ribeye roll, 6-8 lbs.	6	9,645	\$265.49	
112	Rib, ribeye roll, 8-up lbs.				
FROZEN BONER/BREAKER & CUTTER/CANNER					
190	Loin, tenderloin, 2-3 lbs.				
190	Loin, tenderloin, 3-4 lbs.				
190	Loin, tenderloin, 4-5 lbs.				
190	Loin, tenderloin, 5-up lbs.				
193	Flank, flank steak	9	30,600	\$243.17	(\$2.26)

MAJOR PACKER HIDES, CURED & FLESHED					
		Lds	Price/Piece	Price/CWT	
HVY NATIVE STR	60-62#				
	60-64#				
	62-64#				
	64-66#				
	66-68#				
NATIVE STEER	80-82#				
	46-48#				
	60-62#				
	64#Min				
	64-66#				
BUTT BRAND STR	64-68#				
	60-62#				
	62-64#				
	64-66#				
	64#Min				
NATIVE HEIFER	70-78#				
	46-48#				
	47-49#				
	48-52#				
	50-52#				
HVFY NATIVE HFR	52-55#				
	47-49#				
	48-50#				
	50-52#				
	48-50#				
BRANDED HFRS	50-52#				
	52-54#				
	54-56#				
	54-56#				
	65-70#				
BRAND HFR SW	50-52#				
	52-54#				
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	65-70#				
BRND COW SW	50-52#				
	52-54#				
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	65-70#				
BRANDED COW	50-52#				
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	54-56#				
	54-56#				
	65-70#				
NATIVE COW	50-52#				
	52-54#				
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	65-70#				
DAIRY COW	50-52#				
	52-54#				
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	54-56#				
	65-70#				
DAIRY COW SW	50-52#				
	52-54#				
	54-56#				
	54-56#				
	65-70#				
NATV BULL Con	96-106#				
	100-10#				
	95-105#				
	100-10#				
	100-10#				

HVY TEX STEER	60-62#				
	60-64#				
	64-66#				
	64#Min				
	66-70#				
HVY TEX STR/HFR	70-74#				
	48-50#				
	54#Min				
	60-64#				
	62-64#				
BRANDED STEER	64-66#				
	64-66#				
	64-66#				
	64-66#				
	64-66#				

USDA BY-PRODUCT PRICE REPORT - FOB CENTRAL U.S. BASIS

Carlott Basis - Dollars/hundredweight - as of 3:00 PM.

BEEF VARIETY MEATS - FROZEN -----				
Items	Lds	Price	Range	Wtd Avg
CHEEK MEAT, trmd, 70-75% lean			147.00	147.00 A
export	8.0	144.75 -	148.00	145.50
FEET, nails off, skin on				
HEAD MEAT, 60-70% lean		108.00 -	113.00	109.00 D
export				
HEARTS, regular, bone out			67.00	67.00 A
regular, bone-out exp			67.00	67.00 A
KIDNEYS, export				
LIPS, unscaled			152.00	152.00 D
LIVERS, selected, 2/box				
selected, 2/box, export				
regular, 2/box			59.00	59.00 D
regular, export, 2/box				
OXTAILS, selected, small box				
SWEETBREADS, domestic			unq	
export				
TONGUES, Individually Wrapped				
Swiss-Cut#1, Wht, 0-3% trm, Exp				
Swiss-Cut#1, Blk, 0-3% trm, Exp				
Swiss-Cut #2				
TRIPAS, domestic				
export				
TRIPE, scalded, edible			80.00	80.00 D
scalded, edible, export				
scalded, unbleached, export				
honeycomb, bleached				
WEASAND MEAT,				

----- BEEF PET FOODS - FOB SUPPLY POINT -----

QUARTERLY CONTRACTS:	FRESH	BOXED FROZEN
GULLETS-TRACHEA	15.00-16.00	
KIDNEYS, inedible	13.25-13.25	
LIVERS, "	9.00-10.75	
LUNGS, "	4.00-5.00	
MELTS, "	4.00-5.00	
SALIVARY GLANDS	9.00-9.00	

USDA BY-PRODUCT DROP VALUE (STEER) FOB CENTRAL US

The hide and offal value from a typical slaughter steer (1) for today was estimated at 13.70 per cwt live, down -0.05 when compared to Wednesday's value.

TODAY'S CALCULATIONS FOR BY-PRODUCT VALUE (STEER)				
	Lbs	Price	Change Prv/Dy	Value
Steer hide, butt brand/Pc	5.25	86.00	-	6.49
Tallow, edible	1.20	51.25	-2.50	0.62
Tallow, packer bleachable	4.50	47.25	-	2.13
Tongues, Swiss #1 0-3%, exp	0.24	224.00	-	0.54
Cheek meat, trmd	0.32	145.50	-2.00	0.47
Head meat	0.13	109.00	-	0.14
Oxtail, selected	0.24	260.00	-	0.62
Hearts, reg, bone out	0.38	67.00	-	0.25
Lips, unscaled	0.13	152.00	-	0.20
Livers, slcted, export	0.96	65.00	-	0.62
Tripe, scalded edible	0.65	80.00	-	0.52
Tripe, honeycomb bleached	0.15	118.00	-	0.18
Lungs, inedible	0.47	3.88	-	0.02
Melts	0.14	4.13	-	0.01
Meat bone ml, 50% blk/ton	3.70	358.50	-9.50	0.66
Blood meal, 85% blk/ton	0.60	775.00	-	0.23
Totals:	19.06			13.70
Dressed equivalent basis (63% dress):				21.75
(1) Typical slaughter steer weighs 1,350 pounds.				
HIDE WEIGHT ADJUSTED TO REFLECT SEASONAL CHANGE				

The average value of hide and offal for the four days ending Thu, Mar 22, 2012, was estimated at 13.73 per cwt., up 0.09 from last week and up 0.21 from last year.

USDA BY-PRODUCT DROP VALUE (CATTLE)

The hide and offal value from typical fed cattle (steers and heifers 1,275) for today was estimated at 13.92 per cwt live, down 0.05 from Wednesday's value.

TODAY'S CALCULATIONS FOR BY-PRODUCT VALUE (CATTLE)				
	Lbs	Price	Change Prv/Dy	Value
Cattle hide/Pc	5.25	85.50	-	6.71
Tallow, edible	1.20	51.25	-2.50	0.62
Tallow, packer bleachable	4.50	47.25	-	2.13
Tongues, Swiss #1 0-3%, ex	0.24	224.00	-	0.54
Cheek meat, trmd	0.32	145.50	-2.00	0.47
Head meat	0.13	109.00	-	0.14
Oxtail, selected	0.24	260.00	-	0.62
Hearts, reg, bone out	0.38	67.00	-	0.25
Lips, unscaled	0.13	152.00	-	0.20
Livers, slcted, gall off,e	0.96	65.00	-	0.62
Tripe, scalded edible	0.65	80.00	-	0.52
Tripe, honeycomb bleached	0.15	118.00	-	0.18
Lungs, inedible	0.47	3.88	-	0.02
Melts	0.14	4.13	-	0.01
Meat bone ml, 50% blk/ton	3.70	358.50	-9.50	0.66
Blood meal, 85% blk/ton	0.60	775.00	-	0.23
Totals:	19.06			13.92
Dressed equivalent basis (62.9% dress):				22.13
(1) Typical slaughter cattle weighs 1,275 pounds				
HIDE WEIGHT ADJUSTED TO REFLECT SEASONAL CHANGE				

WEEKLY USDA BY-PRODUCT DROP VALUE (COW)

The hide and offal value from a typical slaughter cow (1) for the week ended 3/16/2012, was estimated at 12.30 per cwt live, up 0.09 from last week.

CALCULATIONS FOR BY-PRODUCT VALUE (COW)				
	Lbs	Price	Change Prv/Wk	Value
Cow hide, branded (2)/Piece	4.80	54.00	-	4.91
Tallow, renderer blchable	3.68	46.75	-	1.72
Tongues, Swiss cut, IW	0.32	217.75	-2.75	0.70
Cheek meat, trmd	0.43	162.00	-0.25	0.70
Head meat	0.14	160.75	5.25	0.23
Oxtail, reg, small box	0.20	236.00	7.25	0.47
Hearts, reg, bone out	0.46	69.75	-0.50	0.32
Lips, unscaled	0.13	113.25	1.50	0.15
Livers, reg, gall off (3)	0.90	41.50	-1.50	0.37
Tripe, scalded edible, blchd	1.06	47.25	1.00	0.50
Tripe, honeycomb bleached	0.14	111.75	8.25	0.16
Lungs, inedible	0.86	3.88	-	0.03
Melts	0.15	4.13	-	0.01
Meat bone ml, 50% blk/ton	10.71	326.50	13.00	1.75
Blood meal, 85% blk/ton	0.73	775.00	-	0.28
Totals:	24.71			12.30
Dressed equivalent basis (47% dress):				26.17
(1) Typical slaughter cow weighs 1,100 pounds.				
(2) Hide weight adjusted regularly for seasonal variation.				
(3) Reflects a 30% condemnation rate.				
REPORT BASIS - FOB Omaha or equivalent for the Midwest;				
FOB Plant for Texas and Oklahoma				

WEEKLY CENTRAL U.S. COW VARIETY MEAT PRICE REPORT - FOB PLANT					
For Week Ended 3/16/2012	Dollars/hundredweight				
Frozen CARLOT/L.C.L. Basis	Lds	Price	Range	Wtagv	

CHEEK MEAT, Trimmed	3.8	157.00	-	176.00	161.90
FEET, unbleached, skin-on, exp					
FEET, bleached, skin-on, exp					
HEARTS, Regular, bone-out	5.2	68.00	-	85.00	69.71
HEARTS, Regular, bone-out, exp					
HEARTS, Canadian-style, exp					
HEAD MEAT,	2.7	157.00	-	165.00	160.79
KIDNEY'S Export	8.4	40.00	-	44.25	41.99
LIPS, unscaled	2.4	112.00	-	118.00	113.32
LIVERS, Regular, bulk-pack	0.5			49.00	49.00
LIVERS, Regular, bulk-pack export					
LIVERS, Regular, 2/box	1.0			44.00	44.00
LIVERS, Regular, 2/box, export	50.4	40.00	-	46.00	41.49
" 3 loads traded at 52.00 for Egypt					
MELTS,					
OXTAILS, Regular, small box	6.3	216.50	-	257.00	236.10
SALIVARY GLANDS	0.6			32.00	32.00
SWEETBREADS, export					
TONGUES, #1 white Swiss cut, IW	1.2	217.00	-	223.00	220.91
TONGUES, exp.#1 white Swiss cut, IW					
TONGUES, #1 black Swiss cut, IW	1.4	206.00	-	226.00	216.07
TONGUES, exp.#1 black Swiss cut, IW					
TONGUES, #1 mixed, Swiss cut, IW					
TONGUES, exp.#1 mixed, Swiss cut, IW					
TONGUES, #2 mixed Swiss cut, IW	0.5	206.50	-	223.00	215.18
TONGUES, exp.#2 mixed, Swiss cut, IW					
TONGUE Trimmings	1.0			28.00	28.00
TRIPAS	2.4	40.00	-	45.25	40.80
TRIPE, bleached, scalded, edible	5.1	46.00	-	52.00	47.27
TRIPE, blchd, scld/w honeycomb	0.5			90.00	90.00
TRIPE, bleached, scalded, edible exp					
TRIPE, unbleached, scalded, edible	0.3			104.00	104.00
TRIPE, honeycomb bleached	0.4	100.00	-	125.00	111.67
TRIPE, honeycomb unbleached					
TRIPE, omasum unbleached	0.6			270.00	270.00
WEASAND MEAT					

USDA NATIONAL CARLOT PORK REPORT as of 3:00 P.M. Negotiated

Purchases Equated to FOB Omaha Basis unless otherwise stated.
Compared to Wednesday's Close: Fresh loins and butts mostly steady; sknd hams 20-23 lbs 3.00 lower, 23-27 lbs steady to 2.00 lower; sdls bellies 14-16 lbs steady; lean trimmings weaker undertones. Trading moderate, with light to moderate demand and moderate to heavy offerings.

Loads PORK CUTS	:	113.75
Loads TRIM/PROCESS PORK	:	14.0

USDA ESTIMATED PORK CARCASS CUTOUT
Based on FOB Omaha carlot pork prices and industry yields.
Calculations for a 200 lb Pork Carcass. Values reflect US Dollars per 100 pounds
53-54% lean, 0.65"-0.80" backfat at last rib

Today's Primal Cutout Values									
Date	Loads	Carcass	Loin	Butt	Pic	Rib	Ham	Belly	
03/22	127.75	79.82	97.07	93.46	51.21	138.80	58.71	102.08	
Change :		-0.17	-0.30	0.13	2.52	-0.50	-2.52	1.63	
03/21	111.6	79.99	97.37	93.33	48.69	139.30	61.23	100.46	
03/20	148.5	80.71	99.05	93.46	48.49	139.28	60.59	103.33	
03/19	57.5	82.29	98.91	93.16	51.37	142.04	65.44	103.40	
03/16	46.0	82.70	98.39	93.54	51.72	142.16	64.16	108.28	
Current Five Day Simple Average -		81.10	98.16	93.39	50.30	140.32	62.02	103.51	

NOTE: Value may change without adequate test. A detailed description of the cutout is available upon request.

FRESH PORK CUTS						
LOINS, BONE-IN						
Primal Cutout Value =				97.07		
				Lds	Price Range	Wghtd Avg
1/4" Trim 21#DN-LGT				9.0	118.00 - 123.00	120.39
1/8" Trm/less 21#DN-LGT				3.5	136.00	136.00
1/4" Bladeless						
1/4" Trim 21#/UP-MED						
Combos 26/Up# (SOW)						
LOINS,CNTRCUT,10-11 RIB,1/4"TRM						
Tender-in FLO 8-13#				4.0	155.00 - 166.00	162.50
Tender-out FLO 8-13#						
ENLS Strap-on 5-11#				4.5	146.00 - 155.00	149.78
ENLS Strap-off 5-11#				8.5	165.00 - 170.00	167.59
WHLE ENLS LOINS 9-13#						
ENLS SIRLOIN .75-1.5#				1.25	121.00 - 124.00	121.60
BONE-IN SIR 2.5-3.5#				1.0	90.00	90.00
BLADE ENDS 2-4#				0.5	88.00	88.00
TENDERLOIN 1.25/DN#				0.75	268.00 - 272.00	270.67
LOIN BACKRIB (BOXED)						
FRESH 1.5/DN#						
" 1.75/DN#						
" 1.75-2.00#						
" 2.00/UP#				1.75	292.00 - 298.00	295.43
PICNIC						
Primal Cutout Value =				51.21		
				Lds	Price Range	Wghtd Avg
Smkr Trm, RS, combo						
Smkr Trm, SS, combo						
Smkr Trm, SS, boxed				2.0	68.00 - 73.00	70.50
PICNIC CUSHION MEAT						
Boxed 92% Fresh						
Boxed 92% Frozen						
BOSTON BUTT						
Primal Cutout Value =				93.46		
				Lds	Price Range	Wghtd Avg
1/4" TRM 5-10#				16.5	105.00 - 110.00	108.00
1/8" TRM 5-10#						
1/4" Trim Stk Rdy						
1/8" Trim Stk Rdy				7.0	123.00 - 125.00	124.07
ENLS, Butt						
Combo's 11/UP# (SOW)						
SPARERIB						
Primal Cutout Value =				138.80		
				Lds	Price Range	Wghtd Avg
3BAG/3 PCVAC4.25#/DN-LGT				8.5	150.00 - 156.00	151.76
COMBOS 4.25#/DN-LGT						
2 BAG/3 PCVAC4.25#/UP-ME				13.0	145.00 - 152.00	147.08
COMBOS 4.25#/UP-MED						
FRESH PORK CUTS-ADDED INGREDIENTS						
				Lds	Price Range	Wghtd Avg
BONE-IN LOINS 1/8" TRIM						
BONE-IN LOINS CC TENDER IN						
ENLS LOINS STRAP-ON						
ENLS LOINS STRAP-OFF						
ENLS SIRLOIN .75-1.5#						
BONE-IN SIR 2.5-3.5#						
TENDERLOIN 1.25/DN#						
LOIN BACKRIB FRESH 2.00/UP#						
SMKR TRM SS PICNIC BOXED						
1/4" TRIM BUTT						
1/4" TRIM STK RDY BUTT						
1/8" TRIM STK RDY BUTT						
SPARERIB 4.25#/DN-LGT						
SPARERIB 4.25#/UP-MED						
SKINNED HAM						
Primal Cutout Value =				58.71		
				Lds	Price Range	Wghtd Avg
BONE-IN TRIMMED						
17-20# TRIM SPEC 1				3.0	71.00 - 75.00	72.33
20-23# TRIM SPEC 1				3.0	67.00	67.00
23-27# TRIM SPEC 1				8.0	64.00 - 67.00	65.63
BONE-IN 27#/up Trim Spec 1						
NORTH AMERICAN EXPORTS						
HAMS, BONE-IN 23-27# TS 1						
ENLS 3 MUSCLE HAMS 94-96%						
ENLS 4 MUSCLE HAMS 94-96				16.0	110.50 - 117.00	111.00
ENLS 5 MUSCLE HAMS 94-96%						
INSIDE						
OUTSIDE						
KNUCKLE						
LITE BUTT						
INNER SHANK						
HAM TRIMMINGS (CHEM LEAN)						
Combo 72% Fresh						
Boxed 72% Frozen						
Combo 90% Fresh						
Boxed 90% Frozen						
Outer Shank Frozen						
BELLY, SEEDLESS						
Primal Cutout Value =				102.08		
				Lds	Price Range	Wghtd Avg
SKIN-ON, TRIMMED 10-12#						
SKIN-ON, TRIMMED 12-14#						
SKIN-ON, TRIMMED 14-16#				2.0	105.00	105.00
SKIN-ON, TRIMMED 16-18#						
SKIN-ON, TRIMMED 18-20#						
SKIN-ON, TRIMMED 20-25#						
SKINLESS, 9-13#						
SKINLESS, 13-17#						

TRIMMINGS/BONELESS PROCESSING PORK (CHEMICAL LEAN) FOB BASIS					
		Lds	Price Range		Wghtd Avg
Combo 42%	Fresh	2.0		37.00	37.00
Boxed 42%	Frozen				
Combo 72%	Fresh	9.0	57.00	61.00	59.00
Boxed 72%	Frozen				
BONELESS PICNIC MEAT					
Combo	Fresh	3.0		67.00	67.00
Boxed	Frozen				
SKINNED JOWLS					
Combo	Fresh				
Boxed	Frozen				
TRIM, VISUAL TRACE OF LEAN					
Combo 12-16%	Fresh				
Boxed 12-16%	Frozen				

USDA CARLOT VEAL CARCASS REPORT - Thu, Mar 22, 2012
Northeast and North Central Basis

Compared to last week: The special fed veal carcass market was generally steady to 2.00 higher. Demand and offerings were light to moderate. Harvest numbers were 9% lower compared to last week. Dressed weights were up 2.9 pounds in the Northeast, up 2.8 pounds in the North Central, with the composite up 2.8 pounds compared to last week.

Represents calves harvested Monday through Wednesday of this week.
VEAL CARCASS, SPECIAL FED, HOT BASIS-PAID TO PRODUCER - FOB BASIS
Includes previously committed contract and open market calves.

NON-PACKER OWNED	Head	Range	Wtd Avg
Hide-Off, 255-315 Lbs. Hot Basis	1434	355.00- 365.00	357.45
PACKER OWNED			
Hide-Off, 255-315 Lbs. Hot Basis	2064	350.00- 374.00	360.38
COMPOSITE			
Hide-Off, 255-315 Lbs. Hot Basis	3498	350.00- 374.00	359.18

CONTRACT INFORMATION: Hot Basis, Hide-Off			
Current future contracts offered: Firm Bottom Northeast and North Central, mostly 330.00 to 345.00, for end of July.			

Special Fed Veal Slaughter for:	Year Ago	YTD	YTD
Week ending: 03/17/12 03/10/12 03/19/11	2012	2011	
Northeast	3,104	3,515	3,873
North Central	3,133	3,330	4,361
Total NE & NC	6,237	6,845	8,234

Special Fed Veal Dressed Weights	Year Ago		
Week ending: 03/17/12 03/10/12 03/19/11			
Northeast	270.3	267.4	267.8
North Central	267.9	265.1	262.7
Total NE & NC	269.1	266.3	265.1

* North Central = OH, IN, IL, MI, & WI			
* Northeast = MA, MD, PA, NY, NJ, DE, CT, & VT			
**Packer Owned = Ownership, harvesting and processing controlled by same party.			

WEEKLY BOXED & DISTRIBUTIVE/LCL VEAL CUTS TRADE
Northeast and North Central Basis - FOB Major Production Points

Compared to last week: Special fed veal cut prices were generally steady with a higher undertone on foresaddle items. Carcasses, foresaddles, necks and 8 rib racks were 2.50 to 5.00 higher. Trade was light to moderate with light to moderate demand and offerings.

Item:	Wt. Range	Range
Carcass, hide off	200-275 lbs	405.00- 525.00
Foresaddles	86-147 lbs	325.00- 385.00
Forequarters	43-74 lbs	350.00- 410.00
Necks, bone-in	24-28 lbs	260.00- 265.00
Breast	10-18 lbs	99.00- 175.00
Foreshank	3-5 lbs	410.00- 795.00
Osso Buco, foreshank	2-8 lbs	720.00- 965.00
Shoulder, full	49-85 lbs	315.00- 330.00
Chuck, square cut	39-68 lbs	265.00- 305.00
Chuck rolls, skinned	5-10 lbs	455.00- 545.00
Chuck, Shoulder Clod	4-9 lbs	495.00- 625.00
Hotel Racks, 8 rib	15-26 lbs	675.00- 725.00
Hotel Racks, 7 rib	14-25 lbs	705.00- 825.00
Hotel Racks, Chop Ready, 7 rib	5-9 lbs	1180.00- 1395.00
Hotel Racks, Chop Ready, 6 rib	4-8 lbs	1240.00- 1525.00
Rack, Ribeye	3-9 lbs	1900.00- 2580.00
Hindsaddles	89-153 lbs	480.00- 595.00
Hindquarters	45-76 lbs	419.00- 610.00
Loins, regular	18-36 lbs	375.00- 420.00
Loins, 4x4, trimmed	18-30 lbs	520.00- 625.00
Strip Loins, bnls, 0x0	1-up lbs	1170.00- 1900.00
Loin, Short Tenderloin	0.5-up lbs	1059.00- 1425.00
Legs, double	68-117 lbs	515.00- 595.00
Legs, single	34-59 lbs	475.00- 650.00
Legs, slices, retail		675.00- 975.00
Legs, TBS 4-piece	27-47 lbs	950.00- 1075.00
Legs, TBS 3-piece	24-39 lbs	859.00- 1070.00
Legs, BHS heel-out	27-42 lbs	650.00- 775.00
Legs, Sknd, butt tenderloin	0.5-up lbs	1095.00- 1375.00
Top Rnd, Sknd, cap-off	10-15 lbs	1310.00- 1510.00
Hindshank	5-8 lbs	695.00- 859.00
Osso Buco, Hindshank	2-8 lbs	970.00- 1325.00
Stew Meat, regular		370.00- 450.00
Bnls Veal Trimmings 75-80% Lean		120.00- 199.00
Bnls Veal Trimmings 80-90% Lean		125.00- 240.00
Hvy Nature Green Hides(per piece)		53.00- 67.00

* North Central = OH, IN, IL, MI, & WI		
* Northeast = MA, MD, PA, NY, NJ, DE, CT, & VT		

NATIONAL WEEKLY COMPREHENSIVE LAMB CARCASS REPORT - FRIDAY, Mar 16, 2012

Combined Negotiated, Formula and Forward Contract sales for delivery within 14 calendar days, FOB Plant basis.

Items with no entries indicate non-reportable trades.

CHOICE AND PRIME, YG 1-4	Head	8,500
Weight	Head	Wt Avg
45-DN	138	505.93
45-55#	260	398.84
55-65#	834	361.79
65-75#	1,714	343.30
75-85#	2,448	334.60
85-UP	3,106	304.19

CHOICE AND PRIME, YG 5	Head	605
Weight	Head	Wt Avg
45-DN	0	
45-55#		
55-65#		
65-75#		
75-85#		
85-UP		

CERTIFIED FRESH AMERICAN LAMB	Head	

UNGRADED	Head	360
Weight	Head	Wt Avg
45-DN	67	342.96
45-55#	62	341.65
55-65#	76	321.51
65-75#	72	320.00
75-85#	42	260.68
85-UP	41	261.78

NATIONAL DAILY LAMB CARCASS REPORT

Negotiated sales delivery within 14 calendar days, FOB Plant basis.

DAILY CHOICE AND PRIME, YG 1-4	Head	360
Weight	Head	Wt Avg
45-DN	26	459.96
45-55#	49	405.00
55-65#	39	384.74
65-75#	20	324.00
75-85#	29	327.10
85-UP	197	298.22

USDA ESTIMATED NATIONAL LAMB CARCASS CUTOUT		
(Based on 5-Day Rolling weighted average FOB plant prices collected under Mandatory Price Reporting and industry yields.)		
CUTS	FOB PRICE	CHANGE % CARCASS LBS.
FORESADDLE		
204 RACK, 8-RIB MEDIUM	727.23	-2.71 10.77% 8.30
209 BREAST **	135.82	0.93 8.85% 6.82
207 SHOULDERS, SQ-CUT	288.36	0.29 23.53% 18.12
210 FORESHANK	472.03	-0.79 3.82% 2.94
NECK **	132.59	1.04 2.22% 1.71
HINDSADDLE		
232 LOINS, TRIMMED 4X4	517.84	-3.64 10.97% 8.45
232E FLANK UNTRIMMED **	86.73	-0.06 3.39% 2.61
233A LEG, TROTTER OFF	427.68	-1.88 31.88% 24.55

GROSS CARCASS VALUE:	375.33	-1.15 95.45% 73.49

FORESADDLE VALUE	364.25	-0.30 49.20% 37.89
HINDSADDLE VALUE	424.08	-2.16 46.24% 35.61

Carcass value less process/packaging per cwt cost of \$31.50		
NET CARCASS VALUE	343.83	-1.15

* Shrink and trim of 3.51 lbs. not reflected in cutout value
* Based on Actual Federally Inspected Slaughter Carcass Weight of 77 lbs. for W/E 03/10/2012, 2.0 lbs lighter than last week.
**Includes Fresh and Frozen Product

NATIONAL 5-DAY ROLLING AVERAGE BOXED LAMB CUTS - NEGOTIATED SALES

FOB Plant basis negotiated sales for delivery within 0-21 day period, fresh and frozen carlot volume, including sales since last report, U.S. dollars per 100 pounds.

Current Volume -		1,209,333 pounds			
Fresh Cuts		267,000 pounds			
Frozen Cuts					

Items with no entries indicate non-reportable trades.					
FRESH CHOICE & PRIME CUTS					
IMPS	Sub-Primal	# Of Trades	Total Pound	Weighted Average	Change from Prior Days

200A	Carcass, 3-way, 55/dn	0			
200A	Carcass, 3-way, 55/65	6	4,240	\$387.97	(1.00)
200A	Carcass, 3-way, 65/up	0			
202	Foresaddle	5	1,662	\$407.08	(51.45)
203	Bracelet				
204	Rack, 8-Rib, light	6	995	\$768.90	0.15
204	Rack, 8-Rib, medium	80	21,052	\$727.23	(2.71)
204	Rack, 8-Rib, heavy	4	1,288	\$755.59	6.30
204A	Rack, chined	52	13,776	\$959.78	(34.46)
204B	Rack, roast-ready	20	8,858	\$1,081.83	4.61
204C	Rack, roast-ready, frenched	152	21,677	\$1,464.01	22.12
204D	Rack, roast-ready, special	12	1,641	\$1,903.56	16.22
206	Shoulders	83	109,177	\$233.22	(3.68)
207	Shoulders, square-cut	161	73,240	\$288.36	0.29
208	Shoulders, square-cut, bnls	54	22,663	\$352.09	(25.88)
209	Breast	105	31,745	\$148.43	(0.45)
	Breast, bulk	19	34,804	\$140.54	0.59
209A	Ribs, Breast bones off	42	5,777	\$495.33	1.88
210	Foreshank	192	26,954	\$472.03	(0.79)
229	Hindsaddle, long-cut				
230	Hindsaddle	0			
231	Loins	33	4,151	\$423.72	5.67
232	Loins, trimmed 4x4	87	26,696	\$517.84	(3.64)
232	Loins, trimmed 2x2	13	3,902	\$731.50	(3.50)
232	Loins, trimmed 1x1	95	19,439	\$763.25	3.24
232	Loins, trimmed 0x0	35	6,380	\$831.14	(1.37)
232A	Loins, short-cut, 2x2	0			
232A	Loins, short-cut, 1x1	20	1,967	\$749.92	0.35
232A	Loins, short-cut, 0x0	10	723	\$777.87	(2.19)
232C	Loin, boneless, tied	15	1,186	\$1,243.48	(21.34)
232E	Flank, untrimmed	16	44,400	\$78.31	0.16
233	Legs	49	18,262	\$430.29	0.38
233A	Leg, trotter-off	225	151,385	\$427.68	(1.88)
233C	Leg, trotter-off, partial bnl	55	40,388	\$569.80	3.81
233E	Leg, steamship	33	9,050	\$589.50	0.42
233F	Hindshank	81	15,218	\$474.58	3.68
234	Leg, Boneless, Tied	162	47,635	\$625.99	1.45
234A	Leg, shank off, bnls	49	14,692	\$714.85	1.09
234B	Leg, 2-way boneless				
234C	Leg, bottom, boneless	0			
234D	Leg, outside, boneless				
234E	Leg, inside, boneless	81	16,827	\$826.11	7.00
234F	Leg, sirloin tip, bnls	0			
234G	Sirloin, boneless	28	1,817	\$809.79	6.96
235	Back				
236	Back, trimmed	21	897	\$762.87	(0.15)
238	Trimmings	36	5,477	\$507.04	(2.24)
239	Special trimmings	11	280	\$490.11	41.36
244	Loin, boneless, 3-way	0			
245	Sirloin	5	853	\$694.25	51.14
246	Tenderloin	7	205	\$1,269.55	14.89
295	Lamb for stewing	60	11,593	\$711.31	2.33
296	Ground lamb	150	20,792	\$589.37	(0.66)
	Necks	43	12,026	\$136.97	(1.84)

FROZEN CHOICE & PRIME CUTS					
IMPS	Sub-Primal	# Of Trades	Total Pound	Weighted Average	Change from Prior Days

	Breast, bulk	3	22,079	\$106.92	(0.72)
210	Foreshank	4	1,523	\$428.75	5.17
232E	Flank, untrimmed	5	9,557	\$125.84	0.00
233A	Leg, trotter-off	6	33,669	\$402.72	0.15
233F	Hindshank	5	1,641	\$438.76	(16.58)
234	Leg, Boneless, Tied	5	727	\$725.97	(4.07)
234E	Leg, inside, boneless	12	1,203	\$865.80	(34.13)
238	Trimmings	8	7,903	\$120.76	(14.57)
295	Lamb for stewing	31	5,125	\$665.27	(5.68)
296	Ground lamb	45	10,670	\$580.58	0.96
	Necks	22	9,593	\$127.09	(2.63)

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SPECIAL REPORTS

BROILER-FRYER SLAUGHTER under federal inspection for 22-Mar-2012 is estimated to be 30,610,000 UP 0.69 percent from a week ago and DN 6.6 percent from a year ago.
(Last week 30,822,000; last year 32,766,000)
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U.S. FEDERALLY INSPECTED SLAUGHTER BY REGION
Week Ending 03/10/2012

Standard federal regions 1/	Cattle						Calves
	Total						
		Steers	Heifers	Dairy cows	Other cows	Bulls	Total
1,000 head							
1	0.3	0.1	0.1	-	-	-	0.1
2	1.3	0.4	0.1	0.6	0.1	0.1	2.9
3	20.8	7.7	0.5	9.8	2.4	0.4	2.5
4	15.9	0.6	0.3	3.8	9.0	2.2	0.1
5	72.9	30.8	7.6	19.4	13.2	1.9	4.2
6	126.5	68.0	33.7	8.4	13.8	2.5	0.1
7	263.7	136.7	111.7	(D)	(D)	(D)	-
8	62.2	28.7	28.8	(D)	(D)	(D)	-
9	46.6	20.3	3.4	19.4	2.8	0.7	3.3
10	22.2	10.1	7.7	3.5	0.6	0.3	0.5
U.S. 2/	632.3	303.5	193.9	67.0	57.6	10.2	13.8
Standard federal regions 1/	Hogs				Sheep		
	Total	Barrows and gilts	Sows	Boars	Total	Mature sheep	Lambs and yearlings
1,000 head							
1	0.2	0.2	-	-	0.5	-	0.5
2	2.6	2.5	-	0.1	2.3	0.4	1.9
3	106.2	105.9	(D)	(D)	1.5	0.1	1.4
4	294.7	278.7	(D)	(D)	0.6	0.2	0.4
5	594.4	569.7	23.5	1.2	6.6	0.7	5.9
6	105.4	101.7	3.7	-	0.3	0.1	0.1
7	889.2	872.7	11.8	4.7	0.1	-	0.1
8	88.2	88.2	-	-	21.0	0.4	20.6
9	45.6	45.6	-	-	6.2	0.1	6.1
10	6.1	6.1	-	-	0.5	-	0.5
U.S. 2/	2,132.7	2,071.3	54.8	6.7	39.5	2.0	37.5

- Represents zero.
(D) Withheld to avoid disclosing individual operations.
1/ States included in regions are as follows 1- CT, ME, NH, VT, MA & RI;
2- NY & NJ; 3- DE-MD, PA, WV & VA; 4- AL, FL, GA, KY, MS, NC, SC & TN;
5- IL, IN, MI, MN, OH & WI; 6- AR, LA, NM, OK & TX; 7- IA, KS, MO & NE;
8- CO, MT, ND, SD, UT & WY; 9- AZ, CA, HI & NV; 10- AK, ID, OR & WA.
2/ Totals may not add due to rounding. A region may not be published due to confidentiality, but is included in totals.

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