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ESTIMATED DAILY LIVESTOCK SLAUGHTER UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION				
	CATTLE	CALVES	HOGS	SHEEP
Thursday 04/26/2012 (est)	120,000	2,000	411,000	7,000
Week ago (est)	125,000	2,000	418,000	7,000
Year ago (act)	128,000	2,000	414,000	8,000
Week to date (est)	488,000	11,000	1,651,000	29,000
Same Period Last Week (est)	472,000	11,000	1,662,000	28,000
Same Period Last Year (act)	481,000	10,000	1,510,000	32,000
Previous Day Estimated	Steer and Heifer		Cow and Bull	
Wednesday	96,000		26,000	

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 generally steady on light to moderate demand and offerings. Select and Choice rib, chuck, round and loin items generally steady. Beef trimmings higher on a limited test.

					CHOICE 600-900	SELECT 600-900	
Current Cutout Values:					190.74	187.30	
Change from prior day:					0.25	(0.04)	
Choice/Select spread:					3.44		
Total Load Count (Cuts, Trimmings, Grinds):					162		
COMPOSITE PRIMAL VALUES							
Primal Rib					271.69	261.88	
Primal Chuck					158.30	156.34	
Primal Round					161.78	161.21	
Primal Loin					269.65	262.02	
Primal Brisket					130.64	129.44	
Primal Short Plate					135.79	138.22	
Primal Flank					106.17	102.58	
LOAD COUNT AND CUTOUT VALUE SUMMARY FOR PRIOR 5 DAYS							
Date	Choice	Select	Trim	Grinds	Total	CHOICE 600-900	SELECT 600-900
04/25	65	48	18	45	176	190.49	187.34
04/24	89	45	16	33	182	189.94	187.21
04/23	61	46	7	22	136	188.57	184.99
04/20	69	46	6	25	145	188.01	184.39
04/19	81	46	30	26	183	187.08	184.71
Current 5 Day Simple Average:						188.82	185.73
CURRENT VOLUME - (one load equals 40,000 pounds)							
Choice Cuts					90.25 loads	3,610,173	pounds
Select Cuts					39.74 loads	1,589,765	pounds
Trimmings					7.41 loads	296,311	pounds
Ground Beef					24.87 loads	994,628	pounds
Choice Cuts, Fat Limitations 1-6 (IM) = Individual Muscle							
IMPS/FL	Sub-Primal		# of Trades	Total Pounds	Price Range	Weighted Average	
109E 1	Rib,	ribeye, lip-on, bn-in	40	48,235	530.00 565.00	542.61	
112A 3	Rib,	ribeye, bnls, light	8	4,632	586.50 630.00	612.76	
112A 3	Rib,	ribeye, bnls, heavy	85	197,572	569.81 623.75	593.85	
113C 1	Chuck,	semi-bnls, neck/off	11	64,189	171.00 203.56	179.85	
114 1	Chuck,	shoulder clod	17	57,709	189.45 206.00	191.74	
114A 3	Chuck,	shoulder clod, trmd	35	158,243	201.79 216.00	205.85	
114D 3	Chuck,	clod, top blade	7	17,951	247.00 273.21	249.83	
114E 3	Chuck,	clod, arm roast	11	29,037	209.63 255.00	225.66	
114F 5	Chuck,	clod tender (IM)	16	15,716	335.00 415.00	360.80	
115 1	Chuck,	2-piece, boneless					
116A 3	Chuck,	roll, 1x1, neck/off	76	239,574	210.50 225.00	217.74	
116B 1	Chuck,	chuck tender (IM)	42	60,631	206.00 229.56	217.22	
3	Chuck	roll, retail ready					
120 1	Brisket,	deckle-off, bnls	63	294,502	185.79 205.00	192.11	
120A 3	Brisket,	point/off, bnls	12	20,225	302.00 325.00	312.28	
123A 3	Short Plate,	short rib	34	26,512	299.50 373.00	348.88	
130 4	Chuck,	short rib	59	385,726	180.00 280.00	185.64	
160 1	Round,	bone-in	3	1,684	202.42 213.52	205.57	
161 1	Round,	boneless	4	5,159	206.00 211.50	209.27	
3	Round,	bnls/peeled heel-out					
167A 4	Round,	knuckle, peeled	66	185,517	220.88 235.00	226.66	
168 1	Round,	top inside round	48	209,070	192.00 208.00	197.35	
168 3	Round,	top inside round	28	176,858	200.79 219.50	207.98	
169 5	Round,	top inside, denuded	13	39,722	239.87 251.89	242.57	
3	Round,	top inside, side off					
170 1	Round,	bottom gooseneck	9	6,001	198.00 211.25	202.93	
171B 3	Round,	outside round	61	287,213	195.00 213.50	202.42	
171C 3	Round,	eye of round (IM)	42	46,892	210.00 227.00	216.13	
174 1	Loin,	short loin, 2x3					
174 3	Loin,	short loin, 0x1	18	37,893	560.79 586.00	574.97	
175 3	Loin,	strip loin, 1x1					
180 1	Loin,	strip, bnls, heavy					
1	Loin,	strip loin bnls. 1x1	8	4,998	471.00 519.00	497.96	
180 3	Loin,	strip, bnls, 0x1	56	136,504	557.89 606.00	567.96	
184 1	Loin,	top butt, bnls, heavy	32	23,719	291.63 320.21	313.30	
184 3	Loin,	top butt, boneless	46	189,186	308.00 347.00	324.93	
185A 4	Loin,	bottom sirloin, flap	38	62,968	410.00 446.00	427.06	
185B 1	Loin,	ball-tip, bnls, heavy	29	91,616	199.00 246.00	228.81	
185C 1	Loin,	sirloin, tri-tip (IM)	30	41,127	310.00 349.00	324.76	
185D 4	Loin,	tri-tip, pld (IM)	22	15,967	418.50 455.79	437.74	
189A 4	Loin,	tndrloin, trmd, heavy	62	187,795	915.00 1069.00	934.93	
191A 4	Loin,	butt tender, trimmed	6	4,463	890.00 979.75	920.51	
193 4	Flank,	flank steak (IM)	21	36,292	371.00 406.00	390.33	

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 mostly firm to 2.00 higher; 85% was mostly weak to 1.00 lower; 75% was unevenly steady; 65% was higher; Other lean percentages were not fully established. Beef trimmings higher on a limited test.

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

Central	68.28	Loads	--	2,731,204	pounds
National	95.31	Loads	--	3,812,335	pounds

FOB Plant - Central

	# of Trades	Total Pounds	Price Range	Weighted Average
Chemical Lean				
Fresh 92-94%	2	51,973	\$236.00	\$239.00
Frozen 92-94%				
Fresh 90%	35	1,126,927	\$223.00	\$228.04
Frozen 90%				
Fresh 85%	36	1,167,555	\$206.90	\$215.00
Frozen 85%				
Fresh 81%				
Frozen 81%				
Fresh 75%	4	96,700	\$162.00	\$167.63
Frozen 75%				
Fresh 73%	3	126,049	\$170.00	\$170.00
Frozen 73%				
Fresh 65%	4	162,000	\$106.00	\$115.50
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%	13	330,626	\$232.00	\$246.00
Frozen 92-94%				
Fresh 90%	43	1,279,966	\$223.00	\$232.00
Frozen 90%				
Fresh 85%	40	1,269,622	\$206.90	\$216.00
Frozen 85%				
Fresh 81%	1	40,000	\$199.92	\$199.92
Frozen 81%				
Fresh 75%	5	112,150	\$162.00	\$167.63
Frozen 75%				
Fresh 73%	3	126,049	\$170.00	\$170.00
Frozen 73%				
Fresh 65%	9	357,611	\$106.00	\$127.00
Frozen 65%				
Fresh 50%	17	296,311	\$84.50	\$97.00
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, April 25, 2012
Compared to Last Week: Market activity on imported beef was slow and prices were mostly steady to 1.00 lower. Demand was light to moderate for light offerings. The observance of Anzac Day in Australia and New Zealand slowed trading. The domestic lean market was firm to higher as supplies of lean product remained tight.

AUSTRALIA AND NEW ZEALAND - FOB AND TIS 0-15 Days				
BULL MEAT:	East Coast		West Coast	
95%	229.00- 232.00		227.00	
COW MEAT:				
95%				
90%	212.00- 215.00		209.00- 210.00	
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.				
		16-45 Days		
BULL MEAT:	East Coast		West Coast	
95%	229.00- 231.00		227.00	
COW MEAT:				
95%			224.00- 225.00	
90%	210.00- 213.00		209.00- 210.00	
CFM Fores 85%				
Shank 85-90%				
Chuck 85%				
Beef Trim 85%				
Beef Trim 80%				
Beef Trim 75%				

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

Compared to last market test: Utility and Cutter carcass market was 2.00 higher on moderate to good demand and moderate to heavy offerings.

Market for Week Ended:	Lds	April 20, 2012	Price Range
UT,brk 2-4	450#/up		
UT,bng 1-3	400#/up	5.0	128.00
Cutter 1-2	350#/up	4.5	128.00
Bulls YG 1	500#/up		

USDA BEEF CARCASS PRICE EQUIVALENT INDEX VALUE

Index	CHOICE 600-900#	SELECT 600-900#
Values =>	\$179.94	\$176.07
Change =>	0.80	0.65
Current Index Reflects the Equivalent of 125,691 head of cattle.		
SUPPLY (Live)	65,560 Hd	
Equivalent:		
DEMAND (Box)	60,131 Hd*	
Equivalent:		
Live-Box Spread:		
Input Breakdown		
National Daily Direct Cattle (5 day accumulated wghtd avg)		Boxed Beef Cutouts
	Weight Price Head	Ch 600-900#
Live Steer:	1328 \$123.42	16,606
Live Heifer:	1209 \$122.32	10,844
Drstd Steer:	876 \$198.27	24,212
Drstd Heifer:	825 \$198.56	13,898
Grading % Breakdown		
Ch 600-900#	74.08%	Drop Credit
Ch 600-750#	26.06%	Steer Dressing %
Ch 750-900#	48.02%	Heifer Dressing %
Se 600-900#	25.92%	Processing Cost
Se 600-750#	6.12%	Slaughter Cost
Se 750-900#	19.80%	
Equivalent Values for Outlying Beef Carcass Types		
Basis Value = 179.94	Carcass Weights	
	400-500#	500-600#
Qlty/Yield	(1)	600-900#
	-28.93	900-1000#
		1000#/up
Prime 1-3	16.78	\$167.79
Certified 1-3	4.32	\$155.33
Choice 1	3.38	\$154.39
Select 1	-0.35	\$150.66
Stdndr 1-3	-19.26	\$131.75
Prime 4	4.08	\$155.09

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:	\$176.30
Change from prior day:	\$0.33
Item	Price
90% lean	\$225.46
100% lean inside round	\$284.02
100% lean, flats and eyes	\$268.33
100% lean, S.P.B.	\$255.26
Chuck Tender	\$232.99
Knuckle	\$238.36
Tenderloin	\$446.62
Tenderloin	\$482.34
Ribeye Roll	\$250.63
Ribeye Roll	\$259.56
Ribeye Roll	\$249.12
Flank Steak	\$276.20
Kidney, Edible	\$40.00
Fat, inedible	\$30.32
Bone	\$8.78

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	32.62	loads	--	1,304,873
Cutter/Canner Cuts	6.18	loads	--	247,399
Boner/Breaker/Cutter/Canner	23.32	loads	--	932,660
100% Lean Items	38.84	loads	--	1,553,508
Frozen Cuts	2.32	loads	--	92,936

IMPS	Sub-Primal	# of Trades	Total Pounds	Weighted Average	Change from Prior Day
BONER/BREAKER					
112	Rib, ribeye roll, 6-8 lbs.	6	15,025	\$260.07	
112	Rib, ribeye roll, 8-10 lbs.	41	88,491	\$272.61	\$1.18
112	Rib, ribeye roll, 10-up lbs.	48	49,285	\$286.33	\$0.44
112A	Rib, ribeye roll-lip-on, 8-dn lbs.	36	75,581	\$292.81	(\$0.11)
112A	Rib, ribeye roll-lip-on, 8-up lbs.	29	53,903	\$279.10	\$2.52
	Chuck, boneless 85%	17	97,694	\$218.19	\$1.02
120	Chuck, brisket	27	21,040	\$197.54	(\$3.12)
168	Round, top inside, 10-dn lbs.				
168	Round, top inside, 10-up lbs.	28	89,031	\$221.80	\$6.78
169A	Round, top inside c-off, 8-10 lbs.				
169A	Round, top inside c-off, 10-14 lbs.	56	390,073	\$257.82	\$0.92
169A	Round, top inside c-off, 14-up lbs.	15	75,932	\$257.80	\$0.17
171B	Round, outside round	10	53,690	\$219.48	\$2.75
171C	Round, eye of round	66	95,512	\$236.81	\$0.19
	Loin, Semi-Bnls Short Loin, 13-dn lbs.				
	Loin, Semi-Bnls Short Loin, 13-up lbs.				
180	Loin, strip, bnls, 7-9 lbs.				
180	Loin, strip, bnls, 9-up lbs.	6	5,712	\$247.37	\$4.10
182	Loin, sirloin butt				
184	Loin, top sirloin butt	40	91,828	\$219.14	\$1.71
185A	Loin, bottom sirloin butt flap, bnls.	36	48,684	\$284.25	\$13.76
191A	Loin, butt tender, peeled				
CUTTER/CANNER					
112	Rib, ribeye roll, 4-6 lbs.				
112	Rib, ribeye roll, 6-8 lbs.	47	133,641	\$259.37	\$3.57
112	Rib, ribeye roll, 8-up lbs.	24	95,758	\$248.43	(\$0.46)
100% LEAN					
	Inside round - Combo	22	274,259	\$283.86	\$3.92
	Inside round - Boxed	42	64,209	\$284.70	\$0.11
	Outside round	7	63,664	\$267.07	\$0.17
	Eye of round	23	33,783	\$278.22	\$0.84
	Flats and eyes - Combo	26	441,195	\$267.76	\$0.96
	Flats and eyes - Boxed				
	Striploin	51	142,884	\$303.65	\$2.75
	S.P.B. - Combo	44	533,514	\$255.26	\$0.83
	S.P.B. - Boxed				
BONER/BREAKER & CUTTER/CANNER					
116B	Chuck, chuck tender	35	93,360	\$232.99	\$0.61
167A	Round, knuckle, peeled	98	291,476	\$238.36	
190	Loin, tenderloin, 2-3 lbs.	17	24,067	\$446.62	\$3.14
190	Loin, tenderloin, 3-4 lbs.	42	88,786	\$482.29	(\$1.18)
190	Loin, tenderloin, 4-5 lbs.	90	106,937	\$510.22	(\$0.65)
190	Loin, tenderloin, 5-up lbs.	57	70,971	\$517.18	(\$7.99)
193	Flank, flank steak	93	133,725	\$276.70	\$2.64
	Flank, rough	70	123,338	\$233.33	\$0.12
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.				
FROZEN CUTTER/CANNER					
112	Rib, ribeye roll, 4-6 lbs.				
112	Rib, ribeye roll, 6-8 lbs.	5	23,649	\$260.67	(\$1.18)
112	Rib, ribeye roll, 8-up lbs.				
FROZEN BONER/BREAKER & CUTTER/CANNER					
190	Loin, tenderloin, 2-3 lbs.				
190	Loin, tenderloin, 3-4 lbs.	3	2,100	\$484.57	\$2.28
190	Loin, tenderloin, 4-5 lbs.				
190	Loin, tenderloin, 5-up lbs.				
193	Flank, flank steak	4	4,800	\$262.25	\$0.97

MAJOR PACKER HIDES, CURED & FLESHED				
		Lds	Price/Piece	Price/CWT
HVY NATIVE STR	60-62# 60-64# 62-64# 64-66# 66-68# 80-82#	4.0		86.00
NATIVE STEER COL BRAND STR	46-48# 60-62# 62#Min 62-64# 64-68#			
BUTT BRAND STR	60-62# 60-64# 62-64# 64#Min 70-78#	3.0 21.0	84.50 85.00 -	84.50 85.50
NATIVE HEIFER HVY NATIVE HFR	46-48# 48-50# 48-52# 50-52# 52-55#			
BRANDED HFRS	48-50# 48-52# 50-52#	24.0	71.00 -	71.50 unq
BRAND HFR SW	48-50# 50-52#			
BRND COW SW	52-54# 54-56#			
BRANDED COW	54-56# 65-70#			59.00 D
NATIVE COW	50-52# 54-56#			
DAIRY COW	48-52# 50-52#	3.0 6.0		71.50 72.00
DAIRY COW SW	48-52# 52-54#			
NATV BULL Con	96-106# 100-10#			
BRND BULL SwCon	95-105# 100-10#			

HVY TEX STEER	60-62# 60-64# 62-64# 64#Min 66-70# 70-74#	12.0 9.0		84.00 D 84.50 85.50
HVY TEX STR/HFR	48-50# 54#Min			
BRANDED STEER	60-62# 62-64# 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		137.00	137.00 A
export	132.00 -	148.00	137.33 B
FEET, nails off, skin on		42.00	42.00 A
HEAD MEAT, 60-70% lean		100.00	100.00 B
export		104.00	104.00 B
HEARTS, regular, bone out		60.00	60.00 B
regular, bone-out exp	53.00 -	60.00	54.75 D
KIDNEYS, export			
LIPS, unscaled	128.00 -	132.00	129.47 D
LIVERS, selected, 2/box			
selected, 2/box, export			
regular, 2/box			
regular, export, 2/box			
OXTAILS, selected, small box			
SWEETBREADS, domestic			
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		65.00	65.00 D
scalded, edible, export		67.00	67.00 D
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 13.68 per cwt live, up 0.07 when compared to Wednesday's value.

TODAY'S CALCULATIONS FOR BY-PRODUCT	VALUE (STEER)		
	Lbs	Price	Change Prv/by
Steer hide, butt brand/Pc	5.07	85.25	0.75
Tallow, edible	1.20	47.25	-
Tallow, packer bleachable	4.50	48.25	-
Tongues, Swiss #1 0-3%, exp	0.24	224.00	-
Cheek meat, trmd	0.32	137.00	-
Head meat	0.13	100.00	-
Oxtail, selected	0.24	260.00	-
Hearts, reg, bone out	0.38	60.00	-
Lips, unscaled	0.13	129.50	-
Livers, slcted, export	0.96	65.00	-
Tripe, scalded edible	0.65	65.00	-
Tripe, honeycomb bleached	0.15	132.00	-
Lungs, inedible	0.47	3.88	-
Melts	0.14	4.13	-
Meat bone ml, 50% blk/ton	3.70	460.00	-
Blood meal, 85% blk/ton	0.60	875.00	75.00
Totals:	18.88		13.68
Dressed equivalent basis (63% dress):			21.71
(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, Apr 26, 2012, was estimated at 13.62 per cwt., up 0.23 from last week and down 0.12 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 13.84 per cwt live, up 0.06 from Wednesday's value.

TODAY'S CALCULATIONS FOR BY-PRODUCT	VALUE (CATTLE)		
	Lbs	Price	Change Prv/by
Cattle hide/Pc	5.07	84.00	0.50
Tallow, edible	1.20	47.25	-
Tallow, packer bleachable	4.50	48.25	-
Tongues, Swiss #1 0-3%, ex	0.24	224.00	-
Cheek meat, trmd	0.32	137.00	-
Head meat	0.13	100.00	-
Oxtail, selected	0.24	260.00	-
Hearts, reg, bone out	0.38	60.00	-
Lips, unscaled	0.13	129.50	-
Livers, slcted, gall off,e	0.96	65.00	-
Tripe, scalded edible	0.65	65.00	-
Tripe, honeycomb bleached	0.15	132.00	-
Lungs, inedible	0.47	3.88	-
Melts	0.14	4.13	-
Meat bone ml, 50% blk/ton	3.70	460.00	-
Blood meal, 85% blk/ton	0.60	875.00	75.00
Totals:	18.88		13.84
Dressed equivalent basis (62.9% dress):			22.00
(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 4/20/2012, was estimated at 13.03 per cwt live, up 0.57 from last week.

CALCULATIONS FOR BY-PRODUCT VALUE (COW)

	Lbs	Price	Change Prv/Wk	Value
Cow hide, branded (2)/Piece	4.67	56.00	3.00	5.09
Tallow, renderer blchable	3.68	45.25	1.00	1.67
Tongues, Swiss cut, IW	0.32	204.00	-12.00	0.65
Cheek meat, trmd	0.43	165.25	2.50	0.71
Head meat	0.14	162.00	3.50	0.23
Oxtail, reg, small box	0.20	244.75	13.00	0.49
Hearts, reg, bone out	0.46	61.50	-2.50	0.28
Lips, unscaled	0.13	111.75	2.00	0.15
Livers, reg, gall off (3)	0.90	40.50	-1.25	0.36
Tripe, scalded edible, blchd	1.06	48.50	2.50	0.51
Tripe, honeycomb bleached	0.14	146.25	72.25	0.20
Lungs, inedible	0.86	3.88	-	0.03
Melts	0.15	4.13	-	0.01
Meat bone ml, 50% blk/ton	10.71	439.00	28.00	2.35
Blood meal, 85% blk/ton	0.73	810.00	-	0.30
Totals:	24.58			13.03
Dressed equivalent basis (47% dress):				27.72
(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 4/20/2012			Dollars/hundredweight			
Frozen	CARLOT/L.C.L. Basis	Lds	Price Range		Wtavg	
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CHEEK MEAT,	Trimmed	3.4	157.00	-	170.00	165.17
FEET,	unbleached, skin-on, exp					
FEET,	bleached, skin-on, exp					
HEARTS,	Regular, bone-out	4.2	55.00	-	72.00	61.39
HEARTS,	Regular, bone-out, exp					
HEARTS,	Canadian-style, exp					
HEAD MEAT,		0.3			162.00	162.00
KIDNEY'S	Export	3.0			40.00	40.00
LIPS,	unscaled	2.4	110.00	-	122.00	111.85
LIVERS,	Regular, bulk-pack					
LIVERS,	Regular, bulk-pack export					
LIVERS,	Regular, 2/box					
LIVERS,	Regular, 2/box, export	10.9	39.00	-	42.00	40.44
" 1 load traded at 50.00 for Egypt						
MELTS,						
OXTAILS,	Regular, small box	0.4	238.00	-	250.00	244.86
SALIVARY GLANDS		1.0			33.00	33.00
SWEETBREADS,	export					
TONGUES,	#1 white Swiss cut, IW	0.5	210.00	-	211.50	210.75
TONGUES,	exp. #1 white Swiss cut, IW					
TONGUES,	#1 black Swiss cut, IW	0.8	200.00	-	203.00	200.88
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	0.1			200.00	200.00
TONGUES,	exp. #2 mixed, Swiss cut, IW					
TONGUE Trimmings		1.0			28.00	28.00
TRIPAS						
TRIPE,	bleached, scalded, edible	10.0	47.00	-	49.00	48.40
TRIPE,	blchd, scld/w honeycomb	0.5			89.00	89.00
TRIPE,	bleached, scalded, edible exp					
TRIPE,	unbleached, scalded, edible	2.8			104.00	104.00
TRIPE,	honeycomb bleached	0.7	125.00	-	169.00	146.24
TRIPE,	honeycomb unbleached					
TRIPE,	omasum unbleached	0.3			256.00	256.00
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 generally steady; sknd hams not tested; sdis bellies weak; lean trimmings not established. Trading slow to moderate, with light to moderate demand and offerings.

Loads PORK CUTS	:	107.0
Loads TRIM/PROCESS PORK	:	1.0

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
04/26	108.00	76.75	93.61	91.80	54.13	134.31	61.05	84.00
Change :		-0.12	0.78	0.20	1.13	-1.91	0.01	-2.44
04/25	88.3	76.87	92.83	91.60	53.00	136.22	61.03	86.44
04/24	123.0	77.62	95.94	92.20	52.92	136.25	60.64	86.44
04/23	44.8	77.41	94.72	91.06	52.94	136.57	59.89	88.88
04/20	68.3	78.09	96.13	91.61	53.91	137.03	60.43	88.88
Current Five Day Simple Average -	77.35	94.64	91.65	53.38	136.08	60.61	86.93	

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 =						93.61	
			-Lds-----Price Range-----			-Wghtd Avg-----	
1/4" Trim 21#DN-LGT			5.0	116.00	-	122.00	118.60
1/8" Trm/less 21#DN-LGT			3.5	130.00	-	132.00	130.86
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#			6.0	149.00	-	163.00	157.00
Tender-out FLO 8-13#							
BNLS Strap-on 5-11#			7.5	142.00	-	148.00	145.00
BNLS Strap-off 5-11#			16.0	159.00	-	172.00	163.78
WHLE BNLS LOINS 9-13#							
BNLS SIRLOIN .75-1.5#			3.25	114.00	-	122.00	115.23
BONE-IN SIR 2.5-3.5#							
BLADE ENDS 2-4#							
TENDERLOIN 1.25/DN#			2.0	284.00	-	293.00	288.50
LOIN BACKRIB (BOXED)							
FRESH 1.5/DN#							
" 1.75/DN#							
" 1.75-2.00#							
" 2.00/UP#			7.0	273.00	-	306.00	292.14
PICNIC							
Primal Cutout Value =						54.13	
			-Lds-----Price Range-----			-Wghtd Avg-----	
Smkr Trm, RS, combo			2.0			52.00	52.00
Smkr Trm, SS, combo			1.0			60.00	60.00
Smkr Trm, SS, boxed			2.0			73.00	73.00
PICNIC CUSHION MEAT							
Boxed 92% Fresh			2.75	101.00	-	108.00	105.91
Boxed 92% Frozen							
BOSTON BUTT							
Primal Cutout Value =						91.80	
			-Lds-----Price Range-----			-Wghtd Avg-----	
1/4" TRM 5-10#			17.0	102.00	-	110.00	105.82
1/8" TRM 5-10#							
1/4" Trim Stk Rdy							
1/8" Trim Stk Rdy			6.0	121.00	-	126.00	122.25
BNLS, Butt			1.5	114.00	-	120.00	116.00
Combo's 11/UP#(SOW)							
SPARERIB							
Primal Cutout Value =						134.31	
			-Lds-----Price Range-----			-Wghtd Avg-----	
3BAG/3 PCVACA.25#/DN-LGT			11.0	139.00	-	162.00	146.91
COMBOS 4.25#/DN-LGT							
2 BAG/3 PCVACA.25#/UP-ME			7.5	138.00	-	148.00	142.67
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							
BNLS LOINS STRAP-ON							
BNLS LOINS STRAP-OFF							
BNLS 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 =						61.05	
			-Lds-----Price Range-----			-Wghtd Avg-----	
BONE-IN TRIMMED							
17-20# TRIM SPEC 1							
20-23# TRIM SPEC 1							
23-27# TRIM SPEC 1							
BONE-IN 27#/up Trim Spec 1							
NORTH AMERICAN EXPORTS							
HAMS, BONE-IN 23-27# TS 1							
BNLS 3 MUSCLE HAMS 94-96%							
BNLS 4 MUSCLE HAMS 94-96%							
BNLS 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 =						84.00	
			-Lds-----Price Range-----			-Wghtd Avg-----	
SKIN-ON, TRIMMED 10-12#							
SKIN-ON, TRIMMED 12-14#			2.0			85.00	85.00
SKIN-ON, TRIMMED 14-16#			2.0			85.00	85.00
SKIN-ON, TRIMMED 16-18#			2.0			85.00	85.00
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				
Boxed 42%	Frozen				
Combo 72%	Fresh				
Boxed 72%	Frozen				
BONELESS PICNIC MEAT					
Combo	Fresh				
Boxed	Frozen				
SKINNED JOWLS					
Combo	Fresh				
Boxed	Frozen				
TRIM, VISUAL TRACE OF LEAN					
Combo 12-16%	Fresh	1.0	41.00	41.00	
Boxed 12-16%	Frozen				

Specifications for all reported cuts available upon request					

STANDARD ADJUSTMENTS FOR CONVERTING TO VACUUM BASIS					
Loins (13-23#'s):			Butts (4-9#'s):		
Vacpak	: report basis		Vacpak	: report basis	
Gas Pak	: minus \$2.00		Gas Pak	: no price differential	
Paper	: minus \$5.00		Paper	: minus \$3.00	
Combo	: minus \$6.00		Combo	: minus \$4.00	
Spareribs:			Adjustments for Trim -		
Vacpak	: report basis		Bone-in Center Cut Loins:		
Polywrap:	minus \$7.00		False Lean Off	: basis	
Tenderloins:			False Lean On	: minus \$5.00	
Vacpak	: report basis		Boneless Center Cut Loins:		
Polywrap:	minus \$10.00		1/4" Trim	: report basis	
			1/8" Trim	: add \$6.00	

USDA BY-PRODUCT PRICE REPORT - FOB CENTRAL U.S. BASIS					
Carlot Basis - Dollars/hundredweight - as of 3:00 PM.					
PORK VARIETY MEATS - FROZEN					

Items		Lds	Price Range	Wtg Avg	
NECK Bones domestic				unq	
export					
Brisket Bones Full, 30#			100.00	100.00	C
Brisket Bones Full, exp 30#			84.00	84.00	C
TAILS,					
CHEEK MEAT trimmed				unq	
CHITTERLINGS, 10 lb. pail					
EARS, Pet Treat, 3-4/lb					
EARS, edible, export			226.00	226.00	A
FEET, front, toes on					
front, toes on, export					
hind, domestic		1.0	55.00	55.00	
hind, export					
HEARTS, slashed, domestic			50.00	50.00	D
single slashed, export			71.00	71.00	A
multi slashed, export			50.00	50.00	E
whole, export					
HOCKS, picnic			48.00	48.00	A
KIDNEYS, small box, export					
LIVERS, large box, domestic					
SALIVARY GLANDS,			47.00	47.00	B
SNOUTS, partial lean					
partial lean w/mask					
STOMACHS, scalded, small box		1.0	120.00	120.00	
scalded, small box, export			129.00	129.00	A
TONGUES,					
green, bnls, small box					
green, bnls, tip-on exp					
scalded & scraped			144.00	144.00	D
UTERI				unq	

PORK SKINS FRESH IN COMBO - FOB SUPPLY POINT					

QUARTERLY CONTRACTS:		DOMESTIC		EXPORT	
BELLY SKINS, SELECTED			28.50-43.00	36.00-44.00	
FATBACK SKINS, SELECTED			28.50-46.00	36.50-41.00	
BUTT PLATE SKINS, SELECTED		thk	35.00-42 thn	24.50-27.75	
HAM SKINS, HOUSE RUN			22.00-32.00	31.00-41.00	
PICNIC SKINS, HOUSE RUN			22.00-27.00		
JOWL SKINS, HOUSE RUN			18.50-27.00		

PORK PET FOODS - FOB SUPPLY POINT -----BOXED FROZEN					

QUARTERLY CONTRACTS:		FRESH			
KIDNEYS, inedible			7.00-17.00		
LIVERS, "			10.50-17.25		
LUNGS, "			2.00-9.75		
MELTS, "			5.00-12.00		

USDA CARLOT VEAL CARCASS REPORT - Thu, April 26 , 2012
Northeast and North Central Basis

Compared to last week: The special fed veal carcass market was mostly generally steady with instances of 2.00 higher. Demand was light to moderate with moderate offerings. Harvest numbers were 9% higher compared to last week. Dressed weights were up 2.6 pounds in the Northeast, down 11.7 pounds in the North Central, with the composite down 4.3 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		1521	355.00-	375.00	363.84
PACKER OWNED					
Hide-Off, 255-315 Lbs. Hot Basis		2071	355.00-	384.00	367.85
COMPOSITE					
Hide-Off, 255-315 Lbs. Hot Basis		3592	355.00-	384.00	366.15

CONTRACT INFORMATION: Hot Basis, Hide-Off					
Current future contracts offered: Firm Bottom Northeast and North Central, 335.00 to 360.00, for the beginning of and into mid-September.					

Special Fed Veal Slaughter for:		Year Ago		YTD	YTD
Week ending:	04/21/12	04/14/12	04/23/11	2012	2011
Northeast	3,756	3,402	3,329	50,997	57,504
North Central	3,388	3,131	3,740	55,433	63,061
Total NE & NC	7,144	6,533	7,069	106,430	120,565

Special Fed Veal Dressed Weights		Year Ago			
Week ending:	04/21/12	04/14/12	04/23/11		
Northeast	271.6	269.0	266.1		
North Central	267.2	278.9	260.5		
Total NE & NC	269.5	273.8	263.1		

* 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 firm undertone. Foreshanks were 7.50 higher, chop ready racks were 2.50 higher, skinned butt tenders were 7.50 higher and Foreshank Osso Bucco was 10.00 higher with hindshank at 12.50 higher. Demand was light with moderate offerings.

Item:	Wt.	Range	Range	
Carcass, hide off	200-275	lbs	409.00-	525.00
Foresaddles	86-147	lbs	325.00-	395.00
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	430.00-	795.00
Osso Buco, foreshank	2-8	lbs	760.00-	965.00
Shoulder, full	49-85	lbs	325.00-	330.00
Chuck, square cut	39-68	lbs	260.00-	309.00
Chuck rolls, skinned	5-10	lbs	455.00-	535.00
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	715.00-	825.00
Hotel Racks, Chop Ready, 7 rib	5-9	lbs	1185.00-	1395.00
Hotel Racks, Chop Ready, 6 rib	4-8	lbs	1245.00-	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	489.00-	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	1130.00-	1375.00
Top Rnd, Sknd, cap-off	10-15	lbs	1310.00-	1510.00
Hindshank	5-8	lbs	725.00-	859.00
Osso Buco, Hindshank	2-8	lbs	975.00-	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			195.00-	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, April 20 , 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	6,661
Weight	Head		Wt Avg
45-DN	204		484.84
45-55#	229		392.59
55-65#	630		363.41
65-75#	1,461		341.15
75-85#	2,182		327.83
85-UP	1,955		299.38

CHOICE AND PRIME, YG 5		Head	708
Weight	Head		Wt Avg
45-DN	0		
45-55#			
55-65#			
65-75#			
75-85#			
85-UP			

CERTIFIED FRESH AMERICAN LAMB		Head	

UNGRADED		Head	423
Weight	Head		Wt Avg
45-DN	64		364.82
45-55#	62		359.95
55-65#	77		328.66
65-75#	67		326.43
75-85#	41		258.73
85-UP	112		272.21

NATIONAL DAILY LAMB CARCASS REPORT

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

DAILY CHOICE AND PRIME, YG 1-4		Head	246
Weight	Head		Wt Avg
45-DN	15		487.20
45-55#	26		405.58
55-65#	29		381.90
65-75#	59		334.76
75-85#	33		318.00
85-UP	84		298.00

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	700.22	-4.88	10.77%	7.54
209	BREAST **	128.17	-4.20	8.85%	6.20
207	SHOULDERS, SQ-CUT	249.20	0.03	23.53%	16.47
210	FORESHANK	468.51	0.71	3.82%	2.67
	NECK **	125.26	1.78	2.22%	1.56
HINDSADDLE					
232	LOINS, TRIMMED 4X4	500.28	-9.11	10.97%	7.68
232E	FLANK UNTRIMMED **	83.16	-8.00	3.39%	2.37
233A	LEG, TROTTER OFF	419.95	-2.48	31.88%	22.32

GROSS CARCASS VALUE:		357.72	-2.89	95.45%	66.81

FORESADDLE VALUE		337.62	-1.67	49.20%	34.44
HINDSADDLE VALUE		414.32	-4.46	46.24%	32.37

Carcass value less process/packageing per cwt cost of \$31.50			
NET CARCASS VALUE	326.22	-2.89	

** Shrink and trim of 3.19 lbs. not reflected in cutout value*
** Based on Actual Federally Inspected Slaughter Carcass Weight of 70 lbs. for w/E 04/14/2012, 1.0 lbs heavier 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 -		956,646 pounds			
Fresh Cuts		152,104 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				
200A	Carcass, 3-way, 55/65	6	3,968	\$381.54	1.62
200A	Carcass, 3-way, 65/up	0			
202	Foresaddle	4	1,831	\$448.04	
203	Bracelet	0			
204	Rack, 8-Rib, light	5	625	\$722.84	0.00
204	Rack, 8-Rib, medium	67	16,713	\$700.22	(4.88)
204	Rack, 8-Rib, heavy				
204A	Rack, chined	41	11,654	\$806.71	(21.90)
204B	Rack, roast-ready	19	5,891	\$1,077.30	0.66
204C	Rack, roast-ready, frenched	128	31,533	\$1,301.26	(20.26)
204D	Rack, roast-ready, special	9	2,557	\$1,719.79	22.92
206	Shoulders	83	94,611	\$233.82	(3.31)
207	Shoulders, square-cut	121	111,394	\$249.20	0.03
208	Shoulders, square-cut, bnls	54	37,527	\$311.16	14.59
209	Breast	118	46,725	\$141.69	0.62
	Breast, bulk	16	21,907	\$117.88	(0.12)
209A	Ribs, Breast bones off	40	3,853	\$457.90	0.50
210	Foreshank	144	18,525	\$468.51	0.71
229	Hindsaddle, long-cut	0			
230	Hindsaddle	0			
231	Loins	34	4,682	\$414.58	0.38
232	Loins, trimmed 4x4	100	33,383	\$500.28	(9.11)
232	Loins, trimmed 2x2	15	3,311	\$708.55	(26.02)
232	Loins, trimmed 1x1	89	22,842	\$738.28	7.15
232	Loins, trimmed 0x0	37	5,952	\$857.84	8.47
232A	Loins, short-cut, 2x2	0			
232A	Loins, short-cut, 1x1	19	5,880	\$659.35	3.63
232A	Loins, short-cut, 0x0	9	439	\$777.37	3.34
232C	Loin, boneless, tied	19	1,020	\$1,431.12	(16.10)
232E	Flank, untrimmed	16	32,900	\$77.73	(11.05)
233	Legs	32	10,234	\$417.99	(17.76)
233A	Leg, trotter-off	155	46,906	\$419.95	(2.49)
233C	Leg, trotter-off, partial bnl	38	9,131	\$563.97	(3.47)
233E	Leg, steamship	19	2,230	\$569.03	3.58
233F	Hindshank	71	9,771	\$478.26	4.19
234	Leg, Boneless, Tied	93	19,039	\$611.68	(1.43)
234A	Leg, shank off, bnls	32	3,891	\$674.38	(0.47)
234B	Leg, 2-way boneless	0			
234C	Leg, bottom, boneless	0			
234D	Leg, outside, boneless	0			
234E	Leg, inside, boneless	65	10,872	\$812.39	(0.08)
234F	Leg, sirloin tip, bnls	0			
234G	Sirloin, boneless	11	966	\$777.73	2.86
235	Back	3	882	\$476.56	
236	Back, trimmed	26	663	\$796.75	29.64
238	Trimmings	30	5,120	\$492.00	0.29
239	Special trimmings	12	329	\$444.23	17.00
244	Loin, boneless, 3-way	0			
245	Sirloin	0			
246	Tenderloin	5	115	\$1,272.53	11.42
295	Lamb for stewing	42	5,184	\$713.98	3.59
296	Ground lamb	122	19,180	\$598.42	2.68
	Necks	29	8,229	\$122.00	1.12

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

204	Rack, 8-Rib, medium	3	5,028	\$404.92	0.00
204C	Rack, roast-ready, frenched	22	297	\$1,241.25	
209	Breast	4	47,321	\$119.38	4.57
209A	Ribs, Breast bones off	3	48	\$443.06	
210	Foreshank	9	1,717	\$443.07	(3.62)
230	Hindsaddle	3	148	\$452.17	(1.74)
232E	Flank, untrimmed	4	4,189	\$125.80	0.00
233A	Leg, trotter-off	7	3,404	\$355.70	(5.92)
233F	Hindshank	3	238	\$450.53	36.05
234	Leg, Boneless, Tied	6	1,389	\$741.81	(13.15)
234E	Leg, inside, boneless	14	1,797	\$845.23	(5.06)
238	Trimmings	7	7,656	\$113.27	23.76
295	Lamb for stewing	15	3,411	\$696.88	(1.01)
296	Ground lamb	44	6,172	\$576.40	2.70
	Necks	24	6,780	\$129.22	1.35

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SPECIAL REPORTS

BROILER-FRYER SLAUGHTER under federal inspection for 26-Apr-2012 is estimated to be 30,809,000 UP 0.14 percent from a week ago and DN 4.3 percent from a year ago.
(Last week 30,765,000; last year 32,185,000)
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U.S. FEDERALLY INSPECTED SLAUGHTER BY REGION
Week Ending 04/14/2012

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	0.3	0.2	0.6	0.1	0.1	2.9
3	18.2	7.0	0.3	8.4	2.1	0.4	2.0
4	14.6	0.7	0.2	3.1	8.5	2.1	0.1
5	64.8	29.5	5.6	16.6	11.3	1.9	4.3
6	117.0	58.8	37.4	6.8	12.0	2.0	0.1
7	242.2	124.3	104.0	(D)	(D)	(D)	-
8	56.7	24.8	27.8	(D)	(D)	(D)	-
9	44.5	20.9	2.6	17.9	2.3	0.8	2.7
10	21.6	10.4	6.9	3.4	0.7	0.2	0.5
U.S. 2/	581.1	276.8	185.0	59.2	50.8	9.4	12.7

Standard federal regions 1/	Hogs				Sheep		
	Total	Barrows and gilts	Sows	Boars	Total	Mature sheep	Lambs and yearlings
				1,000 head			
1	0.3	0.3	-	-	1.6	0.1	1.4
2	2.4	2.4	-	-	5.8	0.4	5.4
3	107.5	107.3	(D)	(D)	3.6	0.6	3.0
4	260.2	247.2	(D)	(D)	1.1	0.3	0.8
5	562.4	535.4	25.6	1.4	8.3	0.7	7.6
6	104.3	100.8	3.4	-	0.3	0.2	0.1
7	875.7	857.9	13.0	4.8	0.2	-	0.2
8	88.6	88.6	-	-	19.6	0.4	19.2
9	46.3	46.3	-	-	4.4	0.1	4.3
10	4.3	4.3	-	-	0.5	-	0.5
U.S. 2/	2,052.1	1,990.5	54.8	6.8	45.4	2.9	42.5

- 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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