



USHSLA INFO EXCHANGE

Export Numbers for U.S. Bovine Fresh/Wet Salted Hides Number of Pieces/Thousand \$U.S.

	Number of Pieces*			Value Thousand \$		
	Jan - Feb 2015	Jan - Feb 2016	% Chg	Jan - Feb 2015	Jan - Feb 2016	% Chng
World	2,627,850	3,214,670	22%	232,406	203,895	-12%
China/HK	1,753,635	1,968,707	12%	161,873	132,044	-18%
Korea	405,763	373,884	-8%	38,592	25,989	-33%
Mexico	205,138	413,343	101%	12,127	21,923	81%
EU-28	103,509	200,958	94%	6,988	9,524	36%
Thailand	23,745	108,615	357%	2,181	6,774	211%
Taiwan	67,965	44,163	-35%	5,655	3,152	-44%
Japan	14,642	14,364	-2%	1,759	1,255	-29%
Vietnam	14,034	17,671	26%	1,134	1,164	3%
India	4,706	25,024	432%	113	721	538%
Turkey	1,963	18,952	865%	33	623	1788%
Canada	11,274	5,327	-53%	604	238	-61%
Israel	6,196	13,723	121%	104	200	92%
Costa Rica	378	7,631	1919%	26	133	412%
Dom. Rep.	0	802	--	0	76	-
Chile	0	565	-	0	45	-
Bosnia	0	840	-	0	29	-

Export Numbers for U.S. Wet Blue Hides Number of Pieces/Thousand \$U.S.

	Number of Pieces*			Value Thousand \$		
	Jan - Feb 2015	Jan - Feb 2016	% Chg	Jan - Feb 2015	Jan - Feb 2016	% Chng
World Total	1,077,905	1,110,955	3%	121,113	100,885	-17%
China/HK	372,135	389,967	5%	40,122	34,213	-15%
EU-28	257,454	264,626	3%	30,277	25,188	-17%
Vietnam	129,295	215,976	67%	15,339	20,271	32%
Korea	25,137	89,740	257%	2,522	7,147	183%
Mexico	101,284	46,952	-54%	9,287	4,545	-51%
Taiwan	57,689	37,868	-34%	6,823	2,984	-56%
Thailand	64,487	21,142	-67%	8,046	2,457	-69%
Dom. Rep.	44,516	19,588	-56%	5,572	1,941	-65%
Japan	18,901	16,547	-12%	2,207	1,489	-33%
India	7,007	8,549	22%	919	650	-29%

Export Numbers for U.S. Pig Skins

Number of Pieces/Thousand \$U.S.

	Number of Pieces			Value Thousand \$		
	Jan - Feb 2015	Jan - Feb 2016	% Chg	Jan - Feb 2015	Jan - Feb 2016	% Chng
World Total	1,195,510	952,759	-20%	8,712	7,836	-10%
Mexico	421,779	434,606	3%	3,979	4,712	18%
Taiwan	600,501	359,636	-40%	3,206	2,055	-36%
Thailand	92,761	138,928	50%	833	801	-4%
EU-28	35,800	12,250	-66%	229	175	-24%
Vietnam	2,587	5,787	124%	41	71	73%
Japan	0	1,552	-	0	24	-

PLEASE NOTE: In the past, the Number of Pieces column was inaccurate, typically over-inflating the actual amounts exported. In 2015, the US Government made changes to its reporting system, which we are hopeful will fix this problem. [CLICK HERE](#) for more information.

Cattle on Feed Summary

National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA

[\(Available Here\)](#)

Released March 18, 2016

United States Cattle on Feed Up 1 Percent

Cattle and calves on feed for the slaughter market in the United States for feedlots with capacity of 1,000 or more head totaled 10.8 million head on March 1, 2016. The inventory was 1 percent above March 1, 2015.

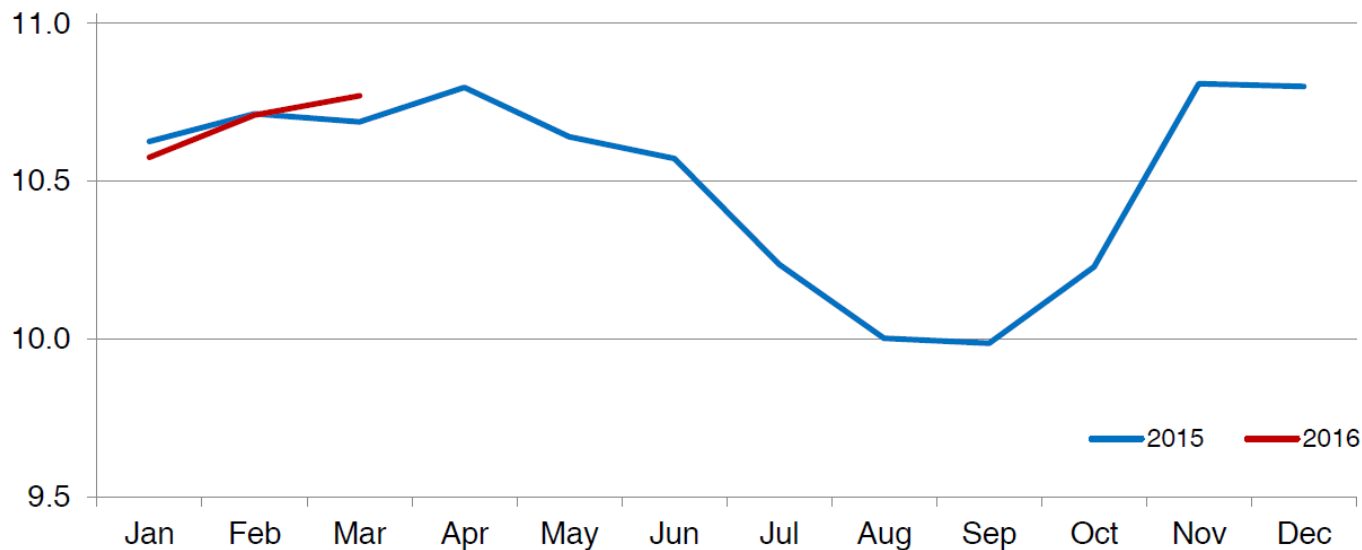
Placements in feedlots during February totaled 1.71 million head, 10 percent above 2015. Net placements were 1.65 million head. During February, placements of cattle and calves weighing less than 600 pounds were 335,000 head, 600-699 pounds were 300,000 head, 700-799 pounds were 445,000 head, and 800 pounds and greater were 630,000 head.

Marketings of fed cattle during February totaled 1.59 million head, 5 percent above 2015.

Other disappearance totaled 58,000 head during February, 3 percent below 2015.

Cattle on Feed Inventory on 1,000+ Capacity Feedlots – United States

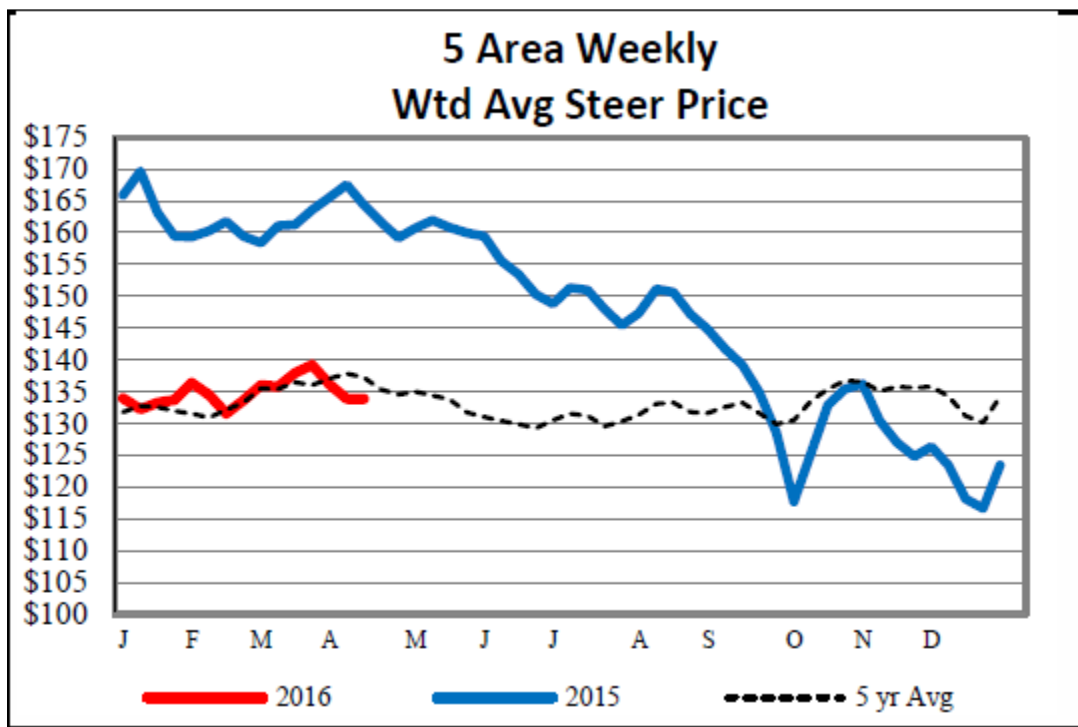
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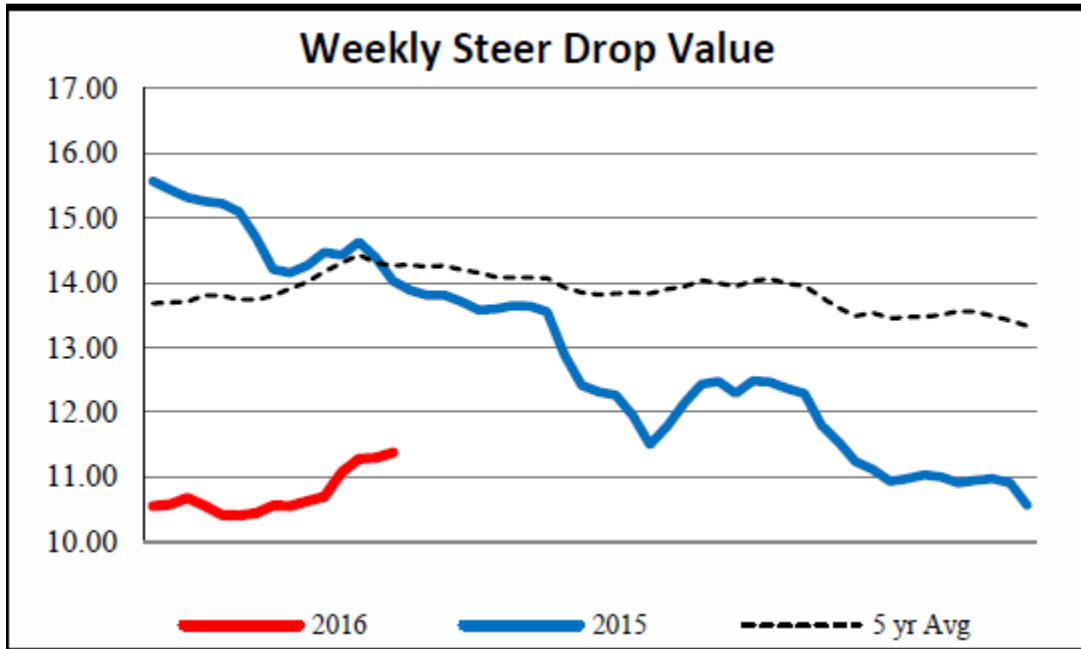


**Weekly Estimated Slaughter Statistics
Weekly Livestock, Meat and Grain Highlights
([Available Here](#))
As of April 11, 2016**

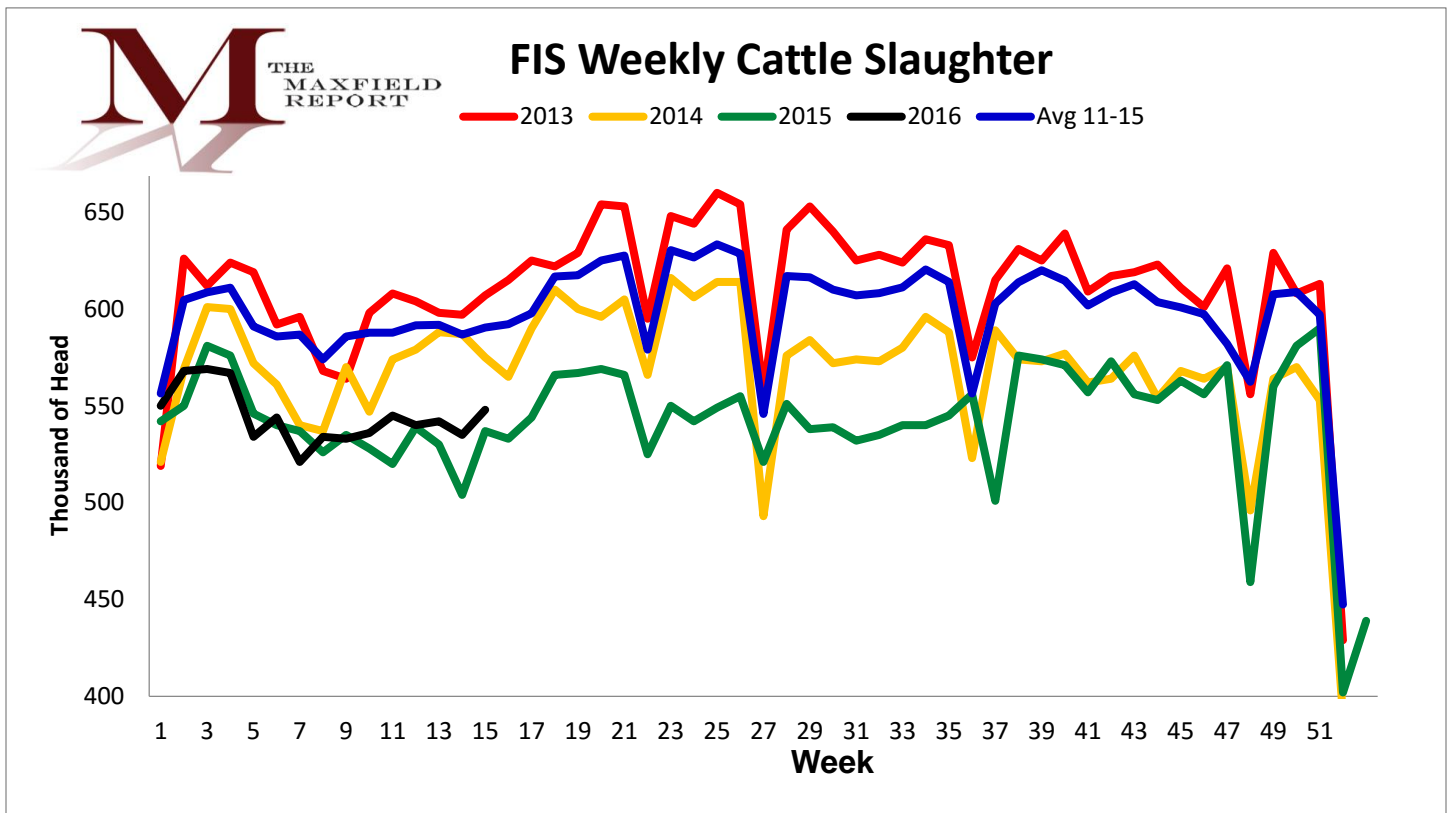
	This Week	Change from Last Week	Change from Year Ago
Hogs			
Weekly Est. Hog Slaughter	2,154,000	-1.2%	-1.0%
YTD. Est. Hog Slaughter	31,773,000		-0.8%
Cattle			
Weekly Est. Cattle Slaughter	535,000	-1.3%	6.2%
YTD Est. Cattle Slaughter	7,712,000		0.6%

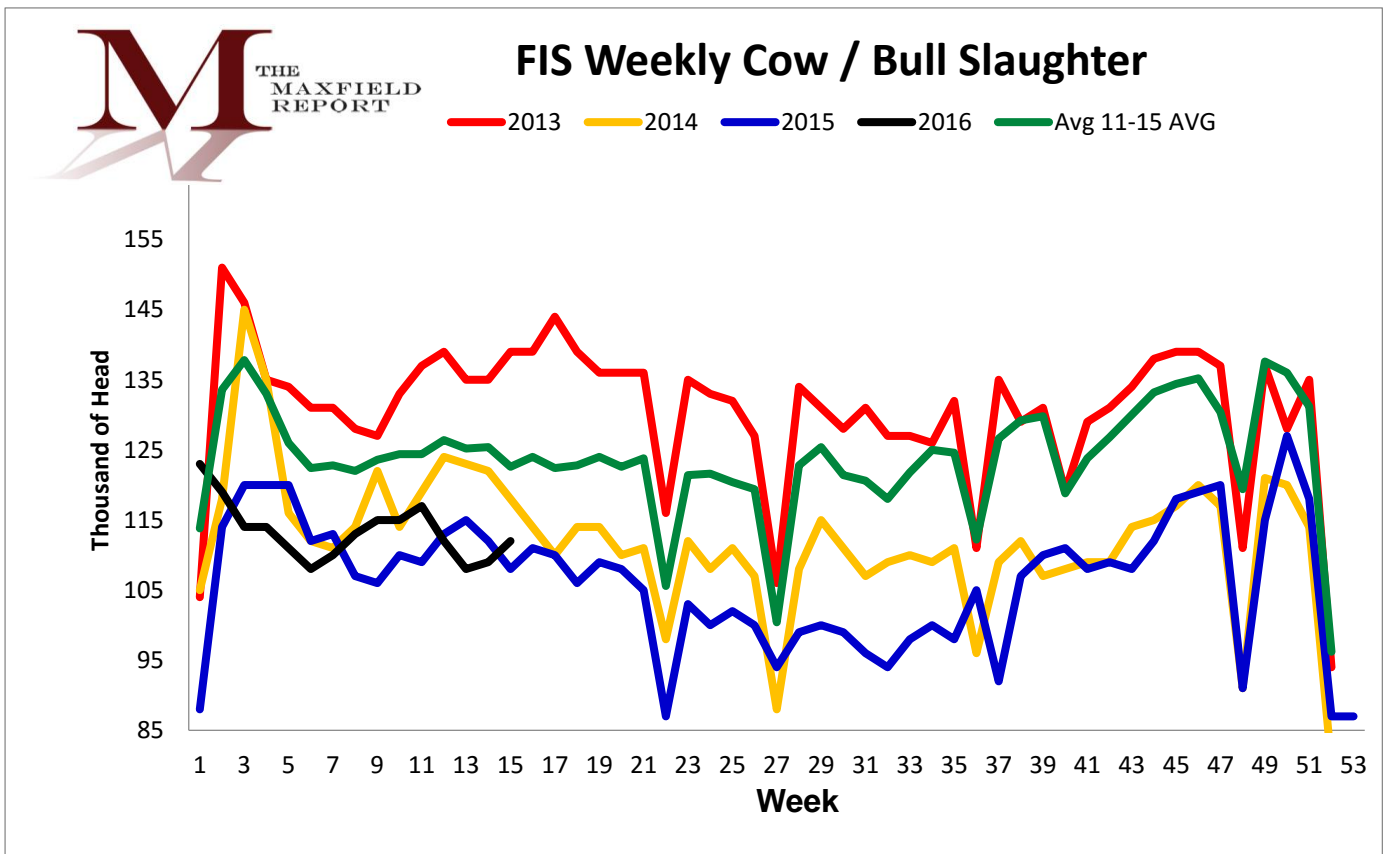
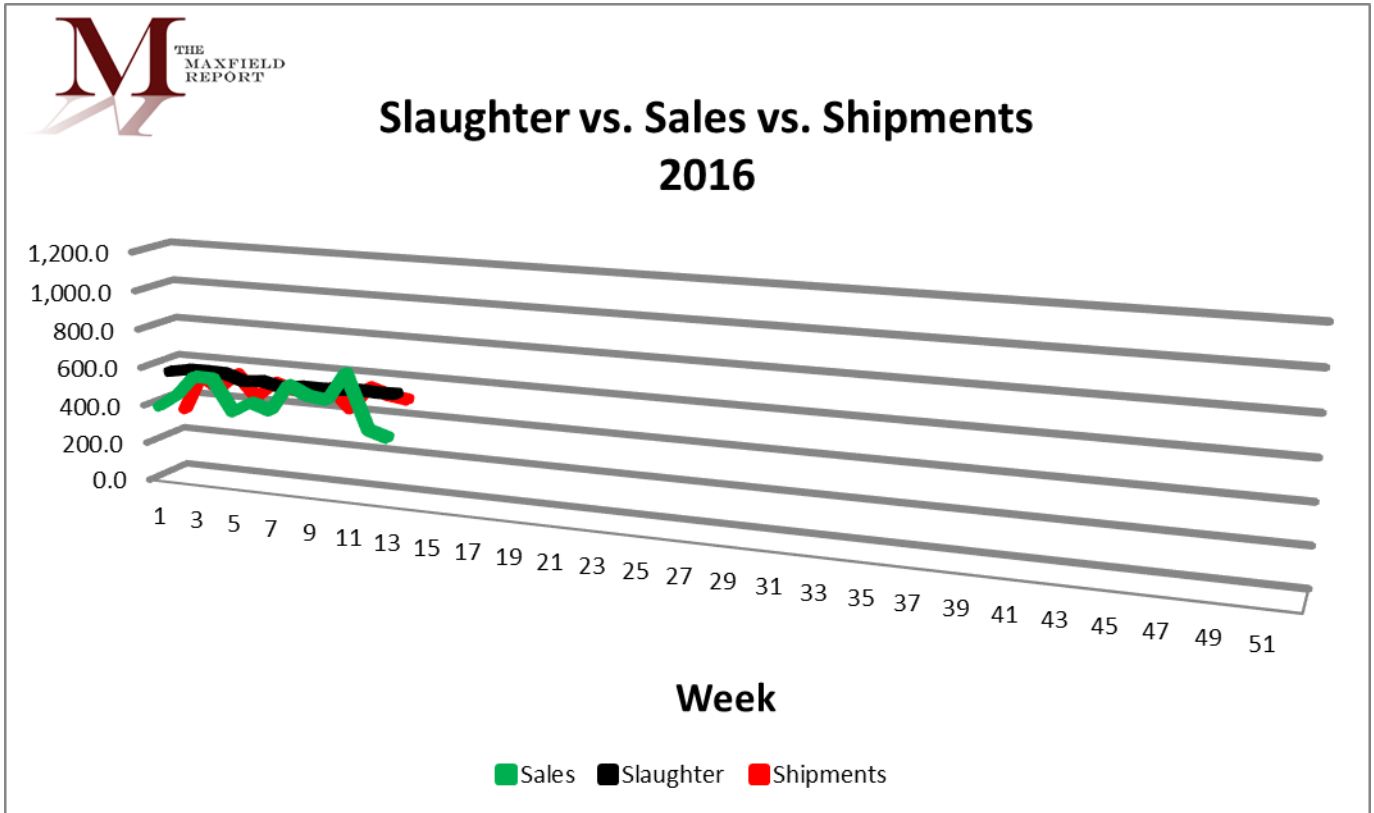
**(Steer Price and Drop Value Charts [Available Here](#))
As of April 8, 2016**





Charts Courtesy of the Maxfield Report:





USDA Weekly Export Sales Statistics For the Week Ending April 7, 2016 ([Available Here](#))

Hides and Skins: Net sales of 325,400 pieces for 2016 were up 27 percent from the previous week, but down 13 percent from the prior-4 week average. Whole cattle hide sales of 324,600 pieces were primarily for China (191,200 pieces), South Korea (45,000 pieces), Italy (29,900 pieces), Thailand (21,900 pieces), and Mexico (20,300 pieces). Exports of 354,900 pieces were down 1 percent from the previous week and 2 percent from the prior 4-week average. Whole cattle hide exports of 350,800 pieces were primarily to China (217,200 pieces), South Korea (71,700 pieces), Mexico (23,200 pieces), Taiwan (13,600 pieces), and Italy (10,700 pieces).

Net sales of 184,500 wet blues for 2016 were up noticeably from the previous week and 74 percent from the prior 4-week average. Increases were reported for China (50,100 unsplit), Italy (37,000 unsplit), Hong Kong (29,800 grain splits), and Mexico (27,500 grain splits). Reductions were reported for China (900 grain splits). Exports of 103,700 wet blues were down 21 percent from the previous week and from the prior 4-week average. Exports were primarily to China (21,400 unsplit and 7,700 grain splits), Italy (24,100 unsplit), Vietnam (10,300 unsplit and 5,700 grain splits), and Mexico (7,800 unsplit and 6,800 grain splits). Net sales of splits totaling 342,700 pounds for 2016 reported for China (137,700 pounds), South Korea (137,100 pounds), and Italy (71,100 pounds), were partially offset by decreases for Vietnam (3,200 pounds). Exports of 454,300 pounds were reported to Italy (197,900 pounds), China (128,800 pounds), Vietnam (121,600 pounds), and South Korea (6,000 pounds).

WEEKLY NET SALES ACTIVITY COUNTRY	WHOLE				WET BLUES		
	CATTLE HIDES 1601	CALF SKINS 1602	KIP SKINS 1603	CROUPONS 1604	UNSPPLIT 1606	GRAIN SPLIT 1607	DROP SPLITS 1608
	THOUSAND UNITS						
ITALY	29.9				37.0		71.1
NETHLDS			-0.5				
TURKEY	5.8						
JAPAN	2.0		1.4				
TAIWAN	7.8				4.8		
CHINA	191.2				50.1	-0.9	137.7
HG KONG						29.8	
KOR REP	45.0					2.2	137.1
THAILND	21.9				12.0		
VIETNAM	0.7				4.7		-3.2
DOM REP					17.4		
MEXICO	20.3					27.5	
NET SALES	324.6	0.0	0.9	0.0	125.9	58.5	342.7
WEEKLY EXPORTS	350.8	0.0	4.0	0.0	73.6	30.1	454.3
ACCUM. EXPORTS	4,862.7	6.5	73.3	0.0	1,289.4	634.2	15,431.5
OUTSTANDING SALES	3,081.8	0.0	28.5	0.0	595.0	473.3	12,443.6

