

**National Sheep Summary**

San Angelo, Texas  
December 23, 2002

Report Supplied By USDA

At midwest market centers slaughter lambs steady to 100 lower, slaughter ewes and feeder lambs steady At Goldthwaite, TX slaughter lambs 5 00-7 00 higher At Greenville, IL slaughter lambs 2 00-3 00 higher; slaughter ewes 2 00-4 00 higher

SLAUGHTER LAMBS Choice and Prime 2-3 90-150 lbs Midwest shorn 83 00-86 00, woolled 110-125 lbs 78 00-84 00, 125-160 lbs 81 00-85 25 Virginia woolled 95 00 Greenville woolled 82 00-86.00. Goldthwaite 80 00-85 00

SLAUGHTER FWES Midwest Utility and Good 1-3 35.00-49.00, Cull 1 25 00-39.00 Greenville Utility and Good 1-3 32 00-38.00; Cull and Utility 1-2 25 00-32.00 Virginia Choice 2-4 40.00, Utility and Good 1-3 44 00 Goldthwaite Good 2-3 no test

FEEDER LAMBS Medium and Large 1-2 Midwest 60-80 lbs 89.00-100.00; 80-100 lbs 82 00-90 00; 100-110 lbs 83 00-83 50 Virginia 50-60 lbs 77.00, 60-70 lbs 88 50 Greenville. 60-70 lbs 80 00-85 00, 70-80 lbs 73 00-80 00 Goldthwaite no test.

RFPIACFMNT FWES Medium and Large 1-2 Goldthwaite no test

**National Weekly Lamb Report**

Des Moines, Iowa  
December 24, 2002

Report Supplied By USDA

NATIONAL WEEKLY LAMB REPORT for week ending Monday, Dec 23 SLAUGHTERED LAMB PRIOR WFEK From Forward Contracts Domestic 0, Imported 0 From Formula Arrangements: Domestic 22,520 head, Imported 1,569

SLAUGHTERED PACKER OWNED SHEEP DOMESTIC: 1,360 head, 44-88 lbs (avg 76 lbs); dressing 50 0-50 0%, avg 50 0%; Choice or better 99 9%. IMPORTED: None.

FORWARD CONTRACT PURCHASES: No trade reported.

FORMULA PURCHASES: DOMESTIC 2,636 head, 55-65 lbs (avg 62.4 lbs) 160.51-170.00, wtd. avg price 160 03; 12,355 head, 67-75 lbs (avg. 72.5 lbs) 158.89-182.26, wtd. avg. price 163 66, 7,757 head, 76-83 lbs (avg. 77.7 lbs) 160.11-173 30, wtd. avg price 163.98, 845 head, 85-92 lbs (avg 86 lbs) 168-170.00, wtd avg price 169 70

IMPORTED 1,326 head, 67-68 lbs (avg 67 3 lbs) 148 28-152 01, wtd avg. price 150 79

**Dec. 1 Cattle On Feed 8 Percent Below Year Ago**

WASHINGTON, D. C. — Cattle on feed for the slaughter market in the U.S. for feedlots with capacity of 1,000 or more head totaled 10.9 million head on December 1, 2002, according to the National Agricultural Service (NASS). The inventory was 8 percent below December 1, 2001 and 9 percent below December 1, 2000.

Placements in feedlots during November totaled 1.98 million, 4 percent above 2001 but 2 percent below 2000. Net placements were 1.89 million.

During November, placements of cattle and calves weighing less than 600 pounds were 589,000, 600-699 pounds were 660,000, 700-799 pounds were 417,000, and 800 pounds and greater were 311,000.

Marketings of fed cattle during November totaled 1.73 million, 4 percent below 2001 and 5 percent below 2000.

Other disappearance totaled 90,000 during November, 13 percent above 2001 but 14 percent below 2000.

Cattle on feed December 1, 2002, in the historic 7 states for feedlots with capacity of 1,000 or more head totaled 9.4 million, down 8 percent from the previous

year and 8 percent below December 1, 2000. Placements in feedlots during November totaled 1.67 million, 5 percent above 2001 but 1 percent below 2000. Marketings during November totaled 1.51 million, 2 percent below 2001 and 4 percent below 2000. Other disappearance during November was 80,000 head, 18 percent above 2001 but 10 percent below 2000.



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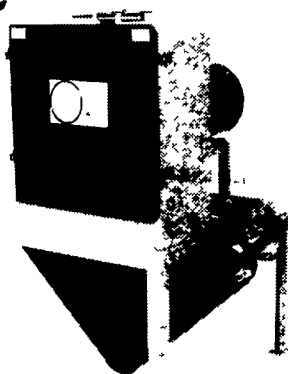
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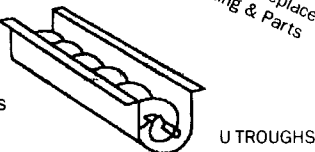
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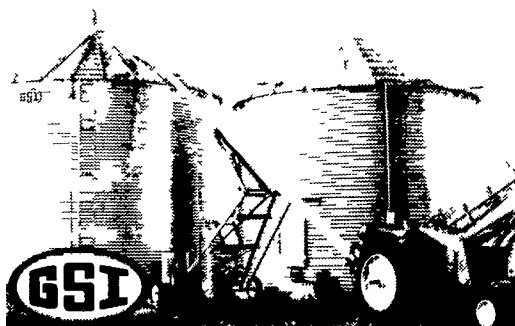
**Standard Auger Specifications**

	4'	6"	8	10'
Tube Gauge	16	14	14	12
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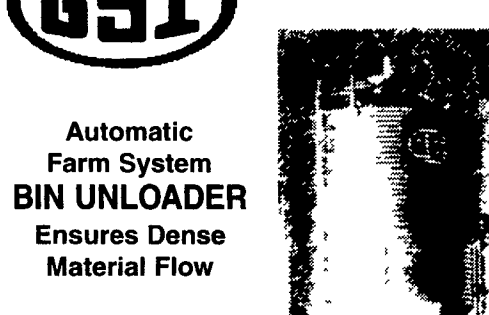
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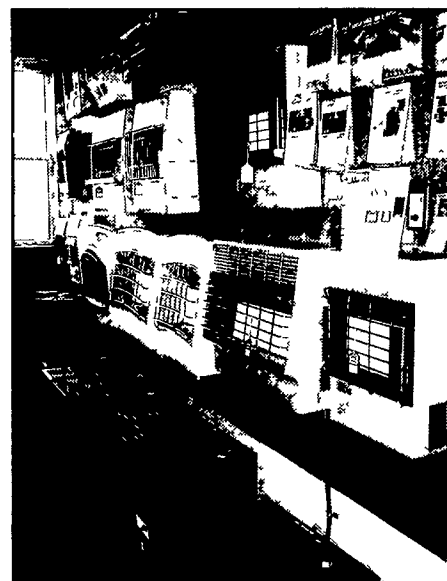
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