

## REPORT OF STOCKS OF FROZEN AND CURED MEATS, FEBRUARY 1, 1917.

FROZEN BEEF

The total stocks of FROZEN BEEF reported by 190 firms on February 1, 1917, amounted to 189,138,253 pounds, while the total stocks reported by 225 firms on January 1, 1917, amounted to 173,829,426 pounds. The reports of 132 firms show stocks of 165,062,736 pounds on February 1, 1917, as compared with 132,266,076 pounds on February 1, 1916, an increase of 24.8 per cent. The reports of 155 firms show that the stocks increased 1.3 per cent in January 1917, while the reports of 114 firms show stocks decreased 2.7 per cent in January 1916.

CURED BEEF

The total stocks of CURED BEEF reported by 243 firms on February 1, 1917, amounted to 34,459,680 pounds, while the total stocks reported by 241 firms on January 1, 1917, amounted to 40,271,373 pounds. The reports of 193 firms show stocks of 32,594,297 pounds on February 1, 1917, as compared with 20,851,778 pounds on February 1, 1916, an increase of 56.3 per cent. The reports of 202 firms show that the stocks decreased 7.6 per cent in January 1917, while the reports of 166 firms show stocks increased 10.7 per cent in January 1916.

FROZEN PORK

The total stocks of FROZEN PORK reported by 201 firms on February 1, 1917, amounted to 65,926,244 pounds, while the total stocks reported by 185 firms on January 1, 1917, amounted to 50,845,445 pounds. The reports of 157 firms show stocks of 55,753,062 pounds on February 1, 1917, as compared with 74,650,426 pounds on February 1, 1916, a decrease of 25.3 per cent. The reports of 161 firms show that the stocks increased 10.2 per cent in January 1917, while the reports of 129 firms show stocks increased 59.6 per cent in January 1916.

DRY SALT PORK

The total stocks of DRY SALT PORK reported by 302 firms on February 1, 1917, amounted to 217,290,642 pounds, while the total stocks reported by 309 firms on January 1, 1917, amounted to 199,542,596 pounds. The reports of 240 firms show stocks of 211,753,458 pounds on February 1, 1917, as compared with 194,000,000 pounds on February 1, 1916, an increase of 9.1 per cent. The reports of 335 firms show that the stocks increased 9.4 per cent in January 1917, while the reports of 207 firms show stocks increased 33.2 per cent in January 1916.

SWEET PICKLED PORK

The total stocks of SWEET PICKLED PORK reported by 364 firms on February 1, 1917, amounted to 323,075,484 pounds, while the total stocks reported by 386 firms on January 1, 1917, amounted to 284,881,323 pounds. The reports of 294 firms show stocks of 312,449,817 on February 1, 1917, as compared with 298,939,265 pounds on February 1, 1916, an increase of 4.5 per cent. The reports of 325 firms show that the stocks increased 14.0 per cent in January 1917, while the reports of 260 firms show stocks increased 28.7 per cent in January 1916.

LARD

The total stocks of LARD reported by 333 firms on February 1, 1917, amounted to 87,804,663 pounds, while the total stocks reported by 346 firms on January 1, 1917, amounted to 83,162,608 pounds. The reports of 270 firms show stocks of 83,396,611 pounds on February 1, 1917, as compared with 92,341,937 pounds on February 1, 1916, a decrease of 9.7 per cent. The reports of 299 firms show that the stocks increased 6.1 per cent in January 1917, while the reports of 233 firms show stocks increased 52.0 per cent in January 1916.

FROZEN LAMB AND MUTTON

The total stocks of FROZEN LAMB AND MUTTON reported by 114 firms on February 1, 1917, amounted to 5,800,457 pounds, while the total stocks reported by 114 firms on January 1, 1917, amounted to 5,646,496 pounds. The reports of 87 firms show stocks of 4,613,410 pounds on February 1, 1917, as compared with 5,285,543 pounds on February 1, 1916, a decrease of 12.7 per cent. The reports of 96 firms show that the stocks decreased 25.8 per cent in January 1917, while the reports of 81 firms show stocks decreased 12.4 per cent in January 1916.

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OF THE STOCKS OF FEBRUARY 1, 1916 AND FEBRUARY 1, 1917 BY SECTIONS.

FROZEN BEEF

	Total Stocks February 1, 1917		Comparison of Stocks.			
	No. of Firms Reporting	Pounds.	No. of Firms Reporting	February 1, 1916 Pounds	February 1, 1917 Pounds	Comparison on percent- age basis.
New England	22	7,221,034	13	1,825,438	2,375,983	157.6
M. Atlantic	51	47,458,738	30	30,837,194	32,712,793	106.1
S. Atlantic	77	302,893	5	8,980	17,344	193.1
N. Central (E)	34	85,268,067	25	72,137,195	81,598,161	113.1
N. Central (W)	29	35,797,404	22	20,916,485	34,864,543	166.7
S. Central	15	8,708,551	10	4,884,575	8,638,898	176.9
Western (N)	11	2,336,713	9	410,652	2,320,713	565.1
Western (S)	21	2,044,853	18	1,245,557	2,034,301	163.3
TOTAL	190	189,138,253	132	132,265,076	165,062,736	124.8

CURED BEEF

New England	22	1,050,679	14	1,418,914	1,001,779	70.6
M. Atlantic	77	5,673,796	54	3,178,748	4,028,565	126.7
S. Atlantic	10	157,335	9	166,725	156,335	93.9
N. Central (E)	65	15,577,555	54	10,176,715	15,449,731	151.8
N. Central (W)	38	10,709,278	36	5,239,084	10,673,278	203.7
S. Central	9	332,739	7	123,353	329,589	256.7
Western (N)	9	442,316	8	116,807	439,870	376.6
Western (S)	13	515,932	11	426,432	514,950	120.6
TOTAL	243	34,459,680	193	20,851,778	32,594,297	156.3

FROZEN PORK

New England	19	4,474,138	10	2,944,648	3,623,342	123.0
M. Atlantic	55	12,851,985	43	14,457,150	11,022,172	76.2
S. Atlantic	7	49,034	4	33,820	44,134	130.5
N. Central (E)	35	18,993,287	30	17,717,678	14,133,321	79.8
N. Central (W)	43	23,034,136	36	26,579,452	20,441,918	76.9
S. Central	13	1,610,819	9	2,463,942	1,599,566	64.9
Western (N)	9	2,751,220	8	6,836,340	2,736,220	40.0
Western (S)	20	2,161,375	17	3,617,396	2,152,389	59.5
TOTAL	201	65,926,244	157	74,650,426	55,753,062	74.7

DRY SALT PORK

New England	14	9,532,619	10	6,360,353	9,039,219	142.1
M. Atlantic	49	6,554,329	36	4,919,434	5,415,663	110.1
S. Atlantic	28	2,585,783	19	1,101,768	1,819,975	165.2
N. Central (E)	88	103,169,663	71	102,069,315	101,143,045	99.1
N. Central (W)	67	84,461,089	60	68,892,618	83,517,689	121.2
S. Central	22	8,325,174	16	7,633,919	8,162,374	106.9
Western (N)	16	966,368	13	1,376,844	962,697	69.9
Western (S)	18	1,695,617	15	1,698,845	1,692,796	99.5
TOTAL	302	217,290,642	240	194,053,096	211,753,458	109.1

SWEET PICKLED PORK

New England	26	25,576,164	17	18,970,491	24,930,842	131.4
M. Atlantic	91	30,050,819	71	24,094,014	25,902,997	107.5
S. Atlantic	20	5,340,461	14	4,523,354	4,771,061	105.5
N. Central (E)	101	120,629,868	82	121,119,536	118,614,860	97.9
N. Central (W)	68	116,378,950	61	106,966,381	113,669,178	106.3
S. Central	19	12,205,004	15	8,394,791	11,863,912	141.3
Western (N)	20	5,229,609	16	9,297,904	5,042,708	54.2
Western (S)	19	7,664,609	18	5,572,794	7,654,259	137.4
TOTAL	364	323,075,484	294	298,939,265	312,449,817	104.5

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OF THE STOCKS OF FEBRUARY 1, 1916 AND FEBRUARY 1, 1917 BY SECTIONS (Cont'd)

LARD

	Total Stocks February 1, 1917		Comparison of Stocks.			
	No. of Firms Reporting	Pounds.	No. of Firms Reporting	February 1, 1916 Pounds.	February 1, 1917 Pounds.	Comparison on percent- age basis
New England	18	11,684,731	13	10,098,569	11,198,171	110.9
M. Atlantic	77	6,996,459	59	4,287,733	5,191,457	121.1
S. Atlantic	20	931,828	17	823,605	859,733	104.4
N. Central (E)	95	44,154,106	79	55,897,145	42,925,791	76.8
N. Central (W)	65	19,759,288	55	14,999,124	19,044,104	127.3
S. Central	20	1,091,192	16	1,277,202	1,056,104	82.7
Western (N)	18	1,471,989	12	3,184,967	1,407,911	44.2
Western (S)	20	1,713,370	19	1,773,391	1,713,340	96.6
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>333</b>	<b>87,804,663</b>	<b>270</b>	<b>92,341,937</b>	<b>83,396,611</b>	<b>90.3</b>

FROZEN LAMB AND MUTTON

New England	12	760,455	6	140,814	227,475	161.5
M. Atlantic	36	2,297,777	26	3,646,667	1,769,644	48.5
S. Atlantic	2	275	1	0	0	---
N. Central (E)	22	1,257,579	15	901,231	1,139,099	126.4
N. Central (W)	19	1,245,214	18	320,656	1,245,214	387.4
S. Central	7	43,791	7	73,918	43,791	59.2
Western (N)	7	142,844	6	90,105	138,333	154.1
Western (S)	9	52,522	8	112,152	52,354	46.7
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>114</b>	<b>5,800,457</b>	<b>87</b>	<b>5,285,543</b>	<b>4,613,410</b>	<b>87.3</b>

COMPARISON OF STOCKS OF JANUARY 1, 1917 WITH THOSE OF FEBRUARY 1, 1917.

PRODUCT..	No. of Firms Reporting	January 1, 1917 Pounds	February 1, 1917 Pounds	Comparison on percent- age basis.
FROZEN BEEF	155	155,013,457	157,103,183	101.3
CURED BEEF	202	36,349,490	33,575,449	92.4
FROZEN PORK	161	49,726,917	54,812,890	110.2
DRY SALT PORK	255	196,247,587	214,604,063	109.4
SWEET PICKLED PORK	325	277,434,589	316,264,836	114.3
LARD	299	81,235,587	86,211,628	106.1
FROZEN LAMB AND MUTTON	96	5,529,321	4,103,243	74.2

COMPARISON OF STOCKS OF JANUARY 1, 1916 WITH THOSE OF FEBRUARY 1, 1916.

PRODUCT.	No. of Firms Reporting	January 1, 1916 Pounds	February 1, 1916 Pounds	Comparison on percent- age basis
FROZEN BEEF	114	114,886,421	111,797,381	97.3
CURED BEEF	166	18,594,215	20,583,426	110.7
FROZEN PORK	129	43,249,876	69,016,354	159.6
DRY SALT PORK	207	144,354,285	192,275,472	133.2
SWEET PICKLED PORK	260	226,790,392	291,886,172	128.7
LARD	233	59,698,818	90,749,855	152.0
FROZEN LAMB AND MUTTON	81	4,925,114	4,315,877	87.6

NEW ENGLAND: Me., N.H., Vt., Mass., R.I., Conn. MIDDLE ATLANTIC: N.Y., N.J., Pa. SOUTH ATLANTIC: Del., Md., D.C., Va., W.Va., N.C., S.C., Ga., Fla. NORTH CENTRAL: (East of Miss. River) Ohio, Ind., Ill., Mich., Wis. (West of Miss. River) Minn., Iowa, Mo., N.D., S.D., Nebr., Kans. SOUTH CENTRAL: Ky., Tenn., Ala., Miss., La., Tex., Okla., Ark. WESTERN: (North) Mont., Wyo., Idaho, Wash., Ore. (South) Colo., N.Mex., Ariz., Utah, Nev., Cal.

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