

December 13, 1917.

REPORT OF STOCKS OF FROZEN & CURED MEATS, DECEMBER 1, 1917.

FROZEN BEEF.

The total stocks of FROZEN BEEF reported by 361 storages on December 1, 1917, amounted to 277,284,941 pounds, while the total stocks reported by 326 storages on November 1, 1917, amounted to 212,345,570 pounds. The reports of 297 storages show stocks of 248,423,549 pounds on December 1, 1917, as compared with 158,148,004 pounds on December 1, 1916, an increase of 57.1 per cent. The reports of 307 storages show that the stocks increased 26.6 per cent during November, 1917, while the reports of 220 storages show stocks increased 53.9 per cent during November, 1916.

CURED BEEF.

The total stocks of CURED BEEF reported by 361 storages on December 1, 1917, amounted to 39,459,755 pounds, while the total stocks reported by 345 storages on November 1, 1917, amounted to 34,630,517 pounds. The reports of 318 storages show stocks of 38,729,271 pounds on December 1, 1917, as compared with 37,957,586 pounds on December 1, 1916, an increase of 2.0 per cent. The reports of 320 storages show that the stocks increased 14.4 per cent during November, 1917, while the reports of 262 storages show stocks increased 17.3 per cent during November, 1916.

LAMB & MUTTON.

The total stocks of LAMB & MUTTON reported by 187 storages on December 1, 1917, amounted to 6,241,598 pounds, while the total stocks reported by 170 storages on November 1, 1917, amounted to 4,664,073 pounds. The report of 150 storages show stocks of 4,961,704 pounds on December 1, 1917, as compared with 4,999,857 pounds on December 1, 1916, a decrease of 0.8 per cent. The reports of 158 storages show that the stocks increased 30.3 per cent during November, 1917, while the reports of 117 storages show stocks increased 32.5 per cent during November, 1916.

FROZEN PORK.

The total stocks of FROZEN PORK reported by 317 storages on December 1, 1917, amounted to 26,724,430 pounds, while the total stocks reported by 286 storages on November 1, 1917, amounted to 29,258,889 pounds. The reports of 258 storages show stocks of 23,591,801 pounds on December 1, 1917, as compared with 32,014,593 pounds on December 1, 1916, a decrease of 26.3 per cent. The reports of 274 storages show that the stocks decreased 12.1 per cent during November, 1917, while the reports of 198 storages show stocks increased 17.5 per cent during November, 1916.

DRY SALT PORK.

The total stocks of DRY SALT PORK reported by 428 storages on December 1, 1917, amounted to 149,872,010 pounds, while the total stocks reported by 407 storages on November 1, 1917, amounted to 114,869,215 pounds. The reports of 374 storages show stocks of 144,655,863 pounds on December 1, 1917, as compared with 142,857,785 pounds on December 1, 1916, an increase of 1.3 per cent. The reports of 380 storages show that the stocks increased 31.8 per cent during November, 1917, while the reports of 304 storages show stocks increased 17.5 per cent during November, 1916.

SWEET PICKLED PORK.

The total stocks of SWEET PICKLED PORK reported by 520 storages on December 1, 1917, amounted to 200,377,108 pounds, while the total stocks reported by 510 storages on November 1, 1917, amounted to 197,348,696 pounds. The reports of 464 storages show stocks of 197,497,508 pounds on December 1, 1917, as compared with 251,519,363 pounds on December 1, 1916, a decrease of 21.5 per cent. The reports of 482 storages show that the stocks increased 3.6 per cent during November, 1917, while the reports of 382 storages show stocks increased 16.7 per cent during November, 1916.

LARD

The total stocks of LARD reported by 548 storages on December 1, 1917, amounted to 43,548,013 pounds, while the total stocks reported by 520 storages on November 1, 1917, amounted to 37,635,485 pounds. The reports of 473 storages show stocks of 42,261,409 pounds on December 1, 1917, as compared with 58,949,631 pounds on December 1, 1916, a decrease of 28.3 per cent. The reports of 491 storages show that the stocks increased 16.4 per cent during November, 1917, while the reports of 382 storages show stocks decreased 0.8 per cent during November, 1916.

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**STOCKS OF FROZEN AND CURED MEATS ON DECEMBER 1, 1917, WITH COMPARISONS OF THE STOCKS OF DECEMBER 1, 1916, AND DECEMBER 1, 1917, BY SECTIONS**

**FROZEN BEEF**

SECTION	TOTAL STOCKS DECEMBER 1, 1917		COMPARISON OF STOCKS			
	No. of Storages Reporting	POUNDS	No. of Storages Reporting	December 1, 1916 Pounds	December 1, 1917 Pounds	Increase or decrease (per cent.)
New England	37	18,228,689	26	2,681,058	5,886,771	+119.6
Middle Atlantic	79	41,229,183	63	34,407,083	36,866,293	+ 7.1
South Atlantic	30	1,516,723	25	1,215,160	1,194,098	- 1.7
N. Central (E)	75	147,036,771	64	83,213,567	141,837,668	+ 70.5
N. Central (W)	52	52,053,458	46	28,926,292	47,884,209	+ 65.5
South Central	29	6,281,454	21	4,014,663	5,901,801	+ 47.0
Western (N)	25	6,420,835	22	1,780,058	4,383,245	+146.2
Western (S)	34	4,517,828	30	1,910,123	4,469,464	+134.0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>361</b>	<b>277,284,941</b>	<b>297</b>	<b>158,148,004</b>	<b>248,423,549</b>	<b>+ 57.1</b>

**CURED BEEF**

New England	30	1,754,432	28	997,211	1,698,632	+70.3
Middle Atlantic	103	5,431,904	85	5,052,737	5,098,148	+ 0.9
South Atlantic	29	586,049	27	224,830	579,299	+157.7
N. Central (E)	95	17,700,741	85	18,379,308	17,571,286	- 4.4
N. Central (W)	40	12,393,969	38	12,552,700	12,296,694	- 2.0
South Central	17	545,597	13	238,213	513,433	+115.5
Western (N)	23	458,888	19	151,156	393,604	+160.4
Western (S)	24	588,175	23	361,431	578,175	+ 60.0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>361</b>	<b>39,459,755</b>	<b>318</b>	<b>37,957,586</b>	<b>38,729,271</b>	<b>+ 2.0</b>

**FROZEN LAMB AND MUTTON**

New England	21	934,021	15	507,742	399,245	- 21.4
Middle Atlantic	50	2,211,889	39	1,727,485	1,948,446	+ 12.8
South Atlantic	13	109,344	9	26,283	103,369	+293.3
N. Central (E)	32	1,698,822	24	1,441,935	1,242,303	- 13.8
N. Central (W)	23	589,044	22	872,828	586,044	- 32.9
South Central	13	95,863	9	91,982	87,927	- 4.4
Western (N)	17	304,885	15	286,811	297,895	+ 3.9
Western (S)	18	297,730	17	44,791	296,475	+561.9
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>187</b>	<b>6,241,598</b>	<b>150</b>	<b>4,999,857</b>	<b>4,961,704</b>	<b>- 0.8</b>

**FROZEN PORK**

New England	30	2,193,901	21	2,215,125	1,919,213	- 13.4
Middle Atlantic	78	2,996,167	62	4,290,241	2,446,712	- 43.0
South Atlantic	29	391,048	23	233,590	227,864	- 2.5
N. Central (E)	64	9,859,107	52	13,315,647	8,872,620	- 33.4
N. Central (W)	47	6,711,599	42	9,610,695	6,502,227	- 32.3
South Central	31	1,895,634	24	1,142,346	1,124,538	- 1.6
Western (N)	12	1,080,722	10	215,694	927,524	+330.0
Western (S)	26	1,596,252	24	991,255	1,571,103	+ 58.5
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>317</b>	<b>26,724,430</b>	<b>258</b>	<b>32,014,593</b>	<b>23,591,801</b>	<b>- 26.3</b>

**CURED SALT PORK**

New England	26	6,015,849	22	5,573,264	3,796,105	- 31.9
Middle Atlantic	72	5,111,448	59	2,918,411	4,938,819	+ 69.2
South Atlantic	55	1,825,326	49	2,483,059	1,737,211	- 30.0
N. Central (E)	111	70,960,328	102	73,377,534	70,942,460	- 3.3
N. Central (W)	63	56,550,956	59	50,811,349	56,329,545	+ 10.9
South Central	38	5,141,875	28	4,969,966	3,951,043	- 20.5
Western (N)	29	2,405,287	25	1,149,497	1,106,817	- 3.7
Western (S)	34	1,860,941	30	1,574,705	1,853,863	+ 17.7
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>428</b>	<b>149,872,010</b>	<b>374</b>	<b>142,857,785</b>	<b>144,655,863</b>	<b>+ 1.3</b>

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SWEET PICKLED PORK

SECTION	Total Stocks December 1, 1917		COMPARISON OF STOCKS			
	No. of Storages Reporting	Pounds	No. of Storages Reporting	December 1, 1916 Pounds	December 1, 1917 Pounds	Increase or decrease (per cent)
New England	37	16,182,771	32	15,923,608	14,955,238	- 6.2
Middle Atlantic	127	17,951,774	109	21,397,146	17,252,179	-19.4
South Atlantic	44	3,421,004	39	4,441,345	3,320,471	-25.5
N. Central (E)	146	75,936,553	134	103,955,495	75,364,918	-27.0
N. Central (W)	65	68,125,574	63	84,329,444	67,955,182	-19.9
South Central	27	7,415,281	22	10,623,860	7,233,954	-31.9
Western (N)	36	4,116,583	31	3,653,699	4,101,453	+12.3
Western (S)	38	7,167,563	34	6,694,765	6,846,063	+ 2.3
TOTAL	520	200,377,108	464	251,519,363	197,497,508	-21.5

LARD

New England	38	4,594,668	32	3,305,272	4,504,958	+36.3
Middle Atlantic	123	2,624,169	110	3,820,018	2,560,286	-33.0
South Atlantic	54	635,896	42	889,539	603,781	-32.1
N. Central (E)	148	21,556,129	129	39,307,139	21,533,643	-45.2
N. Central (W)	68	9,623,021	64	8,965,368	9,502,378	+ 6.0
South Central	41	1,853,201	29	1,135,702	1,579,784	+39.1
Western (N)	36	1,342,541	30	427,835	703,141	+64.3
Western (S)	40	1,318,388	37	1,098,758	1,273,438	+15.9
TOTAL	548	43,548,013	473	58,949,631	42,261,409	-28.3

COMPARISON OF STOCKS OF NOVEMBER 1, 1917, WITH THOSE OF DECEMBER 1, 1917.

PRODUCT	No. of Storages Reporting	November 1, 1917 Pounds.	December 1, 1917 Pounds.	Increase or decrease (per cent)
FROZEN BEEF	307	210,224,765	266,126,640	+ 26.6
CURED BEEF	320	33,465,310	38,276,227	+ 14.4
FROZEN LAMB AND MUTTON	158	4,661,257	6,072,665	+ 30.3
FROZEN PORK	274	29,005,340	25,497,926	- 12.1
DRY SALT PORK	380	107,784,221	142,046,548	+ 31.8
SWEET PICKLED PORK	482	188,178,419	194,995,871	+ 3.6
LARD	491	36,767,313	42,810,675	+ 16.4

COMPARISON OF STOCKS OF NOVEMBER 1, 1916, WITH THOSE OF DECEMBER 1, 1916.

PRODUCT	No. of Storages Reporting	November 1, 1916 Pounds.	December 1, 1916 Pounds.	Increase or decrease (per cent)
FROZEN BEEF	220	89,325,136	137,451,902	+ 53.9
CURED BEEF	262	30,155,992	35,386,282	+ 17.3
FROZEN LAMB AND MUTTON	117	3,274,360	4,337,819	+ 32.5
FROZEN PORK	198	23,982,790	28,176,888	+ 17.5
DRY SALT PORK	304	110,648,006	129,986,654	+ 17.5
SWEET PICKLED PORK	382	198,429,116	231,547,083	+ 16.7
LARD	382	54,762,269	54,297,708	- 0.8

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., Calif.

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