

10.—Grades of Live Stock Marketed at Stockyards and Packing Plants, 1940-44—concluded

Live Stock	1940	1941	1942	1943	1944
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
Lambs and Sheep—					
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Good handyweights.....	521,565	542,967	568,726	553,751	596,275
Good heavies.....	31,600	27,479	14,428	17,608	15,687
Common, all weights.....	77,123	96,964	96,238	113,895	207,036
Bucks.....	48,059	52,527	52,462	52,332	63,309
Sheep—					
Good heavies.....	10,802	13,868	16,725	26,207	19,801
Good handyweights.....	39,615	50,263	44,479	68,081	42,685
Common.....	29,040	30,955	27,095	44,517	40,365
Unclassified.....	11,879	10,744	8,940	8,239	5,240
Totals, Lambs and Sheep.....	769,683	825,767	829,093	884,630	990,398

Slaughtering and Meat Packing.—The growth of this industry has been accompanied by a concentration of the major part of the production of the industry into a comparatively small number of large establishments, thereby facilitating greater efficiency of operation and the utilization of by-products. There has been a large increase in the number of establishments since 1930, only 76 firms having reported in that year, whereas in 1931 the number was 147, owing to the inclusion of wholesale butchers operating small plants engaged in slaughtering only. The inclusion of these small establishments did not affect materially the value of production of the industry, which increased from \$3,799,552 in 1870 to \$7,132,831 in 1890 and to \$22,217,984 in 1900. In the next decade it more than doubled, attaining a value of \$48,527,076 in 1910, and by 1920 a value of \$240,544,618 was reported. In 1944 it was \$543,034,100 (the highest on record), as compared with \$228,500,487 in 1940. The principal statistics of the industry for 1943 appear in Chapter XIV, Table 9 at pp. 400-401. The slaughterings reported by establishments in the industry in 1944 were: cattle 1,427,488, calves 678,831, lambs and sheep 986,303, and hogs 9,066,536.

Establishments that prepare meat products for export are subject to inspection under the Meat and Canned Foods Act. In practice these include all the principal packing establishments but do not include local wholesale butchers included in the slaughtering and meat-packing industry above, nor slaughtering by retail butchers and by farmers for their own use and local sale.

11.—Live Stock Slaughtered at Canadian Inspected Establishments, by Months, 1943 and 1944

Month	1943				1944			
	Cattle	Calves	Sheep	Hogs	Cattle	Calves	Sheep	Hogs
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
January.....	52,993	19,386	44,624	515,309	90,432	26,663	68,437	941,129
February.....	69,452	25,529	44,157	510,690	93,794	56,037	56,037	933,991
March.....	76,993	55,760	49,864	554,461	101,732	55,160	74,692	932,318
April.....	82,330	75,061	42,928	570,068	93,525	82,040	49,875	793,326
May.....	82,725	81,217	29,068	585,033	101,932	89,832	35,471	855,324
June.....	77,685	66,752	34,718	537,282	89,352	71,892	33,363	682,783
July.....	78,568	53,883	54,996	480,498	95,155	62,271	46,326	529,607
August.....	90,732	51,024	78,939	436,340	116,722	60,235	96,252	451,712
September.....	101,853	46,871	86,158	475,900	125,159	52,965	123,298	440,050
October.....	97,723	43,947	158,463	644,658	132,788	51,970	145,912	610,076
November.....	113,036	43,559	170,397	890,912	160,013	46,699	145,683	823,409
December.....	96,964	31,098	95,005	967,374	153,517	33,151	83,823	767,692
Totals.....	1,021,054	594,037	889,317	7,168,525	1,354,121	661,245	959,169	8,766,417