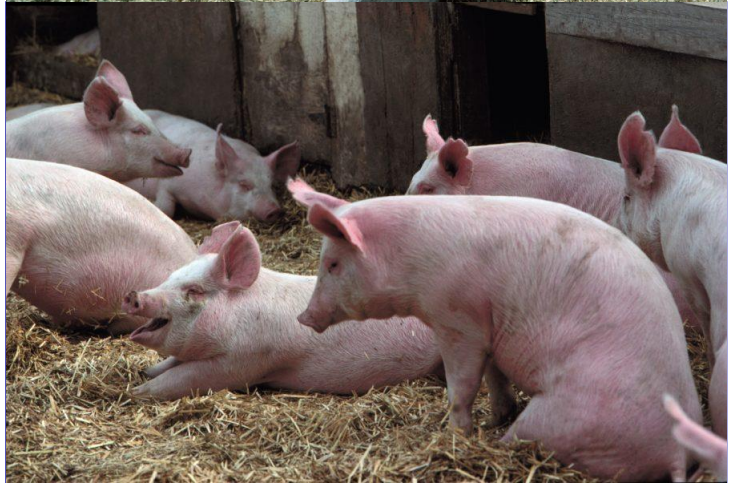


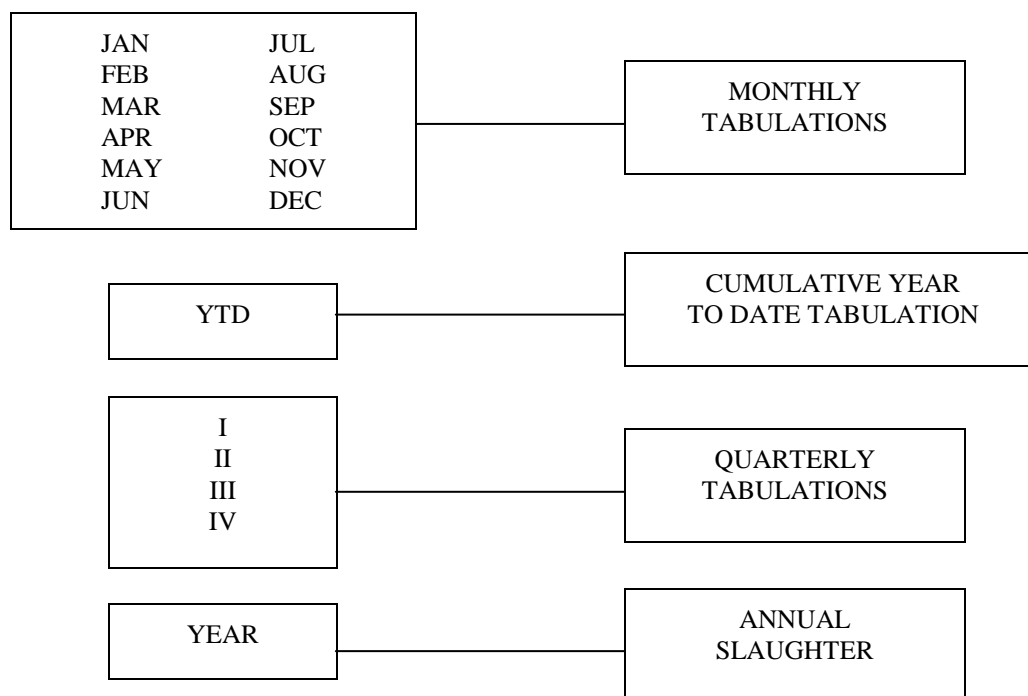
Monthly Livestock Slaughter Summary

October 2015



MONTHLY LIVESTOCK SLAUGHTER SUMMARY

The following tables provide a summary of Canadian and U.S. livestock slaughter by month for the current year, with comparisons to a year ago. Also included is a cumulative year-to-date (YTD) figure, as well as quarterly and annual tabulations.



All of this data is available on a monthly basis for the period 1961 - date. Anyone interested in obtaining a special tabulation may do so by forwarding such requests to the Statistics and Data Development Branch of Alberta Agriculture and Forestry.

Data sources are as follows:

CANADA: Slaughter data -- Canadian Beef Grading Agency
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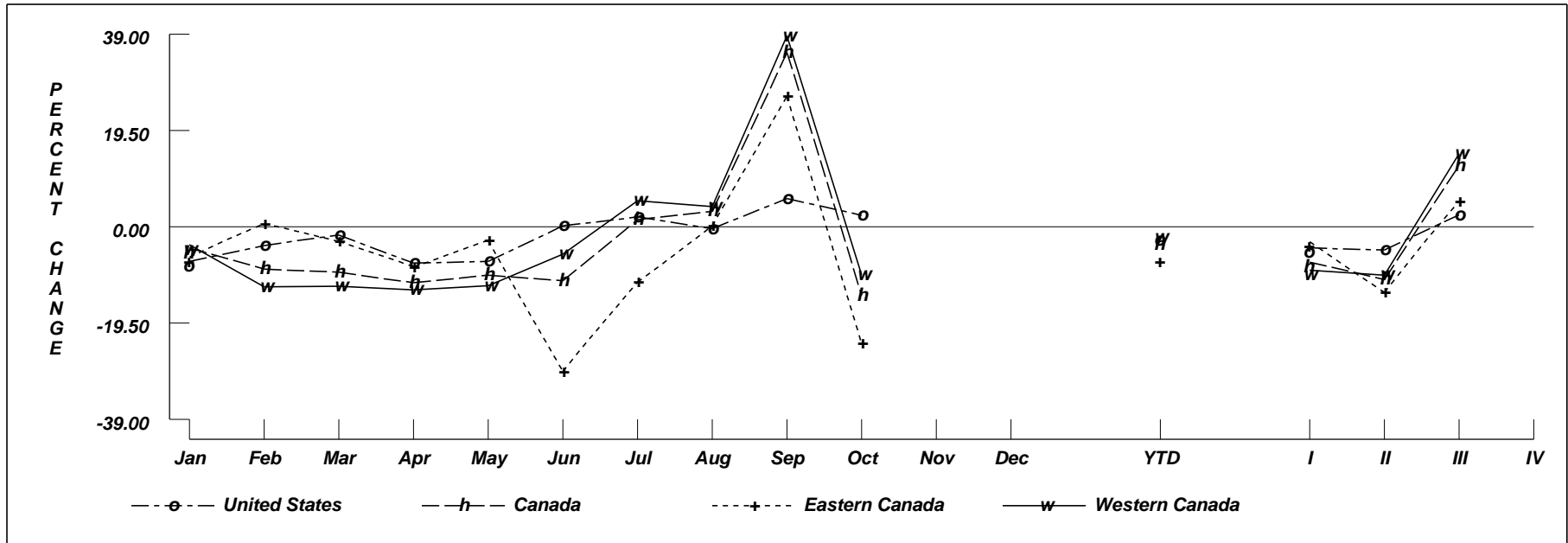
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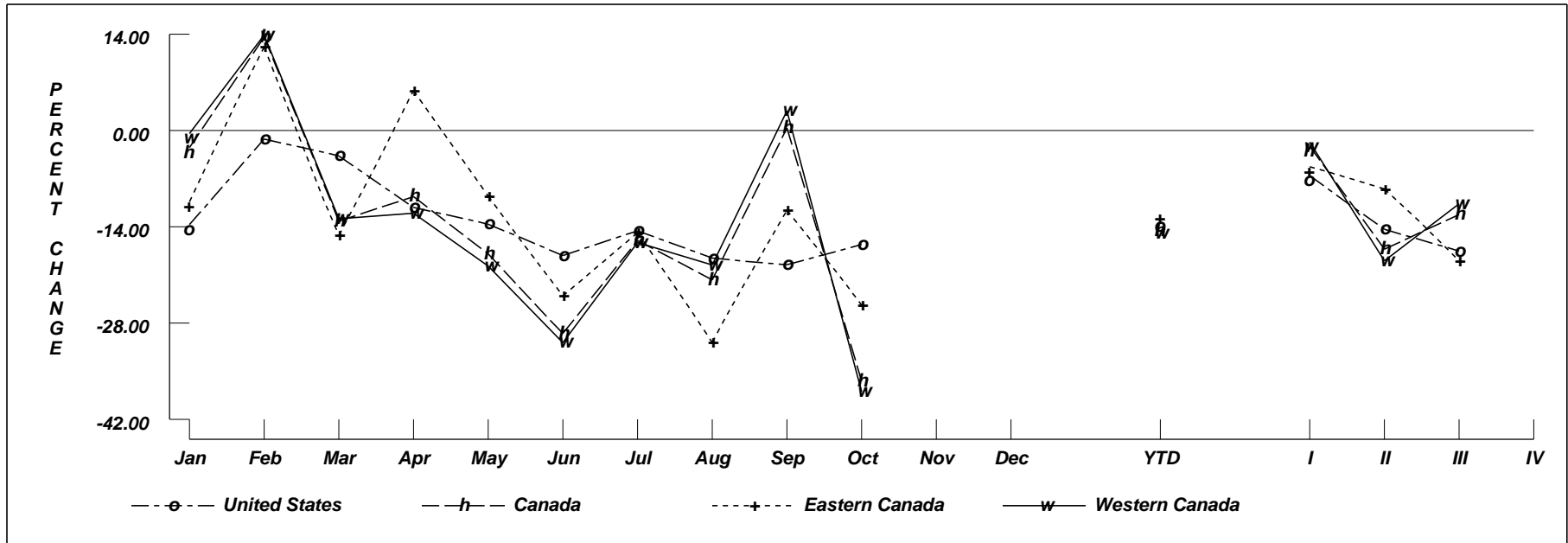
Federally Inspected Steer Slaughter



	U.S. ('000's) (241)			CANADA (220)			EAST (239)			WEST (240)		
	2014	2015	15/14	2014	2015	15/14	2014	2015	15/14	2014	2015	15/14
Jan	1,300	1,209	93.0	126,359	120,874	95.7	34,433	32,314	93.8	91,926	88,560	96.3
Feb	1,097	1,055	96.2	101,789	93,064	91.4	28,504	28,682	100.6	73,285	64,382	87.9
Mar	1,199	1,179	98.3	103,408	93,897	90.8	32,453	31,481	97.0	70,955	62,416	88.0
Apr	1,333	1,235	92.6	114,176	101,277	88.7	36,044	33,111	91.9	78,132	68,166	87.2
May	1,427	1,327	93.0	108,648	98,009	90.2	25,346	24,662	97.3	83,302	73,347	88.0
Jun	1,397	1,400	100.2	125,924	112,179	89.1	28,419	20,085	70.7	97,505	92,094	94.5
Jul	1,390	1,418	102.0	149,570	151,748	101.5	34,709	30,819	88.8	114,861	120,929	105.3
Aug	1,319	1,314	99.6	127,169	131,192	103.2	30,624	30,681	100.2	96,545	100,511	104.1
Sep	1,313	1,388	105.7	122,695	165,992	135.3	33,870	42,837	126.5	88,825	123,155	138.6
Oct	1,306	1,336	102.3	141,563	121,878	86.1	42,148	32,177	76.3	99,415	89,701	90.2
Nov	1,084			99,120			33,343			65,777		
Dec	1,213			112,203			31,119			81,084		
YTD	13,081	12,861	98.3	1,221,301	1,190,110	97.4	326,550	306,849	94.0	894,751	883,261	98.7
I	3,596	3,443	95.7	331,556	307,835	92.8	95,390	92,477	96.9	236,166	215,358	91.2
II	4,157	3,962	95.3	348,748	311,465	89.3	89,809	77,858	86.7	258,939	233,607	90.2
III	4,022	4,120	102.4	399,434	448,932	112.4	99,203	104,337	105.2	300,231	344,595	114.8
IV	3,603			352,886			106,610			246,276		
Year	15,378			1,432,624			391,012			1,041,612		

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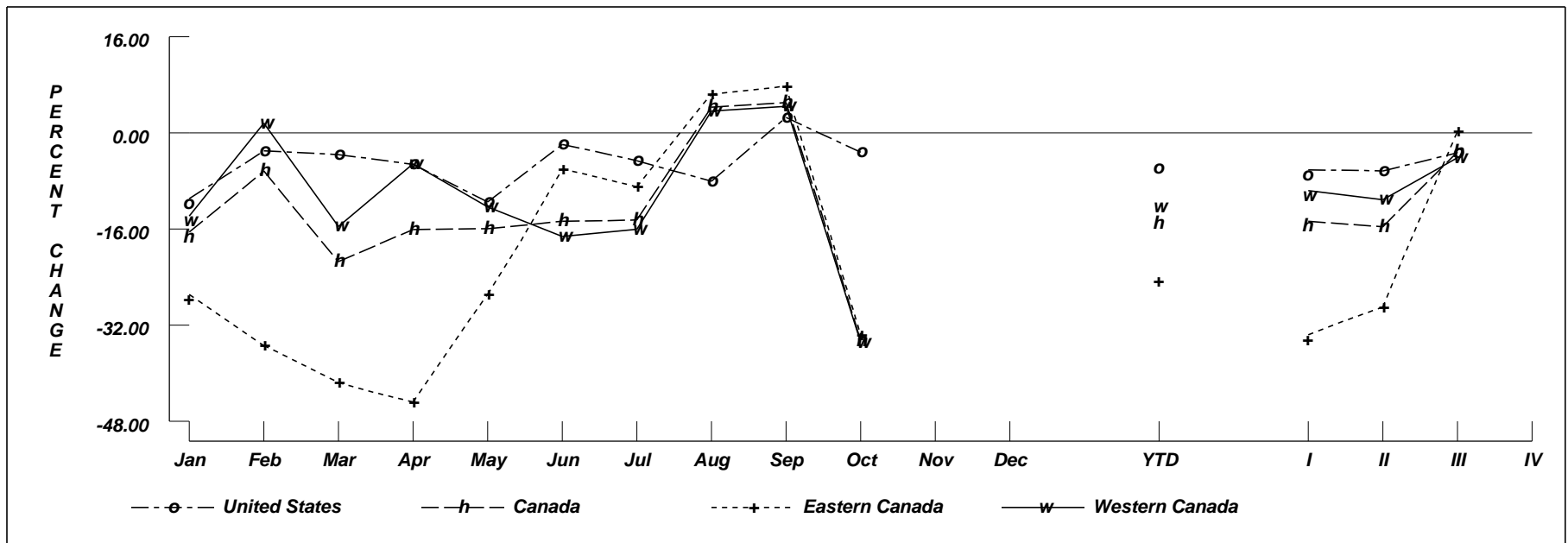
Federally Inspected Heifer Slaughter



	U.S. ('000's) (241)			CANADA (220)			EAST (239)			WEST (240)		
	2014	2015	15/14	2014	2015	15/14	2014	2015	15/14	2014	2015	15/14
Jan	752	649	86.3	64,366	62,762	97.5	13,257	11,883	89.6	51,109	50,879	99.5
Feb	635	627	98.7	59,949	68,075	113.6	10,676	11,973	112.1	49,273	56,102	113.9
Mar	702	676	96.3	85,900	74,577	86.8	11,830	10,026	84.8	74,070	64,551	87.1
Apr	715	635	88.8	112,279	101,479	90.4	15,156	16,040	105.8	97,123	85,439	88.0
May	682	589	86.4	70,008	57,453	82.1	12,302	11,130	90.5	57,706	46,323	80.3
Jun	715	585	81.8	65,833	46,414	70.5	13,100	9,950	76.0	52,733	36,464	69.1
Jul	692	591	85.4	62,331	52,360	84.0	13,385	11,398	85.2	48,946	40,962	83.7
Aug	685	558	81.5	59,868	46,867	78.3	11,403	7,887	69.2	48,465	38,980	80.4
Sep	702	565	80.5	63,474	63,706	100.4	10,980	9,708	88.4	52,494	53,998	102.9
Oct	766	639	83.4	85,527	54,405	63.6	10,676	7,966	74.6	74,851	46,439	62.0
Nov	658			62,359			10,222			52,137		
Dec	675			63,433			12,447			50,986		
YTD	7,046	6,114	86.8	729,535	628,098	86.1	122,765	107,961	87.9	606,770	520,137	85.7
I	2,089	1,952	93.4	210,215	205,414	97.7	35,763	33,882	94.7	174,452	171,532	98.3
II	2,112	1,809	85.7	248,120	205,346	82.8	40,558	37,120	91.5	207,562	168,226	81.0
III	2,079	1,714	82.4	185,673	162,933	87.8	35,768	28,993	81.1	149,905	133,940	89.3
IV	2,099			211,319			33,345			177,974		
Year	8,379			855,327			145,434			709,893		

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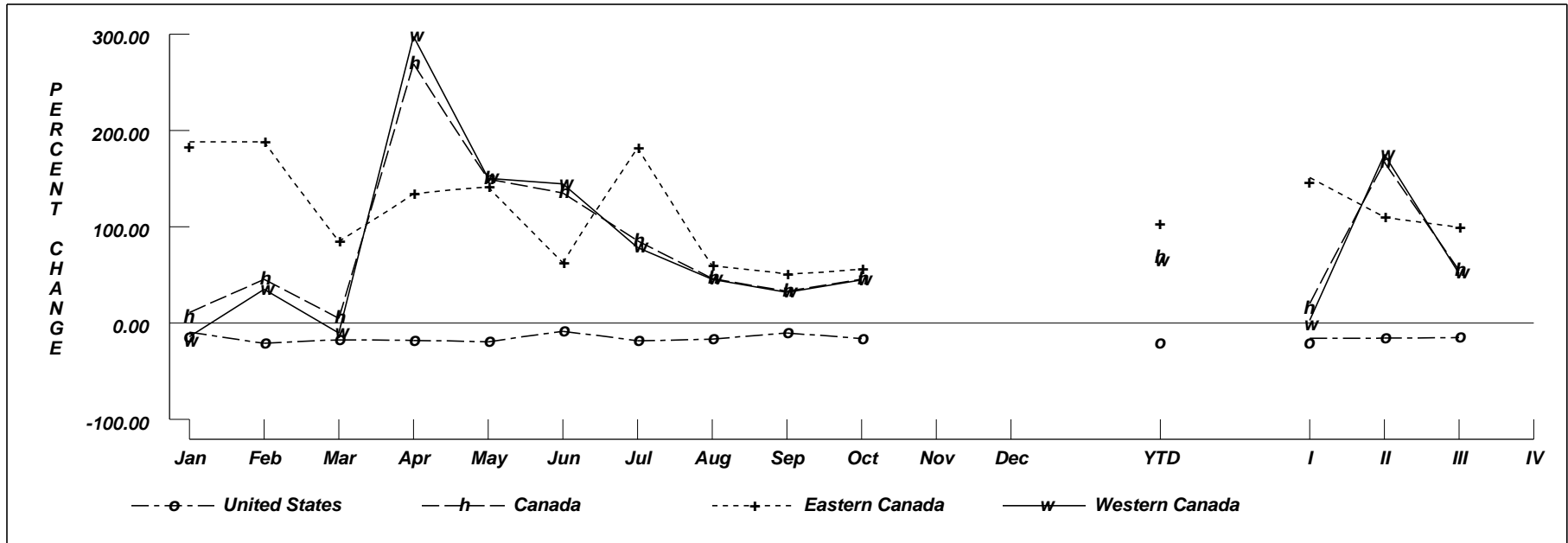
Federally Inspected Cow Slaughter



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	2014	2015	15/14	2014	2015	15/14	2014	2015	15/14	2014	2015	15/14
Jan	540	481	89.1	53,626	44,772	83.5	10,926	7,985	73.1	42,700	36,787	86.2
Feb	435	422	97.0	37,724	35,329	93.7	8,116	5,242	64.6	29,608	30,087	101.6
Mar	466	449	96.4	32,469	25,506	78.6	7,304	4,269	58.4	25,165	21,237	84.4
Apr	458	434	94.8	34,286	28,762	83.9	9,488	5,238	55.2	24,798	23,524	94.9
May	443	392	88.5	24,927	20,951	84.0	6,223	4,551	73.1	18,704	16,400	87.7
Jun	411	403	98.1	26,570	22,662	85.3	5,996	5,634	94.0	20,574	17,028	82.8
Jul	430	410	95.3	33,970	29,048	85.5	7,552	6,874	91.0	26,418	22,174	83.9
Aug	410	377	92.0	23,561	24,571	104.3	5,532	5,888	106.4	18,029	18,683	103.6
Sep	427	438	102.6	25,379	26,661	105.1	4,770	5,143	107.8	20,609	21,518	104.4
Oct	468	453	96.8	37,607	24,583	65.4	7,090	4,708	66.4	30,517	19,875	65.1
Nov	426			43,807			6,804			37,003		
Dec	467			41,789			7,689			34,100		
YTD	4,488	4,259	94.9	330,119	282,845	85.7	72,997	55,532	76.1	257,122	227,313	88.4
I	1,441	1,352	93.8	123,819	105,607	85.3	26,346	17,496	66.4	97,473	88,111	90.4
II	1,312	1,229	93.7	85,783	72,375	84.4	21,707	15,423	71.1	64,076	56,952	88.9
III	1,267	1,225	96.7	82,910	80,280	96.8	17,854	17,905	100.3	65,056	62,375	95.9
IV	1,361			123,203			21,583			101,620		
Year	5,381			415,715			87,490			328,225		

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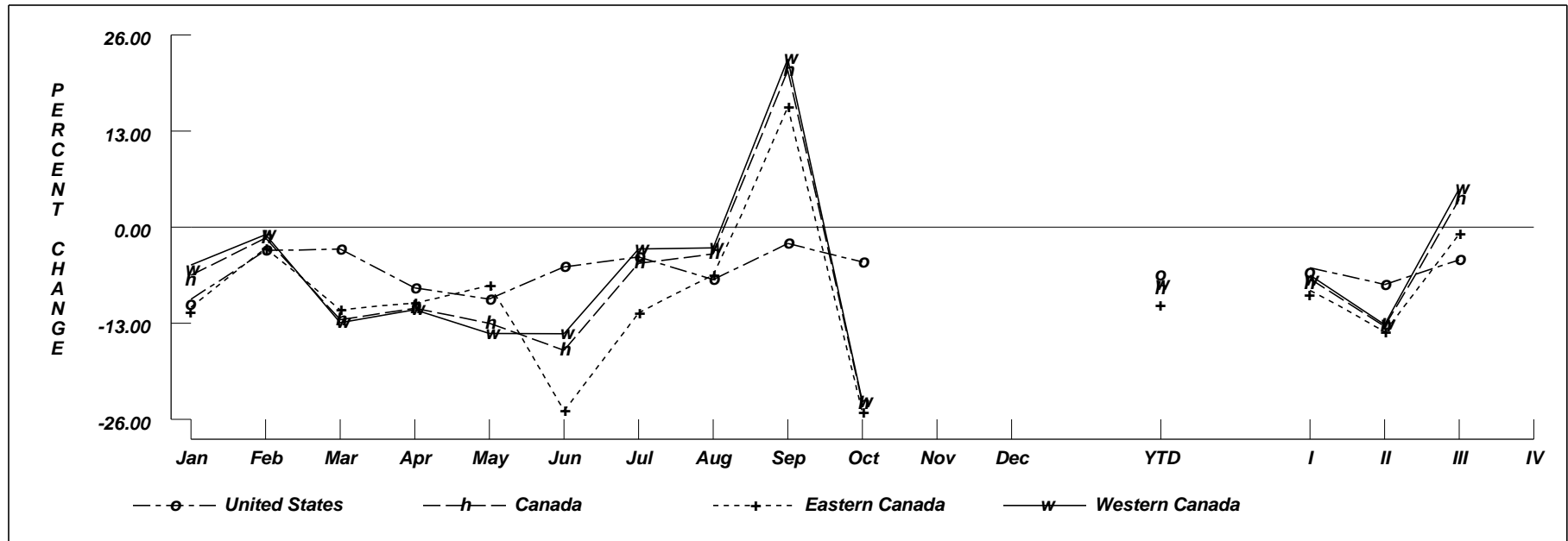
Federally Inspected Bull Slaughter



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	2014	2015	15/14	2014	2015	15/14	2014	2015	15/14	2014	2015	15/14
Jan	42	38	90.5	338	375	110.9	42	121	288.1	296	254	85.8
Feb	38	30	78.9	246	358	145.5	17	49	288.2	229	309	134.9
Mar	46	38	82.6	206	216	104.9	33	61	184.8	173	155	89.6
Apr	50	41	82.0	217	801	369.1	38	89	234.2	179	712	397.8
May	46	37	80.4	455	1,135	249.5	46	111	241.3	409	1,024	250.4
Jun	46	42	91.3	440	1,034	235.0	51	83	162.7	389	951	244.5
Jul	49	40	81.6	753	1,396	185.4	50	141	282.0	703	1,255	178.5
Aug	48	40	83.3	696	1,018	146.3	37	59	159.5	659	959	145.5
Sep	49	44	89.8	822	1,094	133.1	55	83	150.9	767	1,011	131.8
Oct	50	42	84.0	722	1,052	145.7	59	92	155.9	663	960	144.8
Nov	42			808			91			717		
Dec	42			678			55			623		
YTD	464	392	84.5	4,895	8,479	173.2	428	889	207.7	4,467	7,590	169.9
I	126	106	84.1	790	949	120.1	92	231	251.1	698	718	102.9
II	142	120	84.5	1,112	2,970	267.1	135	283	209.6	977	2,687	275.0
III	146	124	84.9	2,271	3,508	154.5	142	283	199.3	2,129	3,225	151.5
IV	134			2,208			205			2,003		
Year	548			6,381			574			5,807		

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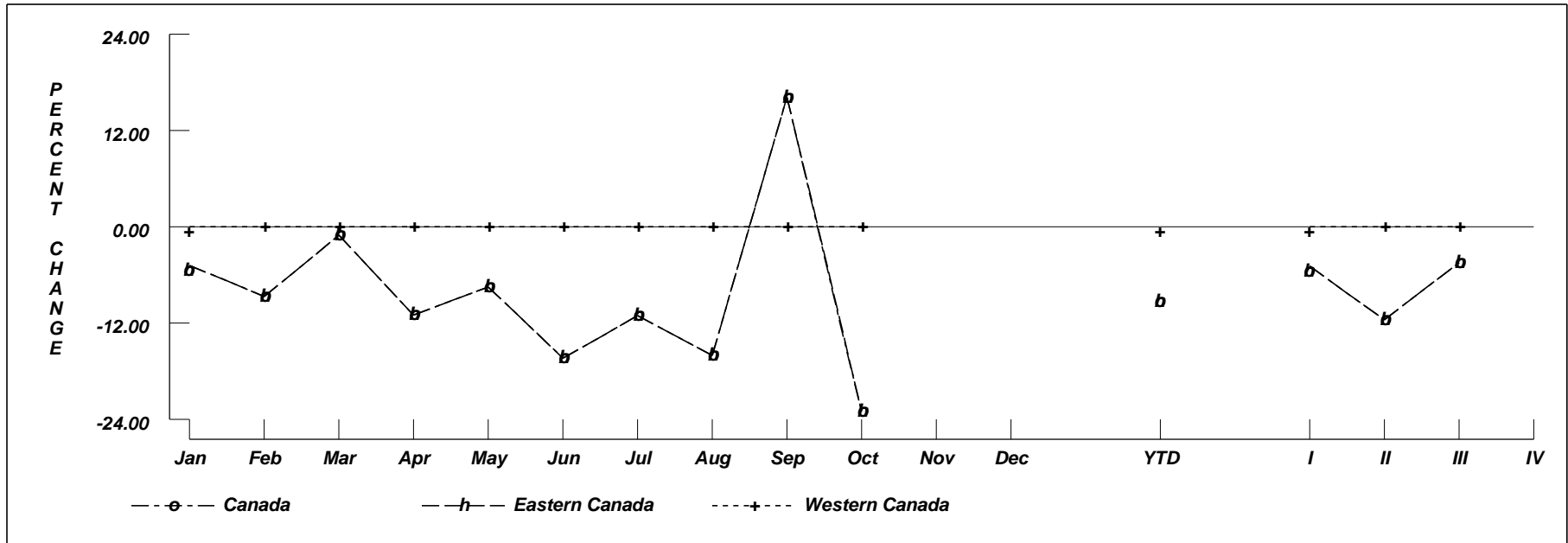
Federally Inspected Cattle Slaughter (Total)



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	2014	2015	15/14	2014	2015	15/14	2014	2015	15/14	2014	2015	15/14
Jan	2,634	2,377	90.2	244,689	228,783	93.5	58,658	52,303	89.2	186,031	176,480	94.9
Feb	2,204	2,135	96.9	199,708	196,826	98.6	47,313	45,946	97.1	152,395	150,880	99.0
Mar	2,413	2,342	97.1	221,983	194,196	87.5	51,620	45,837	88.8	170,363	148,359	87.1
Apr	2,556	2,346	91.8	260,958	232,319	89.0	60,726	54,478	89.7	200,232	177,841	88.8
May	2,597	2,345	90.3	204,038	177,548	87.0	43,917	40,454	92.1	160,121	137,094	85.6
Jun	2,568	2,430	94.6	218,767	182,289	83.3	47,566	35,752	75.2	171,201	146,537	85.6
Jul	2,562	2,459	96.0	246,624	234,552	95.1	55,696	49,232	88.4	190,928	185,320	97.1
Aug	2,463	2,288	92.9	211,294	203,648	96.4	47,596	44,515	93.5	163,698	159,133	97.2
Sep	2,490	2,435	97.8	212,370	257,453	121.2	49,675	57,771	116.3	162,695	199,682	122.7
Oct	2,591	2,469	95.3	265,419	201,918	76.1	59,973	44,943	74.9	205,446	156,975	76.4
Nov	2,210			206,094			50,460			155,634		
Dec	2,398			218,103			51,310			166,793		
YTD	25,078	23,626	94.2	2,285,850	2,109,532	92.3	522,740	471,231	90.1	1,763,110	1,638,301	92.9
I	7,251	6,854	94.5	666,380	619,805	93.0	157,591	144,086	91.4	508,789	475,719	93.5
II	7,721	7,121	92.2	683,763	592,156	86.6	152,209	130,684	85.9	531,554	461,472	86.8
III	7,515	7,182	95.6	670,288	695,653	103.8	152,967	151,518	99.1	517,321	544,135	105.2
IV	7,199			689,616			161,743			527,873		
Year	29,686			2,710,047			624,510			2,085,537		

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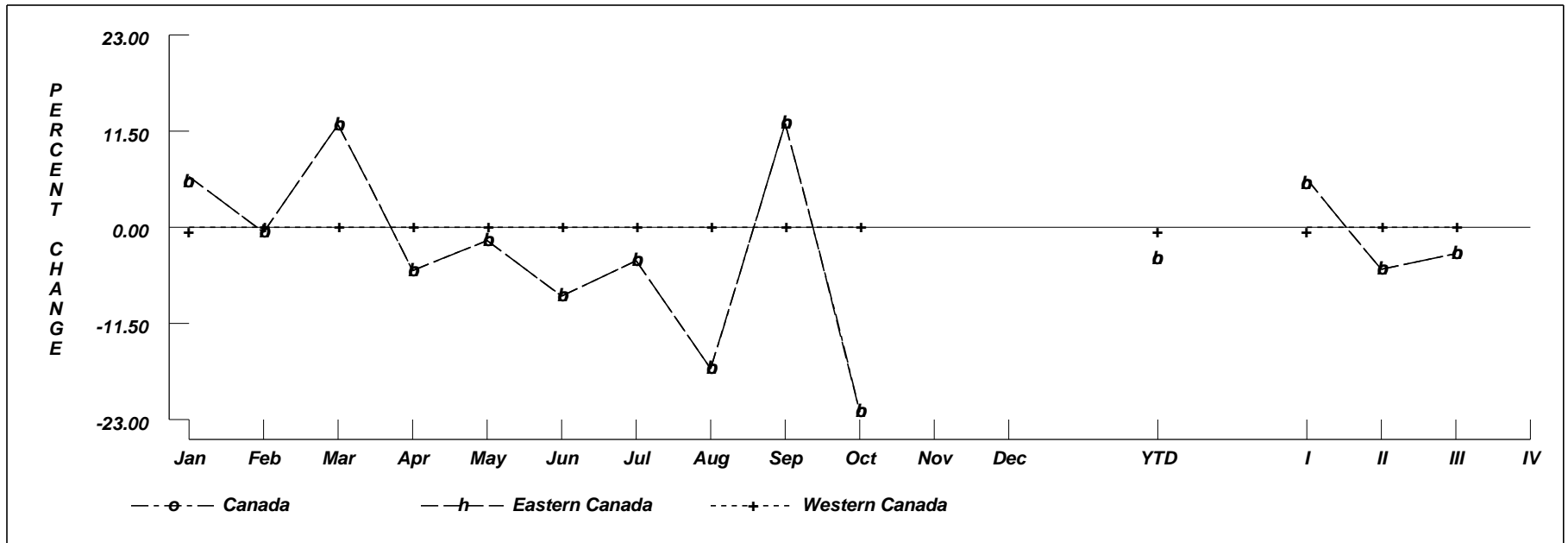
Federally Inspected Steer Calf Slaughter



	CANADA (220)			EAST (239)			WEST (240)		
	2014	2015	15/14	2014	2015	15/14	2014	2015	15/14
Jan	18,620	17,721	95.2	18,620	17,721	95.2			
Feb	15,419	14,077	91.3	15,419	14,077	91.3			
Mar	14,720	14,567	99.0	14,720	14,567	99.0			
Apr	18,600	16,555	89.0	18,600	16,555	89.0			
May	14,944	13,823	92.5	14,944	13,823	92.5			
Jun	14,931	12,486	83.6	14,931	12,486	83.6			
Jul	17,827	15,852	88.9	17,827	15,852	88.9			
Aug	14,687	12,330	84.0	14,687	12,330	84.0			
Sep	13,965	16,218	116.1	13,965	16,218	116.1			
Oct	16,967	13,058	77.0	16,967	13,058	77.0			
Nov	14,108			14,108					
Dec	16,791			16,791					
YTD	160,680	146,687	91.3	160,680	146,687	91.3			
I	48,759	46,365	95.1	48,759	46,365	95.1			
II	48,475	42,864	88.4	48,475	42,864	88.4			
III	46,479	44,400	95.5	46,479	44,400	95.5			
IV	47,866			47,866					
Year	191,579			191,579					

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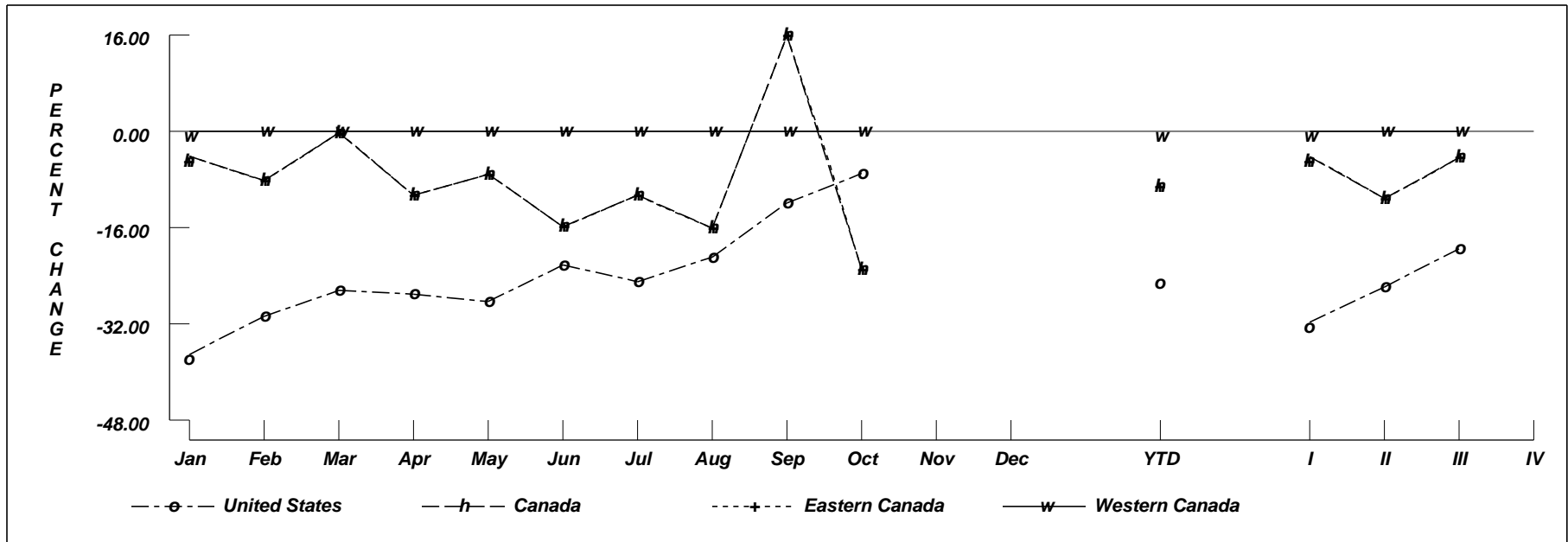
Federally Inspected Heifer Calf Slaughter



	CANADA (220)			EAST (239)			WEST (240)		
	2014	2015	15/14	2014	2015	15/14	2014	2015	15/14
Jan	1,242	1,317	106.0	1,242	1,317	106.0			
Feb	1,035	1,029	99.4	1,035	1,029	99.4			
Mar	971	1,090	112.3	971	1,090	112.3			
Apr	1,232	1,168	94.8	1,232	1,168	94.8			
May	1,002	986	98.4	1,002	986	98.4			
Jun	1,008	925	91.8	1,008	925	91.8			
Jul	1,205	1,157	96.0	1,205	1,157	96.0			
Aug	1,047	870	83.1	1,047	870	83.1			
Sep	982	1,104	112.4	982	1,104	112.4			
Oct	1,195	931	77.9	1,195	931	77.9			
Nov	1,179			1,179					
Dec	1,125			1,125					
YTD	10,919	10,577	96.9	10,919	10,577	96.9			
I	3,248	3,436	105.8	3,248	3,436	105.8			
II	3,242	3,079	95.0	3,242	3,079	95.0			
III	3,234	3,131	96.8	3,234	3,131	96.8			
IV	3,499			3,499					
Year	13,223			13,223					

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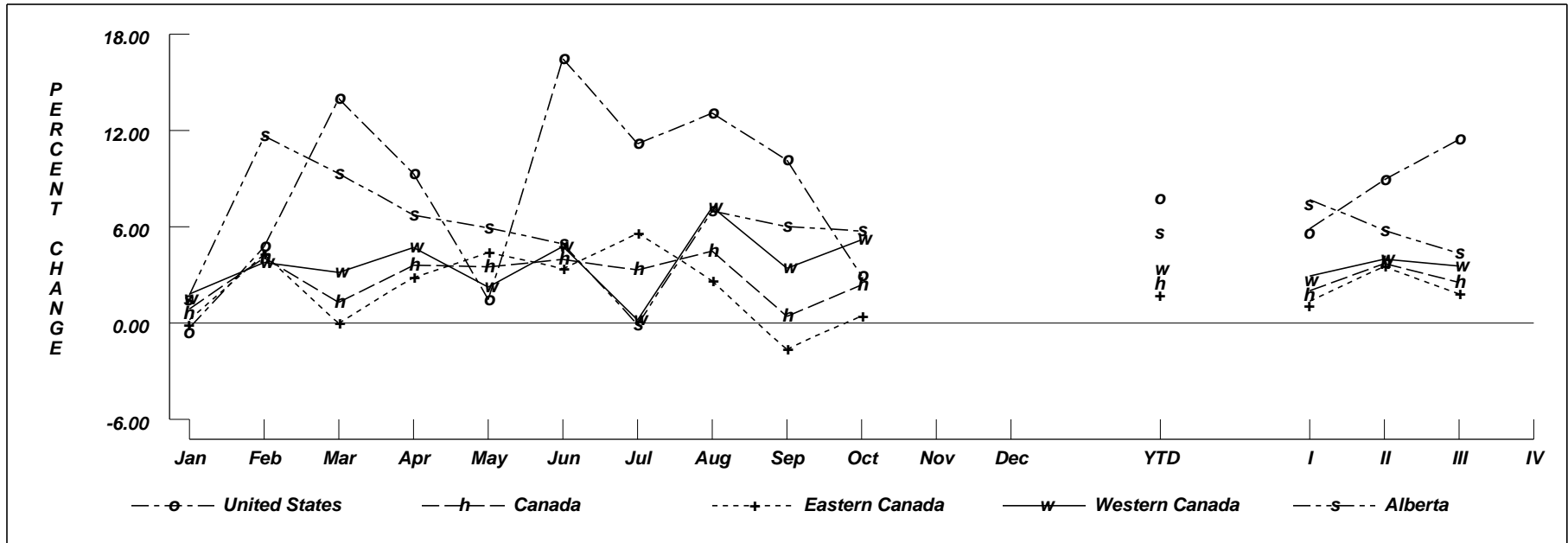
Federally Inspected Calf Slaughter (Total)



	U.S. ('000's) (241)			CANADA (220)			EAST (239)			WEST (240)		
	2014	2015	15/14	2014	2015	15/14	2014	2015	15/14	2014	2015	15/14
Jan	62	39	62.9	19,862	19,038	95.9	19,862	19,038	95.9			
Feb	52	36	69.2	16,454	15,106	91.8	16,454	15,106	91.8			
Mar	53	39	73.6	15,691	15,657	99.8	15,691	15,657	99.8			
Apr	48	35	72.9	19,832	17,723	89.4	19,832	17,723	89.4			
May	46	33	71.7	15,946	14,809	92.9	15,946	14,809	92.9			
Jun	45	35	77.8	15,939	13,411	84.1	15,939	13,411	84.1			
Jul	48	36	75.0	19,032	17,009	89.4	19,032	17,009	89.4			
Aug	43	34	79.1	15,734	13,200	83.9	15,734	13,200	83.9			
Sep	42	37	88.1	14,947	17,322	115.9	14,947	17,322	115.9			
Oct	43	40	93.0	18,162	13,989	77.0	18,162	13,989	77.0			
Nov	35			15,287			15,287					
Dec	42			17,916			17,916					
YTD	482	364	75.5	171,599	157,264	91.6	171,599	157,264	91.6			
I	167	114	68.3	52,007	49,801	95.8	52,007	49,801	95.8			
II	139	103	74.1	51,717	45,943	88.8	51,717	45,943	88.8			
III	133	107	80.5	49,713	47,531	95.6	49,713	47,531	95.6			
IV	120			51,365			51,365					
Year	559			204,802			204,802					

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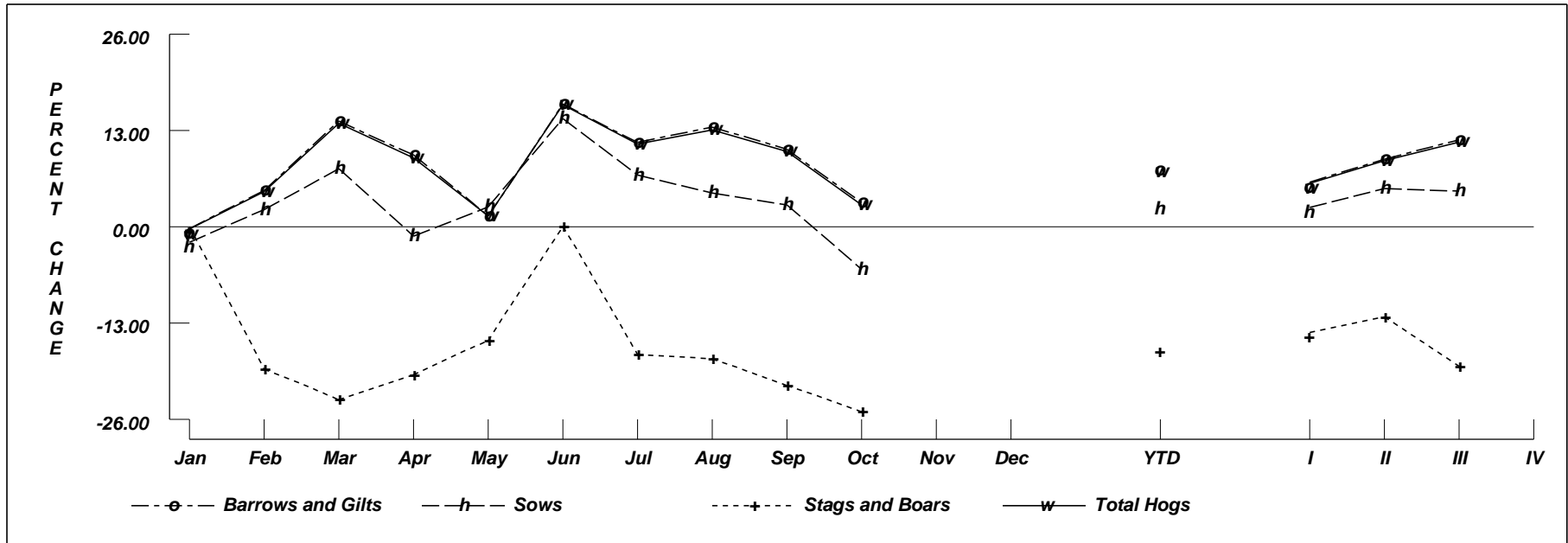
Federally and Provincially Inspected Hog Slaughter



	U.S. ('000's) (324)			CANADA (323)			EAST (323)			WEST (323)			ALBERTA (323)		
	2014	2015	15/14	2014	2015	15/14	2014	2015	15/14	2014	2015	15/14	2014	2015	15/14
Jan	9,726	9,698	99.7	1,592,852	1,606,746	100.9	934,198	936,150	100.2	658,654	670,596	101.8	193,680	197,099	101.8
Feb	8,609	9,018	104.8	1,586,041	1,650,535	104.1	941,096	981,255	104.3	644,945	669,280	103.8	190,805	213,057	111.7
Mar	8,614	9,818	114.0	2,007,421	2,033,229	101.3	1,181,398	1,181,118	100.0	826,023	852,111	103.2	239,202	261,485	109.3
Apr	8,794	9,612	109.3	1,515,531	1,570,012	103.6	893,540	918,766	102.8	621,991	651,246	104.7	186,187	198,692	106.7
May	8,561	8,686	101.5	1,510,048	1,562,949	103.5	886,703	925,642	104.4	623,345	637,307	102.2	181,573	192,353	105.9
Jun	8,040	9,364	116.5	1,886,108	1,960,838	104.0	1,100,261	1,137,401	103.4	785,847	823,437	104.8	244,392	256,430	104.9
Jul	8,394	9,332	111.2	1,517,396	1,567,650	103.3	872,416	921,318	105.6	644,980	646,242	100.2	201,176	200,967	99.9
Aug	8,199	9,272	113.1	1,536,910	1,605,738	104.5	916,878	940,911	102.6	620,032	664,827	107.2	189,714	202,972	107.0
Sep	8,762	9,652	110.2	1,977,269	1,985,374	100.4	1,177,276	1,158,029	98.4	799,993	827,345	103.4	239,131	253,508	106.0
Oct	9,880	10,172	103.0	1,594,906	1,632,846	102.4	944,193	948,328	100.4	650,713	684,518	105.2	195,958	207,166	105.7
Nov	8,754			1,694,662			1,011,206			683,456			205,972		
Dec	9,788			1,916,586			1,128,110			788,476			241,678		
YTD	87,579	94,624	108.0	16,724,482	17,175,917	102.7	9,847,959	10,048,918	102.0	6,876,523	7,126,909	103.6	2,061,818	2,183,729	105.9
I	26,949	28,534	105.9	5,186,314	5,290,510	102.0	3,056,692	3,098,523	101.4	2,129,622	2,191,987	102.9	623,687	671,641	107.7
II	25,395	27,662	108.9	4,911,687	5,093,799	103.7	2,880,504	2,981,809	103.5	2,031,183	2,111,990	104.0	612,152	647,475	105.8
III	25,355	28,256	111.4	5,031,575	5,158,762	102.5	2,966,570	3,020,258	101.8	2,065,005	2,138,414	103.6	630,021	657,447	104.4
IV	28,422			5,206,154			3,083,509			2,122,645			643,608		
Year	106,121			20,335,730			11,987,275			8,348,455			2,509,468		

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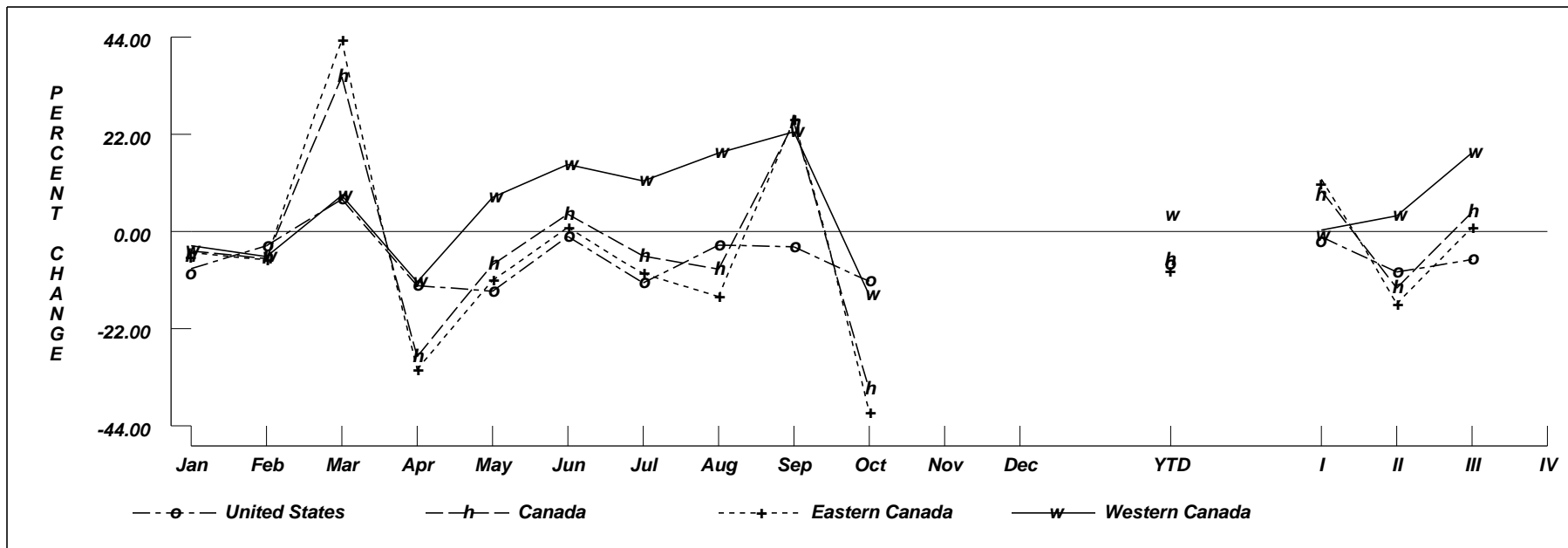
Sex of Federally Inspected Hog Kill: U.S.A. (Thousand Head)



	BARROWS AND GILTS			SOWS			STAGS AND BOARS			TOTAL HOGS		
	2014	2015	15/14	2014	2015	15/14	2014	2015	15/14	2014	2015	15/14
Jan	9,459	9,435	99.7	240	235	97.9	28	28	100.0	9,726	9,698	99.7
Feb	8,366	8,775	104.9	217	222	102.3	26	21	80.8	8,609	9,018	104.8
Mar	8,356	9,547	114.3	229	247	107.9	30	23	76.7	8,614	9,818	114.0
Apr	8,527	9,354	109.7	237	234	98.7	30	24	80.0	8,794	9,612	109.3
May	8,312	8,434	101.5	224	230	102.7	26	22	84.6	8,561	8,686	101.5
Jun	7,795	9,087	116.6	219	251	114.6	26	26	100.0	8,040	9,364	116.5
Jul	8,136	9,063	111.4	229	245	107.0	29	24	82.8	8,394	9,332	111.2
Aug	7,952	9,020	113.4	219	229	104.6	28	23	82.1	8,199	9,272	113.1
Sep	8,497	9,385	110.5	237	244	103.0	28	22	78.6	8,762	9,652	110.2
Oct	9,588	9,904	103.3	260	245	94.2	32	24	75.0	9,880	10,172	103.0
Nov	8,509			219			25			8,754		
Dec	9,501			258			28			9,788		
YTD	84,988	92,004	108.3	2,311	2,382	103.1	283	237	83.7	87,579	94,624	108.0
I	26,181	27,757	106.0	686	704	102.6	84	72	85.7	26,949	28,534	105.9
II	24,634	26,875	109.1	680	715	105.1	82	72	87.8	25,395	27,662	108.9
III	24,585	27,468	111.7	685	718	104.8	85	69	81.2	25,355	28,256	111.4
IV	27,598			737			85			28,422		
Year	102,998			2,788			336			106,121		

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Federally/Provincially Inspected Sheep and Lamb Slaughter



	U.S. ('000's) (493)			CANADA (481 516)			EAST (481 516)			WEST (481 516)		
	2014	2015	15/14	2014	2015	15/14	2014	2015	15/14	2014	2015	15/14
Jan	167	153	91.6	37,094	35,456	95.6	28,897	27,521	95.2	8,197	7,935	96.8
Feb	155	150	96.8	36,340	34,109	93.9	28,309	26,495	93.6	8,031	7,574	94.3
Mar	177	190	107.3	41,355	55,831	135.0	31,574	45,255	143.3	9,781	10,576	108.1
Apr	204	179	87.7	65,757	47,137	71.7	55,880	38,389	68.7	9,877	8,748	88.6
May	177	153	86.4	40,973	37,895	92.5	33,276	29,603	89.0	7,697	8,292	107.7
Jun	175	173	98.9	47,496	49,368	103.9	37,593	37,961	101.0	9,903	11,407	115.2
Jul	189	167	88.4	47,858	45,194	94.4	38,903	35,213	90.5	8,955	9,981	111.5
Aug	161	156	96.9	44,849	41,010	91.4	36,304	30,947	85.2	8,545	10,063	117.8
Sep	173	167	96.5	51,992	64,818	124.7	39,711	49,765	125.3	12,281	15,053	122.6
Oct	187	166	88.8	63,167	40,569	64.2	50,748	29,943	59.0	12,419	10,626	85.6
Nov	157			43,199			32,595			10,604		
Dec	183			60,695			48,222			12,473		
YTD	1,765	1,654	93.7	476,881	451,387	94.7	381,195	351,092	92.1	95,686	100,255	104.8
I	499	493	98.8	114,789	125,396	109.2	88,780	99,271	111.8	26,009	26,085	100.3
II	556	505	90.8	154,226	134,400	87.1	126,749	105,953	83.6	27,477	28,447	103.5
III	523	490	93.7	144,699	151,022	104.4	114,918	115,925	100.9	29,781	35,097	117.9
IV	527			167,061			131,565			35,496		
Year	2,105			580,775			462,012			118,763		

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 NOTE: Eastern and Canadian totals shown do not include Atlantic provincial slaughter.