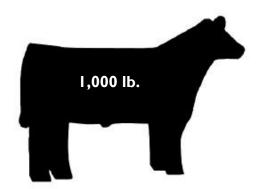
1,000 lb. Steer

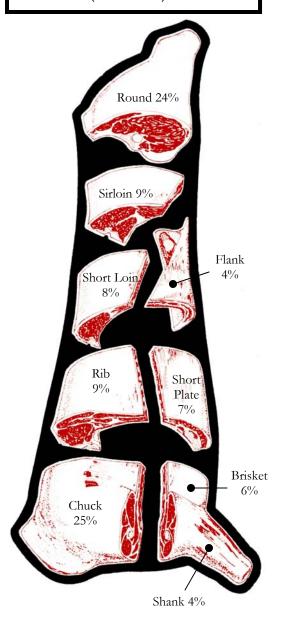
(on the hoof)



Not all of the cow makes it to the table. On average, a 1,000 pound steer will only weigh approximately 61% of it's live weight once it makes it to the rail. This approximate 39% loss during the slaughter and dressing procedure is a result of the animal being bled and the hide, head, hooves, viscera, lungs and heart being removed. The remaining 61% is often referred to as the "Hanging Weight" or the weight "On the Rail". But, the loss doesn't stop there. Once the carcass is on the rail it begins to leach moisture (shrink) which accounts for additional weight loss. This along with the fat and bone removed during the cutting account for an additional 18% loss. In summary, a steer weighing 1,000 pounds on the hoof will average around 430 pounds of retail cuts (steaks, roasts, ground beef, stew beef, etc.).

610 lbs. Beef

(on the rail)



Suet & Hanging Tender 4%

430 lbs. Retail Cuts

(cut & wrapped, bring home)

Round

103.2 lbs.

Round Steak Rump Roast Sirloin Tip Steak Pikes Peak Roast

Cubed Steaks

Stew Beef & Ground Beef

Sirloin

38.7 lbs

Sirloin Steak

Stew Beef & Ground Beef

Short Loin

34.4 lbs.

Porterhouse Steak

T-Bone Steak

Stew Beef & Ground Beef

Flank

17.2 lbs.

Flank Steak Short Ribs Ground Beef

Rib

38.7 lbs.

Rib Eye Steak Rib Steaks Back Ribs

Stew Beef & Ground Beef

Short Plate

30.1 lbs.

Skirt Steak Short Ribs

Ground Beef

107.5 lbs.

Chuck Roast or Steak Arm Roast or Steak

Short Ribs

Stew Beef & Ground Beef

Brisket

25.8 lbs.

Brisket

Chuck

23.0 ID3.

Shank

17.2 lbs.

Shank Soup Bone

Stew Beef & Ground Beef

• Suet & Hanging Tender 17.2 lbs.