



Livestock Slaughter

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Pork Production Sets Record Monthly High for June

Commercial red meat production for the United States totaled 3.93 billion pounds in June, down 1 percent from the 3.95 billion pounds produced in June 2003.

Beef production, at 2.23 billion pounds, was 7 percent below the previous year. Cattle slaughter totaled 2.99 million head, down 8 percent from June 2003. The average live weight was up 8 pounds from the previous year, at 1,225 pounds.

Veal production totaled 13.4 million pounds, 11 percent below June a year ago. Calf slaughter totaled 66,400 head, down 10 percent from June 2003. The average live weight was 2 pounds above last year, at 338 pounds.

Pork production totaled 1.67 billion pounds, up 9 percent from the previous year, and set a monthly record high. Hog kill totaled 8.50 million head, 10 percent above June 2003. The average live weight was 2 pounds below the previous year, at 264 pounds.

Lamb and mutton production, at 15.5 million pounds, was up 2 percent from June 2003. Sheep slaughter totaled 230,900 head, 1 percent above last year. The average live weight was 134 pounds, up 2 pounds from June a year ago.

January to June 2004 commercial red meat production was 22.3 billion pounds, down 3 percent from 2003. Accumulated beef production was down 8 percent from last year, veal was down 12 percent, pork was up 4 percent from last year, and lamb and mutton production was down 1 percent.

June 2003 contained 21 weekdays (including no holidays) and 4 Saturdays.

June 2004 contained 22 weekdays (including one special holiday declared by the federal government for President Reagan's funeral) and 4 Saturdays.

Commercial Red Meat Production: United States ¹

Class	Jun 2003	May 2004	Jun 2004	Jun 04 % of		Jan - Jun ²		
				Jun 2003	May 2004	2003	2004	04 as % of 03
	<i>Million Pounds</i>	<i>Million Pounds</i>	<i>Million Pounds</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Million Pounds</i>	<i>Million Pounds</i>	<i>Percent</i>
Beef	2,391	2,070	2,227	93	108	13,184	12,089	92
Veal	15.0	13.8	13.4	89	97	96.9	85.6	88
Pork	1,531	1,500	1,672	109	111	9,640	10,027	104
Lamb & Mutton	15.2	13.0	15.5	102	119	99.1	98.3	99
Total Red Meat	3,952	3,597	3,928	99	109	23,020	22,300	97

¹ Based on packers' dressed weights and excludes farm slaughter.

² Accumulated totals and percentages based on unrounded data.

Federally Inspected Red Meat Production: United States ¹

Class	Jun 2003	May 2004	Jun 2004	Jun 04 % of		Jan - Jun ²		
				Jun 2003	May 2004	2003	2004	04 as % of 03
	<i>Million Pounds</i>	<i>Million Pounds</i>	<i>Million Pounds</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Million Pounds</i>	<i>Million Pounds</i>	<i>Percent</i>
Beef	2,364	2,043	2,199	93	108	13,003	11,915	92
Veal	14.5	13.4	13.0	90	97	93.9	83.2	89
Pork	1,515	1,486	1,657	109	112	9,537	9,939	104
Lamb & Mutton	14.5	12.3	14.9	103	121	94.9	94.0	99
Total Red Meat	3,908	3,555	3,884	99	109	22,729	22,031	97

¹ Based on packers' dressed weights and excludes farm slaughter.

² Accumulated totals and percentages based on unrounded data.

Livestock Slaughter: Number and Average Weights, United States ¹

Species	Unit	Jun 2003	May 2004	Jun 2004	Jun 04 % of		Jan - Jun ²		04 % of 03
					Jun 2003	May 2004	2003	2004	
					<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>			<i>Prcnt</i>
Cattle No.									
Fed. Insp.	Thou	3,208.2	2,792.1	2,949.7	92	106	17,520.8	16,120.8	92
Other	Thou	44.4	44.1	44.9	101	102	296.4	280.8	95
Comm'l. ³	Thou	3,252.6	2,836.2	2,994.6	92	106	17,817.2	16,401.6	92
Live Wt/Hd									
Fed. Insp.	Lbs	1,219	1,206	1,226	101	102	1,234	1,222	99
Other	Lbs	1,085	1,098	1,109	102	101	1,092	1,102	101
Comm'l.	Lbs	1,217	1,204	1,225	101	102	1,232	1,221	99
Calves No.									
Fed. Insp.	Thou	71.9	63.2	64.6	90	102	479.3	419.2	87
Other	Thou	2.1	1.7	1.7	82	102	12.0	9.8	82
Comm'l. ³	Thou	74.0	64.9	66.4	90	102	491.3	429.0	87
Live Wt/Hd									
Fed. Insp.	Lbs	332	354	337	101	95	326	331	102
Other	Lbs	403	405	408	101	101	424	416	98
Comm'l.	Lbs	336	355	338	101	95	328	333	101
Hogs No.									
Fed. Insp.	Thou	7,664.8	*7,494.3	8,415.2	110	112	47,966.5	49,926.0	104
Other	Thou	99.4	84.5	89.2	90	106	609.2	523.3	86
Comm'l. ³	Thou	7,764.2	*7,578.8	8,504.4	110	112	48,575.7	50,449.3	104
Live Wt/Hd									
Fed. Insp.	Lbs	266	266	264	99	99	268	267	100
Other	Lbs	226	227	225	100	99	232	232	100
Comm'l.	Lbs	266	266	264	99	99	267	267	100
Sheep&Lambs No.									
Fed. Insp.	Thou	216.1	175.4	219.3	101	125	1,394.3	1,334.0	96
Other	Thou	13.4	13.1	11.6	87	88	82.8	80.4	97
Comm'l. ³	Thou	229.4	*188.6	230.9	101	122	1,477.1	1,414.4	96
Live Wt/Hd									
Fed. Insp.	Lbs	134	141	136	101	97	136	141	104
Other	Lbs	106	113	108	103	96	106	107	101
Comm'l.	Lbs	132	138	134	101	97	134	139	103

* Revised.

¹ Excludes slaughter on farms.

² Accumulated totals and percentages based on unrounded data.

³ Totals may not equal sum of the parts due to rounding.

Commercial Red Meat Production: By State and United States ¹

State	Jun 2003	May 2004	Jun 2004	Jun 04 as % of ²	
				Jun 2003	May 2004
	<i>Million Pounds</i>	<i>Million Pounds</i>	<i>Million Pounds</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AL	2.9	2.7	2.6	88	95
AK					
AZ	37.1	28.9	35.4	95	123
AR	5.2	4.7	5.4	104	115
CA	121.1	109.8	122.7	101	112
CO	197.8	169.2	194.2	98	115
DE-MD	2.7	2.5	2.8	106	115
FL	5.6	4.1	4.6	81	110
GA	23.0	11.2	12.8	55	114
HI	0.9	0.9	0.8	93	95
ID	51.3	36.6	40.2	78	110
IL	204.7	*202.2	221.3	108	109
IN	107.2	105.7	112.9	105	107
IA	487.7	478.4	535.0	110	112
KS	516.3	468.0	516.7	100	110
KY	34.9	38.2	39.9	114	104
LA	1.1	1.0	1.0	91	99
MI	34.7	30.8	34.8	100	113
MN	182.1	173.0	197.0	108	114
MS	22.5	22.4	23.8	106	106
MO	35.4	33.4	36.9	104	110
MT	1.3	1.1	1.3	104	115
NE	661.0	563.8	596.1	90	106
NV	0.1	0.1	0.1	155	89
N ENG ³	1.4	1.2	1.5	107	125
NJ	4.5	4.1	4.2	93	102
NM	0.9	0.5	0.5	57	94
NY	3.4	2.6	3.1	90	118
NC	171.0	162.7	176.5	103	109
ND	2.7	2.6	3.0	110	113
OH	25.4	25.5	25.4	100	100
OK	74.7	81.8	91.6	123	112
OR	3.7	3.3	3.6	96	107
PA	105.0	92.5	97.4	93	105
SC	19.7	19.6	20.7	105	105
SD	73.9	62.4	72.0	97	115
TN	15.6	12.4	17.9	115	145
TX	442.0	399.4	414.9	94	104
UT	44.0	34.3	38.5	88	112
VA	58.8	58.4	63.6	108	109
WA	54.8	42.8	47.3	86	111
WV	0.3	0.3	0.3	91	94
WI	113.1	101.2	107.1	95	106
WY	0.5	0.4	0.5	103	128
US	3,952.3	*3,597.1	3,928.0	99	109

* Revised.

¹ Includes total beef, veal, pork, lamb, and mutton.

² Percentages based on unrounded data.

³ N ENG includes CT, ME, MA, NH, RI, and VT.

**Commercial Cattle Slaughter: By State and United States,
June 2003 and 2004 ¹**

State	Number Slaughtered		Total Live Weight		Average Live Weight	
	2003	2004	2003	2004	2003	2004
	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Pounds</i>	<i>1,000 Pounds</i>	<i>Pounds</i>	<i>Pounds</i>
AL						
AK						
AZ	48.0	45.1	63,458	59,349	1,323	1,316
AR	1.1	1.0	954	948	852	930
CA	119.4	113.1	152,832	147,875	1,280	1,308
CO	256.3	244.2	309,279	298,667	1,207	1,223
DE-MD	3.1	3.2	3,905	4,077	1,276	1,283
FL	8.1	6.7	8,869	7,328	1,099	1,086
GA	33.4	17.4	40,817	20,842	1,223	1,199
HI	0.9	0.8	888	839	1,035	1,062
ID	67.3	52.3	83,798	65,318	1,245	1,248
IL						
IN						
IA						
KS	672.6	670.4	810,110	807,175	1,204	1,204
KY	1.2	1.2	1,122	1,010	919	870
LA	1.1	1.0	933	846	861	843
MI	40.1	39.5	52,905	52,960	1,319	1,341
MN	66.3	61.1	88,985	82,429	1,341	1,348
MS	0.2	0.1	152	125	877	858
MO						
MT	1.6	1.6	1,858	1,918	1,171	1,164
NE	736.2	631.0	905,641	786,897	1,230	1,247
NV	0.1	0.1	89	146	1,023	1,009
N ENG ²	1.4	1.5	1,508	1,620	1,095	1,092
NJ	2.3	1.8	2,655	2,317	1,157	1,261
NM	1.7	0.9	1,650	843	947	916
NY	4.1	3.5	4,574	4,126	1,127	1,167
NC	16.5	18.2	17,585	19,491	1,067	1,071
ND						
OH	10.3	8.2	11,652	9,322	1,135	1,141
OK	2.6	2.9	2,665	3,202	1,008	1,104
OR	1.4	1.4	1,495	1,740	1,088	1,206
PA	89.4	73.8	113,174	85,604	1,265	1,160
SC						
SD						
TN	1.1	1.3	977	1,209	901	905
TX	599.9	560.5	703,667	663,934	1,173	1,185
UT	59.1	51.5	69,171	60,510	1,171	1,174
VA	0.8	0.8	762	867	947	1,026
WA	73.0	62.0	89,048	75,877	1,219	1,223
WV	0.4	0.3	375	351	985	1,060
WI	136.7	124.5	177,989	164,963	1,302	1,325
WY	0.7	0.7	814	813	1,195	1,184
US ³	3,252.6	2,994.6	3,959,951	3,667,668	1,217	1,225

¹ Includes slaughter under Federal inspection and other Commercial slaughter, excludes farm slaughter.

² N ENG includes CT, ME, MA, NH, RI, and VT.

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**Commercial Calf Slaughter: By State and United States,
June 2003 and 2004 ¹**

State	Number Slaughtered		Total Live Weight		Average Live Weight	
	2003	2004	2003	2004	2003	2004
	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Pounds</i>	<i>1,000 Pounds</i>	<i>Pounds</i>	<i>Pounds</i>
AL						
AK						
AZ						
AR						
CA	11.2	8.4	2,093	1,208	187	143
CO						
DE-MD						
FL						
GA						
HI						
ID						
IL	8.1	7.5	3,466	3,418	427	456
IN	0.5	0.3	67	39	126	126
IA						
KS						
KY						
LA	0.8	0.8	414	358	499	470
MI	1.8	2.2	785	938	426	418
MN						
MS						
MO						
MT						
NE						
NV						
N ENG ²	2.0	1.7	273	459	137	271
NJ	7.9	7.0	3,546	3,018	448	432
NM						
NY	7.5	8.1	889	677	119	84
NC	0.1	0.1	56	55	448	485
ND						
OH	5.0	5.8	2,024	2,232	406	388
OK	0.1	0.1	48	22	464	421
OR						
PA	13.6	12.6	4,750	4,663	348	370
SC						
SD						
TN	0.1	0.1	52	35	517	480
TX	1.8	0.8	999	509	545	600
UT						
VA						
WA						
WV						
WI	11.1	9.9	4,821	4,483	433	455
WY						
US ³	74.0	66.4	24,902	22,437	336	338

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**Commercial Hog Slaughter: By State and United States,
June 2003 and 2004 ¹**

State	Number Slaughtered		Total Live Weight		Average Live Weight	
	2003	2004	2003	2004	2003	2004
	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Pounds</i>	<i>1,000 Pounds</i>	<i>Pounds</i>	<i>Pounds</i>
AL	8.2	8.1	4,131	3,912	504	480
AK						
AZ	0.3	0.2	67	54	206	227
AR						
CA	196.8	214.7	46,156	52,299	235	244
CO	1.0	0.9	264	206	266	236
DE-MD	1.3	1.5	334	368	253	239
FL	9.2	7.6	1,596	1,334	174	175
GA	13.3	13.7	3,200	3,210	240	234
HI	2.5	2.4	528	478	210	201
ID						
IL	647.7	772.4	180,141	212,183	278	275
IN	539.2	569.3	139,548	146,616	259	258
IA	2,202.2	2,401.7	586,908	638,316	267	266
KS	22.0	16.6	7,559	7,664	343	461
KY	174.5	200.4	45,792	52,393	262	261
LA	1.8	1.7	347	332	196	196
MI	11.0	11.3	4,224	4,195	383	373
MN	694.4	779.6	181,329	205,542	261	264
MS						
MO	161.3	168.5				
MT	0.9	1.0	222	244	247	246
NE	533.7	560.6	140,645	147,898	264	264
NV						
N ENG ²	2.2	2.2	526	433	234	201
NJ	9.0	9.8	884	1,026	99	104
NM	0.1	0.1	28	25	212	210
NY	3.1	3.3	686	740	221	225
NC	849.9	910.2	214,988	221,314	253	243
ND	13.6	13.9	3,092	3,331	228	240
OH	92.3	97.9	25,391	26,386	275	270
OK	349.3	435.1	98,248	119,107	281	274
OR	17.0	18.4	4,405	4,156	259	225
PA	219.5	238.8	54,182	57,638	247	241
SC						
SD	340.8	338.0	88,877	87,280	261	258
TN	46.9	52.6	22,613	25,488	482	485
TX	31.3	30.8	8,393	7,500	268	244
UT	3.7	3.9	836	861	227	223
VA	302.6	337.2	77,381	83,444	256	247
WA	1.9	2.0	468	510	251	254
WV	0.6	0.5	148	127	242	236
WI	47.7	55.4	21,839	25,630	458	463
WY	0.3	0.3	68	74	267	271
US ³	7,764.2	8,504.4	2,063,846	2,243,747	266	264

¹ Includes slaughter under Federal inspection and other Commercial slaughter, excludes farm slaughter.

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**Commercial Sheep and Lamb Slaughter: By State and United States,
June 2003 and 2004 ¹**

State	Number Slaughtered		Total Live Weight		Average Live Weight	
	2003	2004	2003	2004	2003	2004
	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Pounds</i>	<i>1,000 Pounds</i>	<i>Pounds</i>	<i>Pounds</i>
AL						
AK						
AZ	0.1	0.1	8	10	79	103
AR						
CA						
CO	50.7	74.9	7,588	11,619	150	155
DE-MD	2.5	2.7	275	267	111	100
FL	0.2	0.1	17	10	81	66
GA	0.5	0.5	53	49	102	107
HI						
ID	0.3	0.3	40	39	116	112
IL	15.2	17.7	2,168	2,349	143	133
IN	3.0	2.7	323	297	108	109
IA	35.2	31.1	5,120	4,424	146	142
KS	0.2	0.3	16	33	89	120
KY	0.9	1.1	117	138	128	120
LA	0.1	0.1	12	11	82	82
MI	16.2	16.8	1,964	2,002	121	119
MN	0.2	0.2	19	30	114	131
MS						
MO	0.5	0.5	44	46	96	92
MT	0.2	0.2	21	21	130	123
NE	0.1	0.1	10	11	116	120
NV	0.1	0.1	8	9	95	98
N ENG ²	1.7	1.8	177	181	102	103
NJ	8.4	10.3	792	834	94	81
NM	1.8	1.7	186	174	102	102
NY	2.3	2.6	218	213	95	81
NC		0.4		28		80
ND						
OH	1.0	1.0	110	111	112	108
OK	0.1	0.1	5	9	91	119
OR	1.3	1.5	158	152	125	98
PA	5.8	6.5	596	616	103	95
SC						
SD	1.3	1.4	156	171	119	123
TN	0.5	0.6	35	56	73	98
TX	28.4	18.4	3,498	2,427	123	132
UT	2.4	2.7	313	360	129	135
VA	0.6	0.4	64	33	100	93
WA	0.7	0.5	86	64	122	135
WV						
WI	1.0	0.8	132	104	133	136
WY	0.1	0.1	13	16	146	140
US ³	229.4	230.9	30,397	30,989	133	134

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**Classification of Livestock Slaughtered Under Federal Inspection:
United States**

Item	Jun 2003	May 2004	Jun 2004	Jan - Jun ¹		Jun 2003	May 2004	Jun 2004	Jan - Jun ¹	
	1,000 Head	1,000 Head	1,000 Head	1,000 Head	1,000 Head	Percent of Total	Percent of Total	Percent of Total	Percent of Total	Percent of Total
Class ²										
Cattle										
Steers	1,677	1,473	1,540	8,725	8,107	52.3	52.8	52.2	49.8	50.3
Heifers	1,011	879	940	5,558	5,243	31.5	31.5	31.9	31.7	32.5
All Cows	467	393	419	2,934	2,507	14.5	14.1	14.2	16.8	15.5
Dairy Cows	207	166	179	1,411	1,168	6.4	6.0	6.1	8.1	7.2
Other Cows	260	227	240	1,523	1,339	8.1	8.1	8.1	8.7	8.3
Bulls & Stags	53	47	50	303	264	1.6	1.7	1.7	1.7	1.6
Total ¹	3,208	2,792	2,950	17,521	16,121	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Hogs										
Barrows & Gilts	7,370	7,220	8,114	46,271	48,162	96.2	96.3	96.4	96.5	96.5
Sows	274	255	282	1,575	1,637	3.6	3.4	3.3	3.3	3.3
Stags & Boars	21	19	20	121	127	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.3	0.3
Total ¹	7,665	7,494	8,415	47,966	49,926	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Sheep										
Mature Sheep	12	14	15	66	74	5.4	8.0	6.9	4.7	5.6
Lambs & Yrlngs	204	161	204	1,329	1,260	94.6	92.0	93.1	95.3	94.4
Total ¹	216	175	219	1,394	1,334	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Average Dressed Weight ³										
	<i>Pounds</i>	<i>Pounds</i>	<i>Pounds</i>	<i>Pounds</i>	<i>Pounds</i>					
Cattle										
Steers ⁴	741	736	750	746	743					
Heifers ⁴	792	777	796	799	788					
All Cows ⁴	716	713	726	732	725					
Bulls & Stags ⁴	593	609	610	597	615					
	918	901	911	924	900					
Calves & Vealers	204	216	205	200	202					
Hogs										
Barrow Gilts ⁵	198	199	198	200	200					
Sows ⁵	194	195	194	196	196					
Stags & Boars ⁵	316	313	316	315	314					
	242	220	235	240	220					
Sheep										
Mature Sheep ⁶	67	70	68	68	71					
Lamb & Yrlngs ⁶	65	66	66	64	67					
	67	71	68	68	71					

¹ Total and percentages based on unrounded data.

² Species totals and classification reported by meat inspectors, Inspection Operations, FSIS.

³ Based on packer reports.

⁴ Included in cattle average dressed weight.

⁵ Included in hog average dressed weight.

⁶ Included in sheep average dressed weight.

**Federally Inspected Slaughter: By Region and United States,
June 2004¹**

Standard Federal Regions	Cattle							Calves
	Total ²	Steers	Heifers	Cows			Bulls & Stags	Total
				All	Dairy	Other		
	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>
1	1.3	0.3	0.2	0.6	0.5	0.1	0.2	1.7
2	5.2	1.3	0.3	3.3	3.1	0.1	0.4	15.0
3	77.0	34.0	7.4	32.6	26.6	6.0	2.9	12.7
4	56.0	1.0	0.3	45.9	9.5	36.4	8.8	0.7
5	299.2	133.4	37.9	120.1	71.6	48.5	7.8	25.5
6	559.7	284.3	200.0	63.2	8.7	54.4	12.2	0.6
7	1,374.3	777.9	527.7	60.9	2.0	58.9	7.9	
8	305.2	173.9	116.3	12.7	3.3	9.4	2.2	
9	157.9	87.2	8.4	58.0	44.9	13.1	4.3	8.0
10	114.0	47.0	41.5	21.9	8.8	13.1	3.5	0.3
US ²	2,949.7	1,540.4	939.9	419.2	179.1	240.1	50.2	64.6
	Hogs				Sheep			
	Total ²	Barrows & Gilts	Sows	Stags & Boars	Total ²	Mature Sheep	Lambs & Yearlings	
	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	
1	1.9	1.8			1.7	0.4	1.2	
2	12.9	12.7	0.2	0.1	11.9	1.4	10.5	
3	577.0	575.4	1.5		9.4	1.3	8.1	
4	1,361.7	1,287.7	72.9	1.1	2.8	1.3	1.5	
5	2,250.8	2,114.9	134.0	2.0	35.0	6.1	28.9	
6	473.4	451.0	22.2	0.1	17.3	1.6	15.8	
7	3,140.5	3,076.5	47.9	16.1	31.7	0.1	31.6	
8	353.6	350.7	2.8		78.3	1.9	76.5	
9	210.4	210.3	0.1		29.3	0.7	28.6	
10	33.2	33.1	0.1		1.9	0.3	1.5	
US ²	8,415.2	8,114.1	281.6	19.5	219.3	15.1	204.2	

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² Totals may not add due to rounding.

**Federally Inspected Slaughter: By Region and United States,
January - June 2004 * ¹**

Standard Federal Regions	Cattle							Calves
	Total ²	Steers	Heifers	Cows			Bulls & Stags	Total
				All	Dairy	Other		
	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>
1	6.4	1.8	1.1	2.4	2.1	0.3	1.1	7.0
2	31.8	8.3	1.7	19.6	18.5	1.1	2.2	108.6
3	468.1	184.7	42.7	222.6	178.0	44.7	18.0	84.4
4	314.8	7.1	2.3	260.0	81.7	178.3	45.4	6.7
5	1,678.7	700.8	223.4	715.6	424.6	290.9	39.0	155.5
6	3,132.1	1,624.1	1,085.4	354.1	60.2	293.8	68.6	6.2
7	7,437.0	4,017.8	2,998.8	378.3	15.3	363.0	42.1	0.1
8	1,556.1	835.6	637.7	72.3	22.9	49.4	10.5	
9	874.6	468.6	45.9	339.9	294.8	45.1	20.2	47.8
10	621.3	258.5	203.8	142.1	69.5	72.6	16.9	2.9
US ²	16,120.8	8,107.2	5,242.9	2,506.9	1,167.7	1,339.2	263.8	419.2
	Hogs				Sheep			
	Total ²	Barrows & Gilts	Sows	Stags & Boars	Total ²	Mature Sheep	Lambs & Yearlings	
	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	
1	7.4	7.3	0.1	0.1	10.4	2.1	8.3	
2	63.9	62.3	1.0	0.5	71.8	8.3	63.6	
3	3,348.8	3,339.6	9.0	0.2	52.6	5.8	46.8	
4	8,037.4	7,569.8	460.0	7.5	15.0	6.7	8.3	
5	13,199.4	12,445.7	740.0	13.7	195.5	27.9	167.6	
6	2,681.1	2,557.8	122.8	0.4	142.3	8.0	134.3	
7	18,946.3	18,567.4	274.6	104.3	188.9	0.3	188.6	
8	2,229.2	2,200.4	28.6	0.2	477.9	11.4	466.5	
9	1,213.9	1,213.1	0.6	0.2	170.5	2.9	167.6	
10	198.6	198.1	0.5	0.1	9.0	1.1	7.9	
US ²	49,926.0	48,161.5	1,637.3	127.2	1,334.0	74.3	1,259.7	

* Accumulated totals based on unrounded data.

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**Federally Inspected Slaughter: By State and United States,
June 2004**

State	Cattle							Calves
	Total ¹	Steers	Heifers	Cows			Bulls & Stags	Total
				All	Dairy	Other		
	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>
AL								
AK								
AZ	44.4	35.4	1.5	7.4	7.4			
AR	0.5	0.1	0.1	0.2		0.2	0.1	
CA	112.5	51.2	6.7	50.4	37.4	13.0	4.2	8.0
CO	243.6	145.0	98.0	0.4	0.3	0.1	0.1	
DE-MD	3.2	2.3	0.5	0.4	0.3	0.1		
FL	6.7	0.2		6.1	0.6	5.5	0.4	
GA	16.8	0.1		15.2	1.4	13.8	1.5	
HI	0.8	0.4	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1	
ID	50.8	17.5	14.0	16.3	5.1	11.2	3.0	
IL								7.5
IN								0.3
IA								
KS	667.4	385.4	281.8	0.2		0.2	0.1	
KY	0.6	0.3	0.1	0.1		0.1		
LA								
MI	37.5	24.9	1.5	11.0	4.7	6.3	0.1	2.2
MN	58.8	10.2	4.0	39.4	18.2	21.2	5.3	
MS								
MO								
MT	0.5	0.2	0.2	0.1		0.1	0.1	
NE	629.1	346.7	223.1	51.9	1.7	50.2	7.4	
NV	0.1	0.1						
N ENG ²	1.3	0.3	0.2	0.6	0.5	0.1	0.2	1.7
NJ	1.8	0.8	0.1	0.8	0.7	0.1	0.2	7.0
NM	0.6			0.5	0.5			
NY	3.4	0.5	0.2	2.5	2.5		0.2	8.1
NC	17.9	0.1	0.1	13.3	7.4	5.9	4.5	0.1
ND								
OH	3.2	0.3	0.2	2.5	1.5	1.0	0.1	5.7
OK	0.1	0.1						
OR	1.2	0.2	0.1	0.7	0.6	0.1	0.2	
PA	73.6	31.6	6.8	32.3	26.3	6.0	2.9	12.6
SC								
SD								
TN	0.9	0.2	0.1	0.5	0.2	0.3	0.1	0.1
TX	558.5	284.2	199.9	62.4	8.2	54.2	12.1	0.6
UT	50.8	28.4	18.0	3.9	1.7	2.2	0.5	
VA	0.2	0.1						
WA	62.0	29.3	27.5	4.8	3.0	1.8	0.3	
WV								
WI	121.7	49.6	2.6	67.1	47.1	20.0	2.3	9.8
WY								
US ³	2,949.7	1,540.4	939.9	419.2	179.1	240.1	50.2	64.6

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**Federally Inspected Slaughter: By State and United States,
June 2004**

State	Hogs				Sheep		
	Total ¹	Barrows & Gilts	Sows	Stags & Boars	Total ¹	Mature Sheep	Lambs & Yearlings
	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>
AL	7.5	0.1	6.4	1.0			
AK							
AZ							
AR							
CA	208.0	207.9	0.1				
CO	0.6	0.5			74.9		74.9
DE-MD	1.5	1.5			2.7	0.1	2.6
FL	7.6	7.5	0.1		0.1		0.1
GA	6.4	6.2	0.2				
HI	2.4	2.4					
ID					0.1		0.1
IL	756.0	688.6	66.4	1.1	16.4	2.1	14.3
IN	564.6	564.6			1.8	1.3	0.5
IA	2,399.5	2,349.2	34.2	16.1	30.9		30.9
KS	14.4	0.7	13.7		0.2		0.2
KY	200.0	194.3	5.7		1.1	0.9	0.2
LA							
MI	9.6	4.6	4.9		16.5	2.7	13.9
MN	777.7	777.7			0.2		0.1
MS							
MO	167.1	167.1			0.5		0.4
MT	0.1	0.1					
NE	559.5	559.5					
NV					0.1		0.1
N ENG ²	1.9	1.8			1.7	0.4	1.2
NJ	9.8	9.6	0.1	0.1	10.3	0.9	9.4
NM							
NY	3.1	3.1			1.6	0.5	1.2
NC	901.4	896.0	5.4		0.3		0.3
ND	13.7	13.7					
OH	92.3	78.9	12.6	0.9			
OK	433.5	428.1	5.4				
OR	18.3	18.3			1.5	0.2	1.3
PA	238.5	238.2	0.2		6.4	1.2	5.2
SC							
SD	337.2	334.7	2.4		1.2		1.2
TN	52.4	0.9	51.5		0.6	0.1	0.4
TX	26.4	21.7	4.7		17.3	1.6	15.7
UT	1.9	1.6	0.3		2.2	1.9	0.4
VA	336.9	335.6	1.3				
WA	1.9	1.9			0.3	0.2	0.1
WV	0.1	0.1					
WI	50.7	0.6	50.1		0.1		0.1
WY							
US ³	8,415.2	8,114.1	281.6	19.5	219.3	15.1	204.2

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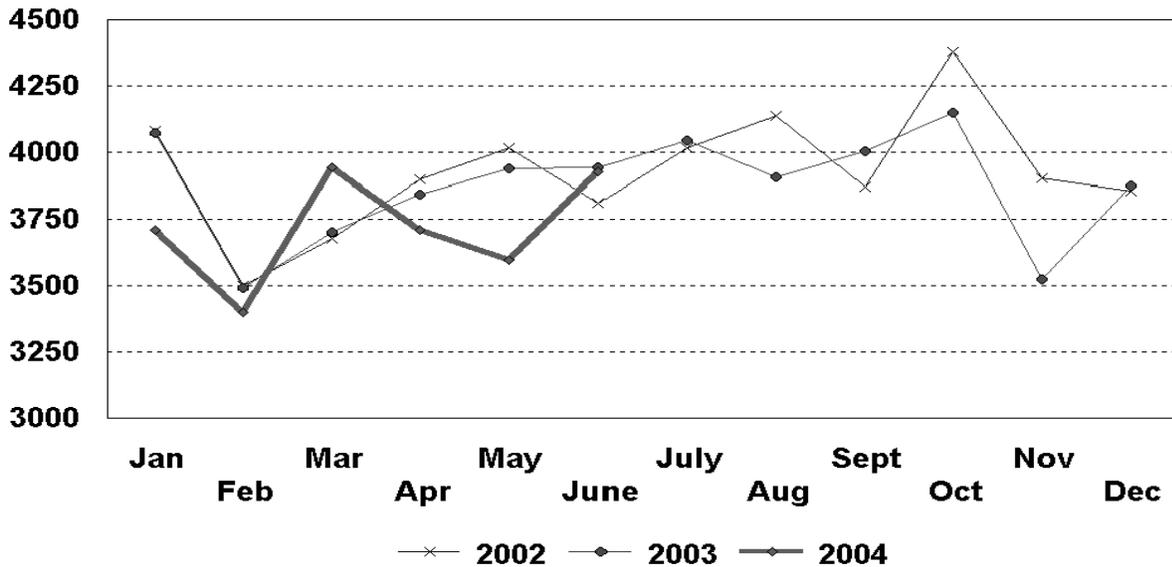
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Federally Inspected Slaughter: Percent of Total Commercial Slaughter by Species, United States

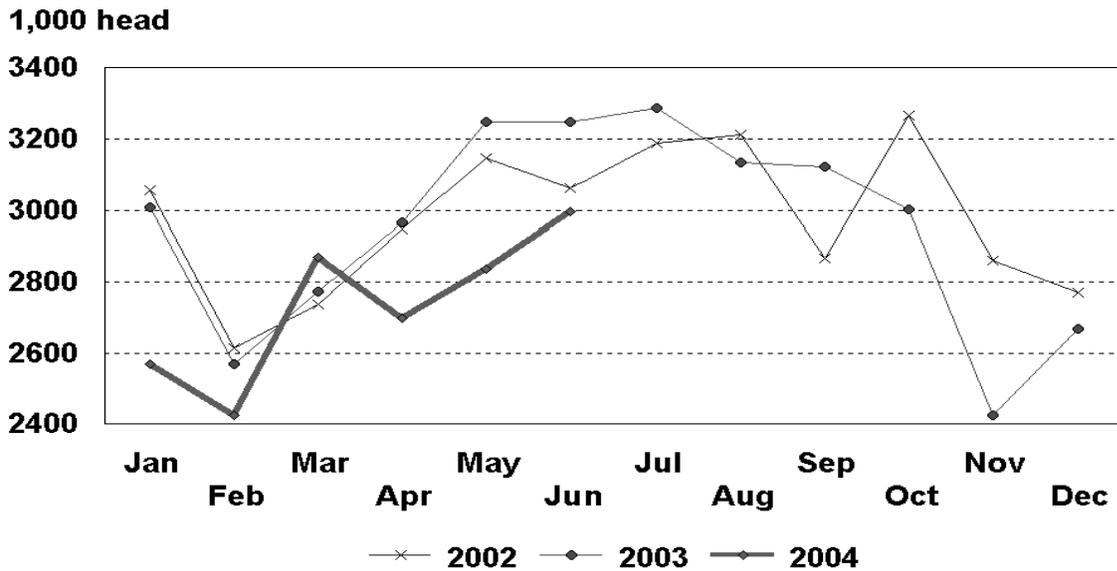
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	2003	2004	2004	2003	2004
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
Cattle	98.6	98.4	98.5	98.3	98.3
Calves	97.1	97.4	97.4	97.6	97.7
Hogs	98.7	98.9	99.0	98.7	99.0
Sheep	94.2	93.0	95.0	94.4	94.3

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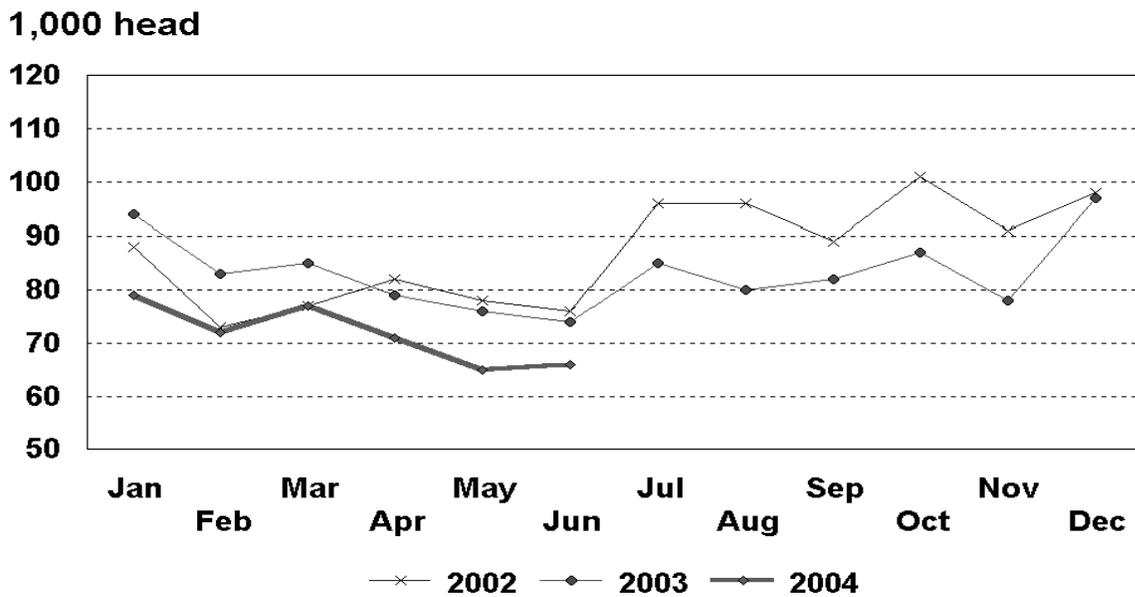
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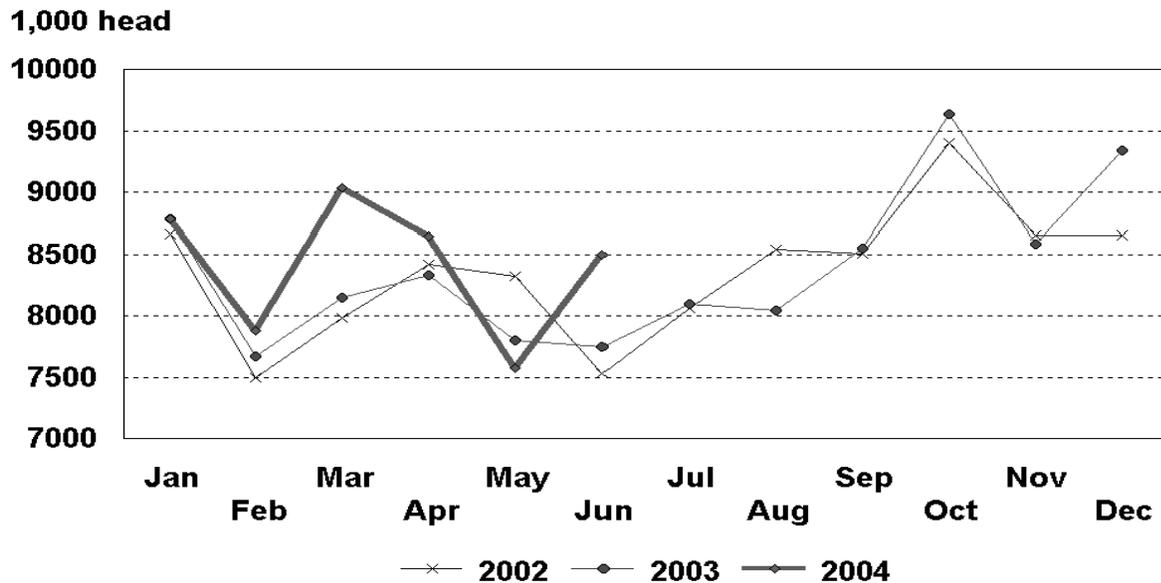
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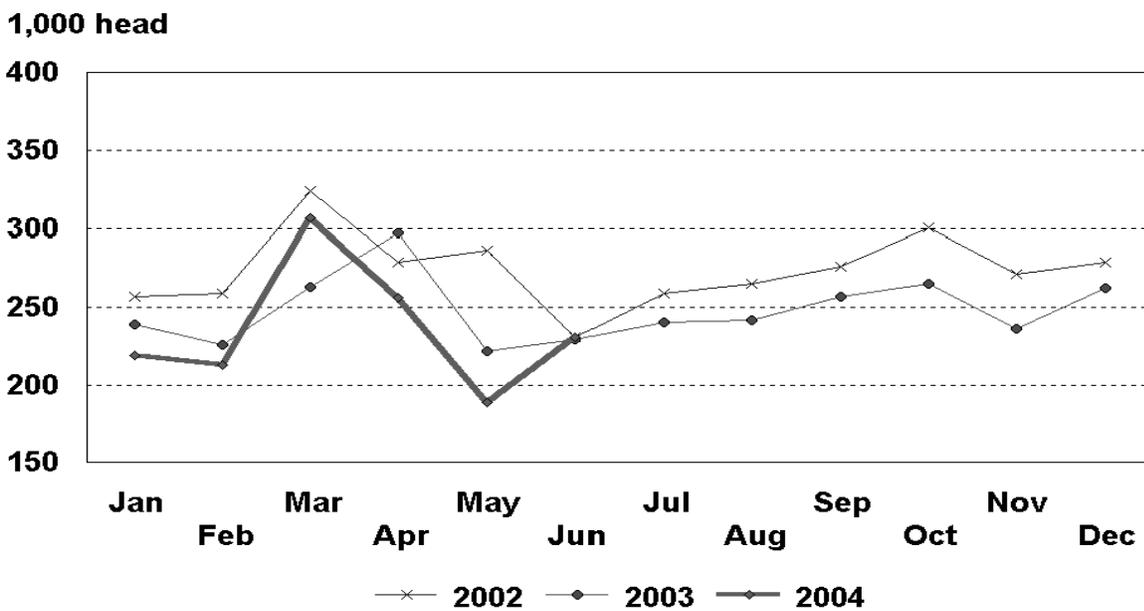
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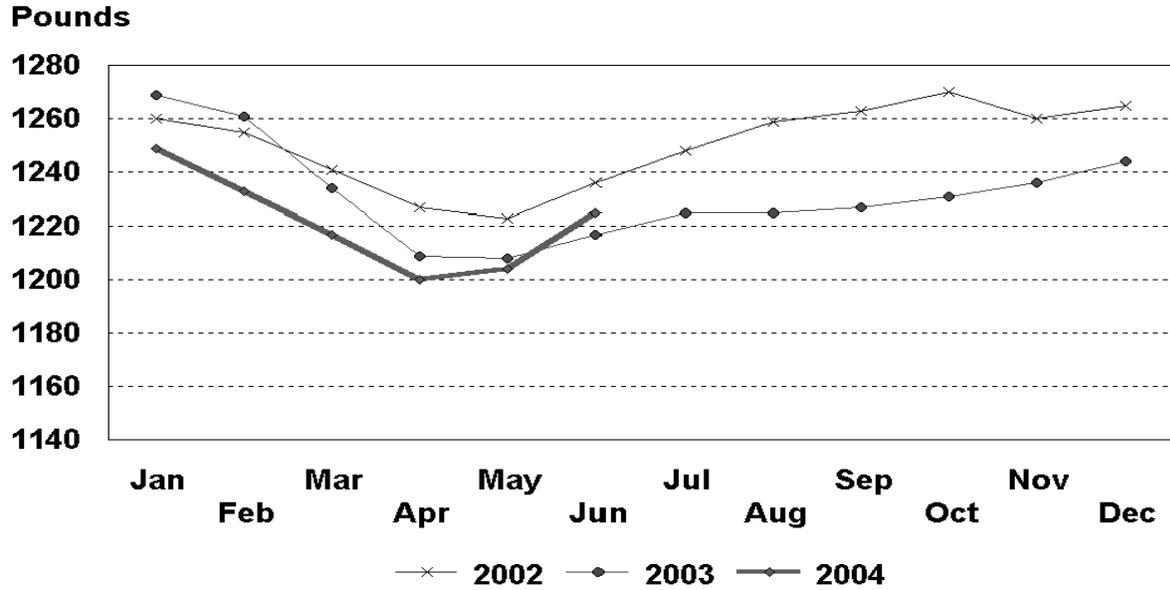
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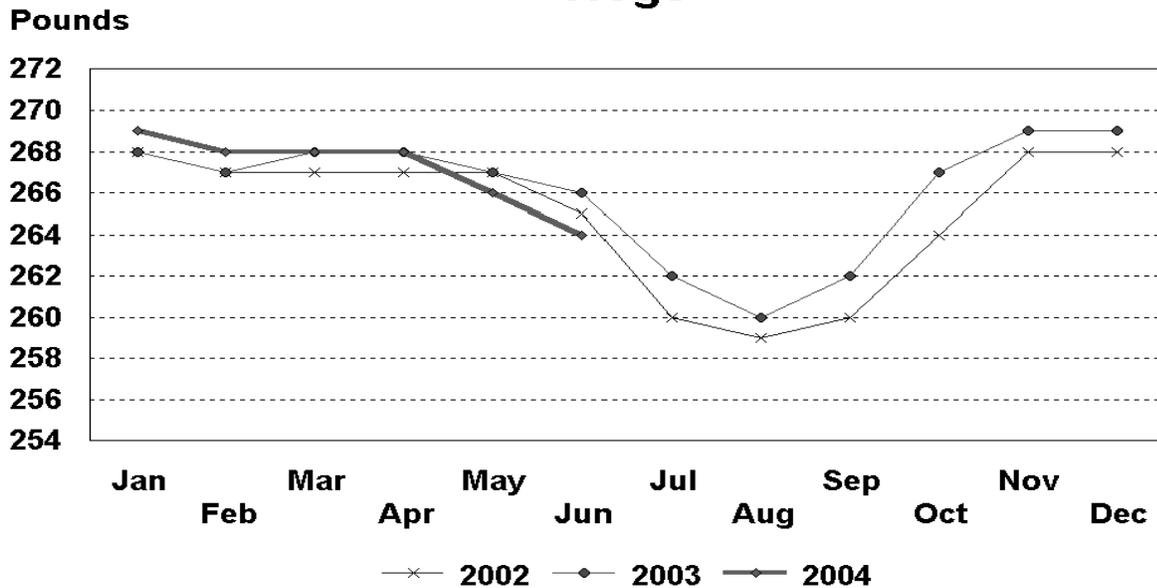
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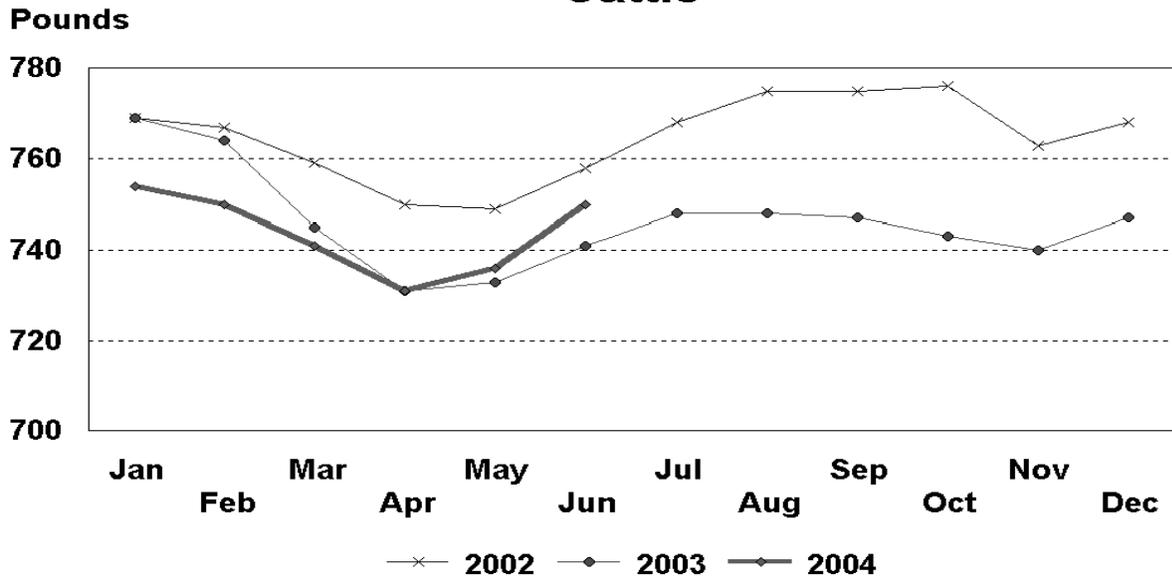
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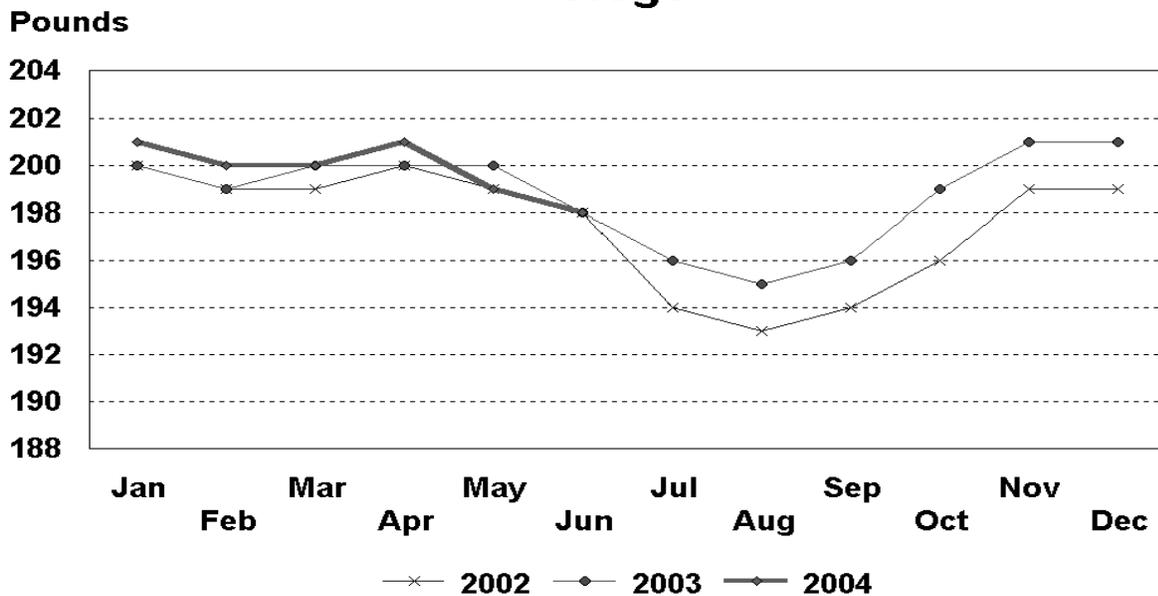
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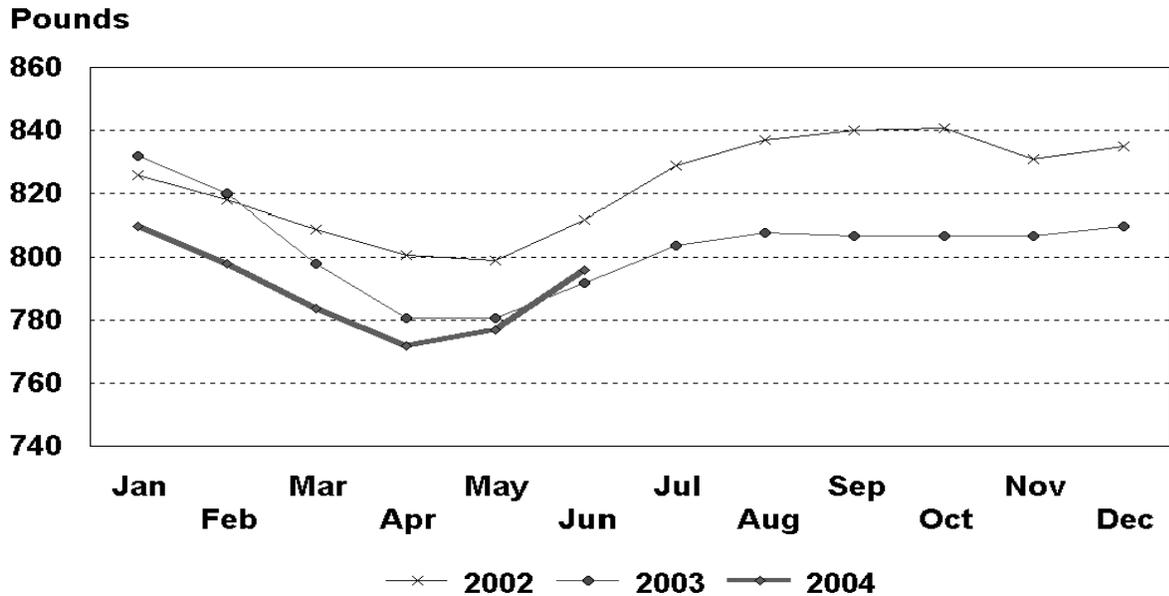
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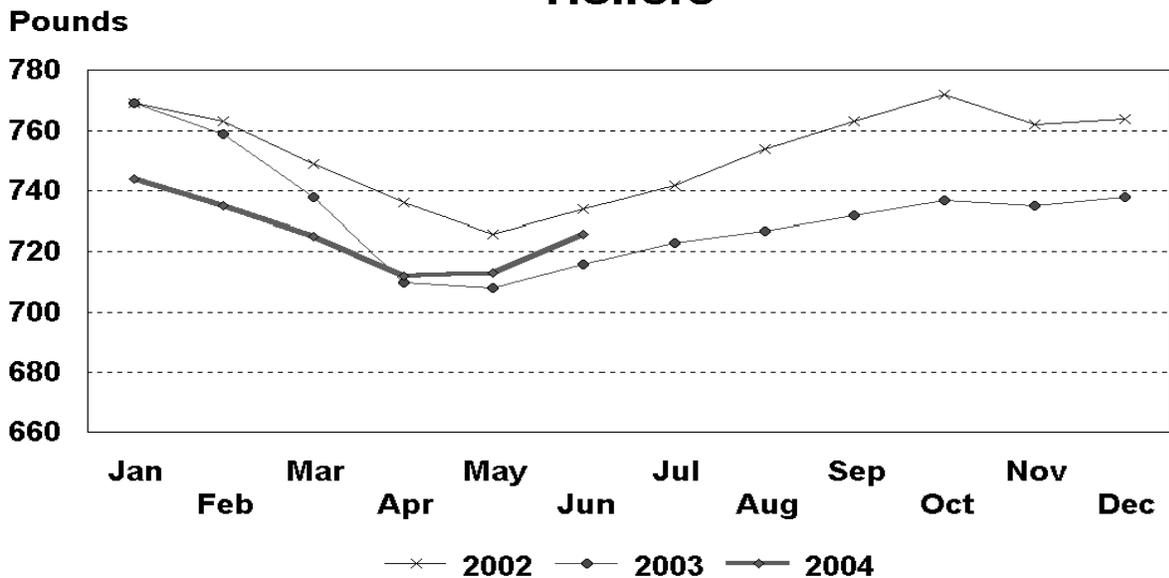
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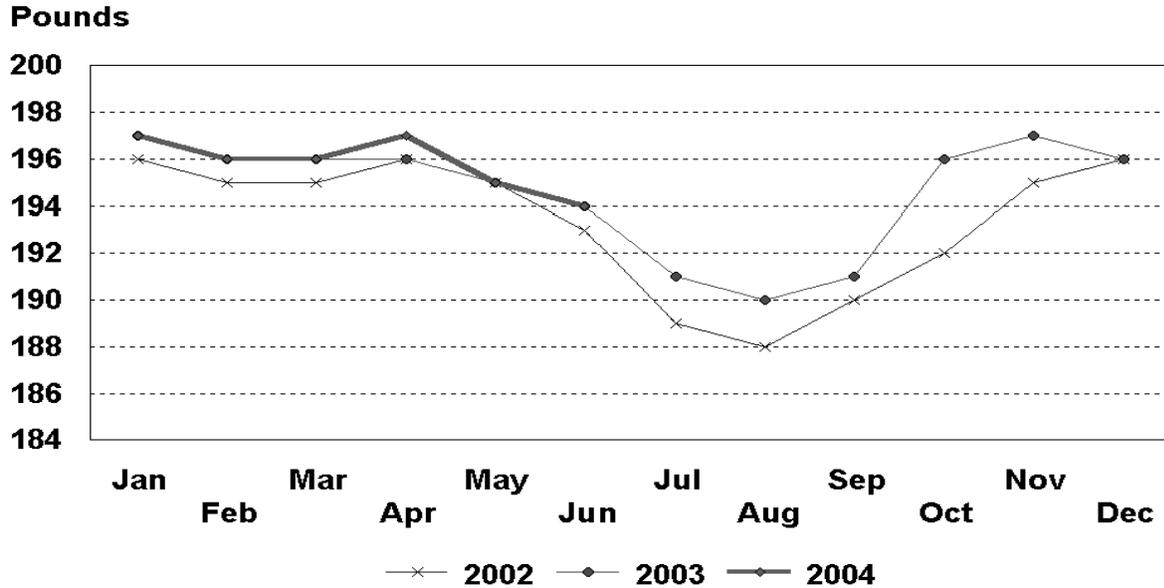
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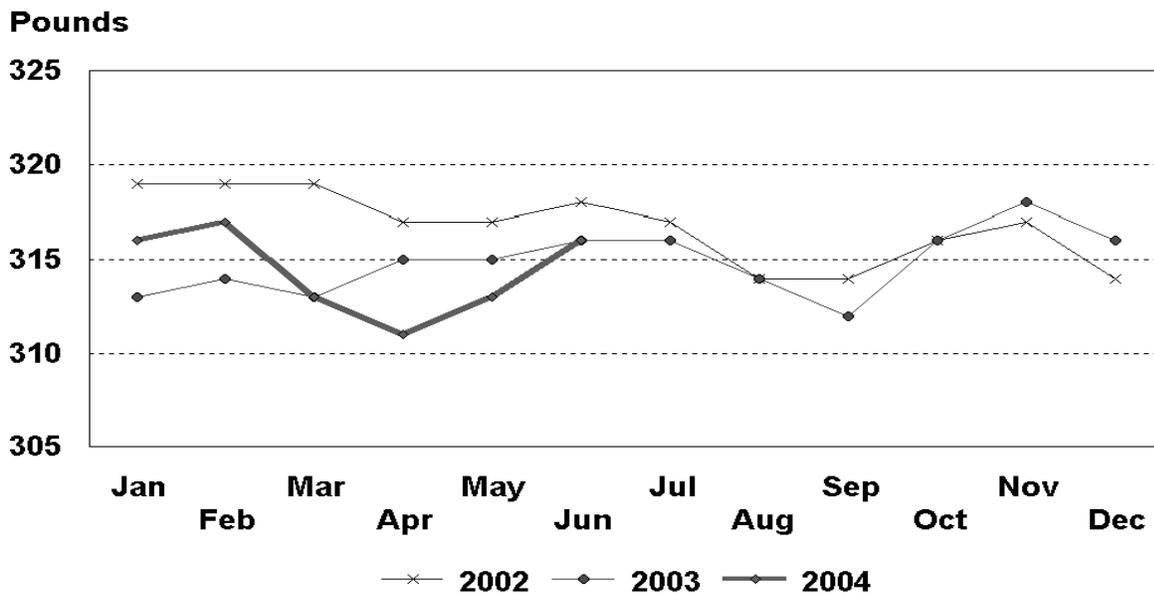
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U.S. Monthly Federally Inspected Average Dressed Weight Barrows and Gilts



U.S. Monthly Federally Inspected Average Dressed Weight Sows



Livestock Slaughter Estimates

Data Sources: Primary data for the commercial livestock slaughter estimates are obtained from the **Weekly Livestock Slaughter Report** (LS-149) questionnaires completed by inspectors from the Food Safety and Inspection Service (FSIS), USDA, which provide actual counts of animals slaughtered in Federally Inspected (FI) plants. These counts are combined with data from State-administered Non-Federally Inspected (NFI) slaughter plants to derive total commercial slaughter estimates. Over 95 percent of the total U.S. slaughter for any species is under FI. Number of head slaughtered daily under FI are recorded on the LS-149 forms by species and class. Head kill excluding animals condemned and total live and dressed weights are also given.

There are 850 plants in the U.S. operating under Federal Inspection and over 2,200 plants under State inspection. Slaughter from State-inspected Talmedge-Aiken plants is included in FI totals (see Types of Plants, page 22). To prevent duplication in reporting between NFI and FI plants and assure all FI plants are included, certificates prepared by FSIS identifying operating status are constantly monitored.

Revision Policy: Revisions are generally the result of late or corrected data and are less than one-half of 1 percent. Revisions for the previous month and the year-to-date totals are noted in each monthly release by an (*) or a footnote. Final data are published in the annual summary.

Procedures and Reliability: Individual inspectors may be contacted by telephone if the LS-149 is not received by NASS in time for summarization. This assures that all plants slaughtering a large number of head or several species are accounted for each week.

All head kill data are tabulated on a weekly basis approximately two weeks after the kill week. A computer edit compares each plant's data with the historical data for that plant. The edit provides a missing reports listing for follow-up telephone contact and imputes missing weight data. In addition, data are checked for unusual values for species, class, head kill, and pattern of kill, generally based on each plant's past operating profile.

If no form is received by mail or other means, data for plants slaughtering fewer than 50 total head weekly of only one species are imputed. Imputation of live and dressed weights may also be necessary on partially completed forms for any plant. The imputation is also based on the history of each respective plant and represents the recent operating characteristics until final data are tabulated. Imputed head kill for missing plants usually is less than 1 percent of the U.S. head kill totals. Imputation for live and dressed weight data for cattle is usually less than 10 percent and for hogs about 7 percent. The imputation for calves and sheep is more frequent and variable.

Head kill for FI slaughter before condemnation is for the actual days of the survey month, while head kill after condemnation and live and dressed weight data are for full weeks only. Average live and dressed weights and dressing percentages by State are compared with the

previous week as an additional check. Fluctuations are frequently the result of plants permanently or temporarily closing and a shift in the species reported.

FI data are summarized weekly and accumulated to a monthly total for this release, while NFI data are summarized monthly only. These weekly totals are published by USDA's Agricultural Marketing Service (AMS) in **Livestock, Meat, Wool Market News**, Weekly Summary, and Statistics.

Livestock slaughter estimates are based on a census of operating plants and therefore, have no sampling error. However, they may be subject to errors such as omissions, duplications and mistakes in reporting, recording and processing the data. These errors are minimized through rigid quality controls in the edit and summarization process, and a careful review of all reported data for consistency and reasonableness.

No data are published, unless permission is granted, if less than three plants slaughter a species in a State or if one plant has 60 percent or more of the total commercial slaughter for a species. If not published, these data are included in U.S. totals. A review of the data is made annually to determine publishibility.

Types of Plants

There are generally **four types** of slaughtering plants.

- (1) **Federally Inspected (FI) Plants:** Plants that transport meat interstate must employ federal inspectors to assure compliance with USDA standards. Any State whose commercial plants operate entirely under federal inspection may still have custom-exempt establishments for which NFI estimates are made.
- (2) **Talmedge-Aiken (TA) Plants:** Slaughter plants in which USDA is responsible for inspection. However, federal inspection is carried out by State employees. These plants are considered to be federally inspected.
- (3) **Non-Federally Inspected (NFI) Plants:** Plants which sell and transport only intrastate. State inspectors assure compliance with individual State standards for these NFI plants. Mobile slaughtering units are excluded and are considered farm slaughter.
- (4) **Custom-Exempt Plants:** Plants that do not sell meat but operate on a custom basis only are custom-exempt. The animals and meat are not inspected, but the facilities must meet health standards. These are considered NFI plants and head kill is included in NFI totals.

Terms and Definitions

Commercial Production: Includes slaughter and meat production in federally inspected and other plants, but excludes animals slaughtered on farms.

Dressed Weight: The weight of a chilled animal carcass. Beef with kidney knob in; veal with hide off; lamb and mutton with pluck out; pork with leaf fat and kidneys out, jowls on and head off.

Dressing Percent: Usually expressed as a percentage yield of chilled carcass in relation to the weight of the live animal on hoof. For example, a live hog that weighed 200 pounds on hoof and yielded a carcass weighing 140 pounds would have a dressing percentage of 70.

Food and Meat Inspection: Includes examination, checking, or testing of a carcass and/or meat against established government standards and involves checking the facility for cleanliness, health of animals, or parts of animals and quality of the meat produced.

Live Weight: The gross weight of a live animal when received at the slaughter plant.

Plant, Slaughter: An establishment where animals are killed and butchered.

Red Meat: Red meat production is the carcass weight after slaughter including beef, veal, pork, and lamb and mutton. It is derived using the number of head times average dressed weight for FI and NFI separately. FI head kill must be adjusted for condemnations using the factor derived from the FSIS inspection reports.

The FI meat production formula is $(\text{FI head kill}) \times (1 - \text{condemnation factor}) \times (\text{average dressed weight}) = \text{FI red meat production}$. The condemnation factor is the number of animals condemned as a percentage of the total kill. It has been fairly stable for the last five years; running about 1.90 head per 100 head for calves, .5 per 100 for cattle, .40 per 100 for hogs and .20 per 100 for sheep. The NFI meat production formula is $(\text{NFI head kill}) \times (\text{live weight}) \times (\text{FI dressing percentage}) = \text{NFI red meat production}$.

Slaughter: Killing and butchering of animals primarily for food.

Slaughter, Farm: Animals slaughtered on farms primarily for home consumption. Excludes custom slaughter for farmers at commercial establishments, but includes mobile slaughtering on farms. These estimates appear only in the annual slaughter release.

Wholesome Meat Act: Legislation that specifies that all meat produced for sale in the U.S. must be inspected. Meat that is transported interstate must be inspected in compliance with Federal (USDA) Standards.

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