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Lamb and Veal Production at Record Low for June

Commercial red meat production for the United States totaled 4.03 billion pounds in June, down 3 percent from the 4.14 billion pounds produced in June 2006.

Beef production, at 2.35 billion pounds, was 4 percent below the previous year. Cattle slaughter totaled 3.08 million head, down 3 percent from June 2006. The average live weight was down 14 pounds from the previous year, at 1,250 pounds.

Veal production totaled 11.2 million pounds, 10 percent below June a year ago. Calf slaughter totaled 61,100 head, up 4 percent from June 2006. The average live weight was down 45 pounds from last year, at 308 pounds.

Pork production totaled 1.65 billion pounds, down 1 percent from the previous year. Hog kill totaled 8.30 million head, down 1 percent from June 2006. The average live weight was unchanged from the previous year, at 267 pounds.

Lamb and mutton production, at 13.7 million pounds, was down 5 percent from June 2006. Sheep slaughter totaled 200,400 head, 5 percent below last year. The average live weight was 137 pounds, up 2 pounds from June a year ago.

January to June 2007 commercial red meat production was 23.6 billion pounds, up 1 percent from 2006. Accumulated beef production was up 1 percent from last year, veal was up 6 percent, pork was up 2 percent from last year, and lamb and mutton production was down 3 percent.

June 2006 contained 22 weekdays (including no holidays) and 4 Saturdays.

June 2007 contained 21 weekdays (including no holidays) and 5 Saturdays.

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Commercial Red Meat Production: United States ¹

Type	Jun 2006	May 2007	Jun 2007	Jun 07 % of		Jan - Jun ²		
				Jun 2006	May 2007	2006	2007	07 as % of 06
	<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	2,446.1	2,284.9	2,348.7	96	103	12,806.2	12,883.9	101
Veal	12.4	12.4	11.2	90	90	71.3	75.3	106
Pork	1,663.3	*1,762.3	1,654.1	99	94	10,342.7	10,523.2	102
Lamb & Mutton	14.4	15.5	13.7	95	89	96.6	93.3	97
Total Red Meat ³	4,136.2	*4,075.0	4,027.7	97	99	23,316.7	23,575.9	101

* Revised.

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

² Accumulated totals and percentages based on unrounded data.

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

Federally Inspected Red Meat Production: United States ¹

Type	Jun 2006	May 2007	Jun 2007	Jun 07 % of		Jan - Jun ²		
				Jun 2006	May 2007	2006	2007	07 as % of 06
	<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	2,417.7	2,257.2	2,321.7	96	103	12,626.3	12,711.5	101
Veal	12.2	12.1	11.0	90	90	69.8	73.9	106
Pork	1,649.2	1,749.3	1,641.1	100	94	10,258.6	10,442.4	102
Lamb & Mutton	13.8	14.9	13.1	95	88	92.9	89.7	97
Total Red Meat ³	4,092.9	4,033.5	3,986.9	97	99	23,047.6	23,317.5	101

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

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Livestock Slaughter: Number and Average Weights, United States ¹

Species	Unit	Jun 2006	May 2007	Jun 2007	Jun 07 % of		Jan - Jun ²		
					Jun 2006	May 2007	2006	2007	07 % of 06
					<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>			<i>Prct</i>
Cattle No.									
Fed. Insp.	Thou	3,115.8	3,008.3	3,034.9	97	101	16,374.0	16,717.7	102
Other	Thou	43.6	42.7	41.7	96	98	276.3	266.2	96
Comm'l. ³	Thou	3,159.4	3,051.0	3,076.6	97	101	16,650.2	16,983.9	102
Live Wt/Hd									
Fed. Insp.	Lbs	1,266	1,234	1,251	99	101	1,266	1,258	99
Other	Lbs	1,131	1,136	1,132	100	100	1,137	1,141	100
Comm'l.	Lbs	1,264	1,232	1,250	99	101	1,263	1,256	99
Calves No.									
Fed. Insp.	Thou	57.8	58.0	60.2	104	104	324.3	382.5	118
Other	Thou	0.9	1.0	0.9	105	95	6.3	6.5	103
Comm'l. ³	Thou	58.6	59.0	61.1	104	104	330.6	389.0	118
Live Wt/Hd									
Fed. Insp.	Lbs	352	348	307	87	88	358	324	90
Other	Lbs	400	396	382	96	96	407	390	96
Comm'l.	Lbs	353	349	308	87	88	359	325	91
Hogs No.									
Fed. Insp.	Thou	8,256.4	8,680.4	8,217.3	100	95	50,549.2	51,726.6	102
Other	Thou	86.7	79.5	79.8	92	100	497.2	482.8	97
Comm'l. ³	Thou	8,343.1	*8,759.9	8,297.1	99	95	51,046.5	52,209.4	102
Live Wt/Hd									
Fed. Insp.	Lbs	267	269	267	100	99	271	270	99
Other	Lbs	224	226	226	101	100	232	231	100
Comm'l.	Lbs	267	269	267	100	99	271	269	100
Sheep&Lambs No.									
Fed. Insp.	Thou	200.0	205.1	188.3	94	92	1,291.2	1,261.7	98
Other	Thou	11.5	13.2	12.1	105	92	70.3	73.6	105
Comm'l. ³	Thou	211.5	218.2	200.4	95	92	1,361.5	1,335.3	98
Live Wt/Hd									
Fed. Insp.	Lbs	137	145	139	101	96	143	142	99
Other	Lbs	96	96	99	103	103	105	100	95
Comm'l.	Lbs	135	142	137	101	96	141	140	99
Goats No.									
Fed. Insp.	Thou	48.0	55.4	53.2	111	96	271.3	297.8	110
Other	Thou	14.1	17.1	16.8	119	98	74.8	92.2	123
Comm'l. ³	Thou	62.1	72.5	70.0	113	97	346.1	390.0	113
Live Wt/Hd									
Fed. Insp.	Lbs	61	61	61	100	101	63	61	97
Other	Lbs	63	87	52	82	59	70	68	97
Comm'l.	Lbs	62	67	59	96	88	65	63	97
Bison No.									
Fed. Insp.	Thou	3.4	5.0	4.3	128	87	20.3	24.9	123
Other	Thou	1.3	1.3	1.4	110	109	7.9	9.4	119
Comm'l. ³	Thou	4.6	6.2	5.7	124	91	28.2	34.3	122

* Revised.

¹ Excludes slaughter on farms.

² Accumulated totals and percentages based on unrounded data.

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Commercial Red Meat Production: By State and United States ¹

State	Jun 2006	May 2007	Jun 2007	Jun 07 as % of ²	
				Jun 2006	May 2007
	<i>Million Pounds</i>	<i>Million Pounds</i>	<i>Million Pounds</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AL	2.5	2.5	2.3	90	91
AK					
AZ	31.9	33.1	35.8	112	108
AR	4.7	4.4	4.8	101	107
CA	144.6	142.1	142.2	98	100
CO	179.7	158.1	172.4	96	109
DE-MD	3.3	3.4	3.2	96	95
FL	5.0	7.9	7.1	143	90
GA	11.3	15.0	13.0	115	86
HI	0.9	0.9	0.9	94	97
ID	26.1	16.7	16.7	64	100
IL	227.5	221.1	215.4	95	97
IN	114.2	124.8	118.0	103	95
IA	511.9	525.8	492.8	96	94
KS	578.5	560.4	573.2	99	102
KY	38.5	47.4	43.5	113	92
LA	0.7	0.5	0.5	69	87
MI	42.6	43.7	45.1	106	103
MN	199.9	201.3	191.4	96	95
MS	23.7	1.2	1.1	5	92
MO	71.4	124.1	119.8	168	97
MT	1.2	1.2	1.3	108	106
NE	662.3	606.6	632.6	96	104
NV		0.2	0.1		44
N ENG ³	1.0	1.1	1.1	103	97
NJ	4.2	4.9	4.3	103	88
NM	0.4	0.4	0.4	91	85
NY	3.1	2.9	2.5	81	88
NC	189.2	188.5	173.8	92	92
ND	2.8	2.8	2.4	84	84
OH	24.3	23.7	22.6	93	95
OK	85.9	86.5	84.4	98	98
OR	4.4	4.6	4.5	101	98
PA	101.7	109.1	103.1	101	94
SC	21.0	22.6	20.7	99	92
SD	69.8	78.8	74.9	107	95
TN	15.8	16.3	14.5	91	89
TX	478.2	419.4	410.2	86	98
UT	45.6	34.7	41.0	90	118
VA	29.6	38.1	38.5	130	101
WA	57.7	73.8	72.5	126	98
WV	0.3	0.3	0.3	117	90
WI	118.1	123.6	122.5	104	99
WY	0.5	0.5	0.4	83	92
US	4,136.2	*4,075.0	4,027.7	97	99

* 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 2006 and 2007 ¹**

State	Number Slaughtered		Total Live Weight		Average Live Weight	
	2006	2007	2006	2007	2006	2007
	<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	0.3	0.5	289	453	851	973
AK						
AZ		44.4		60,428		1,365
AR	0.9	0.9	881	856	1,011	985
CA	138.0	138.8	183,565	176,819	1,353	1,295
CO	213.5	210.0	272,421	262,524	1,277	1,251
DE-MD	3.7	3.6	4,922	4,786	1,314	1,314
FL						
GA	20.6	25.4	18,834	22,332	916	885
HI	0.9	0.9	956	1,014	1,036	1,069
ID		21.3		26,069		1,237
IL						
IN	2.7	2.9	2,860	3,038	1,044	1,048
IA						
KS	717.2	722.9	898,172	892,773	1,253	1,235
KY	1.1	1.3	996	1,192	944	951
LA	0.9	0.6	687	461	768	760
MI	47.3	52.8	65,358	70,856	1,384	1,348
MN	65.0	60.7	89,107	82,412	1,380	1,365
MS	0.1	0.1	63	69	770	807
MO	7.0	7.0	8,426	8,405	1,213	1,208
MT	1.4	1.6	1,650	1,885	1,144	1,186
NE	679.9	657.1	881,665	834,244	1,299	1,271
NV	0.1	0.1	71	108	1,083	1,092
N ENG ²	1.0	1.1	1,119	1,182	1,121	1,099
NJ	2.2	2.3	2,687	2,822	1,245	1,222
NM	0.7	0.7	676	581	992	931
NY	2.9	2.0	3,110	2,318	1,106	1,148
NC	15.4	18.3	18,142	21,366	1,184	1,172
ND	1.1	1.0	1,302	1,196	1,185	1,172
OH	8.3	9.8	9,638	11,479	1,176	1,178
OK	2.3	1.9	2,567	2,064	1,100	1,110
OR	2.2	2.5	2,640	2,904	1,217	1,202
PA	70.9	79.1	85,811	97,074	1,222	1,235
SC	13.3	13.0	15,058	14,884	1,138	1,148
SD						
TN	1.1	2.0	1,024	1,700	948	887
TX	633.0	542.2	759,226	652,005	1,202	1,206
UT	58.4	52.4	73,352	65,345	1,258	1,249
VA	0.9	1.1	920	1,073	1,077	1,018
WA	72.5	91.1	93,146	117,130	1,290	1,290
WV	0.3	0.4	349	429	1,125	1,194
WI	135.7	143.4	181,617	190,433	1,352	1,341
WY	0.6	0.5	772	635	1,204	1,171
US ³	3,159.4	3,076.6	3,981,738	3,833,829	1,264	1,250

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 2006 and 2007 ¹**

State	Number Slaughtered		Total Live Weight		Average Live Weight	
	2006	2007	2006	2007	2006	2007
	<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	8.2	10.0	1,244	1,269	153	127
CO						
DE-MD	0.2	0.1	60	39	336	275
FL						
GA	0.1	0.1	49	56	433	437
HI						
ID						
IL	3.8	3.1	1,605	1,270	425	410
IN	0.3		32		126	
IA						
KS						
KY		0.1		37		497
LA	0.2	0.2	84	71	458	467
MI	3.2	1.8	1,383	753	435	420
MN						
MS						
MO						
MT						
NE						
NV						
N ENG ²	0.3	0.1	41	37	142	258
NJ	6.6	6.7	2,863	2,947	435	438
NM						
NY	7.8	10.8	1,250	1,403	166	134
NC	0.1	0.1	26	51	461	471
ND						
OH		0.1		27		354
OK						
OR						
PA	15.0	14.5	6,173	5,454	413	378
SC						
SD						
TN	0.1	0.1	40	29	453	440
TX	0.8	1.5	437	618	570	407
UT						
VA	0.1	0.1	19	20	323	325
WA						
WV						
WI	11.4		5,097		447	
WY						
US ³	58.6	61.1	20,540	18,663	353	308

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

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**Commercial Hog Slaughter: By State and United States,
June 2006 and 2007 ¹**

State	Number Slaughtered		Total Live Weight		Average Live Weight	
	2006	2007	2006	2007	2006	2007
	<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	8.8	7.5	4,088	3,450	466	458
AK	0.1		13		205	
AZ	0.2	0.2	35	40	192	211
AR	14.1	14.3	6,399	6,519	456	456
CA	221.8	211.0	52,804	50,241	239	238
CO	0.9	0.6	225	159	262	252
DE-MD	1.5	1.3	310	262	202	202
FL	7.2	6.5	971	958	135	148
GA	10.9	11.2	2,482	2,437	227	217
HI	2.2	1.9	490	395	226	207
ID	12.3	13.9	3,097	3,503	251	253
IL	762.1	722.2	212,117	201,553	279	279
IN	571.8	591.2	148,555	153,592	260	260
IA	2,315.8	2,241.5	621,125	600,386	268	268
KS		18.6		8,687		468
KY	193.5	216.5	50,695	56,734	263	263
LA	1.3	1.1	247	215	191	194
MI	11.2	10.4	3,972	3,643	355	351
MN	774.6	750.0	199,700	193,772	258	259
MS						
MO		558.3		151,856		272
MT	1.1	1.0	264	260	249	249
NE	561.4	560.0	149,762	149,874	267	268
NV						
N ENG ²	1.9	1.7	340	320	183	192
NJ	9.1	9.6	925	946	102	99
NM	0.1		22		310	
NY	4.0	2.5	687	408	170	161
NC	940.4	847.6	238,554	216,336	254	255
ND	12.6	10.2	3,100	2,536	247	247
OH	95.5	83.2	25,889	22,367	271	269
OK	404.1	410.4	111,383	109,729	276	267
OR	17.5	16.4	3,955	3,781	226	232
PA	249.4	223.4	61,538	55,768	247	250
SC						
SD	314.6	351.4	81,285	89,112	259	254
TN	47.8	42.0	23,226	20,107	486	479
TX	29.3	30.7	7,537	6,814	257	222
UT	4.1	5.0	882	1,023	214	204
VA	148.4	194.4	38,553	50,287	260	259
WA	2.3	2.1	433	412	190	198
WV	0.4	0.5	89	114	212	245
WI	51.6	50.5	23,319	22,757	457	456
WY	0.3	0.2	71	64	266	260
US ³	8,343.1	8,297.1	2,223,316	2,210,457	267	267

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**Commercial Sheep and Lamb Slaughter: By State and United States,
June 2006 and 2007¹**

State	Number Slaughtered		Total Live Weight		Average Live Weight	
	2006	2007	2006	2007	2006	2007
	<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		11		100	
AR						
CA						
CO	86.3	79.9	13,355	12,332	155	155
DE-MD	2.6	2.8	265	276	101	99
FL	0.5	0.2	28	10	62	66
GA	0.3	0.3	32	38	114	124
HI						
ID	0.3	0.3	38	42	133	127
IL	13.1		1,747		133	
IN	2.0	2.0	224	216	110	108
IA	28.0	24.1	3,920	3,708	140	154
KS	0.2	0.2	24	22	111	115
KY	1.1	1.0	138	136	132	134
LA	0.1	0.2	10	17	83	84
MI	13.9	15.5	1,769	1,967	128	128
MN	0.2	0.2	27	31	120	126
MS						
MO	0.5	0.4	54	51	114	119
MT	0.2	0.2	16	23	88	112
NE	0.1		8		95	
NV		0.1		8		125
N ENG ²	2.6	2.1	209	223	81	105
NJ	9.8	9.9	831	812	85	82
NM	0.5	0.8	67	109	126	139
NY	2.6	2.9	215	238	84	82
NC	0.5	0.5	45	43	82	79
ND	0.1		6		110	
OH	1.1	1.3	119	138	106	109
OK	0.1	0.1	6	8	113	109
OR	1.8	2.2	232	293	128	131
PA	4.8	4.7	434	456	90	96
SC						
SD	1.1	1.2	131	146	120	123
TN	1.0	0.8	73	68	71	82
TX	5.2	3.0	522	187	100	62
UT	2.7	2.6	374	371	141	143
VA	0.9	0.8	89	81	104	99
WA	0.1	0.7	8	105	123	142
WV						
WI	1.0	0.8	137	103	141	131
WY	0.1		11		130	
US ³	211.5	200.4	28,557	27,404	135	137

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

Item	Jun 2006	May 2007	Jun 2007	Jan - Jun ¹		Jun 2006	May 2007	Jun 2007	Jan - Jun ¹	
	<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>Percent of Total</i>				
Class ²										
Cattle										
Steers	1,739	1,601	1,621	8,714	8,625	55.8	53.2	53.4	53.2	51.6
Heifers	889	878	927	4,927	5,016	28.5	29.2	30.5	30.1	30.0
All Cows	443	477	438	2,485	2,810	14.2	15.9	14.4	15.2	16.8
Dairy Cows	181	191	174	1,107	1,239	5.8	6.4	5.7	6.8	7.4
Other Cows	262	286	265	1,378	1,572	8.4	9.5	8.7	8.4	9.4
Bulls	46	52	49	248	267	1.5	1.7	1.6	1.5	1.6
Total ¹	3,116	3,008	3,035	16,374	16,718	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Calves & Vealers	58	58	60	324	382	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Hogs										
Barrow & Gilts	7,943	*8,355	7,911	48,807	49,856	96.2	96.3	96.3	96.6	96.4
Sows	285	283	266	1,595	1,628	3.5	3.3	3.2	3.2	3.1
Boars	28	42	40	147	243	0.3	0.5	0.5	0.3	0.5
Total ¹	8,256	8,680	8,217	50,549	51,727	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Sheep										
Mature Sheep	10	11	9	58	55	5.2	5.2	4.8	4.5	4.4
Lambs & Yrlngs	190	194	179	1,233	1,206	94.8	94.8	95.2	95.5	95.6
Total ¹	200	205	188	1,291	1,262	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Average Dressed Weight										
	<i>Pounds</i>	<i>Pounds</i>	<i>Pounds</i>	<i>Pounds</i>	<i>Pounds</i>					
Cattle	778	753	767	774	763					
Steers ³	828	800	816	819	811					
Heifers ³	750	730	743	756	748					
All Cows ³	621	618	617	635	626					
Bulls ³	938	905	917	927	910					
Calves & Vealers	213	210	184	217	195					
Hogs	200	202	200	203	202					
Barrow Gilts ⁴	196	198	196	200	199					
Sows ⁴	310	309	310	311	309					
Boars ⁴	227	213	216	232	213					
Sheep	69	73	70	72	71					
Mature Sheep ⁵	67	67	69	68	67					
Lamb & Yrlngs ⁵	69	73	70	72	71					

* Revised.

¹ Total and percentages based on unrounded data.

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

³ Included in cattle average dressed weight.

⁴ Included in hog average dressed weight.

⁵ Included in sheep average dressed weight.

**Federally Inspected Slaughter: By Region and United States,
June 2007¹**

Standard Federal Regions	Cattle							Calves
	Total ²	Steers	Heifers	Cows			Bulls	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	0.9	0.4	0.1					0.1
2	4.2	1.6	0.3	2.0	1.8	0.2	0.3	17.5
3	83.0	40.4	8.0	31.8	24.9	7.0	2.7	14.7
4	69.8	1.0	0.4	59.4	9.4	49.9	9.1	
5	334.0	163.0	39.5	123.2	62.3	61.0	8.2	15.2
6	541.2	278.7	192.4	60.5	10.2	50.3	9.6	1.4
7	1,431.9	821.8	543.6	57.8	0.9	57.0	8.7	
8	272.5	152.6	104.5					
9	183.5	98.6	14.4	66.0	50.5	15.5	4.4	9.8
10	113.8	62.5	23.8	24.0	9.6	14.4	3.5	
US ²	3,034.9	1,620.7	927.1	438.4	173.8	264.6	48.8	60.2
	Hogs				Sheep			
	Total ²	Barrows & Gilts	Sows	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>	<i>1,000 Head</i>
1	1.4	1.4						
2	11.9	11.7	0.1	0.1	11.9	1.2	10.7	
3	418.4	405.5	1.0	11.9	8.3	0.4	7.9	
4	1,187.0	1,125.3	60.3	1.4	2.7	1.0	1.7	
5	2,175.4	2,050.8	121.0	3.6	26.5	2.9	23.5	
6	450.0	429.2	20.7	0.2	0.7	0.3	0.4	
7	3,371.4	3,286.6			24.5	0.4	24.1	
8	364.4	363.9	0.5		83.0	1.7	81.3	
9	206.1	206.0						
10	31.2	31.1	0.1		2.6	0.2	2.4	
US ²	8,217.3	7,911.4	266.1	39.8	188.3	9.1	179.2	

¹ States included in regions are as follows: 1- CT, ME, NH, VT, MA, & RI; 2- NY & NJ; 3- DE-MD, PA, WV, & VA; 4- AL, FL, GA, KY, MS, NC, SC, & TN; 5- IL, IN, MI, MN, OH, & WI; 6- AR, LA, NM, OK, & TX; 7- IA, KS, MO, & NE; 8- CO, MT, ND, SD, UT, & WY; 9- AZ, CA, HI & NV; 10- AK, ID, OR, & WA.

² Totals may not add due to rounding.

**Federally Inspected Slaughter: By Region and United States,
January - June 2007 ¹**

Standard Federal Regions	Cattle							Calves
	Total ²	Steers	Heifers	Cows			Bulls	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	5.1	2.4	0.8					0.7
2	26.4	9.6	1.7	13.5	12.3	1.2	1.7	115.0
3	479.1	217.6	44.7	202.7	160.6	42.1	14.1	92.3
4	415.2	6.8	2.0	355.9	73.0	282.9	50.5	
5	1,949.9	880.6	220.2	805.0	422.7	382.3	44.1	99.1
6	3,031.5	1,585.9	984.0	401.6	89.6	311.9	60.0	9.8
7	7,695.5	4,374.0	2,903.3	370.6	8.4	362.2	47.6	0.2
8	1,420.3	707.3	610.7					
9	1,056.8	525.0	65.4	443.9	375.2	68.7	22.6	57.5
10	637.9	316.1	183.1	125.0	67.1	58.0	13.7	
US ²	16,717.7	8,625.1	5,016.0	2,810.1	1,238.6	1,571.6	266.6	382.5
	Hogs				Sheep			
	Total ²	Barrows & Gilts	Sows	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>	<i>1,000 Head</i>
1	6.0	5.8	0.1					
2	64.5	63.0	0.9	0.6	75.3	7.6		67.8
3	2,575.0	2,491.7	6.7	76.6	47.6	2.6		44.9
4	7,839.2	7,419.8	409.7	9.6	15.6	5.3		10.3
5	13,719.9	12,983.5	715.4	21.0	177.7	18.8		158.9
6	2,705.5	2,582.0	122.8	0.7	4.5	1.9		2.6
7	21,137.3	20,651.5			188.2	1.9		186.2
8	2,232.1	2,212.7	19.4	0.1	569.7	11.3		558.5
9	1,259.2	1,258.5						
10	188.0	187.4	0.5	0.1	12.7	0.9		11.8
US ²	51,726.6	49,856.0	1,627.7	242.8	1,261.7	55.5		1,206.2

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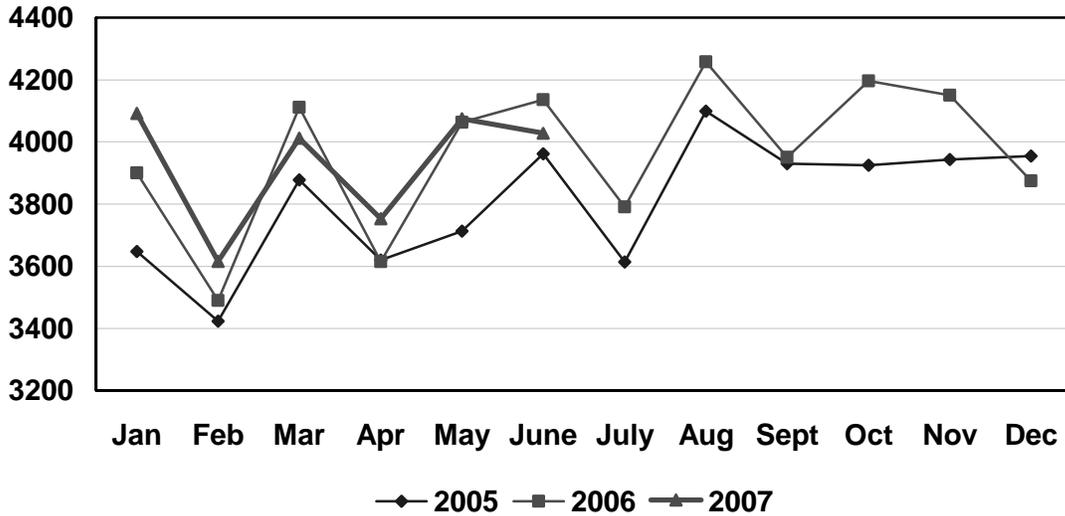
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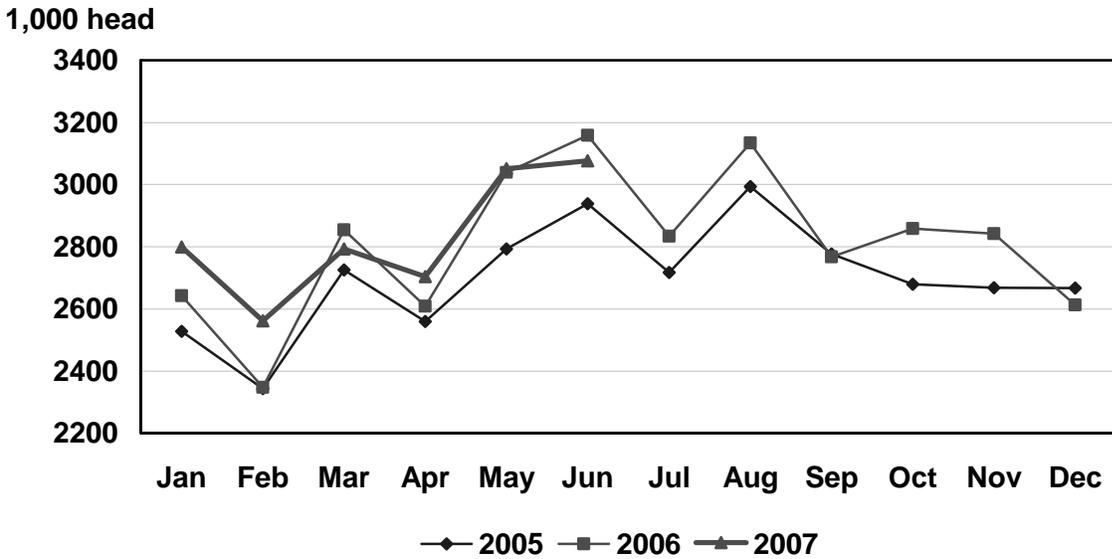
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				2006	2007
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
Cattle	98.6	98.6	98.6	98.3	98.4
Calves	98.5	98.4	98.5	98.1	98.3
Hogs	99.0	99.1	99.0	99.0	99.1
Sheep	94.5	94.0	94.0	94.8	94.5

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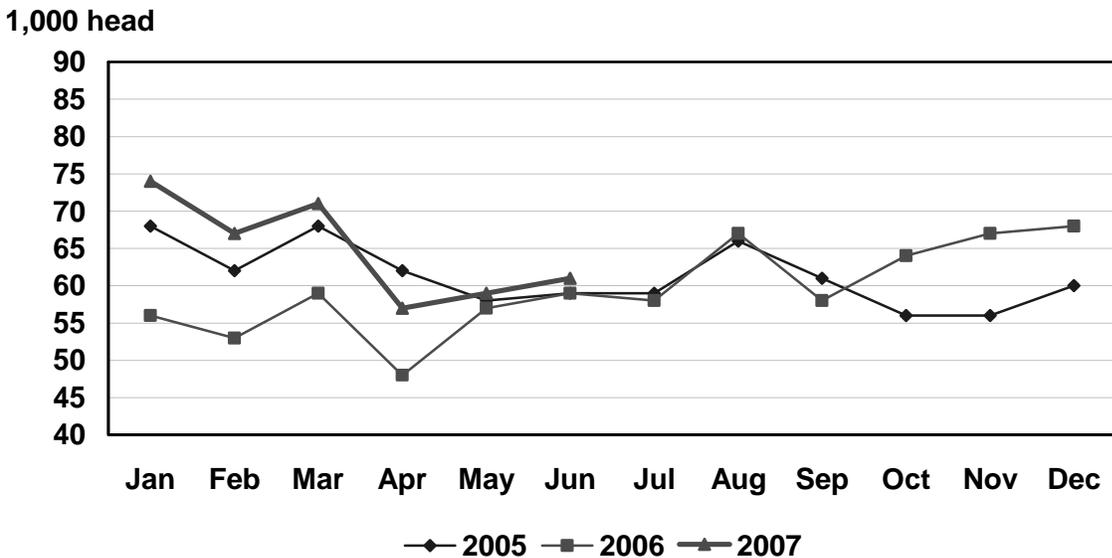
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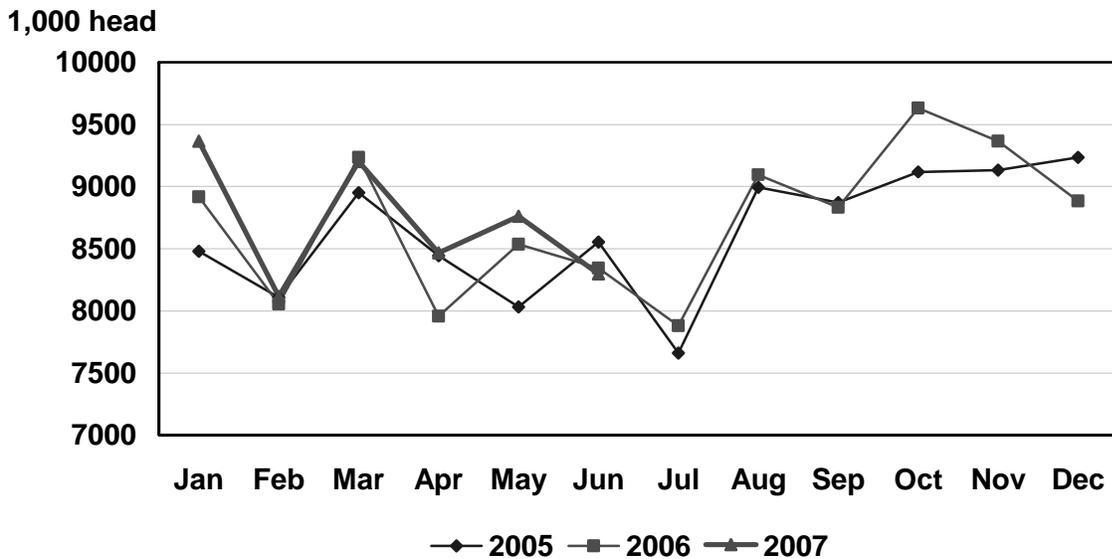
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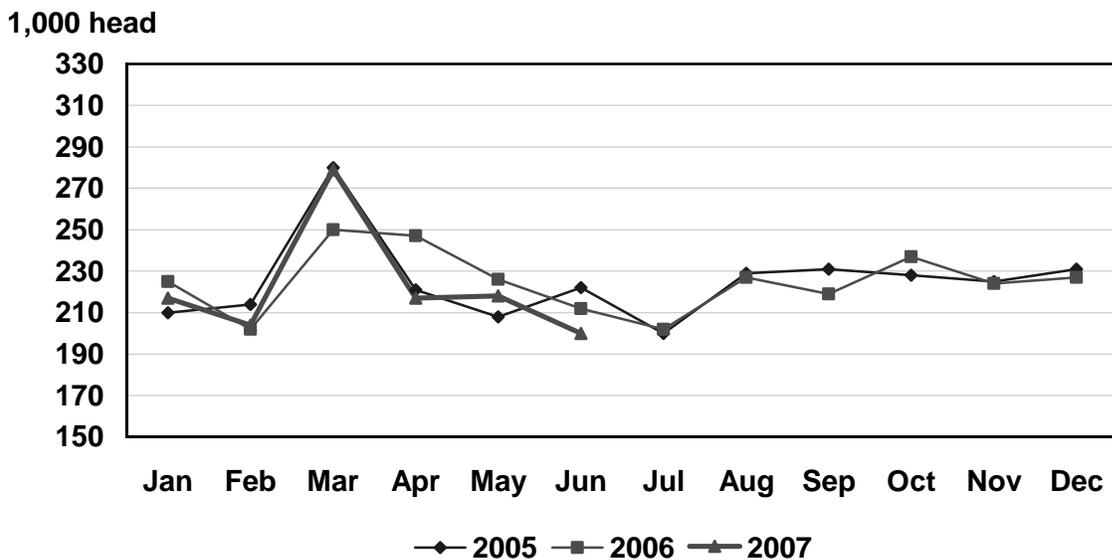
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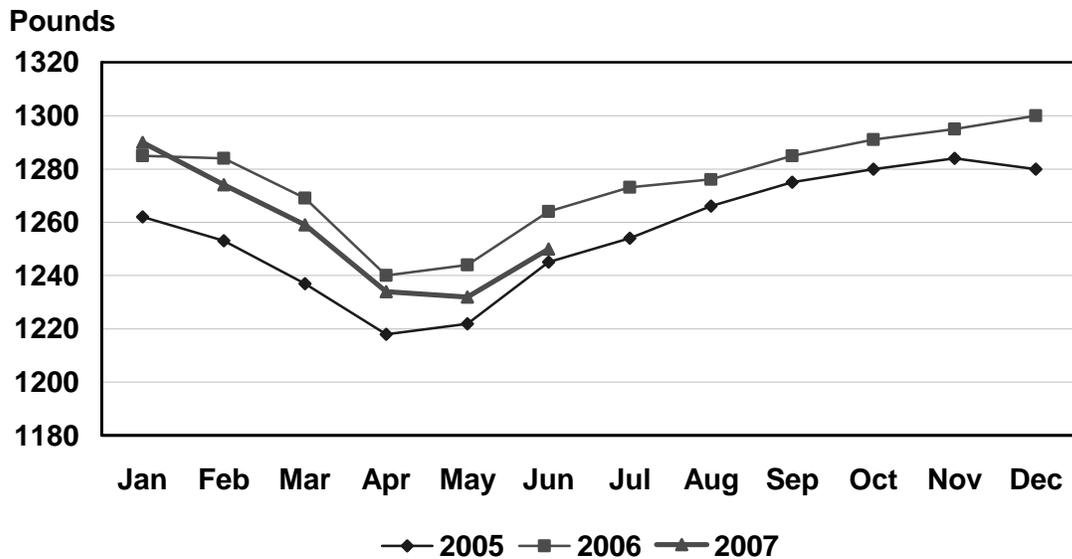
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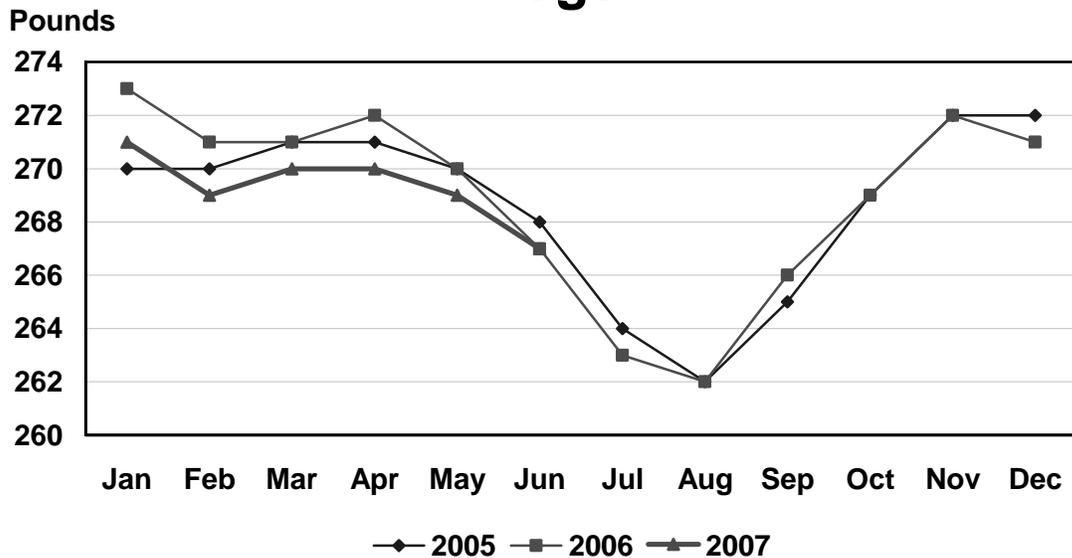
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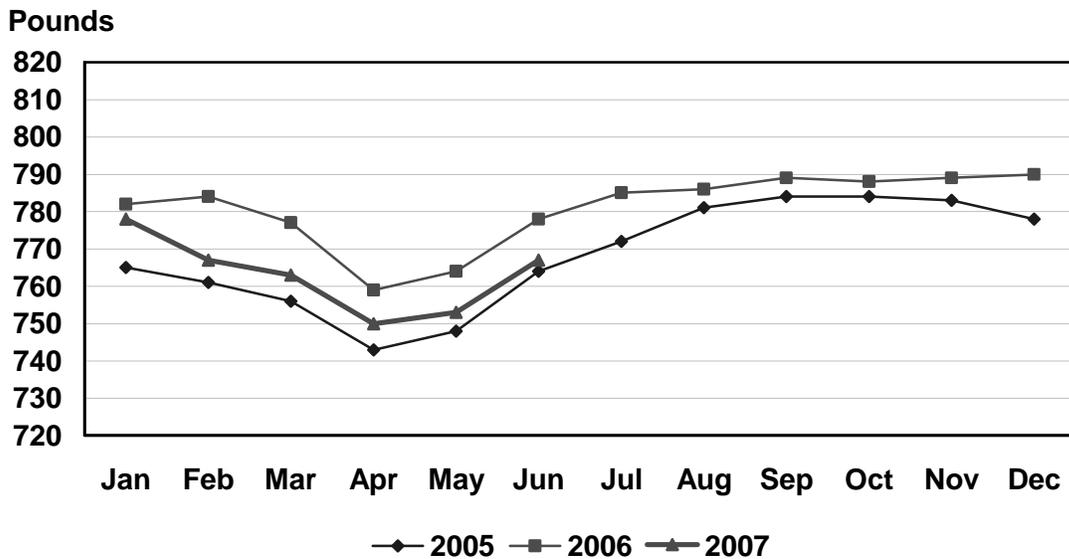
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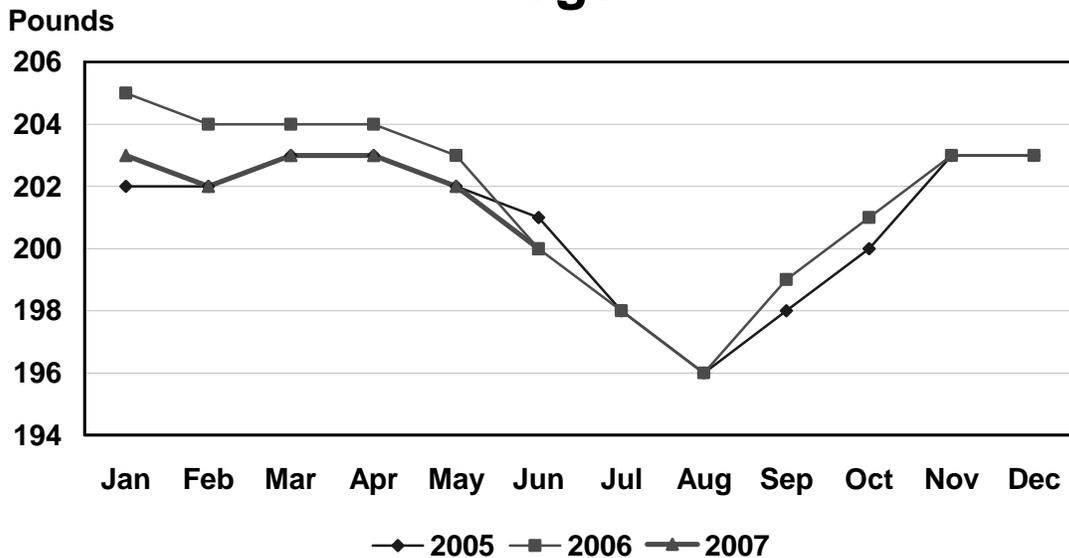
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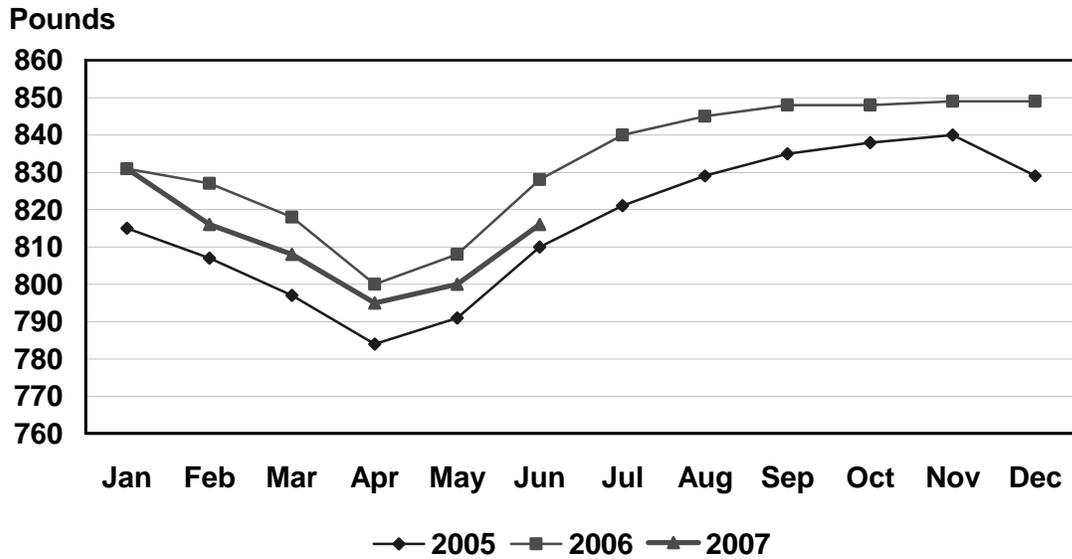
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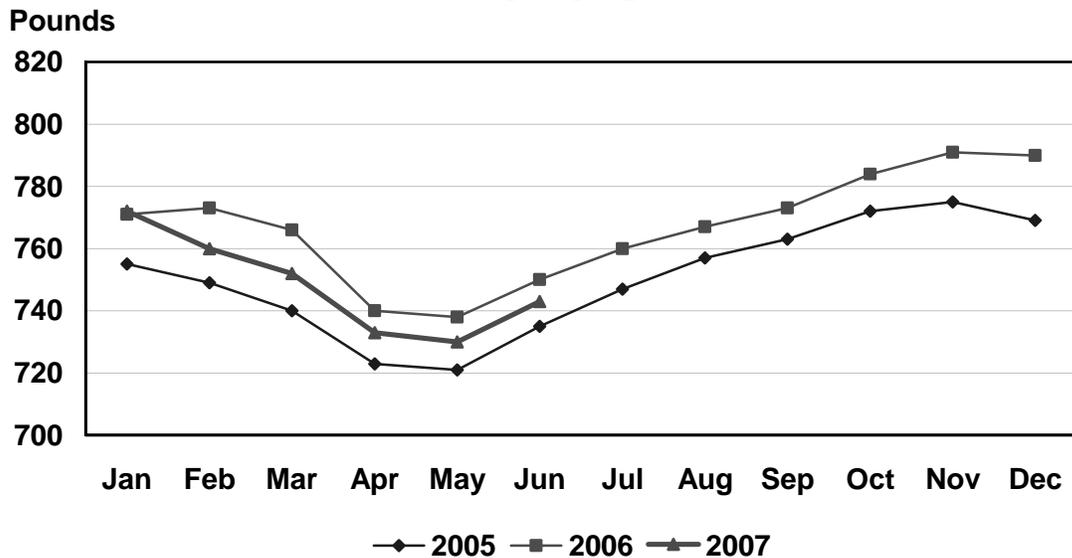
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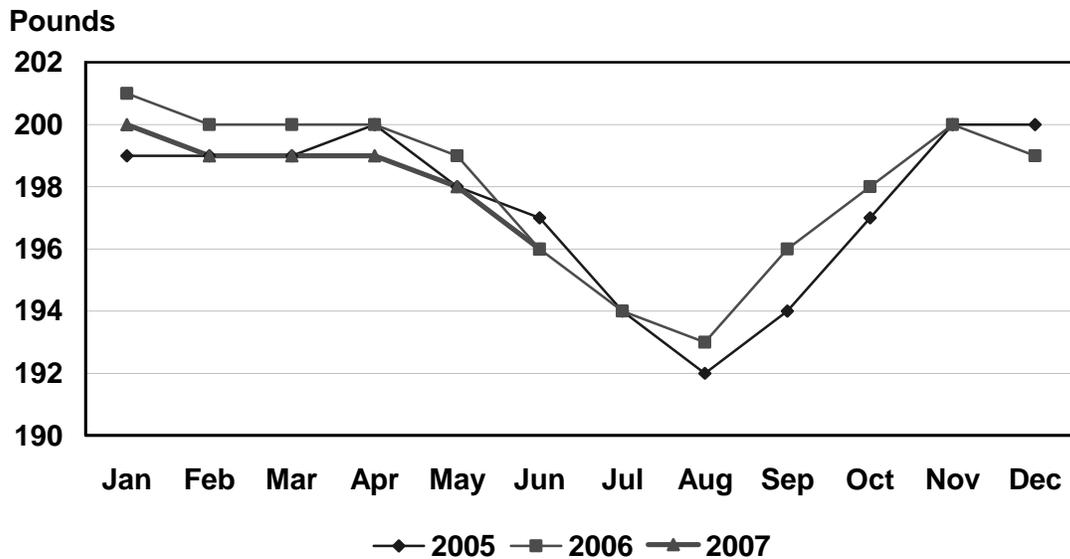
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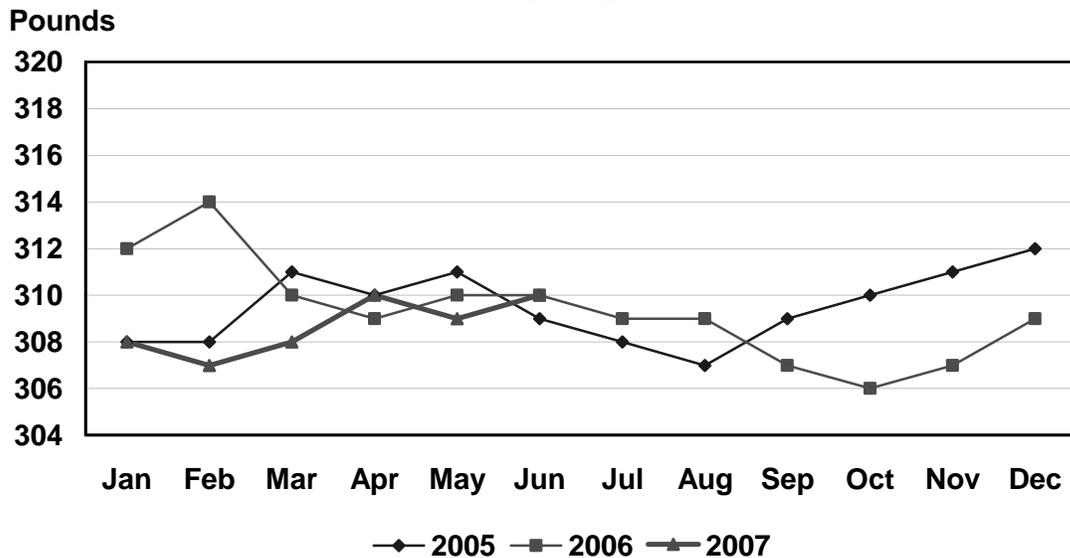
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U.S. Monthly Federally Inspected Average Dressed Weight Barrows and Gilts



U.S. Monthly Federally Inspected Average Dressed Weight Sows



Reliability of Livestock Slaughter Estimates

Data Sources: Primary data for the commercial livestock slaughter estimates are obtained from electronic reports completed by inspectors from the Food Safety and Inspection Service (FSIS), USDA, which provide daily counts of animals slaughtered in Federally Inspected (FI) plants, in addition to total live and dressed weights. These counts are combined with data from State-administered Non-Federally Inspected (NFI) slaughter plants to derive total commercial slaughter estimates. More than 95 percent of the total U.S. slaughter for any species is under Federal Inspection.

There are nearly 800 livestock slaughter plants in the U.S. operating under Federal Inspection and over 2,000 Non-Federally Inspected (State-inspected or custom-exempt) slaughter plants. Slaughter from State-inspected Talmedge-Aiken plants is included in FI totals (see Types of Plants, page 20). To prevent duplication in reporting between FI and NFI plants and assure all FI plants are included, certificates prepared by FSIS identifying operating status are constantly monitored

Revision Policy: Number of head slaughtered, live weights, and dressed weights are subject to revision the following month after the monthly release. Annual totals are published in the slaughter summary each March which includes any revisions made to current and previous year's published data. Revisions are generally the result of late reports received from slaughter plants and are usually less than one-half of one percent. No revisions will be made to the previous year's data after the publication of the annual summary in March.

Procedures and Reliability: The livestock slaughter data is obtained electronically on a daily basis and summarized approximately two weeks after the week of slaughter. An edit compares each plant's data with the historical data for that plant. Data are checked for unusual values for head kill, patterns of kill, average weights, and dressing percent, based on each plant's past operating profile. In addition, the edit provides a listing of missing reports for follow-up contact with FSIS. Average live and dressed weights and dressing percentages by State are compared with the previous weeks as an additional check. Fluctuations are frequently the result of plants permanently or temporarily closing and a shift in the species reported.

The FSIS District Veterinary Medical Specialists (DVMS) are contacted by e-mail or telephone for missing or potentially erroneous slaughter data. This assures that plants slaughtering a large number of head or several species are accounted for each week. Any corrections FSIS makes to the slaughter data are included in the summary.

Imputation may be necessary for incomplete reports. The imputation of live and dressed weights is based on the current week reported data of plants of similar size and location. Imputation for live and dressed weight data for cattle and hogs is less than 10 percent and 7 percent, respectively. The imputation for calves and sheep is more frequent and variable. If no data is received electronically or by other means, for plants slaughtering fewer than 50 total head weekly of only one species, data are imputed. The imputation of head for any plant is based on the historical data for that particular plant. The imputation of head slaughtered is rare but when necessary, the imputed head kill for missing plants usually is less than 1 percent of the U.S. head kill totals.

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

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 when an individual plant's data could be divulged. If not published, these data are still included in US and region totals. A review of the data is made annually to determine the publishable data.

Types of Livestock Slaughter 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 Used for Livestock Slaughter Estimates

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 excluding condemnation and is comprised of beef, veal, pork, and lamb and mutton. The FI red meat production is equal to the total carcass weight after slaughter. The NFI meat production formula is (NFI head kill) X (live weight) X (FI dressing percentage) = 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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