



Livestock Slaughter

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Record Commercial Red Meat Production for June

Commercial red meat production for the United States totaled 4.22 billion pounds in June, up 1 percent from the 4.18 billion pounds produced in June 2010.

Beef production, at 2.37 billion pounds, was 2 percent above the previous year. Cattle slaughter totaled 3.10 million head, up 2 percent from June 2010. The average live weight was up 1 pound from the previous year, at 1,262 pounds.

Veal production totaled 11.2 million pounds, 4 percent above June a year ago. Calf slaughter totaled 72,500 head, up 6 percent from June 2010. The average live weight was down 3 pounds from last year, at 266 pounds.

Pork production totaled 1.82 billion pounds, down 1 percent from the previous year. Hog slaughter totaled 8.94 million head, down 1 percent from June 2010. The average live weight was up 2 pounds from the previous year, at 273 pounds.

Lamb and mutton production, at 12.6 million pounds, was down 11 percent from June 2010. Sheep slaughter totaled 183,400 head, 14 percent below last year. The average live weight was 137 pounds, up 3 pounds from June a year ago.

January to June 2011 commercial red meat production was 24.2 billion pounds, up 1 percent from 2010. Accumulated beef production was up 1 percent from last year, veal was down 2 percent, pork was up 2 percent from last year, and lamb and mutton production was down 8 percent.

June 2010 contained 22 weekdays (including zero holidays) and 4 Saturdays.

June 2011 contained 22 weekdays (including zero holidays) and 4 Saturdays.

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Commercial Red Meat Production - United States

[Totals, accumulated totals and percentages based on unrounded data]

Type	June 2010	May 2011	June 2011	June 2011 as % of		January - June		
				June 2010	May 2011	2010	2011	2011 as % of 2010
	(million pounds)	(million pounds)	(million pounds)	(percent)	(percent)	(million pounds)	(million pounds)	(percent)
Beef	2,320.0	2,131.4	2,374.5	102	111	12,794.7	12,970.0	101
Veal	10.7	10.3	11.2	104	109	66.4	65.1	98
Pork	1,831.7	1,759.6	1,820.1	99	103	10,909.3	11,090.3	102
Lamb and mutton	14.1	12.9	12.6	89	98	82.5	75.9	92
Total red meat	4,176.5	3,914.2	4,218.4	101	108	23,853.0	24,201.4	101

Federally Inspected Red Meat Production - United States

[Totals, accumulated totals and percentages based on unrounded data]

Type	June 2010	May 2011	June 2011	June 2011 as % of		January - June		
				June 2010	May 2011	2010	2011	2011 as % of 2010
	(million pounds)	(million pounds)	(million pounds)	(percent)	(percent)	(million pounds)	(million pounds)	(percent)
Beef	2,290.8	2,105.3	2,347.0	102	111	12,621.3	12,802.3	101
Veal	10.4	10.0	11.0	105	109	64.7	63.5	98
Pork	1,818.7	1,747.3	1,807.1	99	103	10,831.1	11,013.7	102
Lamb and mutton	13.3	12.3	11.8	89	96	78.6	72.5	92
Total red meat	4,133.3	3,874.9	4,176.9	101	108	23,595.7	23,952.0	102

Livestock Slaughter, Number of Head and Average Live Weight - United States

[Totals, accumulated totals and percentages based on unrounded data]

Species	June 2010	May 2011	June 2011	June 2011 as % of 2010	January - June		
					2010	2011	2011 as % of 2010
				(percent)			(percent)
Cattle							
Number of head							
Federally inspected 1,000	3,004.1	2,777.3	3,058.4	102	16,572.0	16,693.6	101
Other 1,000	45.3	40.7	42.8	94	271.4	262.3	97
Commercial 1,000	3,049.5	2,818.0	3,101.2	102	16,843.4	16,955.9	101
Live weight per head							
Federally inspected pounds	1,263	1,255	1,263	100	1,270	1,274	100
Other pounds	1,125	1,125	1,126	100	1,129	1,130	100
Commercial pounds	1,261	1,253	1,262	100	1,268	1,272	100
Calves							
Number of head							
Federally inspected 1,000	67.3	60.0	71.5	106	427.0	399.8	94
Other 1,000	1.2	1.1	1.1	87	7.1	6.2	87
Commercial 1,000	68.5	61.1	72.5	106	434.1	406.0	94
Live weight per head							
Federally inspected pounds	267	285	264	99	258	273	106
Other pounds	425	434	421	99	428	432	101
Commercial pounds	269	288	266	99	261	276	106
Hogs							
Number of head							
Federally inspected 1,000	8,968.0	8,470.4	8,865.6	99	53,248.3	53,166.0	100
Other 1,000	78.3	71.5	74.4	95	455.7	432.7	95
Commercial 1,000	9,046.3	8,541.8	8,940.0	99	53,704.0	53,598.7	100
Live weight per head							
Federally inspected pounds	271	276	273	101	272	277	102
Other pounds	231	237	242	105	239	246	103
Commercial pounds	271	275	273	101	272	276	102
Sheep and lambs							
Number of head							
Federally inspected 1,000	194.2	165.8	168.2	87	1,126.4	1,005.2	89
Other 1,000	17.9	13.5	15.2	85	87.4	74.4	85
Commercial 1,000	212.1	179.4	183.4	86	1,213.8	1,079.6	89
Live weight per head							
Federally inspected pounds	138	148	141	102	140	144	103
Other pounds	87	89	97	112	93	94	101
Commercial pounds	134	143	137	103	137	141	103
Goats							
Number of head							
Federally inspected 1,000	52.8	44.5	49.5	94	285.9	262.4	92
Other 1,000	10.9	13.7	14.6	135	69.3	80.5	116
Commercial 1,000	63.7	58.2	64.1	101	355.2	342.9	97
Live weight per head							
Federally inspected pounds	61	63	62	101	62	63	102
Other pounds	75	68	77	103	72	69	96
Commercial pounds	64	64	65	103	64	65	101
Bison							
Number of head							
Federally inspected 1,000	4.8	3.7	4.0	83	27.9	22.5	81
Other 1,000	0.9	0.7	0.8	92	5.7	5.0	88
Commercial 1,000	5.7	4.4	4.8	84	33.6	27.6	82

Commercial Red Meat Production - States and United States

[Includes total beef, veal, pork, lamb, and mutton. Totals and percentages based on unrounded data]

State	June 2010	May 2011	June 2011	June 2011 as % of 2010
	(million pounds)	(million pounds)	(million pounds)	(percent)
Alabama	1.9	1.7	1.9	102
Alaska	0.1	-	-	-
Arizona	32.3	32.6	38.6	119
Arkansas	4.4	3.5	3.5	79
California	149.5	143.3	152.1	102
Colorado	189.6	169.5	195.3	103
Delaware-Maryland	3.3	3.2	3.1	92
Florida	9.3	9.6	10.0	107
Georgia	9.8	9.1	11.5	117
Hawaii	0.9	0.9	0.9	104
Idaho	17.2	13.9	3.1	18
Illinois	220.7	209.4	218.2	99
Indiana	147.5	137.7	141.6	96
Iowa	530.5	502.2	524.5	99
Kansas	484.0	437.8	506.7	105
Kentucky	43.2	42.9	43.6	101
Louisiana	0.5	0.5	0.4	97
Michigan	45.0	41.1	40.3	90
Minnesota	228.7	214.3	228.2	100
Mississippi	1.7	1.8	2.0	120
Missouri	139.4	135.1	138.3	99
Montana	1.7	1.3	1.4	86
Nebraska	619.8	564.9	622.8	100
Nevada	0.1	0.1	0.1	164
New England ¹	1.3	1.4	1.5	114
New Jersey	4.7	4.2	4.8	103
New Mexico	0.3	0.3	0.3	99
New York	2.7	2.4	2.6	97
North Carolina	198.1	197.3	198.9	100
North Dakota	3.3	4.3	3.4	102
Ohio	25.0	24.7	25.3	101
Oklahoma	97.0	94.9	103.2	106
Oregon	5.2	5.6	5.9	112
Pennsylvania	105.4	101.3	104.5	99
South Carolina	19.7	19.6	19.5	99
South Dakota	82.9	75.6	76.0	92
Tennessee	18.6	14.5	17.5	94
Texas	455.1	438.7	494.5	109
Utah	39.2	34.0	40.5	103
Virginia	38.4	36.9	37.6	98
Washington	76.3	68.8	76.5	100
West Virginia	0.4	0.4	0.4	92
Wisconsin	121.5	112.5	116.9	96
Wyoming	0.5	0.4	0.5	103
United States	4,176.5	3,914.2	4,218.4	101

- Represents zero.

¹ New England includes Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Rhode Island, and Vermont.

Commercial Cattle Slaughter - States and United States: June 2010 and 2011

[Data may not add to totals due to rounding]

State	Number slaughtered		Total live weight		Average live weight	
	2010 (1,000 head)	2011 (1,000 head)	2010 (1,000 pounds)	2011 (1,000 pounds)	2010 (pounds)	2011 (pounds)
Alabama	0.6	0.6	585	523	975	924
Alaska	0.1	-	60	-	1,115	-
Arizona	46.8	52.0	59,121	66,475	1,269	1,281
Arkansas	0.8	0.5	798	510	962	971
California	149.3	156.3	190,718	197,538	1,299	1,285
Colorado	233.7	236.3	293,274	299,405	1,255	1,268
Delaware-Maryland	3.7	3.4	4,777	4,386	1,302	1,285
Florida	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Georgia	18.5	21.6	17,907	20,691	971	961
Hawaii	1.1	1.1	1,148	1,217	1,093	1,126
Idaho	23.9	2.3	29,106	2,299	1,236	1,128
Illinois	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Indiana	3.8	3.9	4,036	4,177	1,059	1,059
Iowa	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Kansas	594.5	612.0	753,421	782,722	1,268	1,279
Kentucky	1.3	1.2	1,284	1,278	977	1,039
Louisiana	0.4	0.5	325	349	761	742
Michigan	53.4	47.2	71,967	63,393	1,354	1,352
Minnesota	78.7	77.9	108,369	105,574	1,383	1,362
Mississippi	0.2	0.1	83	44	503	469
Missouri	4.6	6.2	5,335	7,308	1,155	1,182
Montana	2.1	1.8	2,489	2,141	1,160	1,159
Nebraska	620.3	618.9	792,515	799,121	1,279	1,292
Nevada	0.1	0.2	96	170	1,010	1,063
New England ¹	1.4	1.6	1,502	1,626	1,061	1,044
New Jersey	3.5	3.6	3,936	4,022	1,148	1,123
New Mexico	0.3	0.4	346	423	1,018	1,185
New York	2.6	2.7	3,009	2,973	1,168	1,142
North Carolina	17.8	18.8	20,884	21,028	1,180	1,121
North Dakota	2.2	3.3	2,701	4,252	1,214	1,294
Ohio	10.0	10.1	11,860	11,831	1,194	1,177
Oklahoma	2.7	2.2	2,560	2,179	954	988
Oregon	3.6	4.4	4,332	5,284	1,217	1,216
Pennsylvania	79.4	82.0	97,385	95,359	1,238	1,177
South Carolina	14.1	13.3	15,800	15,232	1,135	1,156
South Dakota	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Tennessee	3.6	3.9	2,970	3,219	837	843
Texas	602.6	657.6	735,342	795,345	1,223	1,212
Utah	50.0	50.3	63,557	65,433	1,275	1,304
Virginia	0.8	1.1	883	1,233	1,058	1,158
Washington	96.1	94.9	122,879	123,244	1,284	1,305
West Virginia	0.4	0.4	410	428	1,113	1,058
Wisconsin	148.8	141.3	196,481	183,088	1,332	1,307
Wyoming	0.6	0.6	672	711	1,160	1,149
United States	3,049.5	3,101.2	3,834,320	3,900,208	1,261	1,262

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Commercial Calf Slaughter - States and United States: June 2010 and 2011

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State	Number slaughtered		Total live weight		Average live weight	
	2010 (1,000 head)	2011 (1,000 head)	2010 (1,000 pounds)	2011 (1,000 pounds)	2010 (pounds)	2011 (pounds)
Alabama	0.1	-	25	-	495	-
Alaska	-	(D)	-	(D)	-	(D)
Arizona	-	-	-	-	-	-
Arkansas	-	-	-	-	-	-
California	15.2	17.6	1,692	1,809	113	103
Colorado	-	(D)	-	(D)	-	(D)
Delaware-Maryland	0.3	0.4	75	95	269	265
Florida	-	(D)	-	(D)	-	(D)
Georgia	0.1	-	25	-	484	-
Hawaii	(D)	-	(D)	-	(D)	-
Idaho	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Illinois	1.6	1.5	698	663	438	431
Indiana	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Iowa	-	-	-	-	-	-
Kansas	-	-	-	-	-	-
Kentucky	-	0.1	-	38	-	587
Louisiana	0.5	0.3	246	184	528	528
Michigan	1.5	1.7	648	718	424	423
Minnesota	-	-	-	-	-	-
Mississippi	-	-	-	-	-	-
Missouri	-	-	-	-	-	-
Montana	(D)	-	(D)	-	(D)	-
Nebraska	(D)	-	(D)	-	(D)	-
Nevada	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
New England ¹	(D)	2.4	(D)	222	(D)	94
New Jersey	6.2	6.7	2,631	2,864	428	426
New Mexico	-	0.3	-	24	-	77
New York	9.5	9.3	967	876	106	102
North Carolina	0.1	0.1	68	72	475	506
North Dakota	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Ohio	8.8	10.5	2,077	2,518	243	256
Oklahoma	0.1	0.1	37	36	406	407
Oregon	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Pennsylvania	9.4	10.1	4,041	4,328	431	427
South Carolina	-	-	-	-	-	-
South Dakota	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Tennessee	-	-	-	-	-	-
Texas	0.7	0.6	370	367	516	607
Utah	(D)	-	(D)	-	(D)	-
Virginia	0.1	-	24	-	347	-
Washington	(D)	1.5	(D)	118	(D)	77
West Virginia	-	(D)	-	(D)	-	(D)
Wisconsin	9.0	8.4	3,988	3,783	441	450
Wyoming	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
United States	68.5	72.5	18,214	18,938	269	266

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Commercial Hog Slaughter - States and United States: June 2010 and 2011

[Data may not add to totals due to rounding]

State	Number slaughtered		Total live weight		Average live weight	
	2010 (1,000 head)	2011 (1,000 head)	2010 (1,000 pounds)	2011 (1,000 pounds)	2010 (pounds)	2011 (pounds)
Alabama	6.5	6.7	2,815	2,837	434	427
Alaska	0.1	(D)	23	(D)	246	(D)
Arizona	0.1	0.1	21	20	207	264
Arkansas	13.0	10.5	5,985	4,894	461	464
California	212.3	202.4	50,476	48,293	238	239
Colorado	0.5	0.5	136	127	250	257
Delaware-Maryland	1.5	1.6	311	337	212	218
Florida	5.1	8.1	712	1,057	140	131
Georgia	6.2	6.4	1,488	1,556	241	244
Hawaii	1.3	1.3	327	331	247	258
Idaho	8.8	10.0	2,191	2,520	249	251
Illinois	735.1	740.0	204,486	206,132	278	279
Indiana	727.8	688.9	191,263	183,636	263	267
Iowa	2,396.9	2,378.4	652,704	648,582	273	273
Kansas	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Kentucky	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Louisiana	0.8	0.9	149	165	189	193
Michigan	7.8	11.5	2,950	4,106	378	357
Minnesota	841.9	851.1	224,737	226,354	267	266
Mississippi	8.3	9.2	2,346	2,862	283	310
Missouri	647.0	642.2	180,853	178,100	280	278
Montana	1.1	1.2	277	273	246	238
Nebraska	646.8	625.4	175,139	168,846	271	270
Nevada	(D)	-	(D)	-	(D)	-
New England ¹	2.1	2.2	402	452	193	202
New Jersey	9.1	9.7	902	920	99	94
New Mexico	0.1	-	19	-	244	-
New York	2.7	3.0	507	498	185	165
North Carolina	959.9	938.9	249,095	249,589	260	266
North Dakota	9.9	4.9	2,508	1,253	254	255
Ohio	88.6	88.8	23,555	23,618	267	267
Oklahoma	461.2	477.5	126,159	133,867	274	280
Oregon	15.1	15.5	3,741	3,866	249	250
Pennsylvania	241.3	234.6	61,360	59,582	255	254
South Carolina	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
South Dakota	376.1	345.9	99,307	90,197	264	261
Tennessee	54.7	49.3	25,169	23,346	461	474
Texas	33.8	37.6	7,048	10,158	209	271
Utah	4.3	5.9	667	810	156	137
Virginia	187.5	182.8	49,900	48,576	266	266
Washington	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
West Virginia	0.5	0.5	104	100	229	212
Wisconsin	43.5	54.1	19,443	24,790	451	460
Wyoming	0.2	0.2	61	50	277	244
United States	9,046.3	8,940.0	2,449,712	2,434,938	271	273

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Commercial Sheep and Lamb Slaughter - States and United States: June 2010 and 2011

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State	Number slaughtered		Total live weight		Average live weight	
	2010 (1,000 head)	2011 (1,000 head)	2010 (1,000 pounds)	2011 (1,000 pounds)	2010 (pounds)	2011 (pounds)
Alabama	-	0.1	-	6	-	78
Alaska	-	-	-	-	-	-
Arizona	0.2	0.2	26	26	110	121
Arkansas	-	-	-	-	-	-
California	38.0	35.9	5,540	5,201	146	146
Colorado	65.0	73.3	10,226	11,924	157	163
Delaware-Maryland	4.8	3.2	443	297	93	92
Florida	(D)	0.2	(D)	11	(D)	54
Georgia	0.4	0.4	27	25	72	61
Hawaii	0.1	0.1	8	9	129	119
Idaho	0.2	0.2	29	27	123	133
Illinois	10.1	10.1	1,396	1,357	138	135
Indiana	3.5	2.8	394	302	114	109
Iowa	22.9	0.2	3,350	29	146	143
Kansas	0.2	0.3	25	28	100	97
Kentucky	1.0	0.9	128	116	123	125
Louisiana	0.3	0.3	21	14	63	53
Michigan	16.6	12.9	2,132	1,599	128	125
Minnesota	0.6	0.2	64	25	114	132
Mississippi	0.1	(D)	8	(D)	63	(D)
Missouri	0.5	0.4	55	45	115	102
Montana	0.3	0.2	25	20	94	90
Nebraska	0.1	0.1	10	9	122	122
Nevada	0.1	-	10	-	133	-
New England ¹	2.1	2.2	186	198	88	90
New Jersey	11.6	9.5	926	815	80	85
New Mexico	1.4	0.9	195	123	142	143
New York	3.3	2.9	307	246	94	84
North Carolina	1.2	1.4	86	94	73	68
North Dakota	-	-	-	-	-	-
Ohio	1.4	0.9	147	96	107	106
Oklahoma	0.2	0.2	17	15	96	92
Oregon	2.2	2.3	309	321	140	139
Pennsylvania	3.5	3.3	340	320	97	96
South Carolina	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
South Dakota	0.3	0.2	45	27	136	116
Tennessee	1.5	0.8	96	52	66	69
Texas	11.6	11.4	839	995	73	88
Utah	2.4	2.3	329	321	137	141
Virginia	1.3	0.5	120	50	95	97
Washington	0.7	0.7	122	120	164	164
West Virginia	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Wisconsin	0.8	0.7	103	100	135	143
Wyoming	0.1	0.1	12	10	153	145
United States	212.1	183.4	28,309	25,116	134	137

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Livestock Slaughtered Under Federal Inspection, By Class - United States

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Class	June 2010	May 2011	June 2011	January - June		June 2010	May 2011	June 2011	January - June	
				2010	2011				2010	2011
	(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)
Cattle										
Steers	1,564	1,431	1,596	8,206	8,248	52.1	51.5	52.2	49.5	49.4
Heifers	860	782	878	4,936	4,991	28.6	28.2	28.7	29.8	29.9
All cows	525	516	538	3,127	3,168	17.5	18.6	17.6	18.9	19.0
Dairy cows	214	220	219	1,370	1,458	7.1	7.9	7.2	8.3	8.7
Other cows	311	296	319	1,758	1,710	10.4	10.6	10.4	10.6	10.2
Bulls	55	48	47	303	287	1.8	1.7	1.5	1.8	1.7
Total	3,004	2,777	3,058	16,572	16,694	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Calves and vealers	67	60	71	427	400	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Hogs										
Barrows and gilts	8,691	8,202	8,570	51,589	51,533	96.9	96.8	96.7	96.9	96.9
Sows	247	241	268	1,462	1,469	2.8	2.8	3.0	2.7	2.8
Boars	30	27	28	198	164	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.3
Total	8,968	8,470	8,866	53,248	53,166	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Sheep										
Mature sheep	14	15	16	81	70	7.3	9.1	9.4	7.2	7.0
Lambs and yearlings	180	151	152	1,046	935	92.7	90.9	90.6	92.8	93.0
Total	194	166	168	1,126	1,005	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0

Federally Inspected Slaughter, Average Dressed Weight, By Class - United States

[Data may not add to totals due to rounding]

Class	June 2010	May 2011	June 2011	January - June	
				2010	2011
	(pounds)	(pounds)	(pounds)	(pounds)	(pounds)
Cattle	765	761	770	764	770
Steers ¹	821	819	832	821	830
Heifers ¹	749	749	758	758	766
All cows ¹	609	602	594	613	607
Bulls ¹	896	881	878	879	875
Calves and vealers	157	170	156	153	162
Hogs	203	206	204	204	207
Barrows and gilts ²	200	203	201	201	204
Sows ²	307	310	309	306	308
Boars ²	202	212	210	198	211
Sheep	69	74	71	70	72
Mature sheep ³	65	68	62	65	67
Lambs and yearlings ³	69	75	71	70	73

¹ Included in cattle average dressed weight.

² Included in hog average dressed weight.

³ Included in sheep average dressed weight.

Federally Inspected Slaughter - Regions and United States: June 2011

[Data may not add to totals due to rounding]

Standard federal regions ¹	Cattle						Calves	
	Total	Steers	Heifers	Cows			Bulls	Total
				All	Dairy	Other		
	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)
1	1.4	0.7	0.3	0.3	0.1	0.2	0.1	2.4
2	6.1	2.0	0.5	3.2	2.7	0.5	0.4	16.0
3	85.2	31.6	10.9	40.8	32.5	8.4	2.0	10.5
4	73.8	2.5	0.8	61.8	14.0	47.8	8.7	0.2
5	344.6	159.4	38.5	136.3	76.4	59.9	10.4	22.5
6	655.7	312.3	213.6	118.9	12.4	106.4	10.8	0.9
7	1,281.5	750.8	463.4	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	0.1
8	300.4	179.6	101.0	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	-
9	209.0	97.7	24.3	82.9	62.8	20.1	4.1	17.5
10	100.6	59.2	24.2	15.8	11.0	4.8	1.4	1.5
United States	3,058.4	1,595.8	877.6	537.7	219.1	318.6	47.3	71.5
	Hogs				Sheep			
	Total	Barrows and gilts	Sows	Boars	Total	Mature sheep	Lambs and yearlings	
	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	
1	1.9	1.9	-	-	2.1	0.4	1.7	
2	12.7	12.5	(D)	(D)	12.0	1.9	10.0	
3	418.1	417.2	(D)	(D)	7.7	0.5	7.2	
4	1,269.0	1,200.2	64.2	4.6	3.9	1.0	2.8	
5	2,403.5	2,274.5	123.3	5.6	23.5	2.8	20.7	
6	519.7	501.4	18.2	0.1	5.6	4.4	1.2	
7	3,660.7	3,582.4	60.4	17.9	0.6	-	0.6	
8	356.0	355.8	0.1	-	75.5	4.0	71.5	
9	196.9	196.7	0.1	-	34.8	0.6	34.2	
10	27.1	27.0	0.1	-	2.5	0.2	2.3	
United States	8,865.6	8,569.6	267.6	28.4	168.2	15.8	152.4	

- Represents zero.

(D) Withheld to avoid disclosing data for individual operations.

¹ States included in regions are as follows: 1 - Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Rhode Island, Vermont; 2 - New Jersey, New York; 3 - Delaware-Maryland, Pennsylvania, Virginia, West Virginia; 4 - Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee; 5 - Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Minnesota, Ohio, Wisconsin; 6 - Arkansas, Louisiana, New Mexico, Oklahoma, Texas; 7 - Iowa, Kansas, Missouri, Nebraska; 8- Colorado, Montana, North Dakota, South Dakota, Utah, Wyoming; 9 - Arizona, California, Hawaii, Nevada; 10 - Alaska, Idaho, Oregon, Washington.

Federally Inspected Slaughter - Regions and United States: January - June 2011

[Data may not add to totals due to rounding]

Standard federal regions ¹	Cattle						Calves	
	Total	Steers	Heifers	Cows			Bulls	Total
				All	Dairy	Other		
(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)
1	7.5	3.3	1.6	1.4	0.8	0.6	1.1	6.1
2	34.7	11.2	3.1	18.0	15.3	2.7	2.5	84.1
3	494.6	177.3	49.1	256.4	204.6	51.8	11.7	60.5
4	426.3	12.4	4.8	353.7	87.4	266.4	55.3	1.2
5	1,994.5	903.0	213.3	821.4	496.8	324.7	56.8	126.4
6	3,416.0	1,680.9	1,048.2	614.5	110.2	504.3	72.3	7.8
7	6,921.2	3,782.6	2,745.3	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	0.3
8	1,596.5	833.8	644.5	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	-
9	1,160.8	537.1	115.9	486.9	408.1	78.8	20.8	99.8
10	641.6	306.4	164.8	155.9	86.2	69.7	14.4	13.5
United States	16,693.6	8,248.1	4,990.7	3,168.1	1,457.7	1,710.4	286.7	399.8
	Hogs				Sheep			
	Total	Barrows and gilts	Sows	Boars	Total	Mature sheep	Lambs and yearlings	
	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)
1	8.6	8.2	0.2	0.1	13.2	1.9	11.3	
2	64.9	63.8	(D)	(D)	73.7	10.0	63.7	
3	2,440.5	2,428.7	(D)	(D)	46.2	2.1	44.2	
4	7,533.2	7,145.1	366.4	21.7	19.5	4.8	14.8	
5	14,197.2	13,511.4	654.6	31.1	153.3	16.5	136.8	
6	3,011.4	2,906.8	104.3	0.3	18.7	11.0	7.7	
7	22,187.9	21,748.9	334.6	104.4	51.5	2.5	49.1	
8	2,352.9	2,351.6	1.2	-	471.3	18.5	452.8	
9	1,214.5	1,214.1	0.4	0.1	145.7	2.5	143.2	
10	154.9	154.5	0.3	0.1	12.1	0.8	11.3	
United States	53,166.0	51,533.3	1,468.7	164.0	1,005.2	70.4	934.8	

- Represents zero.

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Federally Inspected Slaughter, Percent of Total Commercial Slaughter - United States

Species	June 2010	May 2011	June 2011	January - June	
				2010	2011
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Cattle	98.5	98.6	98.6	98.4	98.5
Calves	98.2	98.2	98.5	98.4	98.5
Hogs	99.1	99.2	99.2	99.2	99.2
Sheep	91.6	92.5	91.7	92.8	93.1

Statistical Methodology

Data Sources: Primary data for the *Livestock Slaughter* publication 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.

There are nearly 800 livestock slaughter plants in the United States operating under Federal Inspection and over 1,900 Non-Federally Inspected (State-inspected or custom-exempt) slaughter plants. Slaughter from State-inspected Talmedge-Aiken plants is included in FI totals (see Terms and Definitions, page 15). 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 April 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 April.

Procedures and Reliability: The livestock slaughter data is obtained electronically on a daily basis and summarized approximately two weeks after the week of slaughter. A computer program 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 computer program 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.

Computer 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 United States 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 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 non-sampling errors such as omissions, duplications and mistakes in reporting, recording and processing the data. These errors are minimized through rigid quality controls in the computer edit program 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, as indicated with a (D), these data are still included in United States and region totals. A review of the data is made annually to determine the publishable data.

Terms and Definitions Used for Livestock Slaughter Estimates

Average Live Weight: The weight of the whole animal, before slaughter. Excludes post-mortem condemnations.

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

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.

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.

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.

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.

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.

Number of Head: Includes post-mortem condemnations.

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 $(\text{NFI head kill}) \times (\text{live weight}) \times (\text{FI dressing percentage}) = \text{NFI red meat production}$.

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.

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.

Total Live Weight: The total weight of live animals, before slaughter. Excludes post-mortem condemnations.

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

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