



Livestock Slaughter

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Record High Pork Production for June

June 2014 contained 21 weekdays (including 0 holidays) and 4 Saturdays.

June 2015 contained 22 weekdays (including 0 holidays) and 4 Saturdays.

Commercial red meat production for the United States totaled 4.02 billion pounds in June, up 5 percent from the 3.82 billion pounds produced in June 2014.

Beef production, at 2.00 billion pounds, was 3 percent below the previous year. Cattle slaughter totaled 2.47 million head, down 5 percent from June 2014. The average live weight was up 25 pounds from the previous year, at 1,332 pounds.

Veal production totaled 7.0 million pounds, 7 percent below June a year ago. Calf slaughter totaled 35,200 head, down 22 percent from June 2014. The average live weight was up 52 pounds from last year, at 336 pounds.

Pork production totaled 2.00 billion pounds, up 15 percent from the previous year. Hog slaughter totaled 9.43 million head, up 16 percent from June 2014. The average live weight was down 3 pounds from the previous year, at 282 pounds.

Lamb and mutton production, at 13.4 million pounds, was up slightly from June 2014. Sheep slaughter totaled 193,900 head, slightly above last year. The average live weight was 139 pounds, up 1 pound from June a year ago.

January to June 2015 commercial red meat production was 23.7 billion pounds, up 1 percent from 2014. Accumulated beef production was down 4 percent from last year, veal was down 20 percent, pork was up 7 percent from last year, and lamb and mutton production was down 4 percent.

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Commercial Red Meat Production – United States

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

Type	June 2014	May 2015	June 2015	June 2015 as % of		January to June		
				June 2014	May 2015	2014	2015	2015 as % of 2014
	(million pounds)	(million pounds)	(million pounds)	(percent)	(percent)	(million pounds)	(million pounds)	(percent)
Beef	2,069.0	1,924.9	2,001.2	97	104	12,051.0	11,518.6	96
Veal	7.6	6.6	7.0	93	106	50.0	40.2	80
Pork	1,734.0	1,861.9	1,995.8	115	107	11,288.4	12,085.8	107
Lamb and mutton	13.4	11.9	13.4	100	113	79.6	76.5	96
Total red meat	3,823.9	3,805.2	4,017.4	105	106	23,469.0	23,721.1	101

Federally Inspected Red Meat Production – United States

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

Type	June 2014	May 2015	June 2015	June 2015 as % of		January to June		
				June 2014	May 2015	2014	2015	2015 as % of 2014
	(million pounds)	(million pounds)	(million pounds)	(percent)	(percent)	(million pounds)	(million pounds)	(percent)
Beef	2,044.1	1,902.6	1,977.6	97	104	11,895.5	11,372.2	96
Veal	7.4	6.5	6.9	92	106	49.1	39.5	80
Pork	1,723.9	1,851.3	1,984.5	115	107	11,224.1	12,018.1	107
Lamb and mutton	12.4	11.1	12.3	99	111	74.8	71.4	95
Total red meat	3,787.9	3,771.4	3,981.4	105	106	23,243.5	23,501.1	101

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

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

Species	June 2014	May 2015	June 2015	June 2015 as % of 2014	January to June		
					2014	2015	2015 as % of 2014
				(percent)			(percent)
Cattle							
Number of head							
Federally inspected 1,000	2,568.3	2,344.9	2,430.0	95	14,971.7	13,973.3	93
Other 1,000	38.1	33.6	35.5	93	239.7	220.9	92
Commercial 1,000	2,606.4	2,378.5	2,465.5	95	15,211.4	14,194.2	93
Live weight per head							
Federally inspected .. pounds	1,309	1,335	1,335	102	1,318	1,347	102
Other pounds	1,139	1,153	1,153	101	1,143	1,158	101
Commercial pounds	1,307	1,332	1,332	102	1,315	1,344	102
Calves							
Number of head							
Federally inspected 1,000	44.6	32.7	34.5	77	304.9	216.5	71
Other 1,000	0.7	0.6	0.7	100	4.3	3.5	83
Commercial 1,000	45.3	33.2	35.2	78	309.2	220.0	71
Live weight per head							
Federally inspected .. pounds	283	334	335	118	274	309	113
Other pounds	373	376	373	100	378	378	100
Commercial pounds	284	335	336	118	275	310	113
Hogs							
Number of head							
Federally inspected 1,000	8,040.4	8,686.1	9,363.8	116	52,344.4	56,195.5	107
Other 1,000	57.8	59.0	63.1	109	361.7	375.5	104
Commercial 1,000	8,098.2	8,745.1	9,426.9	116	52,706.1	56,571.0	107
Live weight per head							
Federally inspected .. pounds	285	284	282	99	285	285	100
Other pounds	238	245	243	102	243	246	101
Commercial pounds	285	284	282	99	285	284	100
Sheep and lambs							
Number of head							
Federally inspected 1,000	175.3	152.7	172.8	99	1,054.6	997.5	95
Other 1,000	17.7	15.8	21.2	119	92.2	99.1	108
Commercial 1,000	193.0	168.5	193.9	100	1,146.8	1,096.6	96
Live weight per head							
Federally inspected .. pounds	141	145	142	101	142	143	101
Other pounds	112	110	110	98	106	106	100
Commercial pounds	138	141	139	100	139	140	101
Goats							
Number of head							
Federally inspected 1,000	44.3	33.8	40.1	91	229.1	210.8	92
Other 1,000	10.8	9.7	12.0	111	71.9	63.1	88
Commercial 1,000	55.1	43.4	52.1	94	300.9	273.9	91
Live weight per head							
Federally inspected .. pounds	64	62	61	95	64	62	97
Other pounds	74	88	86	116	72	83	115
Commercial pounds	66	68	67	101	66	67	101
Bison							
Number of head							
Federally inspected 1,000	4.5	4.5	4.2	94	26.7	26.0	98
Other 1,000	0.6	0.6	0.8	129	4.4	4.7	105
Commercial 1,000	5.1	5.0	5.0	98	31.1	30.7	99

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 2014	May 2015	June 2015	June 2015 as % of 2014
	(million pounds)	(million pounds)	(million pounds)	(percent)
Alabama	0.7	0.8	0.7	101
Alaska	(Y)	(Y)	(Y)	(X)
Arizona	36.1	34.2	38.8	107
Arkansas	0.4	0.3	0.3	95
California	98.7	103.2	108.0	109
Colorado	187.0	172.0	182.1	97
Delaware-Maryland	2.5	2.6	3.0	119
Florida	8.3	8.2	8.5	103
Georgia	10.7	9.9	10.6	99
Hawaii	0.8	0.7	0.7	98
Idaho	3.4	3.2	3.7	107
Illinois	241.6	251.3	274.8	114
Indiana	142.8	138.8	145.6	102
Iowa	507.9	539.4	581.3	114
Kansas	451.5	432.0	432.4	96
Kentucky	38.4	39.8	44.6	116
Louisiana	0.4	0.4	0.5	110
Michigan	38.3	31.8	38.0	99
Minnesota	198.4	194.5	215.6	109
Mississippi	0.4	0.5	0.5	124
Missouri	138.2	154.1	158.4	115
Montana	1.5	1.4	1.5	101
Nebraska	619.8	586.6	602.0	97
Nevada	0.1	0.1	0.1	123
New England ¹	1.6	1.7	1.9	119
New Jersey	4.0	3.7	4.4	111
New Mexico	0.2	0.2	0.3	110
New York	3.0	2.8	3.1	103
North Carolina	162.9	190.9	194.5	119
North Dakota	0.6	0.6	0.6	115
Ohio	20.5	20.5	22.4	109
Oklahoma	69.2	91.3	100.6	145
Oregon	6.4	6.2	6.6	104
Pennsylvania	96.4	101.8	109.6	114
South Carolina	19.4	20.7	17.1	88
South Dakota	86.3	86.4	95.1	110
Tennessee	17.5	16.8	20.2	115
Texas	363.3	334.8	354.2	98
Utah	37.1	35.0	38.0	102
Virginia	37.1	37.1	40.8	110
Washington	73.7	67.2	72.4	98
West Virginia	0.3	0.4	0.3	99
Wisconsin	96.2	80.9	82.9	86
Wyoming	0.3	0.3	0.3	81
United States	3,823.9	3,805.2	4,017.4	105

(X) Not applicable.

(Y) Less than level of precision shown.

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

Commercial Cattle Slaughter – States and United States: June 2014 and 2015

[Data may not add to totals due to rounding]

State	Number slaughtered		Total live weight		Average live weight	
	2014 (1,000 head)	2015 (1,000 head)	2014 (1,000 pounds)	2015 (1,000 pounds)	2014 (pounds)	2015 (pounds)
Alabama	0.6	0.4	556	368	989	1,037
Alaska	(Y)	(Y)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)
Arizona	45.7	47.2	60,393	64,218	1,326	1,363
Arkansas	0.5	0.4	425	379	930	1,051
California	87.8	93.3	113,471	126,566	1,306	1,368
Colorado	218.5	208.9	286,585	279,058	1,313	1,337
Delaware-Maryland	2.8	3.2	3,529	4,199	1,253	1,320
Florida	(D)	13.2	(D)	16,312	(D)	1,242
Georgia	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Hawaii	0.8	0.8	935	886	1,107	1,151
Idaho	2.2	2.6	2,468	3,066	1,203	1,250
Illinois	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Indiana	2.7	2.9	2,836	3,063	1,058	1,063
Iowa	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Kansas	534.2	498.7	701,849	662,260	1,314	1,328
Kentucky	1.1	1.0	1,180	1,095	1,041	1,078
Louisiana	0.6	0.5	442	460	784	930
Michigan	42.7	42.4	57,976	58,213	1,365	1,381
Minnesota	55.2	46.9	78,572	69,518	1,430	1,489
Mississippi	0.1	0.2	114	176	809	821
Missouri	4.3	3.3	4,723	3,636	1,089	1,121
Montana	2.0	1.8	2,284	2,144	1,127	1,170
Nebraska	604.5	544.4	813,198	752,201	1,346	1,383
Nevada	0.1	0.1	123	135	1,043	1,036
New England ¹	1.6	2.0	1,789	2,247	1,088	1,120
New Jersey	3.2	3.3	3,525	3,686	1,094	1,117
New Mexico	0.2	0.3	259	276	1,114	1,086
New York	2.9	3.1	3,365	3,466	1,162	1,141
North Carolina	5.8	5.2	6,989	6,301	1,216	1,211
North Dakota	0.7	0.8	891	1,000	1,219	1,298
Ohio	8.2	7.3	9,525	8,445	1,168	1,168
Oklahoma	1.9	2.3	1,872	2,339	982	1,010
Oregon	5.4	5.4	6,454	6,676	1,215	1,236
Pennsylvania	70.2	77.2	84,809	93,078	1,212	1,210
South Carolina	12.7	14.3	14,999	17,644	1,190	1,240
South Dakota	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Tennessee	4.2	4.7	3,817	4,377	933	964
Texas	467.3	444.2	585,311	568,006	1,255	1,282
Utah	45.7	45.7	59,916	60,873	1,311	1,335
Virginia	0.8	0.8	880	816	1,051	1,066
Washington	90.5	86.7	119,782	117,525	1,326	1,358
West Virginia	0.4	0.3	395	320	1,080	1,117
Wisconsin	108.7	91.9	150,123	126,985	1,390	1,391
Wyoming	0.5	0.4	493	375	1,095	986
United States	2,606.4	2,465.5	3,398,881	3,278,194	1,307	1,332

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Commercial Calf Slaughter – States and United States: June 2014 and 2015

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State	Number slaughtered		Total live weight		Average live weight	
	2014 (1,000 head)	2015 (1,000 head)	2014 (1,000 pounds)	2015 (1,000 pounds)	2014 (pounds)	2015 (pounds)
Alabama	(Y)	(Y)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)
Alaska	(Y)	(Y)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)
Arizona	(Y)	(Y)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)
Arkansas	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
California	10.1	7.1	984	732	99	105
Colorado	(Y)	(D)	(X)	(D)	(X)	(D)
Delaware-Maryland	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Florida	(D)	(Y)	(D)	(X)	(D)	(X)
Georgia	0.1	(Y)	53	(X)	475	(X)
Hawaii	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Idaho	(Y)	(D)	(X)	(D)	(X)	(D)
Illinois	1.2	0.7	509	296	421	451
Indiana	0.4	0.3	117	93	261	307
Iowa	(D)	(Y)	(D)	(X)	(D)	(X)
Kansas	(Y)	(Y)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)
Kentucky	(Y)	(Y)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)
Louisiana	0.1	(Y)	28	(X)	529	(X)
Michigan	0.1	0.1	43	32	295	299
Minnesota	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Mississippi	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Missouri	(Y)	(Y)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)
Montana	(Y)	(D)	(X)	(D)	(X)	(D)
Nebraska	(D)	(Y)	(D)	(X)	(D)	(X)
Nevada	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
New England ¹	0.6	0.3	91	39	163	148
New Jersey	4.6	5.5	1,937	2,341	423	429
New Mexico	(D)	(Y)	(D)	(X)	(D)	(X)
New York	5.3	2.0	644	381	122	198
North Carolina	0.1	(Y)	41	(X)	432	(X)
North Dakota	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Ohio	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Oklahoma	(Y)	(Y)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)
Oregon	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Pennsylvania	8.8	7.4	3,684	3,220	420	438
South Carolina	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
South Dakota	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Tennessee	(Y)	(Y)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)
Texas	0.5	0.2	290	125	596	537
Utah	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Virginia	(Y)	(Y)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)
Washington	(D)	0.8	(D)	55	(D)	70
West Virginia	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Wisconsin	5.7	5.2	2,669	2,427	466	470
Wyoming	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
United States	45.3	35.2	12,802	11,747	284	336

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Commercial Hog Slaughter – States and United States: June 2014 and 2015

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State	Number slaughtered		Total live weight		Average live weight	
	2014 (1,000 head)	2015 (1,000 head)	2014 (1,000 pounds)	2015 (1,000 pounds)	2014 (pounds)	2015 (pounds)
Alabama	1.6	2.0	581	756	361	384
Alaska	0.1	0.1	20	35	261	263
Arizona	0.1	0.1	34	30	257	264
Arkansas	0.7	0.6	179	166	260	258
California	178.1	193.3	44,949	47,732	253	247
Colorado	1.3	1.5	292	369	224	240
Delaware-Maryland	1.5	1.8	320	400	214	228
Florida	3.4	4.6	489	590	144	129
Georgia	5.7	6.4	1,376	1,558	240	245
Hawaii	1.2	1.2	305	298	249	253
Idaho	10.6	10.4	2,818	2,702	267	260
Illinois	803.9	973.0	233,825	281,767	291	290
Indiana	654.8	685.4	184,706	188,741	282	275
Iowa	2,176.4	2,541.9	626,137	715,431	288	282
Kansas	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Kentucky	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Louisiana	0.9	1.0	178	215	209	218
Michigan	15.0	13.5	5,716	4,849	381	359
Minnesota	754.7	876.5	208,419	237,368	276	271
Mississippi	2.9	3.1	427	485	149	156
Missouri	616.0	721.7	179,057	206,943	291	287
Montana	0.9	1.2	190	286	216	240
Nebraska	533.0	642.2	151,292	178,854	284	279
Nevada	0.1	0.1	13	25	246	257
New England ¹	2.4	2.7	561	614	236	229
New Jersey	8.1	9.3	792	912	97	98
New Mexico	0.1	0.2	40	49	285	277
New York	3.3	3.7	737	853	224	229
North Carolina	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
North Dakota	0.2	0.3	55	76	313	271
Ohio	69.2	82.3	19,425	22,730	281	277
Oklahoma	321.7	470.1	89,313	130,219	278	277
Oregon	14.0	14.7	3,750	3,809	268	260
Pennsylvania	220.4	259.9	58,321	69,581	265	268
South Carolina	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
South Dakota	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Tennessee	51.5	57.8	23,204	26,855	451	465
Texas	19.3	25.1	4,689	6,122	243	244
Utah	3.2	3.5	704	581	223	165
Virginia	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Washington	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
West Virginia	0.4	0.6	88	135	234	240
Wisconsin	50.1	44.4	22,983	20,385	460	460
Wyoming	0.2	0.2	41	58	257	261
United States	8,098.2	9,426.9	2,307,224	2,656,665	285	282

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Commercial Sheep and Lamb Slaughter – States and United States: June 2014 and 2015

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State	Number slaughtered		Total live weight		Average live weight	
	2014 (1,000 head)	2015 (1,000 head)	2014 (1,000 pounds)	2015 (1,000 pounds)	2014 (pounds)	2015 (pounds)
Alabama	(Y)	(Y)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)
Alaska	(Y)	(Y)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)
Arizona	0.2	0.3	32	38	130	127
Arkansas	(Y)	(Y)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)
California	26.7	26.8	3,744	3,936	140	147
Colorado	73.9	66.5	12,331	11,567	167	174
Delaware-Maryland	4.5	4.3	416	410	93	96
Florida	0.5	1.9	30	127	59	65
Georgia	1.1	1.5	72	99	64	65
Hawaii	0.1	0.1	9	14	137	141
Idaho	0.1	0.1	20	17	139	134
Illinois	11.0	(D)	1,736	(D)	159	(D)
Indiana	4.7	4.1	515	455	110	111
Iowa	0.2	0.2	26	36	153	183
Kansas	0.4	0.4	39	37	102	85
Kentucky	1.1	1.7	142	194	125	113
Louisiana	0.5	0.7	37	58	74	86
Michigan	16.2	17.2	2,218	2,350	137	137
Minnesota	0.4	0.3	44	34	106	106
Mississippi	0.3	0.5	22	27	66	57
Missouri	0.8	1.0	85	82	104	85
Montana	0.5	0.5	59	54	128	114
Nebraska	(Y)	0.1	(X)	9	(X)	132
Nevada	0.1	0.1	8	14	119	123
New England ¹	2.9	3.1	274	313	94	100
New Jersey	11.9	13.2	970	1,025	82	78
New Mexico	0.7	0.9	103	131	151	153
New York	3.7	5.2	357	540	98	105
North Carolina	1.4	1.5	94	100	66	66
North Dakota	(Y)	(Y)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)
Ohio	1.6	1.6	166	181	105	115
Oklahoma	0.2	0.3	19	40	92	125
Oregon	2.6	3.2	388	468	149	148
Pennsylvania	7.0	5.1	714	534	103	105
South Carolina	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
South Dakota	0.3	0.3	43	44	156	158
Tennessee	1.4	1.5	90	102	64	69
Texas	11.0	11.8	1,250	1,220	113	103
Utah	(D)	1.9	(D)	271	(D)	140
Virginia	0.3	0.4	25	34	91	97
Washington	0.8	1.3	114	182	134	136
West Virginia	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Wisconsin	0.8	1.1	102	159	121	138
Wyoming	0.1	0.1	12	10	166	149
United States	193.0	193.9	26,702	26,868	138	139

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

(X) Not applicable.

(Y) Less than level of precision shown.

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

Livestock Slaughtered Under Federal Inspection, By Class – United States

[Data may not add to totals due to rounding]

Class	June 2014	May 2015	June 2015	January to June		June 2014	May 2015	June 2015	January to June	
				2014	2015				2014	2015
	(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	1,396.5	1,327.3	1,400.2	7,752.8	7,405.2	54.4	56.6	57.6	51.8	53.0
Heifers	715.1	588.8	584.5	4,199.8	3,761.4	27.8	25.1	24.1	28.1	26.9
All cows	410.7	392.2	403.2	2,752.2	2,582.3	16.0	16.7	16.6	18.4	18.5
Dairy cows	199.5	214.0	221.5	1,391.3	1,456.7	7.8	9.1	9.1	9.3	10.4
Other cows	211.2	178.3	181.7	1,360.9	1,125.6	8.2	7.6	7.5	9.1	8.1
Bulls	46.0	36.5	42.1	266.8	224.3	1.8	1.6	1.7	1.8	1.6
Total	2,568.3	2,344.9	2,430.0	14,971.7	13,973.3	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Calves and vealers	44.6	32.7	34.5	304.9	216.5	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Hogs										
Barrows and gilts	7,794.9	8,434.0	9,087.3	50,813.5	54,632.5	96.9	97.1	97.0	97.1	97.2
Sows	219.4	230.3	251.1	1,365.3	1,419.9	2.7	2.7	2.7	2.6	2.5
Boars	26.1	21.8	25.5	165.6	143.1	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3
Total	8,040.4	8,686.1	9,363.8	52,344.4	56,195.5	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Sheep										
Mature sheep	11.8	9.5	10.2	66.5	55.4	6.8	6.2	5.9	6.3	5.6
Lambs and yearlings	163.5	143.2	162.6	988.1	942.1	93.2	93.8	94.1	93.7	94.4
Total	175.3	152.7	172.8	1,054.6	997.5	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 2014	May 2015	June 2015	January to June	
				2014	2015
	(pounds)	(pounds)	(pounds)	(pounds)	(pounds)
Cattle	798	813	816	796	816
Steers ¹	854	866	870	855	873
Heifers ¹	777	792	792	790	807
All cows ¹	627	653	647	628	652
Bulls ¹	906	928	932	896	925
Calves and vealers	167	199	200	162	184
Hogs	214	213	212	214	214
Barrows and gilts ²	212	211	209	212	211
Sows ²	309	312	313	304	309
Boars ²	207	203	208	205	205
Sheep	71	72	71	71	72
Mature sheep ³	67	67	68	66	67
Lambs and yearlings ³	71	73	72	71	72

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 2015

[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	1.8	0.7	0.5	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	0.2
2	6.3	2.0	1.0	2.3	2.1	0.1	1.0	7.4
3	80.0	25.5	5.9	44.8	35.9	8.8	3.9	7.7
4	54.5	2.8	1.7	44.1	14.5	29.7	5.9	0.1
5	254.5	131.9	26.0	88.5	59.4	29.1	8.1	10.8
6	442.3	251.6	112.1	71.2	28.3	42.8	7.4	0.2
7	1,090.8	682.8	347.0	51.6	3.4	48.2	9.4	(D)
8	264.6	185.5	62.6	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
9	141.0	60.8	10.6	66.6	56.9	9.7	3.0	6.9
10	94.2	56.6	17.2	19.1	13.0	6.1	1.4	1.1
United States	2,430.0	1,400.2	584.5	403.2	221.5	181.7	42.1	34.5
	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	2.4	2.3	0.1	(Y)	3.0	0.1	2.9	
2	12.9	12.7	0.1	0.1	17.7	1.3	16.4	
3	447.7	446.8	0.8	0.1	10.4	0.8	9.5	
4	(D)	(D)	(D)	2.7	7.9	1.4	6.6	
5	2,646.3	2,522.6	120.0	3.7	31.3	3.1	28.3	
6	491.1	490.8	0.2	(Y)	3.7	0.5	3.2	
7	3,927.4	3,844.1	64.5	18.8	0.9	(Y)	0.8	
8	(D)	(D)	(D)	(Y)	68.3	1.9	66.4	
9	190.6	190.5	(Y)	(Y)	26.0	0.7	25.3	
10	26.8	26.8	(Y)	(Y)	3.5	0.3	3.3	
United States	9,363.8	9,087.3	251.1	25.5	172.8	10.2	162.6	

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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 to June 2015

[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	8.8	3.3	2.4	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	1.6
2	32.2	9.6	6.2	13.2	11.3	2.0	3.2	49.6
3	485.3	135.9	32.9	296.4	238.3	58.1	20.0	43.9
4	314.4	17.7	8.8	253.3	86.9	166.4	34.7	0.7
5	1,506.3	729.7	162.0	569.4	366.1	203.3	45.2	69.1
6	2,492.6	1,346.1	668.4	433.7	189.0	244.7	44.4	1.5
7	6,247.7	3,619.2	2,232.5	351.7	23.6	328.1	44.2	(D)
8	1,491.4	923.4	457.4	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
9	859.9	330.0	64.7	449.8	399.9	49.9	15.4	42.8
10	534.7	290.3	126.1	111.9	86.3	25.6	6.4	7.1
United States	13,973.3	7,405.2	3,761.4	2,582.3	1,456.7	1,125.6	224.3	216.5
	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	10.6	10.2	0.3	0.2	15.7	0.8	15.0	
2	65.5	64.6	0.7	0.2	88.4	7.1	81.3	
3	2,616.8	2,611.3	5.1	0.4	57.0	6.2	50.8	
4	(D)	(D)	(D)	11.5	32.0	6.2	25.8	
5	15,685.7	14,964.2	696.4	25.2	179.3	14.7	164.6	
6	2,877.8	2,876.0	1.2	0.6	20.3	3.0	17.4	
7	23,607.0	23,164.4	337.6	104.9	4.6	0.2	4.5	
8	(D)	(D)	(D)	(Y)	438.2	11.8	426.4	
9	1,083.0	1,082.8	0.2	(Y)	144.7	3.8	140.9	
10	151.4	151.2	0.2	0.1	17.3	1.7	15.6	
United States	56,195.5	54,632.5	1,419.9	143.1	997.5	55.4	942.1	

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

Species	June 2014	May 2015	June 2015	January to June	
				2014	2015
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Cattle	98.5	98.6	98.6	98.4	98.4
Calves	98.6	98.3	98.1	98.6	98.4
Hogs	99.3	99.3	99.3	99.3	99.3
Sheep	90.8	90.6	89.1	92.0	91.0

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 approximately 800 livestock slaughter plants in the United States operating under Federal Inspection and nearly 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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