



Livestock Slaughter

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Commercial Red Meat Production Down 1 Percent from Last Year

June 2024 contained 20 weekdays (including 1 holiday) and 5 Saturdays.

June 2025 contained 21 weekdays (including 1 holiday) and 4 Saturdays.

Commercial red meat production for the United States totaled 4.22 billion pounds in June, down 1 percent from the 4.26 billion pounds produced in June 2024.

Beef production, at 2.09 billion pounds, was 2 percent below the previous year. Cattle slaughter totaled 2.43 million head, down 4 percent from June 2024. The average live weight was up 26 pounds from the previous year, at 1,408 pounds.

Veal production totaled 2.0 million pounds, 34 percent below June a year ago. Calf slaughter totaled 9,700 head, down 39 percent from June 2024. The average live weight was up 27 pounds from last year, at 358 pounds.

Pork production totaled 2.12 billion pounds, up slightly from the previous year. Hog slaughter totaled 9.97 million head, up 1 percent from June 2024. The average live weight was down 1 pound from the previous year, at 286 pounds.

Lamb and mutton production, at 11.6 million pounds, was up 12 percent from June 2024. Sheep slaughter totaled 189,600 head, 7 percent above last year. The average live weight was 121 pounds, up 5 pounds from June a year ago.

January to June 2025 commercial red meat production was 26.7 billion pounds, down 2 percent from 2024. Accumulated beef production was down 2 percent from last year, veal was down 39 percent, pork was down 1 percent from last year, and lamb and mutton production was up 4 percent.

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Commercial Red Meat Production – United States

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

Type	June 2024	May 2025	June 2025	June 2025 as % of		January to June		
				June 2024	May 2025	2024	2025	2025 as % of 2024
	(million pounds)	(million pounds)	(million pounds)	(percent)	(percent)	(million pounds)	(million pounds)	(percent)
Beef	2,133.9	2,123.0	2,087.2	98	98	13,320.1	12,995.8	98
Veal	3.1	2.2	2.0	66	91	21.2	13.0	61
Pork	2,117.5	2,239.7	2,123.2	100	95	13,806.2	13,662.3	99
Lamb and mutton	10.4	11.5	11.6	112	101	67.2	70.1	104
Total red meat	4,264.9	4,376.4	4,224.0	99	97	27,214.6	26,741.3	98

Federally Inspected Red Meat Production – United States

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

Type	June 2024	May 2025	June 2025	June 2025 as % of		January to June		
				June 2024	May 2025	2024	2025	2025 as % of 2024
	(million pounds)	(million pounds)	(million pounds)	(percent)	(percent)	(million pounds)	(million pounds)	(percent)
Beef	2,103.7	2,092.2	2,054.2	98	98	13,122.9	12,799.9	98
Veal	3.0	2.1	1.9	65	90	20.3	12.3	60
Pork	2,109.2	2,231.6	2,114.9	100	95	13,751.3	13,610.6	99
Lamb and mutton	9.1	10.2	10.2	112	100	60.0	62.4	104
Total red meat	4,225.0	4,336.1	4,181.3	99	96	26,954.4	26,485.2	98

Livestock Slaughter and Average Live Weight – United States

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

Species	June 2024	May 2025	June 2025	June 2025 as % of 2024	January to June		
					2024	2025	2025 as % of 2024
				(percent)			(percent)
Cattle							
Number of head							
Federally inspected 1,000	2,495.0	2,405.8	2,379.2	95	15,578.7	14,695.8	94
Other 1,000	43.4	43.6	46.6	107	285.0	275.7	97
Commercial 1,000	2,538.4	2,449.4	2,425.8	96	15,863.7	14,971.5	94
Average live weight							
Federally inspected .. pounds	1,385	1,425	1,411	102	1,393	1,430	103
Other pounds	1,211	1,230	1,225	101	1,219	1,235	101
Commercial pounds	1,382	1,422	1,408	102	1,390	1,427	103
Calves							
Number of head							
Federally inspected 1,000	15.2	10.0	9.1	60	108.2	62.7	58
Other 1,000	0.6	0.5	0.6	91	4.2	3.4	80
Commercial 1,000	15.8	10.4	9.7	61	112.5	66.1	59
Average live weight							
Federally inspected .. pounds	328	360	354	108	318	333	105
Other pounds	402	417	418	104	379	396	104
Commercial pounds	331	362	358	108	321	336	105
Hogs							
Number of head							
Federally inspected 1,000	9,869.4	10,353.9	9,923.6	101	63,765.5	62,944.1	99
Other 1,000	44.7	43.2	43.5	97	287.6	271.0	94
Commercial 1,000	9,914.1	10,397.1	9,967.0	101	64,053.1	63,215.1	99
Average live weight							
Federally inspected .. pounds	287	289	286	100	290	290	100
Other pounds	253	257	260	103	263	262	100
Commercial pounds	287	289	286	100	290	290	100
Sheep and lambs							
Number of head							
Federally inspected 1,000	150.3	159.7	161.3	107	957.2	973.7	102
Other 1,000	26.4	26.9	28.3	107	140.3	149.4	106
Commercial 1,000	176.7	186.6	189.6	107	1,097.5	1,123.1	102
Average live weight							
Federally inspected .. pounds	119	126	125	105	123	126	103
Other pounds	96	96	96	100	101	101	101
Commercial pounds	116	122	121	104	120	123	102
Goats							
Number of head							
Federally inspected 1,000	43.3	41.9	41.4	96	274.5	257.3	94
Other 1,000	9.8	8.3	9.7	98	55.4	53.6	97
Commercial 1,000	53.1	50.2	51.1	96	329.9	310.9	94
Average live weight							
Federally inspected .. pounds	63	64	66	104	63	65	102
Other pounds	85	83	84	99	82	83	101
Commercial pounds	67	67	69	103	66	68	102
Bison							
Number of head							
Federally inspected 1,000	6.2	4.5	4.8	78	40.8	31.9	78
Other 1,000	0.2	0.2	0.2	113	1.6	1.7	103
Commercial 1,000	6.4	4.7	5.0	79	42.4	33.5	79

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 2024	May 2025	June 2025	June 2025 as % of 2024
	(million pounds)	(million pounds)	(million pounds)	(percent)
Alabama	0.9	1.0	1.0	107
Alaska	(Y)	0.1	(Y)	(X)
Arizona	34.5	39.0	40.3	117
Arkansas	0.5	0.5	0.5	100
California	90.7	81.7	75.7	83
Colorado	168.2	181.5	170.9	102
Delaware-Maryland	2.4	2.2	1.9	79
Florida	5.5	4.0	3.3	61
Georgia	11.9	7.6	8.6	72
Hawaii	0.7	0.8	0.6	93
Idaho	42.7	46.8	44.9	105
Illinois	258.2	267.0	250.2	97
Indiana	146.3	161.3	152.2	104
Iowa	701.6	739.0	674.5	96
Kansas	467.5	437.4	458.3	98
Kentucky	48.7	50.0	49.6	102
Louisiana	0.4	0.4	0.3	90
Michigan	115.9	125.8	118.0	102
Minnesota	214.1	215.6	212.1	99
Mississippi	0.8	0.9	0.8	109
Missouri	145.4	157.3	153.2	105
Montana	1.9	2.8	4.0	203
Nebraska	630.9	640.6	607.4	96
Nevada	0.1	0.1	0.1	87
New England ¹	2.6	2.6	2.5	95
New Jersey	3.9	4.2	4.1	105
New Mexico	0.3	0.4	0.3	114
New York	2.9	2.6	2.4	82
North Carolina	200.9	224.1	223.6	111
North Dakota	0.6	0.8	0.6	105
Ohio	24.5	21.3	21.7	88
Oklahoma	102.3	110.1	106.4	104
Oregon	2.2	2.3	2.3	105
Pennsylvania	119.8	127.8	125.4	105
South Carolina	15.2	15.9	15.1	99
South Dakota	110.4	106.7	107.5	97
Tennessee	23.3	25.3	26.2	112
Texas	363.9	354.7	343.4	94
Utah	46.9	46.2	45.8	98
Virginia	1.1	1.1	1.0	93
Washington	68.5	76.0	74.4	109
West Virginia	0.7	0.6	0.7	105
Wisconsin	84.4	89.7	91.2	108
Wyoming	0.8	0.9	0.8	102
United States	4,264.9	4,376.4	4,224.0	99

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Commercial Cattle Slaughter – States and United States: June 2024 and 2025

[Data may not add to totals due to rounding]

State	Slaughtered		Total live weight		Average live weight	
	2024	2025	2024	2025	2024	2025
	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(pounds)	(pounds)
Alabama	0.9	0.9	1,029	1,065	1,092	1,132
Alaska	(Y)	0.1	(X)	67	(X)	1,148
Arizona	38.6	(D)	54,983	(D)	1,425	(D)
Arkansas	0.7	0.7	776	703	1,037	1,079
California	99.4	76.8	134,799	108,737	1,366	1,427
Colorado	188.6	186.3	263,623	268,265	1,399	1,441
Delaware-Maryland	2.5	1.9	3,537	2,642	1,435	1,422
Florida	8.3	(D)	10,608	(D)	1,279	(D)
Georgia	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Hawaii	0.9	0.9	1,091	1,005	1,163	1,164
Idaho	(D)	55.1	(D)	75,358	(D)	1,375
Illinois	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Indiana	5.8	8.5	6,910	10,498	1,205	1,240
Iowa	44.8	42.9	61,532	59,670	1,376	1,392
Kansas	521.3	495.4	720,499	702,378	1,382	1,418
Kentucky	5.6	6.2	6,515	7,326	1,177	1,183
Louisiana	0.5	0.5	542	466	1,000	1,016
Michigan	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Minnesota	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Mississippi	0.6	0.6	592	582	985	1,031
Missouri	4.1	11.0	4,927	13,495	1,188	1,238
Montana	2.3	4.7	2,862	5,851	1,245	1,253
Nebraska	555.9	518.3	794,209	750,438	1,430	1,450
Nevada	0.1	(D)	91	(D)	1,100	(D)
New England ¹	2.7	2.6	3,365	3,224	1,231	1,240
New Jersey	4.2	4.2	4,721	4,834	1,137	1,156
New Mexico	0.4	0.4	423	458	1,104	1,062
New York	3.3	2.4	4,028	3,063	1,247	1,255
North Carolina	6.8	(D)	8,378	(D)	1,240	(D)
North Dakota	0.7	0.8	939	978	1,279	1,200
Ohio	6.2	6.4	8,174	8,490	1,320	1,333
Oklahoma	6.3	6.6	7,233	7,597	1,168	1,164
Oregon	1.4	1.2	1,773	1,554	1,252	1,269
Pennsylvania	81.7	84.9	107,660	114,242	1,324	1,349
South Carolina	21.7	21.1	29,783	29,572	1,382	1,408
South Dakota	36.1	27.5	53,589	42,434	1,491	1,544
Tennessee	2.8	2.7	2,950	2,742	1,048	1,025
Texas	445.3	411.4	595,147	554,870	1,340	1,352
Utah	51.7	(D)	73,185	(D)	1,416	(D)
Virginia	1.3	1.2	1,417	1,328	1,078	1,070
Washington	79.4	82.2	110,756	118,980	1,398	1,452
West Virginia	0.7	0.7	929	871	1,242	1,198
Wisconsin	87.2	95.5	121,631	134,616	1,402	1,418
Wyoming	1.0	1.0	1,196	1,219	1,204	1,262
United States	2,538.4	2,425.8	3,500,629	3,407,618	1,382	1,408

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Commercial Calf Slaughter – States and United States: June 2024 and 2025

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State	Slaughtered		Total live weight		Average live weight	
	2024 (1,000 head)	2025 (1,000 head)	2024 (1,000 pounds)	2025 (1,000 pounds)	2024 (pounds)	2025 (pounds)
Alabama	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Alaska	(Y)	(D)	(X)	(D)	(X)	(D)
Arizona	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Arkansas	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
California	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Colorado	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Delaware-Maryland	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Florida	(D)	0.1	(D)	33	(D)	370
Georgia	0.1	0.1	38	28	431	430
Hawaii	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Idaho	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Illinois	0.1	0.1	33	26	389	390
Indiana	0.4	(D)	141	(D)	397	(D)
Iowa	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Kansas	(Y)	(Y)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)
Kentucky	(Y)	(Y)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)
Louisiana	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Michigan	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Minnesota	(Y)	(Y)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)
Mississippi	(D)	(Y)	(D)	(X)	(D)	(X)
Missouri	(Y)	(Y)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)
Montana	(Y)	(Y)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)
Nebraska	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Nevada	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
New England ¹	0.1	0.1	29	13	263	170
New Jersey	1.2	1.6	456	612	380	388
New Mexico	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
New York	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
North Carolina	0.1	0.1	32	28	334	345
North Dakota	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Ohio	2.9	(D)	1,034	(D)	363	(D)
Oklahoma	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Oregon	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Pennsylvania	6.3	4.2	2,756	1,748	441	418
South Carolina	(Y)	(D)	(X)	(D)	(X)	(D)
South Dakota	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Tennessee	(Y)	(D)	(X)	(D)	(X)	(D)
Texas	0.1	0.2	59	79	483	484
Utah	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Virginia	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Washington	(Y)	(D)	(X)	(D)	(X)	(D)
West Virginia	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Wisconsin	(Y)	(Y)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)
Wyoming	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
United States	15.8	9.7	5,194	3,442	331	358

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Commercial Hog Slaughter – States and United States: June 2024 and 2025

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State	Slaughtered		Total live weight		Average live weight	
	2024	2025	2024	2025	2024	2025
	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(pounds)	(pounds)
Alabama	1.4	1.4	556	596	402	425
Alaska	0.1	(Y)	16	(X)	286	(X)
Arizona	(Y)	0.1	(X)	22	(X)	289
Arkansas	0.3	0.4	71	96	250	266
California	81.1	81.5	18,092	18,654	223	229
Colorado	2.3	2.1	348	356	151	167
Delaware-Maryland	1.4	1.4	385	394	270	273
Florida	4.0	3.0	462	386	115	129
Georgia	5.0	4.9	1,348	1,341	272	274
Hawaii	0.2	0.2	44	56	264	263
Idaho	11.0	11.2	2,758	2,830	251	253
Illinois	933.8	887.4	267,702	250,802	287	283
Indiana	681.9	691.0	189,932	194,431	279	281
Iowa	3,088.0	2,980.8	895,882	859,672	290	288
Kansas	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Kentucky	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Louisiana	0.3	0.2	81	45	255	244
Michigan	364.7	363.2	105,621	104,098	290	287
Minnesota	911.9	922.3	254,334	256,747	279	278
Mississippi	3.1	3.6	558	662	177	182
Missouri	650.5	680.4	189,412	195,317	291	287
Montana	1.2	1.6	318	479	273	294
Nebraska	634.9	648.8	182,778	185,970	288	287
Nevada	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
New England ¹	2.2	2.2	572	544	265	251
New Jersey	8.0	8.4	845	862	105	102
New Mexico	0.2	0.2	59	45	282	264
New York	1.8	1.8	435	419	239	232
North Carolina	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
North Dakota	0.2	0.2	66	43	300	267
Ohio	86.8	76.0	25,431	21,850	293	288
Oklahoma	447.0	475.6	128,396	134,715	287	283
Oregon	4.4	5.4	1,106	1,354	251	254
Pennsylvania	260.6	271.5	72,221	75,222	277	277
South Carolina	1.8	1.6	449	402	252	249
South Dakota	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Tennessee	72.2	78.9	32,324	37,034	448	470
Texas	21.0	21.6	3,987	4,083	190	189
Utah	1.7	1.6	497	400	297	244
Virginia	0.8	0.8	231	243	295	293
Washington	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
West Virginia	0.6	0.6	176	165	306	273
Wisconsin	68.7	62.1	28,770	27,566	420	444
Wyoming	0.5	0.5	127	142	255	282
United States	9,914.1	9,967.0	2,843,038	2,850,155	287	286

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Commercial Sheep and Lamb Slaughter – States and United States: June 2024 and 2025

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State	Slaughtered		Total live weight		Average live weight	
	2024	2025	2024	2025	2024	2025
	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(pounds)	(pounds)
Alabama	0.1	0.1	7	10	82	89
Alaska	(Y)	(Y)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)
Arizona	0.7	0.5	74	53	112	107
Arkansas	0.1	0.1	8	14	88	105
California	21.6	22.1	3,089	3,351	143	152
Colorado	28.2	32.5	4,636	5,716	165	176
Delaware-Maryland	1.4	1.4	140	141	101	104
Florida	3.1	3.3	160	164	52	50
Georgia	(D)	4.1	(D)	251	(D)	61
Hawaii	0.2	0.1	21	10	112	146
Idaho	0.2	0.2	28	35	144	158
Illinois	6.6	6.9	576	566	88	82
Indiana	6.6	7.3	708	745	107	103
Iowa	0.1	0.2	17	22	119	117
Kansas	0.4	0.2	35	20	96	97
Kentucky	1.0	1.0	106	110	102	106
Louisiana	0.6	0.6	34	34	59	56
Michigan	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Minnesota	0.5	0.5	37	37	77	75
Mississippi	0.2	0.3	14	18	68	69
Missouri	1.6	1.8	119	140	75	78
Montana	0.2	0.5	30	68	128	128
Nebraska	0.1	(Y)	11	(X)	132	(X)
Nevada	(Y)	(D)	(X)	(D)	(X)	(D)
New England ¹	5.0	4.5	500	450	100	100
New Jersey	15.2	14.8	1,277	1,234	84	83
New Mexico	0.4	0.6	46	82	126	145
New York	6.7	5.7	669	589	100	104
North Carolina	4.9	7.6	297	474	61	62
North Dakota	0.1	0.1	11	12	146	120
Ohio	5.5	5.2	876	820	160	157
Oklahoma	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Oregon	4.5	5.0	692	825	154	166
Pennsylvania	9.5	9.7	978	1,016	103	105
South Carolina	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
South Dakota	0.2	0.2	22	29	127	146
Tennessee	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Texas	27.4	26.5	2,607	2,483	95	94
Utah	1.3	1.1	180	150	134	135
Virginia	0.9	0.6	64	47	70	73
Washington	1.3	1.3	182	177	136	137
West Virginia	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Wisconsin	0.6	0.7	72	77	113	106
Wyoming	0.1	0.1	9	9	144	137
United States	176.7	189.6	20,449	22,908	116	121

(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 2024	May 2025	June 2025	January to June		June 2024	May 2025	June 2025	January to June	
				2024	2025				2024	2025
	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(percent of total)				
Cattle										
Steers	1,268.2	1,180.1	1,211.0	7,492.5	7,214.6	50.8	49.1	50.9	48.1	49.1
Heifers	775.0	787.1	747.2	4,992.8	4,782.7	31.1	32.7	31.4	32.0	32.5
All cows	410.2	401.6	382.3	2,856.3	2,489.1	16.4	16.7	16.1	18.3	16.9
Dairy cows	186.4	196.8	188.8	1,388.2	1,275.5	7.5	8.2	7.9	8.9	8.7
Other cows	223.8	204.8	193.5	1,468.1	1,213.5	9.0	8.5	8.1	9.4	8.3
Bulls	41.5	37.1	38.8	237.1	209.5	1.7	1.5	1.6	1.5	1.4
Total	2,495.0	2,405.8	2,379.2	15,578.7	14,695.8	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Calves and vealers	15.2	10.0	9.1	108.2	62.7	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Hogs										
Barrows and gilts	9,591.0	10,081.9	9,654.8	61,989.5	61,287.8	97.2	97.4	97.3	97.2	97.4
Sows	255.1	249.5	248.5	1,630.7	1,524.7	2.6	2.4	2.5	2.6	2.4
Boars	23.3	22.4	20.3	145.4	131.6	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2
Total	9,869.4	10,353.9	9,923.6	63,765.5	62,944.1	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Sheep										
Mature sheep	10.8	10.8	10.4	64.2	61.7	7.2	6.7	6.5	6.7	6.3
Lambs and yearlings	139.5	148.9	150.9	893.0	912.0	92.8	93.3	93.5	93.3	93.7
Total	150.3	159.7	161.3	957.2	973.7	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 2024	May 2025	June 2025	January to June	
				2024	2025
	(pounds)	(pounds)	(pounds)	(pounds)	(pounds)
Cattle	845	872	865	844	873
Steers ¹	915	942	933	919	945
Heifers ¹	834	866	855	842	867
All cows ¹	638	669	659	645	668
Bulls ¹	923	940	936	900	922
Calves and vealers	196	215	212	189	197
Hogs	214	216	213	216	216
Barrows and gilts ²	212	213	211	214	214
Sows ²	298	301	302	298	299
Boars ²	219	224	233	223	224
Sheep	61	64	63	63	64
Mature sheep ³	65	65	65	65	65
Lambs and yearlings ³	60	64	63	63	64

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 2025

[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	2.3	1.0	0.6	0.5	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.1
2	6.5	2.1	1.6	2.6	2.1	0.5	0.2	2.2
3	86.9	32.9	8.8	38.5	28.7	9.8	6.8	4.3
4	54.3	5.4	2.3	40.8	10.2	30.5	5.8	0.2
5	236.6	124.1	(D)	75.8	51.3	24.5	(D)	1.5
6	412.2	179.5	146.1	78.3	26.3	52.0	8.3	(D)
7	1,058.2	594.9	(D)	46.5	7.1	39.4	(D)	(Y)
8	262.7	161.4	(D)	14.5	2.5	12.0	(D)	(Y)
9	121.5	54.8	21.6	43.6	35.8	7.8	1.5	(D)
10	138.0	54.8	39.5	41.1	24.4	16.7	2.6	(D)
United States	2,379.2	1,211.0	747.2	382.3	188.8	193.5	38.8	9.1
	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	2.0	1.9	(Y)	(Y)	4.5	0.1	4.3	
2	10.2	10.1	0.1	(Y)	19.8	2.1	17.7	
3	273.1	272.9	0.2	(Y)	12.8	1.1	11.7	
4	(D)	(D)	83.7	(D)	15.3	1.0	14.3	
5	2,981.9	2,890.8	85.8	5.3	29.5	1.7	27.9	
6	494.7	494.6	0.1	0.1	17.6	0.8	16.8	
7	4,323.6	4,234.6	78.5	10.5	1.8	(D)	(D)	
8	(D)	(D)	0.1	(D)	33.5	(D)	(D)	
9	78.3	78.2	(Y)	(Y)	21.2	2.7	18.5	
10	18.1	18.1	(Y)	(Y)	5.3	0.2	5.2	
United States	9,923.6	9,654.8	248.5	20.3	161.3	10.4	150.9	

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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 2025

[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	14.7	6.0	4.0	3.4	2.2	1.3	1.2	0.6
2	42.1	13.3	12.1	15.4	11.9	3.5	1.4	13.7
3	546.9	197.9	54.7	259.3	191.1	68.2	35.1	28.6
4	334.2	31.8	13.8	253.7	72.1	181.6	34.8	1.4
5	1,449.3	725.2	(D)	504.6	330.3	174.3	(D)	9.2
6	2,576.0	1,136.5	888.3	498.7	168.5	330.3	52.4	(D)
7	6,457.7	3,576.9	(D)	284.0	34.7	249.3	(D)	0.3
8	1,649.1	876.7	(D)	109.5	28.6	80.8	(D)	(Y)
9	787.9	349.9	130.5	300.2	263.2	37.1	7.3	(D)
10	837.9	300.3	266.2	260.2	173.0	87.2	11.2	(D)
United States	14,695.8	7,214.6	4,782.7	2,489.1	1,275.5	1,213.5	209.5	62.7
	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	10.7	10.5	0.1	0.1	28.7	1.1	27.6	
2	61.8	61.5	0.3	0.1	122.3	10.8	111.5	
3	1,662.4	1,661.2	1.0	0.2	88.1	10.2	77.9	
4	(D)	(D)	462.7	(D)	80.2	5.8	74.4	
5	19,282.2	18,646.4	604.7	31.2	170.1	8.9	161.3	
6	2,932.3	2,931.1	0.6	0.5	102.1	4.5	97.6	
7	27,867.4	27,340.9	454.0	72.6	10.9	(D)	(D)	
8	(D)	(D)	0.9	(D)	219.4	(D)	(D)	
9	466.0	465.7	0.2	0.1	123.4	15.0	108.4	
10	110.0	109.8	0.2	0.1	28.5	1.0	27.5	
United States	62,944.1	61,287.8	1,524.7	131.6	973.7	61.7	912.0	

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Federally Inspected Slaughter Percent of Total Commercial Slaughter – United States

Species	June 2024	May 2025	June 2025	January to June	
				2024	2025
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Cattle	98.3	98.2	98.1	98.2	98.2
Calves	96.2	95.5	94.3	96.2	94.9
Hogs	99.5	99.6	99.6	99.6	99.6
Sheep	85.1	85.6	85.1	87.2	86.7

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.

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 1,100 livestock slaughter plants in the United States operating under Federal Inspection and about 1,825 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 14). 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.

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