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United States Commercial Slaughter

Commercial red meat production for the United States totaled 4.67 billion pounds in September, up 2 percent from the 4.58 billion pounds produced in September 2021.

Beef production, at 2.39 billion pounds, was 4 percent above the previous year. Cattle slaughter totaled 2.90 million head, up 4 percent from September 2021.

Veal production totaled 4.2 million pounds, 5 percent below September a year ago. Calf slaughter totaled 30,800 head, down 10 percent from September 2021.

Pork production totaled 2.26 billion pounds, down slightly from the previous year. Hog slaughter totaled 10.7 million head, down 1 percent from September 2021.

Lamb and mutton production, at 10.7 million pounds, was down slightly from September 2021. Sheep slaughter totaled 168,800 head, 8 percent below last year.

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California's production of red meat during September 2022 totaled 143 million pounds (dressed weight), down .2 percent from September 2021. This figure includes slaughter in Federally-inspected and state-inspected plants, but excludes farm slaughter. In September 2022, the average live weight of cattle slaughtered in California was 1,302 pounds, calves averaged 122 pounds, sheep and lambs averaged 153 pounds, and hogs averaged 259 pounds. In Hawaii, 900 thousand pounds of red meat were produced in September 2022.

Commercial Slaughter - States and United States: September 2021 and 2022

Chasis and Ctata	Number slaughtered		Total live weight		Average live weight	
Specie and State	2021	2022	2021	2022	2021	2022
	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 pounds	1,000 pounds	pounds	pounds
Cattle						
California	134.5	137.8	177,238	178,232	1,325	1,302
Hawaii	1.3	1.3	1,491	1,588	1,187	1,200
Nevada	(D)	(Y)	(D)	(X)	(D)	(X)
United States	2,790.1	2,898.0	3,800,312	3,944,644	1,365	1,364
Calves						
California	3.7	2.8	347	328	96	122
Hawaii	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Nevada	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
United States	34.2	30.8	7,61Ó	7,265	224	238
Sheep and lambs						
California	24.5	22.1	3,324	3,386	136	153
Hawaii	0.1	0.1	17	10	140	135
Nevada	(D)	(Y)	(D)	(X)	(D)	(X)
United States	18 4 .4	16 8 .8	21,323	21,144	116	125
Hogs						
California	222.5	216.6	57,318	56,060	258	259
Hawaii	0.2	0.2	55	44	265	256
Nevada	(D)	(Y)	(D)	(X)	(D)	(X)
United States	10,76Ì.Ó	10,659.Ó	3,043,251	3,039,563	283	285

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

⁽X) Not applicable.

⁽Y) Less than level of precision shown.

Commercial Red Meat Production - States and United States

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

State	September 2021	August 2022	September 2022	September 2022 as % 2021
	million pounds	million pounds	million pounds	percent
California Hawaii Nevada	143.3 0.9 0.1	154.1 1.0 (Y)	143.0 0.9 (Y)	100 104 (X)
United States	4,581.1	4,826.1	4,665.2	102

⁽X) Not applicable.

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