

COMMERCIAL LIVESTOCK SLAUGHTER

Indiana slaughter plants produced 1.2 billion pounds of red meat in 1998, an increase of 27 percent from 1997. Indiana ranked tenth in 1998 among red meat producers in the United States and accounted for 2.7 percent of the nation's total.

Commercial cattle slaughter for Indiana in 1998 decreased 6 percent from 1997, dropping from 48.6 million pounds produced to 45.7 million pounds. There were 43,300 head of cattle slaughtered in Indiana during 1998, a decrease of 9 percent from 1997. The average live weight for slaughter increased from 1,024 pounds in 1997 to 1,054 pounds in 1998.

The Indiana commercial calf slaughter has been discontinued to avoid disclosure.

Slaughter production for hogs during 1998 in Indiana totaled 1.58 billion pounds, an increase of 28 percent from the 1997 figure of 1.23 billion pounds. There were 6.33 million hogs slaughtered, up 29 percent from 1997. The average weight per hog remained the same at 250 pounds.

Commercial sheep slaughter for Indiana in 1998 totaled 3.5 million pounds. There were 35,800 head of sheep slaughtered in Indiana. The average live weight for slaughter was 99 pounds in 1998.

RED MEAT PRODUCTION FROM SLAUGHTER INDIANA, 1992-1998

Year	Beef	Veal	Pork	Lamb & Mutton	Total
			<u>Thousand Pounds</u>		
1992	44,973	1/	817,752	1/	894,199
1993	41,544	1/	740,210	1/	810,538

1994	41,203	<u>1/</u>	652,340	<u>1/</u>	735,788
1995	36,624	<u>1/</u>	636,085	<u>1/</u>	709,681
1996	30,080	<u>1/</u>	742,262	<u>1/</u>	817,000
1997	26,220	<u>1/</u>	900,497	<u>1/</u>	971,100
1998	24,385	<u>1/</u>	1,166,416	<u>1/</u>	1,229,100

1/ Data not published to avoid disclosure of individual operations.

**NUMBER OF FEDERALLY INSPECTED PLANTS AND HEAD SLAUGHTERED,
BY SPECIES, INDIANA, 1992-1998**

Year	Cattle		Calves		Hogs		Sheep and Lambs		Head
	<u>Number</u>	<u>Plants (000)</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Plants (000)</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Plants (000)</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Plants (000)</u>	
1992	<u>1/</u>	<u>1/</u>	<u>1/</u>	<u>1/</u>	13	4,572.5	<u>1/</u>	<u>1/</u>	
1993	<u>1/</u>	<u>1/</u>	<u>1/</u>	<u>1/</u>	14	4,107.5	<u>1/</u>	<u>1/</u>	
1994	<u>1/</u>	<u>1/</u>	<u>1/</u>	<u>1/</u>	12	3,566.4	<u>1/</u>	<u>1/</u>	
1995	<u>1/</u>	<u>1/</u>	<u>1/</u>	<u>1/</u>	12	3,438.2	<u>1/</u>	<u>1/</u>	
1996	<u>1/</u>	<u>1/</u>	<u>1/</u>	<u>1/</u>	12	4,091.2	<u>1/</u>	<u>1/</u>	
1997	6	4.8	<u>1/</u>	<u>1/</u>	10	4,922.7	<u>1/</u>	<u>1/</u>	
1998	6	4.5	<u>1/</u>	<u>1/</u>	10	6,228.9	7	29.9	

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