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Red Meat Production in Pennsylvania Up 1 Percent in June

HARRISBURG, PA, Jul 20, 2007 --- Commercial red meat production, dressed weight basis, in **Pennsylvania** during June 2007 totaled 103.1 million pounds, up 1 percent from June 2006, according to the Pennsylvania Field Office of USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service.

Beef production, at 97.1 million pounds live weight, was up 13 percent from June 2006. Total head slaughtered was 79,100, up 12 percent. Live weight averaged 1,235 pounds, up 13 pound from last year. Veal production was 5.5 million pounds live weight, down 12 percent from last year. Calf slaughter of 14,500 head was down 3 percent from last year. Average live weight decreased 35 pounds to 378 pounds.

Pork production was 55.8 million pounds live weight, down 9 percent from last year. Total head slaughtered was 223,400, down 10 percent from June 2006. Average live weight increased 3 pound from last year to 250 pounds.

Lamb and mutton production during June 2007 was 456,000 pounds live weight, up 5 percent. The number slaughtered was 4,700, down 2 percent from last year. Average live weight increased 6 pounds to 96 pounds.

Nationally, commercial red meat production, dressed weight basis, in June 2007 totaled 4.03 billion pounds, down 3 percent from the 4.14 billion pounds produced in June 2006. Compared with a year earlier beef production, dressed weight basis, at 2.35 billion pounds, was down 4 percent. Veal production totaled 11.2 million pounds, down 10 percent from June a year ago.

Pork production totaled 1.65 billion pounds, down 1 percent from the previous year. Lamb and mutton production, at 13.7 million pounds, was down 5 percent from June 2006.

January-June red meat production was 23.6 billion pounds, up 1 percent from June 2006. Accumulated beef production was up 1 percent from last year, veal was up 6 percent, pork was up 2 percent from last year, and lamb and mutton production was down 3 percent.

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