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LIVESTOCK SLAUGHTER – NOVEMBER 2021 UNITED STATES HIGHLIGHTS

Commercial red meat production for the United States totaled 4.80 billion pounds in November, up 2 percent from the 4.69 billion pounds produced in November 2020.

Beef production, at 2.38 billion pounds, was 5 percent above the previous year. Cattle slaughter totaled 2.86 million head, up 6 percent from November 2020. The average live weight was down 5 pounds from the previous year, at 1,382 pounds.

Veal production totaled 4.6 million pounds, 5 percent below November a year ago. Calf slaughter totaled 33,000 head, down 6 percent from November 2020. The average live weight was up 1 pound from last year, at 242 pounds.

Pork production totaled 2.41 billion pounds, up slightly from the previous year. Hog slaughter totaled 11.1 million head, up 1 percent from November 2020. The average live weight was down 3 pounds from the previous year, at 291 pounds.

Lamb and mutton production, at 12.0 million pounds, was up 12 percent from November 2020. Sheep slaughter totaled 195,100 head, 8 percent above last year. The average live weight was 122 pounds, up 4 pounds from November a year ago.

January to November 2021 commercial red meat production was 51.0 billion pounds, up slightly from 2020. Accumulated beef production was up 3 percent from last year, veal was down 18 percent, pork was down 2 percent from last year, and lamb and mutton production was down slightly.

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