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# Pacific Region Livestock Slaughter

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## United States Commercial Slaughter

Commercial red meat production for the United States totaled 4.77 billion pounds in January 2023, up 4 percent from the 4.56 billion pounds produced in January 2022.

Beef production, at 2.33 billion pounds, was 3 percent above the previous year. Cattle slaughter totaled 2.83 million head, up 5 percent from January 2022.

Veal production totaled 4.40 million pounds, 4 percent below January a year ago. Calf slaughter totaled 30,600 head, down 5 percent from January 2022.

Pork production totaled 2.43 billion pounds, up 6 percent from the previous year. Hog slaughter totaled 11.1 million head, up 7 percent from January 2022.

Lamb and mutton production, at 10.2 million pounds, was up 3 percent from January 2022. Sheep slaughter totaled 162,800 head, 6 percent above last year.

## Pacific Region Commercial Slaughter

California's production of red meat during January 2023 totaled 144 million pounds (dressed weight), 7 percent above than January 2022. This figure includes slaughter in Federally-inspected and state-inspected plants, but excludes farm slaughter. In January 2023, the average live weight of cattle slaughtered in California was 1,333 pounds, sheep and lambs averaged 141 pounds, and hogs averaged 270 pounds. In Hawaii, 900,000 pounds of red meat were produced in January 2023.

### Commercial Slaughter – States and United States: January 2022 and 2023

Specie and State	Number slaughtered		Total live weight		Average live weight	
	2022	2023	2022	2023	2022	2023
	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 pounds	1,000 pounds	pounds	pounds
<b>Cattle</b>						
California .....	123.0	140.7	162,370	186,284	1,330	1,333
Hawaii.....	1.0	1.2	1,243	1,419	1,206	1,201
Nevada.....	0.1	(Y)	116	(X)	1,209	(X)
United States .....	2,703.1	2,827.9	3,770,213	3,893,880	1,398	1,380
<b>Calves</b>						
California .....	3.4	(D)	414	(D)	126	(D)
Hawaii.....	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Nevada.....	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
United States .....	32.3	30.6	7,936	7,579	247	249
<b>Sheep and lambs</b>						
California .....	19.9	21.6	2,845	3,027	143	141
Hawaii.....	0.1	0.1	18	12	136	138
Nevada.....	0.1	(Y)	11	(X)	155	(X)
United States .....	154.2	162.8	19,571	20,088	127	123
<b>Hogs</b>						
California .....	214.4	195.6	55,961	52,659	261	270
Hawaii.....	0.2	0.2	45	53	257	256
Nevada.....	(Y)	(Y)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)
United States .....	10,410.3	11,130.3	3,060,612	3,259,940	294	293

(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	January 2022	December 2022	January 2023	January 2023 as % 2022
	<i>million pounds</i>	<i>million pounds</i>	<i>million pounds</i>	<i>percent</i>
California.....	133.9	153.1	143.7	107
Hawaii.....	0.7	0.8	0.9	115
Nevada.....	0.1	(Y)	(Y)	(X)
United States.....	4,561.0	4,470.9	4,766.0	104

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