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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 4.58 billion pounds in September, down 3 percent from the 4.71 billion pounds produced in September 2020.

Beef production, at 2.30 billion pounds, was 2 percent below the previous year. Cattle slaughter totaled 2.79 million head, down 1 percent from September 2020. The average live weight was down 14 pounds from the previous year, at 1,365 pounds.

Veal production totaled 4.4 million pounds, 10 percent below September a year ago. Calf slaughter totaled 34,100 head, up 5 percent from September 2020. The average live weight was down 37 pounds from last year, at 224 pounds.

Pork production totaled 2.27 billion pounds, down 3 percent from the previous year. Hog slaughter totaled 10.8 million head, down 2 percent from September 2020. The average live weight was down 2 pounds from the previous year, at 283 pounds.

Lamb and mutton production, at 10.7 million pounds, was down 2 percent from September 2020. Sheep slaughter totaled 184,200 head, slightly below last year. The average live weight was 116 pounds, down 2 pounds from September a year ago.

## Pacific Region Commercial Slaughter

California's production of red meat during September 2021 totaled 143 million pounds (dressed weight), 2 percent above September 2020. This figure includes slaughter in Federally-inspected and state-inspected plants, but excludes farm slaughter. In September 2021, the average live weight of cattle slaughtered in California was 1,325 pounds, calves averaged 92 pounds, sheep and lambs averaged 136 pounds, and hogs averaged 257 pounds. In Hawaii, 900,000 pounds of red meat were produced in September 2021, and 100,000 pounds of red meat were produced in Nevada.

### Commercial Slaughter – States and United States: September 2020 and 2021

Specie and State	Number slaughtered		Total live weight		Average live weight	
	2020	2021	2020	2021	2020	2021
	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 pounds	1,000 pounds	pounds	pounds
<b>Cattle</b>						
California .....	133.8	134.5	178,180	177,239	1,339	1,325
Hawaii.....	1.2	1.3	1,393	1,491	1,155	1,187
Nevada.....	0.1	(D)	81	(D)	1,293	(D)
United States .....	2,815.1	2,789.2	3,872,331	3,798,876	1,379	1,365
<b>Calves</b>						
California .....	4.8	3.7	600	329	130	92
Hawaii.....	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Nevada.....	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
United States .....	32.4	34.1	8,394	7,587	261	224
<b>Sheep and lambs</b>						
California .....	26.0	24.5	3,551	3,321	137	136
Hawaii.....	0.1	0.1	16	17	127	140
Nevada.....	0.1	(D)	10	(D)	147	(D)
United States .....	185.0	184.2	21,732	21,297	118	116
<b>Hogs</b>						
California .....	207.6	222.5	54,409	57,172	262	257
Hawaii.....	0.2	0.2	65	55	263	265
Nevada.....	(Y)	(D)	(X)	(D)	(X)	(D)
United States .....	11,027.7	10,760.7	3,139,606	3,043,005	285	283

(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 2020	August 2021	September 2021	September 2021 as % 2020
	<i>million pounds</i>	<i>million pounds</i>	<i>million pounds</i>	<i>percent</i>
California.....	140.8	145.9	143.2	102
Hawaii.....	0.9	0.9	0.9	107
Nevada.....	0.1	0.1	0.1	133
United States.....	4,708.2	4,588.2	4,580.1	97

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