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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 4.56 billion pounds in January 2022, down 5 percent from the 4.80 billion pounds produced in January 2021.

Beef production, at 2.27 billion pounds, was 2 percent below the previous year. Cattle slaughter totaled 2.70 million head, down 2 percent from January 2021.

Veal production totaled 4.6 million pounds, slightly below January a year ago. Calf slaughter totaled 32,300 head, slightly below January 2021.

Pork production totaled 2.28 billion pounds, down 8 percent from the previous year. Hog slaughter totaled 10.4 million head, down 7 percent from January 2021.

Lamb and mutton production, at 9.8 million pounds, was down 6 percent from January 2021. Sheep slaughter totaled 154,100 head, 5 percent below last year.

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California's production of red meat during January 2022 totaled 134 million pounds (dressed weight), 7 percent below than January 2021. This figure includes slaughter in Federally-inspected and state-inspected plants, but excludes farm slaughter. In January 2022, the average live weight of cattle slaughtered in California was 1,330 pounds, calves averaged 126 pounds, sheep and lambs averaged 143 pounds, and hogs averaged 261 pounds. In Hawaii, 700,000 pounds of red meat were produced in January 2022, and 100,000 pounds of red meat were produced in Nevada.

Commercial Slaughter - States and United States: January 2021 and 2022

| Specie and State | Number slaughtered | | Total live weight | | Average live weight | |
|------------------|--------------------|------------|-------------------|--------------|---------------------|--------|
| | 2021 | 2022 | 2021 | 2022 | 2021 | 2022 |
| | 1,000 head | 1,000 head | 1,000 pounds | 1,000 pounds | pounds | pounds |
| Cattle | | | | | | |
| California | 131.4 | 123.0 | 176,456 | 162,370 | 1,351 | 1,330 |
| Hawaii | 1.1 | 1.0 | 1,330 | 1,243 | 1,222 | 1,206 |
| Nevada | (D) | 0.1 | (D) | 116 | (D) | 1,209 |
| United States | 2,744.6 | 2,703.0 | 3,831,126 | 3,770,060 | 1,399 | 1,398 |
| Calves | | | | | | |
| California | 4.4 | 3.4 | 528 | 414 | 124 | 126 |
| Hawaii | (D) | (D) | (D) | (D) | (D) | (D) |
| Nevada | (D) | (D) | (D) | (D) | (D) | (D) |
| United States | 32.3 | 32.3 | 7,928 | 7,936 | 247 | 247 |
| Sheep and lambs | | | | | | |
| California | 24.0 | 19.9 | 3,465 | 2,845 | 144 | 143 |
| Hawaii | 0.1 | 0.1 | 7 | 18 | 110 | 136 |
| Nevada | (D) | 0.1 | (D) | 11 | (D) | 155 |
| United States | 161.8 | 154.1 | 20,877 | 19,563 | 129 | 127 |
| Hogs | | | | | | |
| California | 212.5 | 214.4 | 58,240 | 55,961 | 274 | 261 |
| Hawaii | 0.3 | 0.2 | 67 | 45 | 255 | 257 |
| Nevada | (D) | (Y) | (D) | (X) | (D) | (X) |
| United States | 11,249.9 | 10,410.3 | 3,315,696 | 3,060,615 | 295 | 294 |

⁽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 2021 | December 2021 | January 2022 | January 2022 as % 2021 |
|--------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------------|
| | million pounds | million pounds | million pounds | percent |
| California Hawaii Nevada | 143.4 0.8 0.1 | 145.0 0.9 0.1 | 133.9 0.7 0.1 | 93 88 100 |
| United States | 4,801.6 | 4,782.9 | 4,560.9 | 95 |

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