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New Jersey Red Meat Production Up Slightly In 2015

Total red meat production for New Jersey totaled 45.3 million pounds in 2015, up slightly from the 45.2 million pounds produced in 2014, according to Bruce Eklund, State Statistician, of the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service (NASS), New Jersey Field Office.

Commercial cattle slaughter totaled 32,500 head, down 5 percent from 2014. The average live weight was up 21 pounds from the previous year, at 1,107 pounds.

Commercial calf slaughter totaled 59,600 head, 3 percent above 2014. The average live weight was up 6 pounds from last year, at 432 pounds.

Commercial hog slaughter totaled 103,600 head, down 1 percent from 2014. The average live weight was up 2 pounds from the previous year, at 96 pounds.

Commercial sheep and lamb slaughter totaled 126,600 head, 5 percent above last year. The average live weight was 78 pounds, down 2 pounds from a year ago.

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