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**Commercial Red Meat Down 2 Percent From Last Year**

**Commercial red meat production** for New York totaled 2.6 million pounds in March, down 2 percent from the 2.7 million pounds produced in March 2014, according to Blair Smith, State Statistician, of the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service (NASS), New York Field Office.

**Cattle slaughter** totaled 2,400 head, down 4 percent from March 2014. The average live weight was up 18 pounds from the previous year at 1,183 pounds.

**Calf slaughter** totaled 4,000 head, 34 percent below March 2014. The average live weight was up 4 pounds from last year, at 138 pounds.

**Hog slaughter** totaled 2,900 head, up 16 percent from March 2014. The average live weight was up 3 pounds from the previous year, at 232 pounds.

**Sheep slaughter** totaled 5,700 head, 68 percent above last year. The average live weight was 89 pounds, down 11 pounds from March a year ago.

**March 2014** contained 21 weekdays (including 0 holidays) and 5 Saturdays.

**March 2015** contained 22 weekdays (including 0 holidays) and 4 Saturdays.

The complete Livestock Slaughter report and all other NASS reports are available online at [www.nass.usda.gov](http://www.nass.usda.gov).

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