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Commercial Red Meat Up 27 Percent in March

Commercial red meat production for New York totaled 3.3 million pounds in March, up 27 percent from the 2.6 million pounds produced in March 2015, according to Blair Smith, State Statistician, of the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service (NASS), New York Field Office.

Cattle slaughter totaled 2,900 head, up 21 percent from March 2015. The average live weight was up 28 pounds from the previous year at 1,211 pounds.

Calf slaughter totaled 2,500 head, 38 percent below March 2015. The average live weight was up 9 pounds from last year, at 147 pounds.

Hog slaughter totaled 4,500 head, up 55 percent from March 2015. The average live weight was up 26 pounds from the previous year, at 258 pounds.

Sheep and lamb slaughter totaled 7,300 head, 28 percent above last year. The average live weight was 92 pounds, up 3 pounds from March a year ago.

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

March 2016 contained 23 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.

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