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Pennsylvania Red Meat Production Up 4.7 Percent In 2015

Total red meat production for Pennsylvania totaled 1.34 billion pounds in 2015, up 4.7 percent from the 1.28 billion pounds produced in 2014, according to King Whetstone, Director of the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service (NASS), Northeastern Regional Field Office.

Commercial cattle slaughter totaled 954,100 head, down 1 percent from 2014. The average live weight was up 7 pounds from the previous year, at 1,216 pounds.

Commercial calf slaughter totaled 85,900 head, 20 percent below 2014. The average live weight was up 19 pounds from last year, at 435 pounds.

Commercial hog slaughter totaled 3.14 million head, up 11 percent from 2014. The average live weight was up 3 pounds from the previous year, at 272 pounds.

Commercial sheep and lamb slaughter totaled 61,100 head, 15 percent below last year. The average live weight was 104 pounds, up 3 pounds from a year ago.

The complete Livestock Slaughter Annual Summary and all other NASS reports are available online at www.nass.usda.gov.

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