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## Pennsylvania Red Meat Production Up 2 Percent In 2014

**Total red meat production** for Pennsylvania totaled 1.3 billion pounds in 2014, up 2 percent from the 1.2 billion pounds produced in 2013, according to King Whetstone, Director of the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service (NASS), Northeastern Regional Field Office.

**Commercial cattle slaughter** totaled 962,200 head, up 2 percent from 2013. The average live weight was up 14 pounds from the previous year, at 1,209 pounds.

**Commercial calf slaughter** totaled 106,700 head, 20 percent below 2013. The average live weight was up 22 pounds from last year, at 416 pounds.

**Commercial hog slaughter** totaled 2.83 million head, up 1 percent from 2013. The average live weight was up 3 pounds from the previous year, at 269 pounds.

**Commercial sheep and lamb slaughter** totaled 71,800 head, 12 percent above last year. The average live weight was 101 pounds, up 1 pounds from a year ago.

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

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