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## Pennsylvania Red Meat Production Unchanged In May

**Total red meat production** for Pennsylvania totaled 101.8 million pounds in May 2015, unchanged from May 2014, according to King Whetstone, Director, Northeastern Regional Field Office, of the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service (NASS).

**Commercial cattle slaughter** totaled 74,200 head, down 5 percent from May 2014. The average live weight was down 8 pounds from the previous year at 1,211 pounds.

**Commercial calf slaughter** totaled 6,900 head, 27 percent below May 2014. The average live weight was up 26 pounds from last year at 440.

**Commercial hog slaughter** totaled 229,700 head, up 4 percent from May 2014. The average live weight was up 3 pounds from the previous year, at 269 pounds.

**Commercial sheep and lamb slaughter** totaled 4,700 head, 23 percent below May last year. The average live weight was 106 pounds, up 4 pounds from a year ago.

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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