



# LIVESTOCK AND MEAT AUSTRALIA

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## JANUARY KEY FIGURES

LIVESTOCK SLAUGHTERED	Original	Seasonally adjusted	Trend estimate
	'000	'000	'000
Cattle	468.1	547.7	544.0
Calves	39.7	87.7	76.5
Sheep	1 382.1	1 169.9	1 130.5
Lambs	1 494.2	1 473.6	1 513.5
Pigs	427.1	457.2	452.9

MEAT PRODUCED	Original	Seasonally adjusted	Trend estimate
	tonnes	tonnes	tonnes
Beef	122 189	144 699	142 184
Veal	2 123	2 953	2 518
Mutton	28 794	24 417	23 571
Lamb	29 874	29 519	30 273
Pig meat	30 908	33 991	33 433

## JANUARY KEY POINT

### TREND ESTIMATES

- In January 2002, the trend estimate for cattle slaughtered (544,000) decreased for the seventh consecutive month and was down by 14% compared to the same month last year.

## NOTES

### INTRODUCTION

This publication presents statistics on livestock slaughtering and meat production. These statistics are based on a monthly collection from abattoirs and other major slaughtering establishments. More detailed information on this series can be obtained by contacting the ABS or by referring to the quarterly ABS publication *Livestock Products, Australia* (Cat. no. 7215.0).

### FORTHCOMING ISSUES

The February 2002 issue of this data is due for release on 4 April 2002.

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