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# Pacific Region Livestock Slaughter

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## United States Commercial Slaughter

Commercial red meat production for the United States totaled 4.56 billion pounds in November 2024, down 3 percent from the 4.68 billion pounds produced in November 2023.

Beef production, at 2.22 billion pounds, was 3 percent below the previous year. Cattle slaughter totaled 2.57 million head, down 6 percent from November 2023.

Veal production totaled 3.10 million pounds, 28 percent below November a year ago. Calf slaughter totaled 15,500 head, down 36 percent from November 2023.

Pork production totaled 2.33 billion pounds, down 2 percent from the previous year. Hog slaughter totaled 10.8 million head, down 3 percent from November 2023.

Lamb and mutton production, at 10.4 million pounds, was down 7 percent from November 2023. Sheep slaughter totaled 173,600 head, 9 percent below last year.

## Pacific Region Commercial Slaughter

California's production of red meat during November 2024 totaled 90.6 million pounds (dressed weight), 13 percent below November 2023. This figure includes slaughter in Federally-inspected and state-inspected plants, but excludes farm slaughter. In November 2024, the average live weight of cattle slaughtered in California was 1,380 pounds, sheep and lambs averaged 142 pounds, and hogs averaged 236 pounds. In Hawaii, 700,000 pounds of red meat were produced in November 2024, and 100,000 pounds of red meat were produced in Nevada.

### Commercial Slaughter – States and United States: November 2023 and 2024

Specie and State	Number slaughtered		Total live weight		Average live weight	
	2023	2024	2023	2024	2023	2024
	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 pounds	1,000 pounds	pounds	pounds
<b>Cattle</b>						
California .....	119.2	97.5	160,252	133,649	1,354	1,380
Hawaii.....	1.1	0.9	1,231	1,121	1,149	1,199
Nevada.....	0.1	0.1	77	86	1,200	1,137
United States .....	2,727.4	2,568.0	3,775,674	3,651,307	1,387	1,425
<b>Calves</b>						
California .....	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Hawaii.....	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Nevada.....	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
United States .....	24.1	15.5	7,220	5,228	301	338
<b>Sheep and lambs</b>						
California .....	28.5	21.5	4,047	3,060	142	142
Hawaii.....	0.1	0.1	14	6	135	104
Nevada.....	(Y)	(Y)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)
United States .....	189.9	173.6	22,016	20,419	116	118
<b>Hogs</b>						
California .....	77.9	83.3	17,663	19,572	227	236
Hawaii.....	0.2	0.1	41	44	267	299
Nevada.....	(Y)	(D)	(X)	(D)	(X)	(D)
United States .....	11,133.6	10,844.1	3,217,173	3,135,927	289	289

(D) Withheld to avoid disclosing data for individual operations.

(X) Not applicable.

(Y) Less than level of precision shown.

## Commercial Red Meat Production – States and United States

[Includes total beef, veal, pork, lamb, and mutton. Totals based on unrounded data]

State	November 2023	October 2024	November 2024	November 2024 as % 2023
	<i>million pounds</i>	<i>million pounds</i>	<i>million pounds</i>	<i>percent</i>
California.....	104.3	101.0	90.6	87
Hawaii.....	0.8	0.8	0.7	90
Nevada.....	0.1	0.1	0.1	113
United States.....	4,682.0	5,024.0	4,564.4	97

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