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# **United States Commercial Slaughter**

Commercial red meat production for the United States totaled 4.27 billion pounds in June 2024, down 6 percent from the 4.55 billion pounds produced in June 2023.

Beef production, at 2.14 billion pounds, was 9 percent below the previous year. Cattle slaughter totaled 2.54 million head, down 12 percent from June 2023.

Veal production totaled 3.10 million pounds, 21 percent below June a year ago. Calf slaughter totaled 15,800 head, down 33 percent from June 2023.

Pork production totaled 2.12 billion pounds, down 4 percent from the previous year. Hog slaughter totaled 9.92 million head, down 5 percent from June 2023.

Lamb and mutton production, at 10.4 million pounds, was down 6 percent from June 2023. Sheep slaughter totaled 176,700 head, 2 percent below last year.

## **Pacific Region Commercial Slaughter**

California's production of red meat during June 2024 totaled 90.7 million pounds (dressed weight), 22 percent below than June 2023. This figure includes slaughter in Federally-inspected and state-inspected plants, but excludes farm slaughter. In June 2024, the average live weight of cattle slaughtered in California was 1,366 pounds, sheep and lambs averaged 143 pounds, and hogs averaged 223 pounds. In Hawaii, 700,000 pounds of red meat were produced in June 2024, and 100,000 pounds of red meat were produced in Nevada.

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
Cattle						
California	134.0	99.4	181,036	134,807	1,360	1,36
ławaii	1.1	0.9	1,346	1,091	1,188	1,16
levada	0.1	0.1	100	91	1,174	1,10
Jnited States	2,897.5	2,540.9	3,869,679	3,504,789	1,338	1,38
Calves						
California	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	])
lawaii	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	)
levada	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	)
Jnited States	23.4	15.8	6,599	5,19Ź	283	33
Sheep and lambs						
California	24.3	21.6	3,570	3,091	147	14
ławaii	0.1	0.2	20	21	140	11
levada	0.1	(Y)	8	(X)	142	(2
Jnited States	181.0	17 <b>6</b> .7	21,937	20,437́	121	1`1
logs						
California	79.5	81.1	17,361	18,096	219	22
ławaii	0.2	0.2	42	44	255	26
levada	(Y)	(D)	(X)	(D)	(X)	(
Jnited States	10,426.9	9,915.1	2,960,399	2,843,341	284	28

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

(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	June 2023	May 2024	June 2024	June 2024 as % 2023	
	million pounds	million pounds	million pounds	percent	
California Hawaii Nevada	116.5 0.8 0.1	99.2 0.9 0.1	90.7 0.7 0.1	78 84 91	
United States	4,554.2	4,619.9	4,267.5	94	

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