

# **LIVESTOCK AND MEAT** AUSTRALIA

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## FEBRUARY KEY FIGURES

LIVESTOCK SLAUGHTERED	Original	Seasonally adjusted	Trend estimate
	'000	'000	'000
Cattle	639.8	611.9	600.3
Calves	40.5	97.7	90.6
Sheep	1 381.4	1 107.9	1 115.6
Lambs	1 406.6	1 400.3	1 389.8
Pigs	402.9	410.9	414.5

MEAT PRODUCED	Original	Seasonally adjusted	Trend estimate
	tonnes	tonnes	tonnes
Beef	168 145	159 432	155 661
Veal	2 051	2 990	2 950
Mutton	28 763	23 252	23 432
Lamb	28 197	28 035	27 434
Pig meat	28 934	30 126	30 499

## FEBRUARY KEY POINT

### TREND ESTIMATES

- The trend estimate for the amount of mutton produced in February 2000 was 23,400 tonnes, which was the seventh consecutive monthly decrease.

## NOTES

### INTRODUCTION

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