

LIVESTOCK AND MEAT AUSTRALIA

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JULY KEY FIGURES

| LIVESTOCK SLAUGHTERED | Original | Seasonally adjusted | Trend estimate |
|-----------------------|----------|------------------------|-------------------|
| | '000' | '000' | '000' |
| Cattle | 610.4 | 615.6 | 641.0 |
| Calves | 111.5 | 85.5 | 90.0 |
| Sheep | 1 030.8 | 1 405.7 | 1 359.4 |
| Lambs | 1 466.7 | 1 644.7 | 1 713.4 |
| Pigs | 409.0 | 398.6 | 414.5 |

| MEAT PRODUCED | Original | Seasonally adjusted | Trend estimate |
|---------------|----------|------------------------|-------------------|
| | tonnes | tonnes | tonnes |
| Beef | 156 526 | 157 621 | 166 803 |
| Veal | 2 976 | 2 617 | 2 740 |
| Mutton | 22 123 | 30 703 | 29 295 |
| Lamb | 29 331 | 32 888 | 34 490 |
| Pig meat | 29 637 | 28 773 | 29 815 |

JULY KEY POINT

TREND ESTIMATES

• The trend estimate for the number of lambs slaughtered in July 2000 was 1,713,400. This was the seventh consecutive monthly increase and the highest monthly figure on record.

NOTES

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