

LIVESTOCK AND MEAT AUSTRALIA

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JULY KEY FIGURES

LIVESTOCK SLAUGHTERED	Original	Seasonally adjusted	Trend estimate
	'000	'000	'000
Cattle	706.0	682.0	688.9
Calves	109.1	78.5	82.6
Sheep	1 122.7	1 395.3	1 282.1
Lambs	1 419.7	1 416.1	1 440.0
Pigs	505.6	486.7	475.4

MEAT PRODUCED	Original	Seasonally adjusted	Trend estimate
	tonnes	tonnes	tonnes
Beef	182 280	176 298	180 161
Veal	3 271	2 638	2 728
Mutton	22 060	27 318	25 359
Lamb	28 411	28 337	29 108
Pig meat	37 028	35 152	34 387

JULY KEY POINTS

TREND ESTIMATES

- In July 2002, the trend estimate for pig slaughterings rose for the twenty second consecutive month to a new monthly record of 475,000. Cattle and sheep slaughterings each rose for the sixth consecutive month due mainly to sustained dry weather.

NOTES

INTRODUCTION

This publication presents statistics on livestock slaughterings 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).

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