

LIVESTOCK AND MEAT AUSTRALIA

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OCTOBER KEY FIGURES

LIVESTOCK SLAUGHTERED	Original	Seasonally adjusted	Trend estimate
	'000	'000	'000
Cattle	658.8	622.6	630.2
Calves	85.2	75.3	75.2
Sheep	1 396.8	1 237.0	1 261.5
Lambs	1 668.3	1 432.7	1 362.3
Pigs	412.7	418.6	436.6

MEAT PRODUCED	Original	Seasonally adjusted	Trend estimate
	tonnes	tonnes	tonnes
Beef	173 731	162 000	166 371
Veal	2 638	2 483	2 439
Mutton	29 936	25 397	25 975
Lamb	32 967	28 371	26 936
Pig meat	30 405	30 693	32 343

OCTOBER KEY POINT

TREND ESTIMATES

- In October 2001, the trend estimates for pigs slaughtered (437,000) and pig meat produced (32,300 tonnes) both continued the increase that has been evident over the last year, though that rate of increase has slowed markedly.

NOTES

INTRODUCTION

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