

LIVESTOCK AND MEAT AUSTRALIA

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SEPTEMBER KEY FIGURES

LIVESTOCK SLAUGHTERED	Original	Seasonally adjusted	Trend estimate
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Cattle	653.3	651.0	653.5
Calves	171.8	83.4	88.4
Sheep	1 252.1	1 350.8	1 389.6
Lambs	1 584.8	1 507.4	1 628.9
Pigs	392.8	397.0	413.5

MEAT PRODUCED	Original	Seasonally adjusted	Trend estimate
	tonnes	tonnes	tonnes
Beef	174 969	174 686	173 576
Veal	4 619	2 893	2 896
Mutton	27 357	28 681	30 088
Lamb	31 431	29 875	32 402
Pig meat	28 982	29 465	30 206

SEPTEMBER KEY POINT

TREND ESTIMATES

■ The trend estimate for beef production in September 2000 was 173,576 tonnes. This was the seventh consecutive monthly increase and the highest monthly figure on record.

NOTES

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