



LIVESTOCK AND MEAT AUSTRALIA

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OCTOBER KEY FIGURES

LIVESTOCK SLAUGHTERED	Original	Seasonally adjusted	Trend estimate
	'000	'000	'000
Cattle	714.8	698.3	667.5
Calves	150.6	138.0	116.9
Sheep	1 329.7	1 158.1	1 184.4
Lambs	1 461.0	1 295.7	1 330.0
Pigs	395.7	410.2	406.8

MEAT PRODUCED	Original	Seasonally adjusted	Trend estimate
	tonnes	tonnes	tonnes
Beef	177 199	170 287	165 164
Veal	4 299	4 164	3 674
Mutton	29 186	25 007	25 216
Lamb	28 332	25 070	25 980
Pig meat	28 726	29 782	29 248

OCTOBER KEY POINT

TREND ESTIMATES

- The trend estimate for the amount of beef produced in October 1998 was 165,000 tonnes, the eleventh consecutive monthly increase.

NOTES

INTRODUCTION

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