

# **LIVESTOCK AND MEAT** AUSTRALIA

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## OCTOBER KEY FIGURES

LIVESTOCK SLAUGHTERED	Original	Seasonally adjusted	Trend estimate
	'000	'000	'000
Cattle	650.6	649.8	636.8
Calves	89.7	81.1	91.4
Sheep	1 198.1	1 106.9	1 202.6
Lambs	1 492.5	1 360.6	1 396.0
Pigs	388.9	408.5	412.1

MEAT PRODUCED	Original	Seasonally adjusted	Trend estimate
	tonnes	tonnes	tonnes
Beef	168 989	167 369	164 943
Veal	2 752	2 728	2 957
Mutton	26 531	23 487	25 622
Lamb	29 260	26 603	27 401
Pig meat	28 368	29 643	29 443

## OCTOBER KEY POINT

### TREND ESTIMATES

- The trend estimate for the number of pigs slaughtered in October 1999 was 412,000, the ninth consecutive monthly decrease.

## 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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