

# **LIVESTOCK AND MEAT** AUSTRALIA

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## MARCH KEY FIGURES

LIVESTOCK SLAUGHTERED	Original	Seasonally adjusted	Trend estimate
	'000	'000	'000
Cattle	699.6	650.6	627.4
Calves	45.4	87.3	87.2
Sheep	1 538.2	1 318.2	1 291.9
Lambs	1 599.0	1 590.0	1 605.5
Pigs	432.4	424.7	423.6

MEAT PRODUCED	Original	Seasonally adjusted	Trend estimate
	tonnes	tonnes	tonnes
Beef	186 160	170 186	163 420
Veal	1 983	2 708	2 705
Mutton	30 738	27 312	26 661
Lamb	31 372	31 158	31 396
Pig meat	31 453	30 965	30 843

## MARCH KEY POINT

### TREND ESTIMATES

- The trend estimate for the amount of lamb produced in March 2001 was 31,400 tonnes. This was the fourth consecutive monthly increase.

## NOTES

### INTRODUCTION

This publication presents statistics on livestock slaughtering 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).

### FORTHCOMING ISSUES

The April 2001 issue of this data is due for release on 5 June 2001.

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