

Red Meat Processing Data Library

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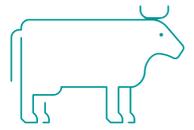
Introduction

This report provides an index of publicly available information and data relating to the Australian red meat processing industry within in the following subject areas:

- Livestock Markets
- Product Markets and Trade
- Industry Economics
- Labour
- Weather and Climate

This report will be kept updated as sources change.

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Livestock Markets

Data	Source	Frequency	Description	Link
Weekly Slaughter	MLA	Weekly	Survey based estimate of weekly abattoir throughput by species.	Link
Prices & Markets	MLA	Weekly	Market data for livestock physical sales, indicator reports, weekly yarding's, skins and other auxiliary reports.	Link
Livestock Products	ABS	Quarterly (Mar/Jun/Sep/Dec)	Quarterly statistics on livestock slaughtered and volume of production in Australia and by State/Territory.	Link
Agricultural Commodities	ABARES	Quarterly (Mar/Jul/Sep/Dec)	Quarterly statistics and forecasts for the agricultural commodity production and trade.	Link
Cattle Projections	MLA	Semi-annual (Feb/Sep)	Biannual analysis (March and September) including 3 year projections for cattle herd, slaughterings, carcass weight, production, exports and domestic utilisation.	Link
Sheep Projections	MLA	Semi-annual (Feb/Sep)	Biannual analysis (March and September) including 3 year projections for sheep flock, slaughterings, carcass weight, production, exports and domestic utilisation.	Link
Beef Producer Intention Survey	MLA	Triannual (Nov/Apr/Jul)	A triannual survey of Australia's grassfed cattle producers delivering data on herd demographics, sentiment and future intentions.	Link
National Accredited Feedlot Survey	MLA, ALFA	Quarterly (Mar/Jul/Sep/Dec)	A quarterly survey of; cattle on feed; turnoff and feedlot capacity.	Link
Statistics Database	MLA	Ongoing	A comprehensive library of publicly available data on livestock production, markets, trade and the economy.	Link



Product Markets and Trade

Resource	Source	Frequency	Description	Link
Australian red meat export statistics	DAFF	Monthly	Monthly statistics on red meat exports from Australia to more than 57 destination markets.	Link
Quota Usage Reports	DAFF	Ongoing	Information on trade quota usage for all the quotas administered by the Quota Unit at the Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry (including UK, EU, US, Japan, Indonesian trade quotas).	Link
Trade Dashboard	ABARES	Ongoing	Provides access to Australia's agriculture, fisheries and forestry trade data.	Link
Agricultural Commodities	ABARES	Quarterly	Quarterly statistics and forecasts for the agricultural commodity production and trade.	Link
Australian Co-Products Offal Prices	MLA	Monthly	Monthly price data (A\$/kg ex works) for cattle and sheep offal products, including halal and non-halal status.	Link
Australian Co-Products Pharmaceutical Prices	MLA	Monthly	Monthly price data for foetal blood (A\$/litre ex works) and gall concentrated (A\$/kg).	Link
Global Market Data and Insights	MLA	Ongoing	Report on key developments in global red meat and livestock trade, supply/demand status and consumer insights.	Link
Statistics Database	MLA	Ongoing	A library of all available MLA data on livestock production, markets, trade and the economy.	Link
Foreign Agricultural Service	USDA	Ongoing	The US Department of Agriculture (USDA) Foreign Agricultural Service publishes information on global agricultural production and trade.	Link
Global Agricultural Information Network	USDA	Ongoing	GAIN publishes reports compiled by the US Department of Agriculture (USDA) Foreign Service Officers and staff around the world. They provide agricultural market intelligence, insight and analysis of interest to exporters of U.S. agriculture. FAS currently generates more than 2,000 reports a year, dating back to 1995.	Link
Japanese Livestock and Livestock Products Market Data	ALIC (Japan)	Monthly	ALIC publishes monthly market data from the Japanese market, including market prices for imported Australian and US Beef by cut.	Link
ComTrade Database	UN	Ongoing	Free access to global trade data by product volume and value.	Link



Industry Economics

Data	Type	Frequency	Description	Link
Australian Industry	ABS	Annual	Annual estimates of key economic and financial performance of industries in Australia, including income, expenses, profit and capital expenditure. Data for the Meat Processing Industry is provided in the 'Manufacturing Industry' Data Cube.	Link
Consumer Price Index	ABS	Monthly	Measures household inflation and includes statistics about price change for categories of household expenditure.	Link
Producer Price Index	ABS	Quarterly	Measures price change of goods and services as they leave or enter the production process. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Meat Processing Output, see Table 12, Series ID A2307143W. - Food Product Manufacturing Inputs, See Table 14, Series ID A3344010C. 	Link
Socio-economic benefit of the red meat processing industry in regional Australia (2024)	AMPC	Updated every 2-3 years	Quantified the economic contribution of the industry (i.e. contribution to jobs, sales, value added and household income), at a national, state and local government level.	Link
Quarterly Statement on Monetary Policy	RBA	Quarterly	Quarterly summary of the Australian economy (February, May, August November), including trends and forecasts for employment, inflation, interest rates, exchange rates, business and consumer confidence etc.	Link
Statistics Database	RBA	Ongoing	Statistics database: Includes current and historical data on interest rates, exchange rates, inflation, employment etc.	Link



Labour

Resource	Source	Frequency	Description	Link
PALM Scheme Data	DEWR, PALM Scheme	Monthly	Monthly data for the Pacific Australia Labour Mobility (PALM) scheme, including information about participating workers and employers.	Link
Occupation Shortage List	Jobs and Skills Australia	Quarterly	Provides a point-in-time assessment of the shortage status of occupations in the Australian labour market, including for each state and territory. Relevant occupations include Meat Boner and Slicer, Meat Inspector etc.	Link
Jobs and Skills Atlas	Jobs and Skills Australia	Ongoing	Employment data by region, industry, occupation or qualification.	Link
VET Graduate Outcome Dashboard	Jobs and Skills Australia	Ongoing	Data on vocational education and training (VET) graduate outcomes for students in the year following qualification completion (e.g. Cert II, III, IV in Meat Processing). Outcome statistics are available for: median income, employment rate, further study and income support.	Link

Weather and climate



Resource	Source	Frequency	Description	Link
Local weather forecasts	BOM	Daily	Local weather outlook.	Link
Long-range weather forecasts	BOM	Monthly	Official national forecasts of rainfall and temperature up to 3 months.	Link
Australian Water Outlook	BOM	Monthly	Historical and long-term forecasts for: <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Precipitation- Soil moisture (root zone)- Evapotranspiration	Link