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Statistics on Commercial Sheep Slaughter State of Hawai‘i, 2018–2024

Before the COVID-19 pandemic, Hawai‘i’s commercial slaughterhouses processed an average of 154,000 pounds of sheep annually. During the pandemic, the average total live weight increased by 5% to reach 161,000 pounds. The increase continued, reaching 176,000 pounds post-COVID, marking a 9% increase over the pandemic period, and a 14% increase compared to the pre-pandemic average.

However, year-on-year changes show high variability, ranging from -26% to +42%.

Table 1: Total Live Weight of Commercial Sheep Slaughter, Hawai‘i, 2018–2024*

Periods	Pre-COVID (1,000 Pounds)		During COVID (1,000 Pounds)			Post-COVID (1,000 Pounds)	
	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Year							
January	18	8	9	7	18	12	16
February	18	10	11	10	20	10	19
March	22	9	10	15	27	16	10
April	13	14	15	9	18	11	10
May	21	15	16	8	26	23	14
June	10	11	12	7	17	20	21
July	17	12	13	10	10	15	13
August	22	7	8	13	8	25	16
September	8	11	12	17	10	24	9
October	9	13	14	8	23	16	11
November	8	12	13	14	14	14	6
December	11	9	10	23	9	13	8
Total Live Weight	177	131	143	141	200	199	153
Year-on-Year Changes		-26%	9%	-1%	42%	-1%	-23%
Average Total Live Weight	154		161			176	

*Include custom slaughter for home.

Source: USDA-NASS available [Publication | Livestock Slaughter | ID: rx913p88g | USDA Economics, Statistics and Market Information System](#).

Chart 1: Total Live Weight of Commercial Sheep Slaughter and Year-on-Year Percentage Change, Hawai‘i, 2018–2024

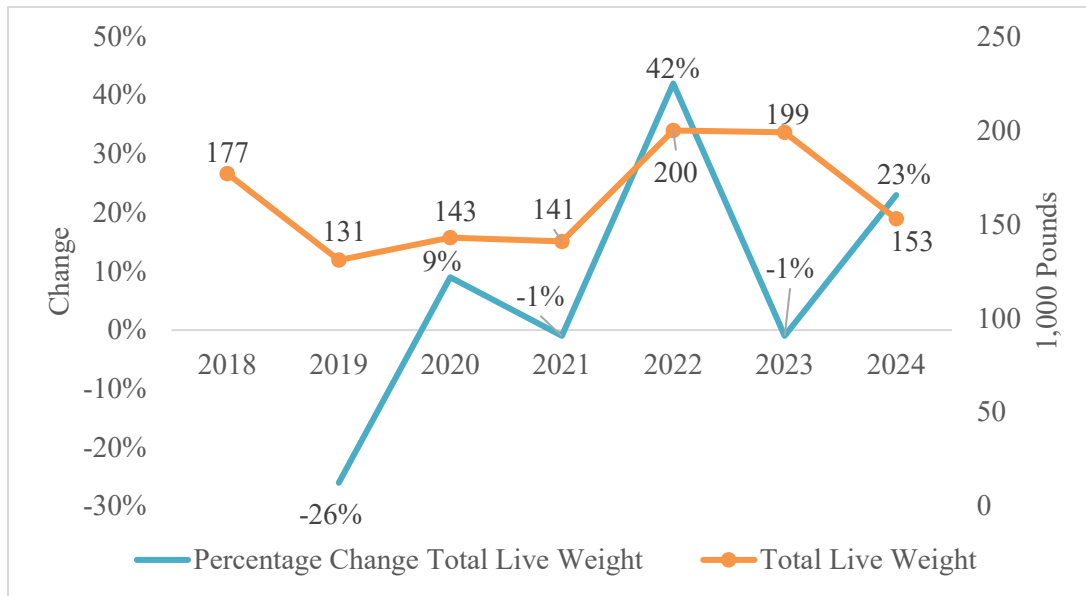
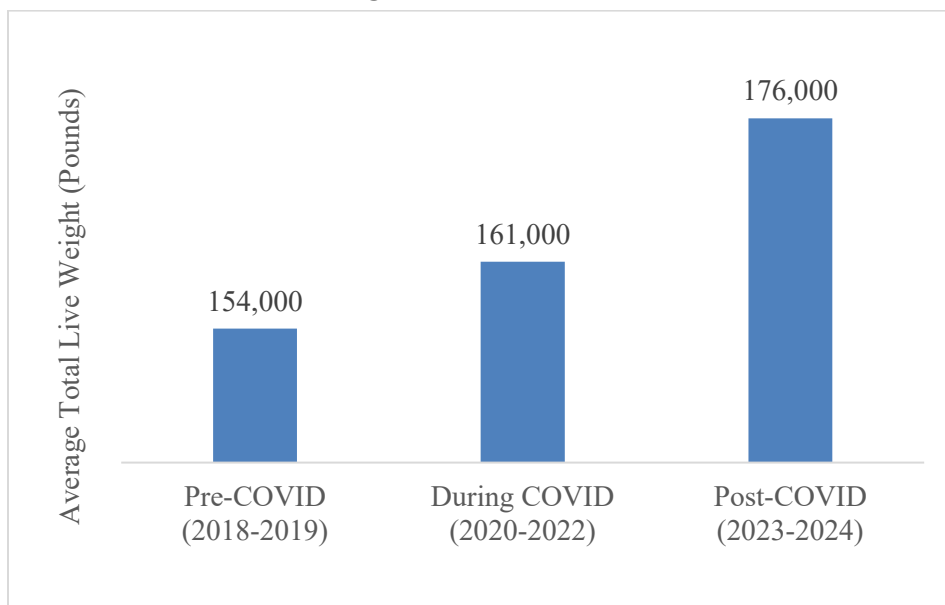


Chart 2: Average Total Live Weight of Commercial Sheep Slaughter, Pre-COVID, During COVID, and Post-COVID, Hawai‘i, 2018-2024



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