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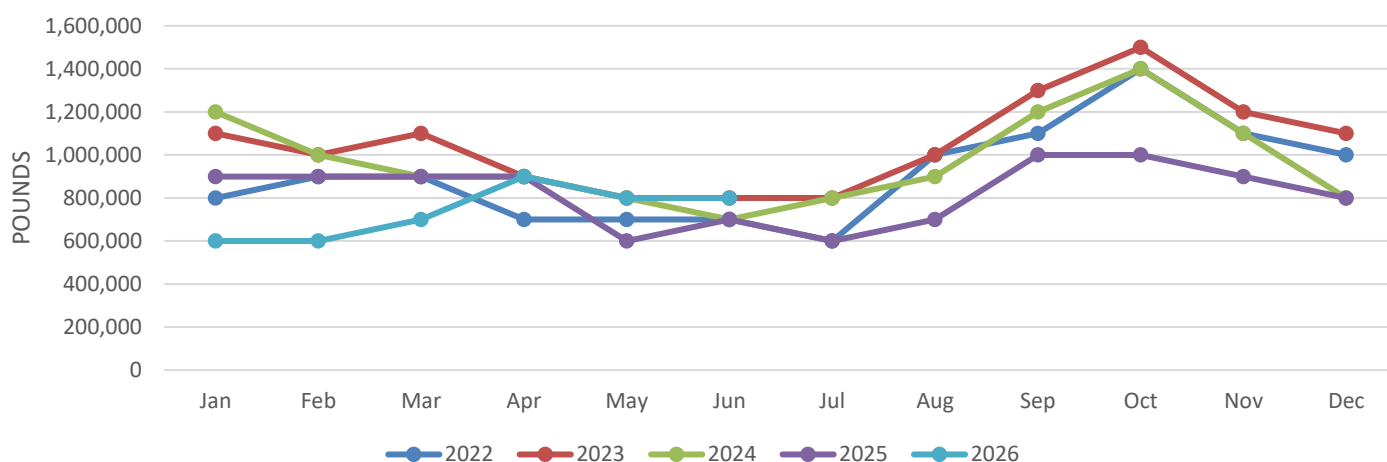
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RED MEAT PRODUCTION

Commercial red meat production in West Virginia during June 2026 totaled 800,000 pounds. This was up 8 percent from June 2025. **Commercial cattle slaughter** totaled 1,089,000 pounds live weight, up 25 percent from June 2025. Cattle slaughter totaled 800 head, up 100 head from the previous year. The average live weight was up 92 pounds from the previous year, at 1,290 pounds. **Commercial hog slaughter** totaled 136,000 pounds live weight, down 12 percent from last year. Hog slaughter totaled 500 head, down 100 head from the previous year. The average live weight was up 7 pounds from the previous year, at 279 pounds.

West Virginia Red Meat Production 2022-2026



AUGUST CROP PRODUCTION

West Virginia - All other hay production (excluding alfalfa and alfalfa mixtures) is forecast at 1,040,000 tons, up 20,000 tons from 2025. The area harvested is expected to total 650,000 acres, up 50,000 acres from the previous year. Average yield per acre is forecast at 1.60 tons, down 0.10 ton per acre from 2025.

FSA OFFERS ASSISTANCE FOR FLOODING AND GRAZING LOSSES

If you've suffered livestock feed or grazing losses due to recent flooding, you could be eligible for assistance through the Emergency Assistance for Livestock, Honeybees, and Farm-Raised Fish Program (ELAP).

ELAP covers physically damaged or destroyed livestock feed that was purchased, or mechanically harvested forage or feedstuffs intended for use as feed for **your** eligible livestock. In order to be considered eligible, harvested forage must be baled. Forage that is only cut, raked or windrowed is not eligible. You must file a notice of loss to your local

FSA office no later than the annual program payment application date, which is March 1, 2027, for calendar year 2026 losses.

ELAP also covers up to 150 lost grazing days in instances when you've been forced to remove livestock from a grazing pasture due to wildfire.

You should maintain records and receipts documenting that livestock were removed from the grazing pasture due to flood, costs of transporting livestock feed to eligible livestock, receipts for equipment rental fees for hay lifts, feed purchase receipts and the number of gallons of water transported to livestock due to water shortages.

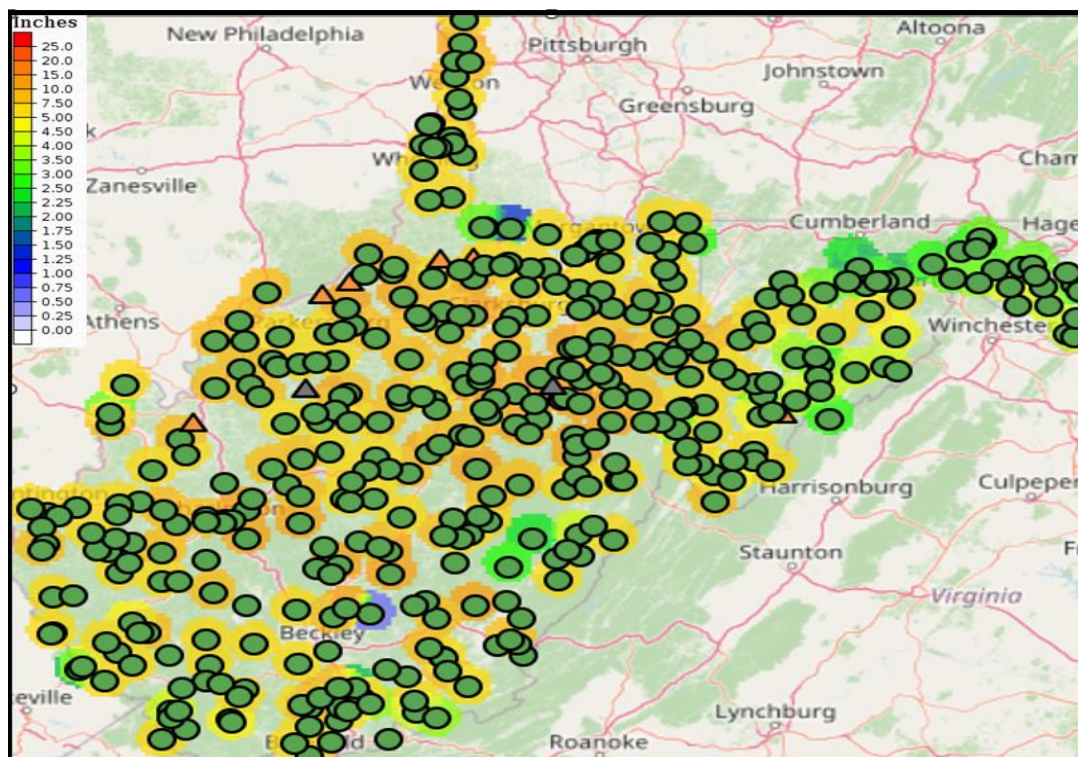
For beekeepers, ELAP covers colony losses, honeybee hive losses (the physical structure) and honeybee feed losses in instances where the colony, hive or feed has been destroyed by a natural disaster including floods. Colony losses must be in excess of normal mortality. The Working Families Tax Cuts Act establishes a normal mortality rate of 15% for honeybee colony losses, starting with the 2026 program year.

For more information regarding ELAP, contact your County USDA Service Center or visit fsa.usda.gov/disaster.

PRECIPITATION MAP

The WVEMD (West Virginia Emergency Management Division) IFLOWS (Integrated Flood Observation and Warning System) consists of 4 base stations, and 256 monitored meteorological gauges, all of which contain rain monitoring sensors. Over half of these also measure additional weather data, such as wind, temperature, and humidity. Through a coordinated effort with other State and Private entities, WVEMD IFLOWS funds the West Virginia Stream Gauge Network, which is serviced by the US Geological Survey (USGS). The West Virginia Stream Gauge Network consists of over 160 monitored stream gauges. The purpose of the WVEMD IFLOWS website is to provide access to meteorological and stream stage information during storm events. We are continuously coordinating with relevant Agencies, to ensure the effective utilization of this information, in flood forecasting, early warning systems and emergency response planning.

Below is the map showing West Virginia rainfall over the last 30 days (June 18 - July 17, 2026). Please visit <https://wvdhsem.onerain.com/> for more information.



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