

The awful truth about live animal exports

Myth:

Live sheep and cattle exports are a major sector of the Australian livestock industry.

Fact:

Live animal exports represent only 3.8% of the value of livestock and livestock products. The combined value of 'livestock slaughterings and other disposals' and 'livestock products' in 2003-2004 was \$17.7 billion. The combined exports of sheep and cattle for that same period were valued at less than \$0.7 billion.

The Australian Bureau of Statistics, 'Australian Farming in Brief' 2006



◀ Oman slaughterhouse, 2005, trussed sheep awaiting slaughter.
Photo provided by Animals Australia

Did you know? The live export trade could be costing Australia around \$1.5 billion in lost GDP, around \$270 million in household income and around 10,500 lost jobs.

'Impact of the Live Animal Export Sector on the Australian Meat Processing Industry' SG Heilbron Pty Ltd

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