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Animals kicked, beaten and killed while conscious at western Victorian slaughterhouse

- **Hidden cameras installed at a slaughterhouse in the town of Edenhope have captured workers kicking and striking sheep and pigs while driving them towards the kill floor, as well as animals being ineffectively stunned, and slaughtered while fully conscious.**
- **In one instance shown in the footage, a pig is kicked in the face and body 10 times, while on another day a sheep is seen having their throat slit without stunning after escaping onto the kill floor.**
- **The footage has been released by animal rights organisation Farm Transparency Project; this is the 29th slaughterhouse investigated by the group since May 2023.**



Executive Director of Farm Transparency Project, Chris Delforce, says that what was captured at Edenhope is the reality of animal slaughter facilities across the country.

"This is an industry entirely incapable of reform or rehabilitation. It is built on violence and cruelty towards animals who we now know are just as capable of thinking and feeling as we are. The animal slaughter industry goes to great lengths to hide their practices from the public because they know that, if people had the chance to see what really happens inside a slaughterhouse, most would refuse to support it."

"The reality is, animals is slaughterhouses have little to no legal protection, meaning that the worst suffering and abuse is not only commonplace, it's the standard. Over the past two years, we have investigated 30 Australian slaughterhouses across Australia, from some of the biggest and most industrial to small, local operations, known and trusted by their communities. At every single one we have found, not only illegal and sickening behaviour by workers, but a systemic culture of casual cruelty and violence."

The footage from Edenhope has been sent to Victorian slaughterhouse regulator PrimeSafe alongside a formal report.

Photos and videos from the facility

More details about FTP's campaign to shut down slaughterhouses

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Farm Transparency Project (FTP) is a non-profit animal protection charity, dedicated to ending the abuse and exploitation of animals in farms, slaughterhouses and other commercial settings. Through comprehensive investigations, documentary films, and the creation of innovative tools and resources, FTP seeks to force industry transparency and educate consumers by shining a light on the brutal reality endured by animals in the name of profit.