



Sheep and Goats

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January 1 Sheep and Lambs Inventory Down 1 Percent

All sheep and lambs inventory in the United States on January 1, 2026 totaled 4.99 million head, down 1 percent from 2025. Breeding sheep inventory at 3.61 million head on January 1, 2026, decreased 1 percent from 3.66 million head on January 1, 2025. Ewes one year old and older, at 2.85 million head, were 1 percent below last year. Market sheep and lambs on January 1, 2026 totaled 1.38 million head, up 1 percent from January 1, 2025. Market lambs comprised 94 percent of the total market inventory. Market sheep comprised the remaining 6 percent of total market inventory.

The 2025 lamb crop of 3.03 million head was down slightly from 2024. The 2025 lambing rate was 105 lambs per 100 ewes one year old and older on January 1, 2025, down 1 percent from 2024.

Shorn wool production in the United States during 2025 was 20.5 million pounds, down 5 percent from 2024. Sheep and lambs shorn totaled 3.00 million head, down 3 percent from 2024. The average price paid for wool sold in 2025 was \$1.40 per pound for a total value of 28.7 million dollars, down 7 percent from 30.8 million dollars in 2024. As of January 1, 2026, 28 percent of the total sheep and lambs were hair sheep or wool hair crosses.

Sheep death loss during 2025 totaled 185,000 head, down 3 percent from 2024. Lamb death loss decreased 3 percent from 370,000 head to 360,000 head in 2025.

January 1 All Goats and Kids Inventory Up 1 Percent

All goats and kids inventory in the United States on January 1, 2026 totaled 2.51 million head, up 1 percent from 2025. Breeding goat inventory totaled 2.07 million head, up 1 percent from 2025. Does one year old and older, at 1.54 million head, were 1 percent above last year's number. Market goats and kids totaled 444,000 head, up slightly from a year ago.

Kid crop for 2025 totaled 1.52 million head for all goats, up 1 percent from 2024.

Meat and all other goats totaled 2.01 million head on January 1, 2026, up 2 percent from 2025. Milk goat inventory was 415,000 head, down 1 percent from January 1, 2025, while angora goats were down 11 percent, totaling 89,000 head.

Mohair production in the United States during 2025 was 430,000 pounds. Goats and kids clipped totaled 85,000 head. Average weight per clip was 5.1 pounds. Mohair price was \$6.40 per pound with a value of 2.75 million dollars.

Sheep and Goats Revisions

All sheep and goats inventory and lamb and kid crop estimates for January 1, 2025, were reviewed using official slaughter, import and export data, and the relationship of new survey information to the prior surveys. State level estimates were reviewed and changes were made to reallocate inventory estimates to the United States total.

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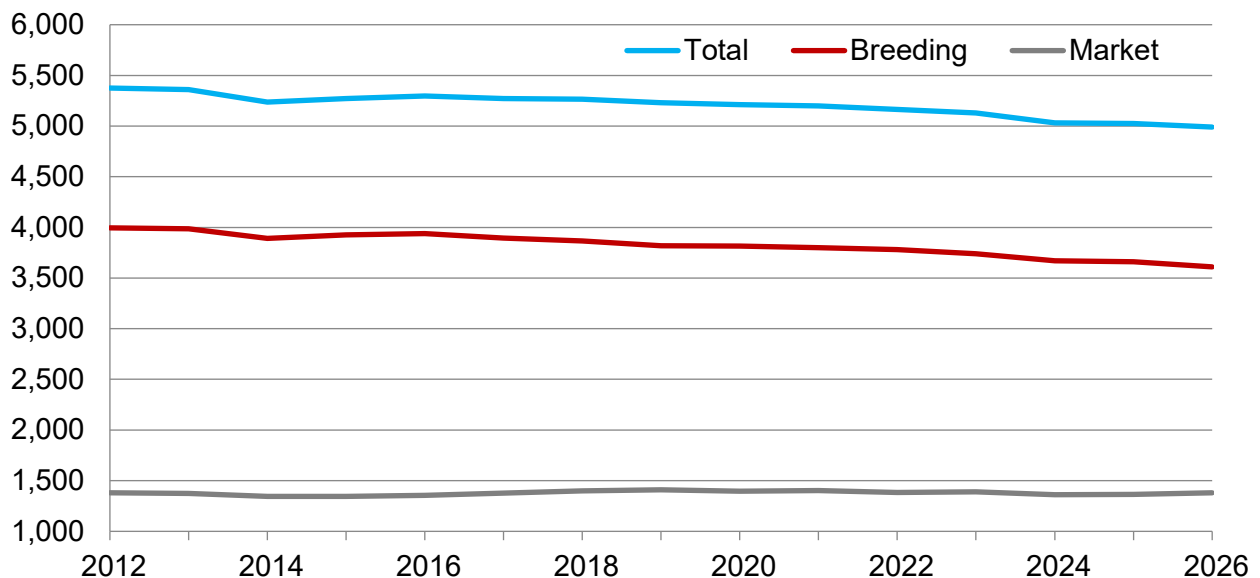
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Sheep and Lambs Inventory by Class – United States: January 1, 2025 and 2026

Class	2025	2026	2026 as percent of 2025
	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(percent)
All sheep and lambs	5,025.0	4,990.0	99
Breeding sheep and lambs	3,660.0	3,610.0	99
Replacement lambs under one year old	615.0	600.0	98
Ewes - one year old and older	2,880.0	2,850.0	99
Rams - one year old and older	165.0	160.0	97
Market sheep and lambs	1,365.0	1,380.0	101

All Sheep and Lambs Inventory – United States: January 1

Thousand head



Wool Production, Price, and Value – United States: 2024 and 2025

Year	Sheep shorn ¹	Weight per fleece	Shorn wool production	Price per pound	Value ²
	(1,000 head)	(pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(dollars)	(1,000 dollars)
2024	3,100	6.9	21,500	1.43	30,773
2025	3,000	6.8	20,500	1.40	28,714

¹ Includes shearing at commercial feeding yards.

² Production multiplied by marketing year average price. United States value is the summation of State values.

Sheep and Lambs Inventory by Class – States and United States: January 1, 2025 and 2026

State	All sheep and lambs			Total breeding		Total market	
	2025	2026	2026 as percent of 2025	2025	2026	2025	2026
	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(percent)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)
Arizona	91.0	83.0	91	71.0	61.0	20.0	22.0
California	510.0	505.0	99	275.0	265.0	235.0	240.0
Colorado	405.0	410.0	101	190.0	195.0	215.0	215.0
Idaho	235.0	220.0	94	160.0	155.0	75.0	65.0
Illinois	58.0	55.0	95	49.0	46.0	9.0	9.0
Indiana	74.0	76.0	103	65.0	67.0	9.0	9.0
Iowa	159.0	161.0	101	116.0	116.0	43.0	45.0
Kansas	79.0	81.0	103	48.0	50.0	31.0	31.0
Kentucky	73.0	74.0	101	55.0	55.0	18.0	19.0
Michigan	84.0	85.0	101	60.0	61.0	24.0	24.0
Minnesota	112.0	109.0	97	78.0	76.0	34.0	33.0
Missouri	104.0	103.0	99	84.0	81.0	20.0	22.0
Montana	183.0	180.0	98	150.0	144.0	33.0	36.0
Nebraska	74.0	74.0	100	57.0	55.0	17.0	19.0
Nevada	68.0	65.0	96	59.0	58.0	9.0	7.0
New England ¹	55.0	53.0	96	46.0	46.0	9.0	7.0
New Mexico	74.0	71.0	96	61.0	56.0	13.0	15.0
New York	82.0	83.0	101	66.0	67.0	16.0	16.0
North Carolina	32.0	32.0	100	24.0	24.0	8.0	8.0
North Dakota	60.0	58.0	97	41.0	40.0	19.0	18.0
Ohio	145.0	138.0	95	115.0	109.0	30.0	29.0
Oklahoma	72.0	71.0	99	57.0	56.0	15.0	15.0
Oregon	148.0	146.0	99	111.0	103.0	37.0	43.0
Pennsylvania	98.0	97.0	99	80.0	78.0	18.0	19.0
South Dakota	205.0	210.0	102	154.0	154.0	51.0	56.0
Tennessee	48.0	45.0	94	38.0	37.0	10.0	8.0
Texas	670.0	700.0	104	520.0	540.0	150.0	160.0
Utah	280.0	275.0	98	245.0	245.0	35.0	30.0
Virginia	79.0	77.0	97	63.0	61.0	16.0	16.0
Washington	47.0	46.0	98	35.0	35.0	12.0	11.0
West Virginia	36.0	37.0	103	30.0	31.0	6.0	6.0
Wisconsin	80.0	75.0	94	65.0	61.0	15.0	14.0
Wyoming	295.0	280.0	95	230.0	220.0	65.0	60.0
Other States ²	210.0	215.0	102	162.0	162.0	48.0	53.0
United States	5,025.0	4,990.0	99	3,660.0	3,610.0	1,365.0	1,380.0

¹ New England includes Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Rhode Island, and Vermont.

² Includes data for States not published in this table.

Breeding Sheep and Lambs Inventory by Class – States and United States: January 1, 2025 and 2026

State	Breeding sheep				Replacement lambs		Total breeding sheep and lambs	
	Ewes		Rams					
	2025	2026	2025	2026	2025	2026	2025	2026
	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)
Arizona	53.0	45.0	4.0	3.0	14.0	13.0	71.0	61.0
California	225.0	215.0	10.0	10.0	40.0	40.0	275.0	265.0
Colorado	153.0	155.0	6.0	6.0	31.0	34.0	190.0	195.0
Idaho	125.0	120.0	5.0	5.0	30.0	30.0	160.0	155.0
Illinois	38.0	36.0	2.5	2.0	8.5	8.0	49.0	46.0
Indiana	50.0	51.0	5.0	5.0	10.0	11.0	65.0	67.0
Iowa	93.0	94.0	4.0	4.0	19.0	18.0	116.0	116.0
Kansas	38.0	39.0	2.5	2.5	7.5	8.5	48.0	50.0
Kentucky	42.0	42.0	3.0	3.0	10.0	10.0	55.0	55.0
Michigan	45.0	47.0	3.0	3.0	12.0	11.0	60.0	61.0
Minnesota	63.0	62.0	4.0	4.0	11.0	10.0	78.0	76.0
Missouri	67.0	66.0	3.0	3.0	14.0	12.0	84.0	81.0
Montana	113.0	111.0	6.0	5.0	31.0	28.0	150.0	144.0
Nebraska	47.0	45.0	3.0	3.0	7.0	7.0	57.0	55.0
Nevada	47.0	47.0	2.0	2.0	10.0	9.0	59.0	58.0
New England ¹	35.0	35.0	3.0	3.0	8.0	8.0	46.0	46.0
New Mexico	47.0	44.0	4.0	3.0	10.0	9.0	61.0	56.0
New York	50.0	51.0	3.0	3.0	13.0	13.0	66.0	67.0
North Carolina	18.0	18.0	2.0	2.0	4.0	4.0	24.0	24.0
North Dakota	32.0	31.0	2.0	2.0	7.0	7.0	41.0	40.0
Ohio	89.0	85.0	7.0	6.0	19.0	18.0	115.0	109.0
Oklahoma	43.0	43.0	3.0	3.0	11.0	10.0	57.0	56.0
Oregon	89.0	84.0	4.0	3.0	18.0	16.0	111.0	103.0
Pennsylvania	61.0	60.0	5.0	5.0	14.0	13.0	80.0	78.0
South Dakota	128.0	128.0	5.0	5.0	21.0	21.0	154.0	154.0
Tennessee	29.0	28.0	3.0	2.5	6.0	6.5	38.0	37.0
Texas	405.0	420.0	28.0	30.0	87.0	90.0	520.0	540.0
Utah	196.0	195.0	8.0	8.0	41.0	42.0	245.0	245.0
Virginia	48.0	47.0	5.0	5.0	10.0	9.0	63.0	61.0
Washington	26.0	26.0	2.0	2.0	7.0	7.0	35.0	35.0
West Virginia	25.0	26.0	1.0	1.0	4.0	4.0	30.0	31.0
Wisconsin	50.0	47.0	3.0	3.0	12.0	11.0	65.0	61.0
Wyoming	190.0	185.0	5.0	5.0	35.0	30.0	230.0	220.0
Other States ²	120.0	122.0	9.0	8.0	33.0	32.0	162.0	162.0
United States	2,880.0	2,850.0	165.0	160.0	615.0	600.0	3,660.0	3,610.0

¹ New England includes Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Rhode Island, and Vermont.

² Includes data for States not published in this table.

Lamb Crop – States and United States: 2024 and 2025

State	Ewes 1 year and older January 1		Lambs per 100 ewes January 1		Lamb crop ¹		
	2024	2025	2024	2025	2024	2025	2025 as percent of 2024
	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(number)	(number)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(percent)
Arizona	58.0	53.0	53	53	31.0	28.0	90
California	230.0	225.0	76	76	175.0	170.0	97
Colorado	156.0	153.0	112	111	175.0	170.0	97
Idaho	125.0	125.0	110	110	138.0	138.0	100
Illinois	36.0	38.0	125	124	45.0	47.0	104
Indiana	52.0	50.0	113	112	59.0	56.0	95
Iowa	89.0	93.0	135	134	120.0	125.0	104
Kansas	42.0	38.0	107	108	45.0	41.0	91
Kentucky	42.0	42.0	100	100	42.0	42.0	100
Michigan	43.0	45.0	121	120	52.0	54.0	104
Minnesota	63.0	63.0	138	138	87.0	87.0	100
Missouri	68.0	67.0	119	119	81.0	80.0	99
Montana	114.0	113.0	125	125	142.0	141.0	99
Nebraska	48.0	47.0	129	130	62.0	61.0	98
Nevada	43.0	47.0	67	66	29.0	31.0	107
New England ²	34.0	35.0	109	109	37.0	38.0	103
New Mexico	45.0	47.0	78	79	35.0	37.0	106
New York	50.0	50.0	104	102	52.0	51.0	98
North Carolina	18.0	18.0	106	106	19.0	19.0	100
North Dakota	36.0	32.0	119	119	43.0	38.0	88
Ohio	88.0	89.0	118	118	104.0	105.0	101
Oklahoma	37.0	43.0	124	121	46.0	52.0	113
Oregon	90.0	89.0	117	116	105.0	103.0	98
Pennsylvania	60.0	61.0	115	115	69.0	70.0	101
South Dakota	129.0	128.0	132	132	170.0	169.0	99
Tennessee	30.0	29.0	113	110	34.0	32.0	94
Texas	390.0	405.0	87	86	340.0	350.0	103
Utah	192.0	196.0	115	112	220.0	220.0	100
Virginia	49.0	48.0	124	121	61.0	58.0	95
Washington	25.0	26.0	116	112	29.0	29.0	100
West Virginia	24.0	25.0	125	120	30.0	30.0	100
Wisconsin	49.0	50.0	118	118	58.0	59.0	102
Wyoming	200.0	190.0	108	108	215.0	205.0	95
Other States ³	115.0	120.0	78	78	90.0	94.0	104
United States	2,870.0	2,880.0	106	105	3,040.0	3,030.0	100

¹ Lamb crop is defined as lambs born in the Eastern States and lambs docked or branded in the Western States.

² New England includes Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Rhode Island, and Vermont.

³ Includes data for States not published in this table.

Market Sheep and Lambs Inventory by Weight Group – States and United States: January 1, 2025

State	Market lambs					Market sheep	Total market sheep and lambs
	Under 65 pounds	65 - 84 pounds	85 - 105 pounds	Over 105 pounds	Total		
	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)
Arizona	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	20.0
California	89.0	30.0	42.0	64.0	225.0	10.0	235.0
Colorado	2.0	9.0	46.0	156.0	213.0	2.0	215.0
Idaho	3.0	7.0	13.0	50.0	73.0	2.0	75.0
Illinois	4.5	1.5	1.0	1.0	8.0	1.0	9.0
Indiana	2.5	2.5	1.0	1.0	7.0	2.0	9.0
Iowa	7.0	6.0	11.0	18.0	42.0	1.0	43.0
Kansas	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	31.0
Kentucky	9.0	4.0	2.0	1.0	16.0	2.0	18.0
Michigan	3.0	6.0	5.0	8.0	22.0	2.0	24.0
Minnesota	8.0	7.5	8.5	9.0	33.0	1.0	34.0
Missouri	6.0	6.0	3.0	3.0	18.0	2.0	20.0
Montana	3.0	8.0	13.0	7.0	31.0	2.0	33.0
Nebraska	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	17.0
Nevada	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	9.0
New England ¹	1.9	1.5	1.4	1.2	6.0	3.0	9.0
New Mexico	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	13.0
New York	6.0	2.0	4.0	1.0	13.0	3.0	16.0
North Carolina	4.9	1.1	0.7	0.3	7.0	1.0	8.0
North Dakota	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	19.0
Ohio	10.0	6.5	5.5	6.0	28.0	2.0	30.0
Oklahoma	9.0	2.5	1.0	1.0	13.5	1.5	15.0
Oregon	5.5	3.5	9.0	17.0	35.0	2.0	37.0
Pennsylvania	7.0	3.5	3.0	1.5	15.0	3.0	18.0
South Dakota	7.0	7.0	14.0	21.0	49.0	2.0	51.0
Tennessee	4.0	3.0	1.0	1.0	9.0	1.0	10.0
Texas	100.0	26.0	8.0	12.0	146.0	4.0	150.0
Utah	1.0	3.0	11.0	18.0	33.0	2.0	35.0
Virginia	5.2	4.4	3.4	1.0	14.0	2.0	16.0
Washington	2.5	3.0	2.0	2.5	10.0	2.0	12.0
West Virginia	2.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	5.0	1.0	6.0
Wisconsin	5.0	2.0	3.0	4.0	14.0	1.0	15.0
Wyoming	1.0	6.0	26.0	30.0	63.0	2.0	65.0
Other States ²	41.0	26.5	35.5	33.5	136.5	20.5	48.0
United States	350.0	190.0	275.0	470.0	1,285.0	80.0	1,365.0

(D) Withheld to avoid disclosing data for individual operations.

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Market Sheep and Lambs Inventory by Weight Group – States and United States: January 1, 2026

State	Market lambs					Market sheep	Total market sheep and lambs
	Under 65 pounds	65 - 84 pounds	85 - 105 pounds	Over 105 pounds	Total		
	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)
Arizona	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	22.0
California	83.0	32.0	45.0	70.0	230.0	10.0	240.0
Colorado	2.0	7.0	45.0	159.0	213.0	2.0	215.0
Idaho	3.0	4.0	10.0	46.0	63.0	2.0	65.0
Illinois	4.5	1.5	1.0	1.0	8.0	1.0	9.0
Indiana	2.5	2.5	1.0	1.0	7.0	2.0	9.0
Iowa	8.0	6.5	11.5	18.0	44.0	1.0	45.0
Kansas	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	31.0
Kentucky	9.0	4.6	2.3	1.1	17.0	2.0	19.0
Michigan	3.0	7.0	5.0	7.0	22.0	2.0	24.0
Minnesota	7.0	7.0	8.0	10.0	32.0	1.0	33.0
Missouri	7.5	6.5	3.0	3.0	20.0	2.0	22.0
Montana	4.0	7.0	15.0	8.0	34.0	2.0	36.0
Nebraska	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	19.0
Nevada	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	7.0
New England ¹	1.7	1.3	1.4	0.6	5.0	2.0	7.0
New Mexico	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	15.0
New York	6.0	3.0	4.0	1.0	14.0	2.0	16.0
North Carolina	4.8	1.0	0.7	0.5	7.0	1.0	8.0
North Dakota	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	18.0
Ohio	9.0	7.0	5.0	6.0	27.0	2.0	29.0
Oklahoma	8.0	3.0	1.0	1.5	13.5	1.5	15.0
Oregon	7.0	5.0	11.0	17.0	40.0	3.0	43.0
Pennsylvania	7.0	5.0	3.0	1.0	16.0	3.0	19.0
South Dakota	9.0	8.5	15.5	21.0	54.0	2.0	56.0
Tennessee	3.3	3.0	0.5	0.4	7.2	0.8	8.0
Texas	105.0	27.0	8.0	16.0	156.0	4.0	160.0
Utah	2.0	1.0	8.0	17.0	28.0	2.0	30.0
Virginia	5.5	4.2	3.3	1.0	14.0	2.0	16.0
Washington	2.0	3.0	1.5	2.5	9.0	2.0	11.0
West Virginia	2.2	1.0	0.7	0.9	4.8	1.2	6.0
Wisconsin	5.0	2.0	3.0	3.0	13.0	1.0	14.0
Wyoming	1.0	5.0	23.0	29.0	58.0	2.0	60.0
Other States ²	43.0	29.4	38.6	32.5	143.5	21.5	53.0
United States	355.0	195.0	275.0	475.0	1,300.0	80.0	1,380.0

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Sheep and Lambs Farm Slaughter and Death Loss – States and United States: 2024 and 2025

State	Farm slaughter ¹		Deaths			
			Sheep		Lambs	
	2024	2025	2024	2025	2024	2025
	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)
Arizona	8.0	7.0	5.5	5.0	3.5	4.0
California	4.5	3.5	10.5	11.5	10.0	10.5
Colorado	1.5	1.5	11.0	10.0	16.0	15.5
Idaho	1.5	1.5	6.5	5.5	9.0	9.5
Illinois	1.5	2.0	2.4	2.6	5.5	5.0
Indiana	4.5	4.0	3.3	3.5	7.0	7.0
Iowa	3.0	3.0	5.5	5.0	16.0	15.5
Kansas	1.0	1.0	2.8	3.1	7.0	7.0
Kentucky	1.0	1.0	2.8	2.0	6.0	5.5
Michigan	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.1	7.5	8.0
Minnesota	3.5	2.5	6.0	6.0	16.0	15.0
Missouri	1.0	1.0	4.9	4.7	12.0	12.0
Montana	2.0	1.5	8.5	8.5	16.0	14.5
Nebraska	2.0	2.0	2.9	3.0	8.0	7.5
Nevada	1.0	1.5	1.9	2.0	6.0	6.0
New England ²	1.0	1.0	1.4	1.0	3.4	3.6
New Mexico	3.5	3.5	4.8	3.8	2.5	2.6
New York	2.5	2.0	3.4	3.0	6.5	7.0
North Carolina	1.0	1.0	1.8	1.0	3.1	3.2
North Dakota	1.0	1.0	1.9	2.1	6.0	5.0
Ohio	2.5	2.0	6.0	6.0	14.0	13.5
Oklahoma	3.0	3.0	3.5	3.7	9.0	8.0
Oregon	4.0	4.0	4.8	4.8	5.5	5.0
Pennsylvania	2.0	1.5	3.8	4.0	10.0	9.0
South Dakota	2.0	1.5	5.5	5.5	19.0	18.0
Tennessee	0.5	0.5	1.9	1.2	5.0	4.5
Texas	6.0	6.0	32.0	33.0	64.0	66.0
Utah	5.0	5.0	8.5	9.0	15.0	13.5
Virginia	3.0	2.0	3.5	2.7	9.5	9.0
Washington	6.0	6.5	1.9	2.0	2.0	2.1
West Virginia	0.5	0.5	1.9	1.1	4.5	4.0
Wisconsin	3.0	3.5	2.9	3.1	8.5	7.5
Wyoming	2.5	2.0	9.5	10.0	12.0	12.0
Other States ³	7.0	7.5	13.5	12.5	25.0	24.0
United States	95.0	90.0	190.0	185.0	370.0	360.0

¹ Excludes custom slaughter for farmers at commercial establishments.

² New England includes Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Rhode Island, and Vermont.

³ Includes data for States not published in this table.

Wool Production – States and United States: 2024 and 2025

State	Sheep shorn		Weight per fleece ¹		Production	
	2024	2025	2024	2025	2024	2025
	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(pounds)	(pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)
Arizona	63.0	57.0	6.9	6.8	435	385
California	370.0	365.0	6.1	5.8	2,250	2,100
Colorado	330.0	325.0	6.1	6.1	2,010	1,990
Idaho	175.0	170.0	8.3	8.1	1,450	1,380
Illinois	24.0	23.0	6.3	6.2	152	143
Indiana	41.0	38.0	5.9	5.7	240	215
Iowa	130.0	130.0	5.5	5.4	710	696
Kansas	48.0	47.0	5.8	5.7	280	270
Kentucky	10.0	10.0	5.9	5.8	59	58
Michigan	58.0	57.0	5.9	5.8	340	330
Minnesota	96.0	91.0	6.0	6.0	580	550
Missouri	43.0	41.0	5.6	5.5	240	225
Montana	155.0	150.0	8.5	8.4	1,310	1,260
Nebraska	33.0	33.0	7.1	7.0	235	230
Nevada	49.0	46.0	9.3	9.3	455	430
New England ²	18.0	19.0	7.8	7.7	140	147
New Mexico	65.0	59.0	7.8	7.7	510	455
New York	39.0	39.0	5.8	5.8	225	225
North Carolina	6.0	5.0	5.2	5.0	31	25
North Dakota	44.0	42.0	8.1	8.0	355	335
Ohio	82.0	80.0	5.8	5.8	475	460
Oklahoma	17.0	15.0	4.8	4.7	82	71
Oregon	125.0	120.0	6.4	6.3	805	760
Pennsylvania	42.0	41.0	6.2	6.2	260	255
South Dakota	190.0	185.0	7.5	7.5	1,420	1,380
Tennessee	9.0	9.0	5.4	5.3	49	48
Texas	190.0	190.0	6.3	6.2	1,190	1,180
Utah	240.0	220.0	8.6	8.5	2,060	1,880
Virginia	26.0	22.0	5.4	5.3	140	117
Washington	34.0	33.0	7.8	7.7	265	255
West Virginia	15.0	16.0	5.1	5.0	77	80
Wisconsin	48.0	44.0	6.5	6.4	310	280
Wyoming	235.0	230.0	8.9	8.8	2,080	2,020
Other States ³	50.0	48.0	5.6	5.5	280	265
United States	3,100.0	3,000.0	6.9	6.8	21,500	20,500

¹ Fleece weight is calculated by dividing wool production by sheep shorn and rounded to the nearest tenth. US wool production is the sum of the state totals and may not add due to rounding.

² New England includes Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Rhode Island, and Vermont.

³ Includes data for States not published in this table.

Wool Price and Value – States and United States: 2024 and 2025

[United States value may not add due to rounding]

State	Price per pound		Value ¹	
	2024	2025	2024	2025
	(dollars)	(dollars)	(1,000 dollars)	(1,000 dollars)
Arizona	0.85	0.85	370	327
California	1.40	1.55	3,150	3,255
Colorado	2.00	1.90	4,020	3,781
Idaho	1.40	1.45	2,030	2,001
Illinois	0.45	0.50	68	72
Indiana	0.50	0.50	120	108
Iowa	0.18	0.30	128	209
Kansas	0.60	0.55	168	149
Kentucky	0.80	0.90	47	52
Michigan	0.50	0.50	170	165
Minnesota	0.30	0.50	174	275
Missouri	0.25	0.25	60	56
Montana	2.05	2.10	2,686	2,646
Nebraska	0.70	0.70	165	161
Nevada	2.20	2.00	1,001	860
New England ²	0.80	0.85	112	125
New Mexico	1.50	1.60	765	728
New York	0.90	0.90	203	203
North Carolina	1.55	1.55	48	39
North Dakota	0.90	0.95	320	318
Ohio	0.50	0.60	238	276
Oklahoma	0.95	0.70	78	50
Oregon	1.50	1.20	1,208	912
Pennsylvania	0.90	0.85	234	217
South Dakota	1.15	1.05	1,633	1,449
Tennessee	0.80	0.80	39	38
Texas	1.95	1.70	2,321	2,006
Utah	1.70	1.50	3,502	2,820
Virginia	0.80	0.70	112	82
Washington	1.80	1.50	477	383
West Virginia	0.80	0.80	62	64
Wisconsin	0.40	0.40	124	112
Wyoming	2.20	2.20	4,576	4,444
Other States ³	1.30	1.25	364	331
United States	1.43	1.40	30,773	28,714

¹ Production multiplied by marketing year average price. United States value is the summation of State values.

² New England includes Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Rhode Island, and Vermont.

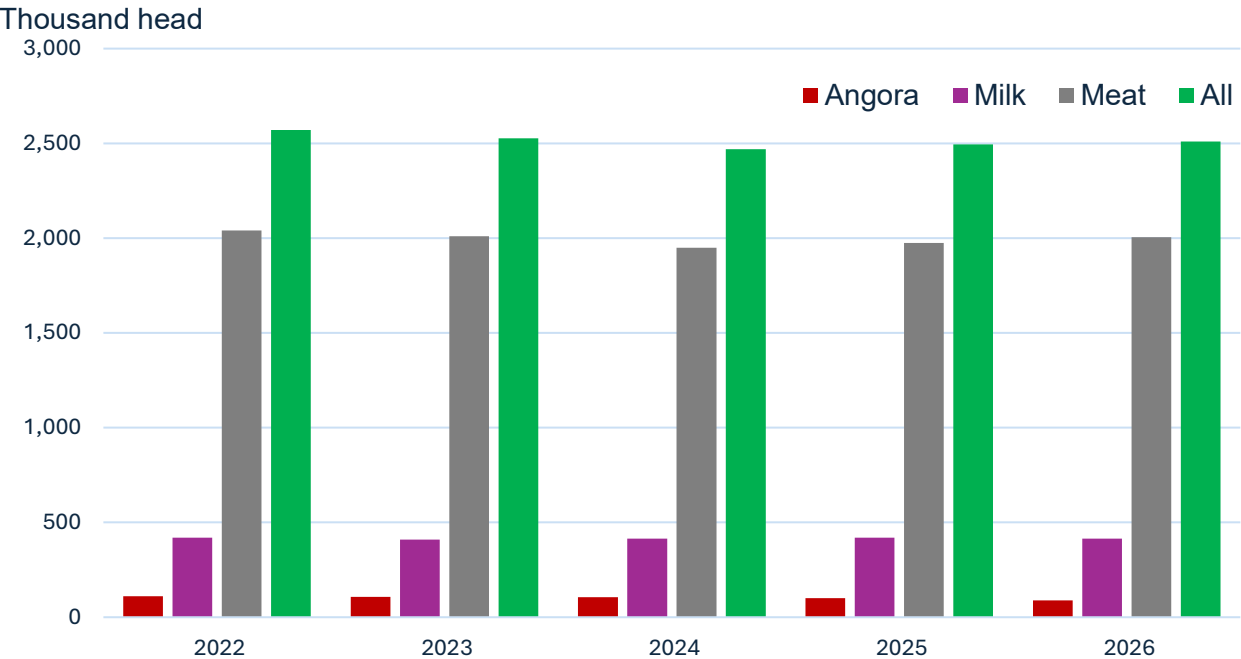
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Goats and Kids Inventory by Class – United States: January 1, 2025 and 2026

Class	2025	2026	2026 as percent of 2025
	(head)	(head)	(percent)
All goats and kids	2,495,000	2,509,000	101
All, breeding goats	2,053,000	2,065,000	101
Replacement kids - under one year	373,000	374,000	100
Does - one year old and older	1,528,000	1,539,000	101
Bucks - one year old and older	152,000	152,000	100
All, market goats and kids	442,000	444,000	100
Kid crop ¹	1,511,000	1,524,000	101

¹ Kid crop refers to kids born the previous year.

All Goats and Kids Inventory by Class – United States: January 1



Angora Goats and Kids Inventory by Class – United States: January 1, 2025 and 2026

Class	2025	2026	2026 as percent of 2025
	(head)	(head)	(percent)
Angora goats and kids	100,000	89,000	89
Angora, breeding goats	85,000	75,000	88
Replacement kids - under one year	13,000	11,000	85
Does - one year old and older	68,000	60,000	88
Bucks - one year old and older	4,000	4,000	100
Angora, market goats and kids	15,000	14,000	93
Kid crop ¹	58,000	54,000	93

¹ Kid crop refers to kids born the previous year.

Milk Goats and Kids Inventory by Class – United States: January 1, 2025 and 2026

Class	2025	2026	2026 as percent of 2025
	(head)	(head)	(percent)
Milk goats and kids	420,000	415,000	99
Milk, breeding goats	378,000	375,000	99
Replacement kids - under one year	81,000	80,000	99
Does - one year old and older	270,000	269,000	100
Bucks - one year old and older	27,000	26,000	96
Milk, market goats and kids	42,000	40,000	95
Kid crop ¹	288,000	290,000	101

¹ Kid crop refers to kids born the previous year.

Meat and Other Goats and Kids Inventory by Class – United States: January 1, 2025 and 2026

Class	2025	2026	2026 as percent of 2025
	(head)	(head)	(percent)
Meat and other goats and kids	1,975,000	2,005,000	102
Meat and other, breeding goats	1,590,000	1,615,000	102
Replacement kids - under one year	279,000	283,000	101
Does - one year old and older	1,190,000	1,210,000	102
Bucks - one year old and older	121,000	122,000	101
Meat and other, market goats and kids	385,000	390,000	101
Kid crop ¹	1,165,000	1,180,000	101

¹ Kid crop refers to kids born the previous year.

Angora Goats and Kids Inventory – States and United States: January 1, 2025 and 2026

State	2025	2026	2026 as percent of 2025
	(head)	(head)	(percent)
Arizona	13,000	12,000	92
New Mexico	6,000	5,500	92
Texas	61,000	53,000	87
Other States ¹	20,000	18,500	93
United States	100,000	89,000	89

¹ Includes data for States not published in this table.

Mohair Production, Price, and Value – States and United States: 2024 and 2025

[United States value may not add due to rounding]

State	Goats clipped		Average clip per goat		Production		Price per pound		Value ¹	
	2024	2025	2024	2025	2024	2025	2024	2025	2024	2025
	(head)	(head)	(pounds)	(pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(dollars)	(dollars)	(1,000 dollars)	(1,000 dollars)
Arizona	12,500	10,500	4.0	4.3	50	45	1.00	1.00	50	45
New Mexico	5,000	4,500	3.8	4.0	19	18	1.50	1.40	29	25
Texas	58,000	52,000	5.4	5.2	312	271	8.89	9.00	2,774	2,439
Other States ² ..	19,500	18,000	5.1	5.3	99	96	2.60	2.55	257	245
United States ...	95,000	85,000	5.1	5.1	480	430	6.48	6.40	3,110	2,754

¹ Production multiplied by marketing year average price. United States value is summation of State values.

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Milk Goats and Kids Inventory – States and United States: January 1, 2025 and 2026

State	2025	2026	2026 as percent of 2025
	(head)	(head)	(percent)
Alabama	4,400	4,400	100
Arkansas	4,100	4,100	100
California	38,000	38,000	100
Colorado	10,000	9,500	95
Florida	10,800	11,100	103
Georgia	7,500	8,000	107
Idaho	6,800	7,000	103
Illinois	9,600	9,100	95
Indiana	14,000	14,500	104
Iowa	27,000	26,000	96
Kansas	4,300	3,800	88
Kentucky	5,800	5,800	100
Michigan	10,000	9,500	95
Minnesota	14,000	14,500	104
Missouri	11,000	10,500	95
Nebraska	2,900	3,200	110
Nevada	6,700	6,500	97
New England ¹	17,500	16,500	94
New York	13,100	12,000	92
North Carolina	8,000	8,500	106
Ohio	11,000	11,000	100
Oklahoma	7,300	6,300	86
Oregon	14,000	14,400	103
Pennsylvania	13,500	13,500	100
South Carolina	3,500	2,900	83
Tennessee	7,000	6,800	97
Texas	22,000	22,000	100
Virginia	6,000	5,600	93
Washington	8,200	7,500	91
Wisconsin	75,000	75,000	100
Other States ²	27,000	27,500	102
United States	420,000	415,000	99

¹ New England includes Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Rhode Island, and Vermont.

² Includes data for States not published in this table.

Meat and Other Goats and Kids Inventory – States and United States: January 1, 2025 and 2026

State	2025	2026	2026 as percent of 2025
	(head)	(head)	(percent)
Alabama	43,000	42,000	98
Arizona	26,000	25,000	96
Arkansas	31,000	30,000	97
California	74,000	75,000	101
Colorado	22,000	23,000	105
Florida	44,000	43,000	98
Georgia	59,000	57,000	97
Illinois	25,000	23,000	92
Indiana	33,000	36,000	109
Iowa	46,000	45,000	98
Kansas	42,000	40,000	95
Kentucky	60,000	57,000	95
Minnesota	32,000	30,000	94
Mississippi	19,000	18,000	95
Missouri	72,000	74,000	103
Nebraska	30,000	29,000	97
North Carolina	45,000	44,000	98
Ohio	50,000	50,000	100
Oklahoma	79,000	79,000	100
Oregon	26,000	28,000	108
Pennsylvania	37,000	37,000	100
South Carolina	33,000	32,000	97
Tennessee	73,000	69,000	95
Texas	720,000	760,000	106
Virginia	36,000	38,000	106
Wisconsin	32,000	34,000	106
Other States ¹	186,000	187,000	101
United States	1,975,000	2,005,000	102

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Statistical Methodology

Survey Procedures: A random sample of United States operations was surveyed to provide data for these estimates. Survey procedures ensured that all sheep and goat operations, regardless of size, had a chance to be included in the survey. Large operations were sampled more heavily than small operations. About 24,000 operators were contacted during the first half of January by mail, telephone, internet, and face-to-face personal interviews and 44 percent of the reports were usable. Regardless of when operators responded, they were asked to report inventories as of January 1.

Estimating Procedures: The sheep and goat estimates were prepared by the Agricultural Statistics Board. National and State survey data were reviewed for reasonableness and compared with estimates from past years. A projected balance sheet for calendar year 2025 was also used. The balance sheet begins with the previous inventory estimate, adds estimates of births and imports, and subtracts estimates of slaughter, exports and deaths. This indicated ending inventory level is compared with the Agricultural Statistics Board estimate for reasonableness.

Revision Policy: Revisions to previous estimates are made to improve the current estimate. Previous year estimates are subject to revision when current estimates are made. Estimates will also be reviewed after data from the Department of Agriculture's five-year Census of Agriculture are available. No revisions will be made after that date.

Reliability: Since all operations raising sheep and goats are not included in the sample, survey estimates are subject to sampling variability. Survey results are also subject to non-sampling errors, such as omissions, duplications, and mistakes in reporting, recording, and processing the data. The effects of these errors cannot be measured directly. They are minimized through rigid quality controls in the data collection process and through a careful review of all reported data for consistency and reasonableness.

To assist users in evaluating reliability of the estimates in this report, the "**Root Mean Square Error**" is shown for selected sheep items in the following table. The "Root Mean Square Error" is a statistical measure based on past performance and is computed using the differences between the first and latest estimates.

The "Root Mean Square Error" for sheep and lamb inventory estimates over the past 10 years is 0.9 percent. This means that chances are 2 out of 3 that the final estimate will not be above or below the current estimate of 4.99 million head by more than 0.9 percent. Chances are 9 out of 10 that the difference will not exceed 1.6 percent.

Also shown in the table is a 10-year record showing the range between the first inventory estimate and the latest estimate. Using estimates for All Sheep and Lambs as an example, changes between the first inventory estimate and the latest estimate during the past 10 years have averaged 27,000 head, ranging from 0 to 110,000 head. The initial inventory estimate of All Sheep and Lambs has been below the latest estimate 3 times and above the latest estimate 2 times in the last 10 years.

The "Root Mean Square Error" for sheep shorn over the past 10 years is 1.5 percent. This means that chances are 2 out of 3 that the final estimate will not be above or below the current estimate of 3.00 million head by more than 1.5 percent. Chances are 9 out of 10 that the difference will not exceed 2.7 percent.

For Sheep and Lambs Shorn, changes between the first inventory estimate and the latest estimate during the past 10 years have averaged 24,000 head, ranging from 0 to 133,000 head. In the last 10 years, the initial inventory estimate of Sheep and Lambs Shorn has been below the latest estimate 1 time and has been above 3 times.

Reliability of January 1 Sheep and Lambs Estimates

[Based on data for the past 10 years]

Item	Root mean square error	90 percent confidence level	Difference between first and latest estimate				
			Average	Smallest	Largest	Years	
						Below latest	Above latest
	(percent)	(percent)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(number)	(number)
All sheep and lambs	0.9	1.6	27	0	110	3	2
Breeding sheep	0.8	1.5	19	0	75	3	2
Lamb crop	1.5	2.7	21	0	150	2	2
Sheep shorn	1.5	2.7	24	0	133	1	3
	(percent)	(percent)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(number)	(number)
Wool production	2.1	3.8	253	0	1,045	4	2

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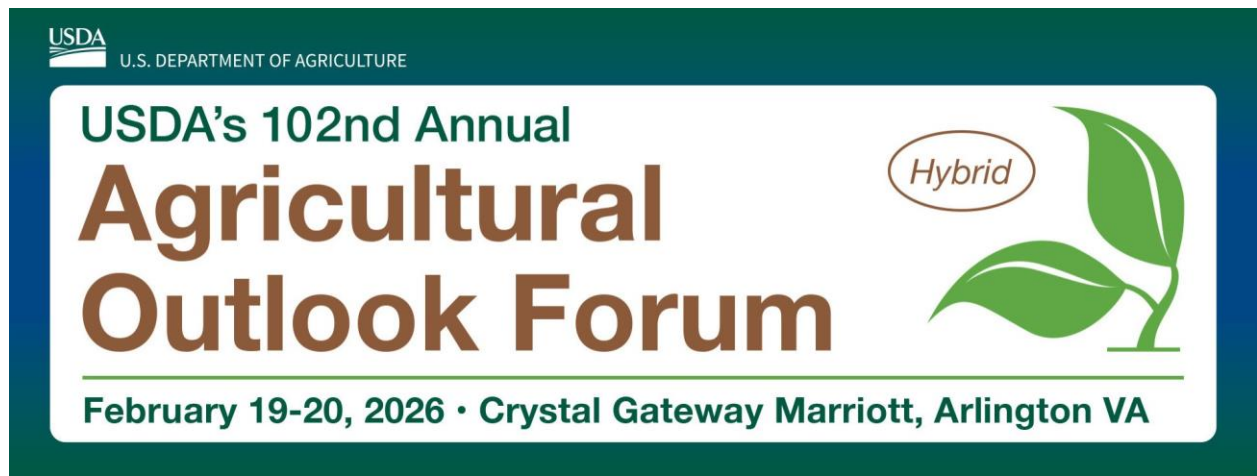
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