

SHEEP AND LAMBS

The number of sheep and lambs marketed during 2003 decreased 32 percent to 33,500 head. The total pounds of sheep and lambs marketed was 26 percent below the 2002 level. Cash receipts totaled \$2.1 million, down 14 percent from \$2.4 million in 2002. Gross income (cash receipts plus value of home consumption) totaled \$2.4 million in 2003 compared with \$2.7 million a year earlier. Sheep averaged \$35.60 per cwt. and lambs averaged \$92.90 per cwt. during 2003.

Lambs saved in 2003, at 40,000 head, was down 15 percent from the previous year. The number of ewes one year old and older on hand January 1, 2004 was down 12 percent from 2003. Lamb crop per 100 ewes one year old and older was 118 during 2003, down 2 percent from a year earlier.

Wool production decreased 4 percent during 2003 to 270,000 pounds. Sheep and lambs shorn totaled 40,000 head with an average fleece weight of 6.8 pounds. Total value of shorn wool was \$51,000, up 13 percent from a year earlier and averaging 19 cents per pound.

NUMBER OF SHEEP ON FARMS, BY CLASS, INDIANA, JANUARY 1, 1999-2004

Class of Livestock	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004 ^{1/}
	Thousand Head					
All Sheep and Lambs	57.0	59.0	66.0	57.0	50.0	45.0
Market Sheep & Lambs	10.0	9.0	7.0	9.0	5.0	5.0
Market Sheep	1.0	0.5	0.5	0.1	0.3	0.5
Market Lambs	9.0	8.5	6.5	8.9	4.7	4.5
Under 65 Pounds	3.0	2.5	3.0	3.2	1.1	2.0
65 - 84 Pounds	2.0	2.5	1.7	1.8	0.9	0.4
85 - 105 Pounds	2.0	2.5	1.0	2.0	1.8	1.4
Over 105 Pounds	2.0	1.0	0.8	1.9	0.9	0.7
Breeding Sheep	47.0	50.0	59.0	48.0	45.0	40.0
Replacement Lambs	9.0	9.0	11.0	6.5	8.5	7.0
One Year Old and Older	38.0	41.0	48.0	41.5	36.5	33.0
Ewes	35.0	38.0	45.0	39.0	34.0	30.0
Wethers and Rams	3.0	3.0	3.0	2.5	2.5	3.0
Lamb Crop	53.0	63.0	55.0	47.0	40.0	---
Lamb Crop Per 100 Ewes One Year Old and	151.0	166.0	122.0	121.0	118.0	---
^{1/} Preliminary						

NUMBER AND VALUE OF SHEEP ON FARMS INDIANA, DECEMBER 1, 1999-2004

January 1	All Sheep and Lambs ^{1/}	Average Value Per Head	Total Value
	Thousand Head	Dollars	Thousand Dollars
1999	57	140.00	7,980
2000	59	150.00	8,850
2001	66	160.00	10,560
2002	57	142.00	8,094
2003	50	166.00	8,300
2004 ^{2/}	45	171.00	7,695
^{1/} Includes number on feed.			
^{2/} Preliminary.			