



Texas Goat Inventory

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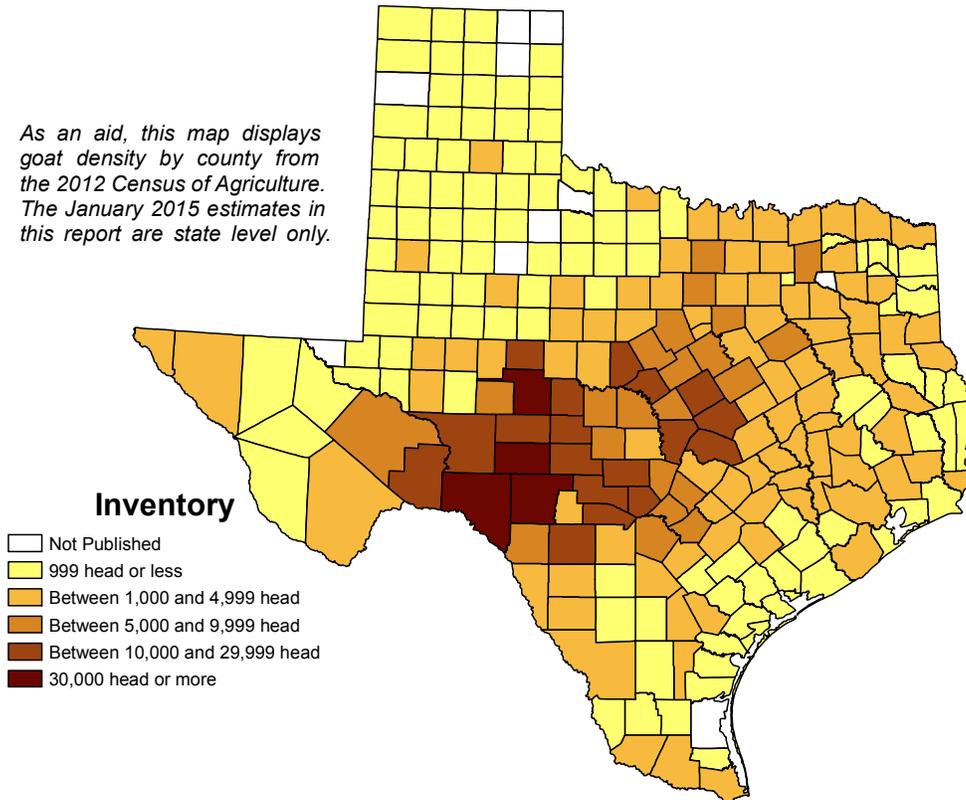
Texas Goat Inventory: The January 1, 2015 all goat inventory in Texas totaled 928 thousand head, 2 percent above last year. Meat and other goats accounted for 88 percent of all goat inventory with 820 thousand head. The Angora goat inventory increased 12 percent to 85 thousand head. The inventory of milk goats on January 1, 2015 totaled 23 thousand head, 15 percent above last year.

Texas Goat Inventory by Type

Year	Angora	Milk	Meat and Other	All Goats
	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>
2011	110	20	850	980
2012	85	20	800	905
2013	72	18	850	940
2014	76	20	810	906
2015	85	23	820	928

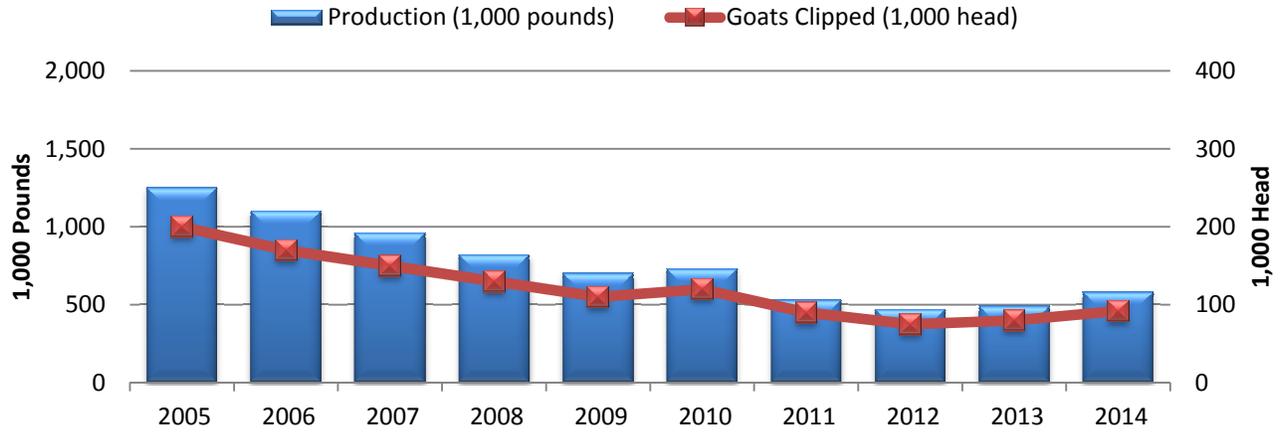
Texas All Goats Inventory by County 2012 Census of Agriculture

As an aid, this map displays goat density by county from the 2012 Census of Agriculture. The January 2015 estimates in this report are state level only.



Texas Angora Goats and Mohair: The Angora goat inventory as of January 1, 2015 was 9 thousand head higher than the previous year. During 2014, 92 thousand goats and kids were clipped, 12 thousand head higher than the year before. Mohair production increased 90 thousand pounds to 580 thousand pounds. The average clip weight for 2014 was 6.3 pounds. The price per pound of mohair increased \$0.80 in 2014 to \$6.30. This brought the total value of the state's mohair production to 3.65 million dollars for 2014, 959 thousand dollars higher than 2013.

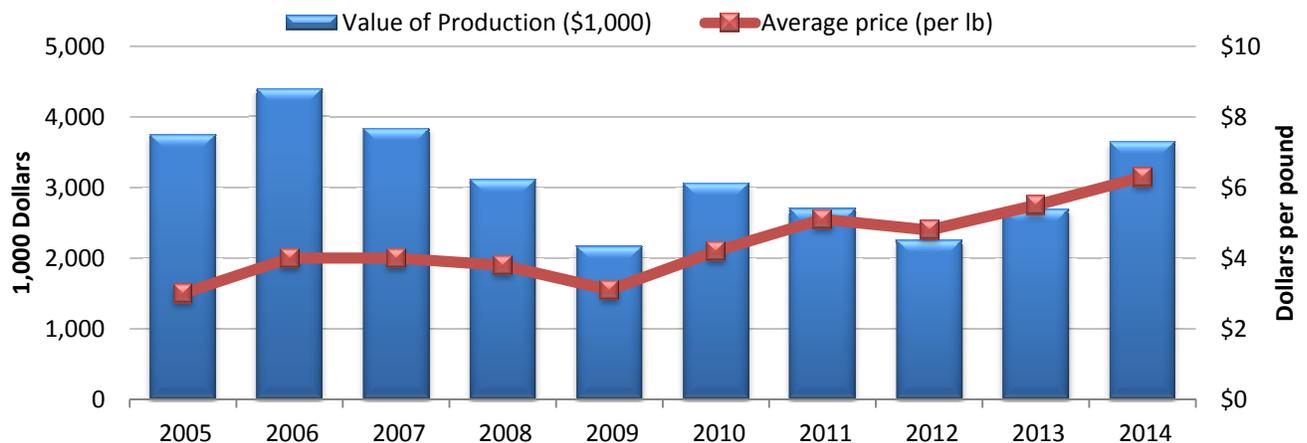
Texas Mohair Production and Goats Clipped



Texas Mohair Production, Price, and Value

Year	Goats clipped <i>1,000 head</i>	Average clip per goat <i>pounds</i>	Production <i>1,000 pounds</i>	Price per pound <i>dollars</i>	Value <i>1,000 dollars</i>
2005	200	6.3	1,250	3.00	3,750
2006	170	6.5	1,100	4.00	4,400
2007	150	6.4	960	4.00	3,840
2008	130	6.3	820	3.80	3,116
2009	110	6.4	700	3.10	2,170
2010	120	6.1	730	4.20	3,066
2011	90	5.9	530	5.10	2,703
2012	75	6.3	470	4.80	2,256
2013	80	6.1	490	5.50	2,695
2014	92	6.3	580	6.30	3,654

Texas Mohair Price and Value of Production



U.S. Highlights: All goat inventory in the United States on January 1, 2015 totaled 2.68 million head. Breeding goat inventory totaled 2.20 million head and market goats totaled 471 thousand head. On January 1, 2015, milk goats totaled 365 thousand head, Angora goats totaled 160 thousand head and meat and other goats totaled 2.15 million head. The 2014 kid crop was 1.71 million head for all goats.

Mohair production during 2014 totaled 880 thousand pounds. Goats and kids clipped, at 159 thousand head, were up 11 percent from 2013. Average weight per clip at 5.5 pounds, was up 2 percent from 2013. Value of mohair production was 4.27 million, 29 percent above 2013.

United States Goat Inventory by Class

Item	2014	2015	Percent of Previous Year
	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>percent</i>
All goats and kids.....	2,611	2,675	102
All breeding goats.....	2,151	2,204	102
Replacement kids - under one year.....	388	391	101
Does - one year and older.....	1,599	1,647	103
Bucks - one year and older.....	164	166	101
All market goats and kids.....	460	471	102
Kid crop ¹	1,682	1,714	102

¹ Kid crop refers to calves born during the previous year.

United States Goat Inventory by Type

Year	Angora	Milk	Meat and Other
	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>
2014	148	358	2,105
2015	160	365	2,150

United States Mohair Production, Price, and Value

Year	Goats clipped	Average clip per goat	Production	Price per pound	Value
	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>pounds</i>	<i>1,000 pounds</i>	<i>dollars</i>	<i>1,000 dollars</i>
2013	144	5.4	780	4.23	3,300
2014	159	5.5	880	4.85	4,272

A random sample of U.S. producers was surveyed to provide data for these estimates. Survey procedures ensured that all sheep and goat producers, regardless of size, had a chance to be included in the survey. Large producers were sampled more heavily than small operations. About 23,000 operators were contacted during the first half of January by mail, telephone and face-to-face personal interview and 71 percent of the reports were usable. Regardless of when operators responded, they were asked to report inventories as of January 1.

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