

Sheep, Lambs, and Wool

Arizona's sheep and lamb inventory on January 1, 2011 was estimated at 150,000 head, down 10,000 head from a year ago. Breeding sheep and lamb inventory was estimated at 100,000 head, up 5,000 head from January 1, 2010. Market sheep and lamb inventory, at 50,000 head, decreased by 15,000 head from the previous year.

sheep operators in 2010 were \$45.00 per hundredweight for sheep, up \$10.00 from 2009, and \$110.00 per hundredweight for lambs, up \$14.00 from 2009. Cash receipts totaled \$5.75 million, up 24 percent from a year earlier.

Average wool prices were up 5 cents from last year to 30 cents per pound. Wool production was valued at \$225,000, up \$44,000 from the previous year.

Sheep and lamb marketings in 2010 were 65,500 head, an increase of 3,500 from 2009. Average prices received by

Sheep: By Class, and Farm Value

	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011
	----- January 1 -----						
Breeding sheep and lambs (1,000 Head)							
Ewes	58	64	70	76	75	75	75
Rams	4	5	5	6	6	6	7
Replacement lambs	8	11	12	8	9	14	18
Market sheep and lambs (1,000 Head)	45	45	53	65	60	65	50
All sheep and lambs (1,000 Head)	115	125	140	155	150	160	150
Farm Value							
Per head (Dollars)	136	141	140	146	153	147	157
Total (1,000 Dollars)	15,640	17,625	19,600	22,630	22,950	23,520	23,550

Sheep and Lambs: Inventory, Supply, and Disposition

	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011
	----- 1,000 Head -----						
Inventory January 1	115	125	140	155	150	160	150
Lamb crop	48	48	50	47	50	48	3/
In-shipments	67	51	49	49	42	29	3/
Marketings 2/							
Sheep	12	24	19	20	16	16.5	3/
Lambs	74	41	45	61	46	49	3/
Farm slaughter 2/	13	13	13	13	13	13	3/
Deaths							
Sheep	3	3	3	3	3	4.5	3/
Lambs	3	3	4	4	4	4	3/

1/ Includes animals for custom slaughter for use on farms where produced and State out-shipments, but excludes inter-farm sales within the State.

2/ Excludes custom slaughter for farmers at commercial establishments.

3/ Not available until April 2012.

Sheep and Lambs: Production and Income

	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
Production (1,000 Pounds) ^{1/}	4,792	4,673	4,322	4,163	3,822	4,149	4,215
Marketings (1,000 Pounds) ^{2/}	10,108	8,653	7,024	6,525	8,100	6,210	6,548
Average price per 100 Pounds (Dollars)							
Sheep	40.00	45.00	38.00	36.00	34.00	35.00	45.00
Lambs	95.00	105.00	90.00	95.00	96.00	96.00	110.00
Value of production (1,000 Dollars)	4,331	4,550	3,418	3,358	3,314	3,566	3,824
Cash receipts (1,000 Dollars) ^{3/}	8,738	8,142	4,687	4,685	6,102	4,644	5,754
Value of home consumption (1,000 Dollars)	991	1,400	1,025	1,084	1,094	1,138	1,492
Gross income (1,000 Dollars)	9,729	9,542	5,712	5,769	7,196	5,782	7,246

^{1/} Adjustments made for changes in inventory and for inshipments.

^{2/} Excludes custom slaughter for use on farms where produced and interfarm sales within Arizona.

^{3/} Receipts from marketings and sale of farm slaughter.

Wool: Production and Value

	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
All sheep shorn (1,000 Head)	100	110	120	120	120	120
Weight per fleece (Pounds)	6.2	6.2	6.3	6.3	6.0	6.3
Shorn wool production (1,000 Pounds)	620	680	750	750	725	750
Average price per pound (Cents)	30	35	34	30	25	30
Value of production (1,000 Dollars) ^{1/}	168	238	255	225	181	225

^{1/} Production multiplied by marketing year average price.

Sheep Inventory & Value

