

SHEEP AND WOOL

WOOL: Farm production and income, Illinois, 1992-2001

Year	Number of sheep shorn 1/	Weight per fleece	Wool produced	Season average price per pound 2/	Value of production
	<u>Thousand head</u>	<u>Pounds</u>	<u>Thousand pounds</u>	<u>Cents</u>	<u>Thousand dollars</u>
1992	116	7.0	810	28	227
1993	99	6.9	681	24	163
1994	96	6.7	639	38	243
1995	86	6.9	590	55	325
1996	85	6.7	570	34	194
1997	82	6.7	546	43	235
1998	73	6.8	495	25	124
1999	73	6.6	480	12	58
2000	75	6.9	520	8	42
2001	70	6.6	460	9	41

1/ Includes sheep shorn at commercial feeding yards. 2/ Marketing season January-December.

STOCK SHEEP: Number on farms by district and top ten counties, Illinois, January 1, 2002

District	Number	County	Number
Northwest	15,400	Henry	3,900
Northeast	5,500	Warren	2,300
West	9,800	Ogle	2,200
Central	6,900	McLean	2,100
East	2,800	Stephenson	2,000
West Southwest	6,500	Adams	1,800
East Southeast	5,600	DeKalb	1,700
Southwest	2,500	Mc Donough	1,600
Southeast	1,000	La Salle	1,500
		Mercer	1,500
Illinois	56,000		