

## LIVESTOCK HIGHLIGHTS

**HOG AND PIG** numbers (December 1, 2015), at 3.80 million, were up 3 percent from a year earlier. The average value per head decreased from \$145.00 in 2014 to \$98.00 in 2015. This dropped the total inventory value to \$372.4 million, 31 percent below a year ago. Indiana remained in fifth place in the nation for the number of hogs on hand December 1, 2015.

**CATTLE** inventory numbers, at 890,000, were up 2 percent from January 1, 2015 while value per head, at \$1,330 was \$100 below the previous year. Total cattle inventory value, at \$1.18 billion, decreased 5 percent from the \$1.24 billion last year. Cows and heifers that have calved totaled 380,000 head, unchanged from a year earlier. Of this total, 196,000 were beef cows, down 2 percent; and 184,000 were milk cows, up 2 percent from the previous year.

Total **SHEEP** inventory, at 50,000 head for January 1, 2016, was unchanged from a year earlier. Breeding sheep totaled 43,000 head. Average value per head at \$216.00, was down \$16.00 from 2015. Total inventory value at \$10.8 million was 7 percent below the previous year.

Total **CHICKEN** inventory, excluding broilers, on December 1, 2015, at 40.3 million birds, was up 15 percent from last year. With this inventory, Indiana held on to third place in the nation for total chickens, excluding broilers, and for layers (30.4 million). The total value of the chicken inventory was \$112.8 million, up 11 percent from 2014. The value per bird, at \$2.80 was down \$0.10 from the previous year.

### LIVESTOCK INVENTORY NUMBERS, INDIANA RECORD HIGHS AND LOWS

Species	Record High		Record Low		Year Series Began
	Number of Head	Year	Number of Head	Year	
All Hogs	5,393,000	1962	2,475,000	1893	1866
Hog Breeding Herd	721,000	1963	<b>270,000</b>	<b>2015</b>	1963
Pig Crop	8,055,000	1963	4,800,000	2005	1963
Pigs per Litter	<b>10.40</b>	<b>2015</b>	6.94	1977	1963
All Cattle and Calves	2,225,000	1976	810,000	2013	1867
Milk Cows and Heifers that have Calved <sup>1</sup>	848,000	1945	135,000	1998	1867
Beef Cows and Heifers that have Calved <sup>1</sup>	618,000	1976	83,000	1925	1920
All Sheep and Lambs	985,000	1938	<b>50,000</b>	<b>2016</b>	1920
Goats, Meat and Other	36,000	2008	29,000	2013	2008
Goats, Milk	13,000	2013	10,000	2008	2008
All Chickens Excluding Commercial Broilers	<b>40,300,000</b>	<b>2015</b>	13,963,000	1961	1924
Turkeys Raised	<b>19,300,000</b>	<b>2015</b>	141,000	1929	1929

<sup>1</sup> Prior to January 1, 1970, definition was milk cows and beef cows 2 years old and over.