



# Iowa Ag News – Goats

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**Milk goat** inventory in Iowa as of January 1, 2019, was 32,000 head, according to the latest USDA, National Agricultural Statistics Service – *Sheep and Goats* report. Iowa ranked third in total milk goats. The inventory was up 3 percent from January 2018. Total **meat and other** goat inventory was 37,000 head, a decrease of 7 percent from the previous year.

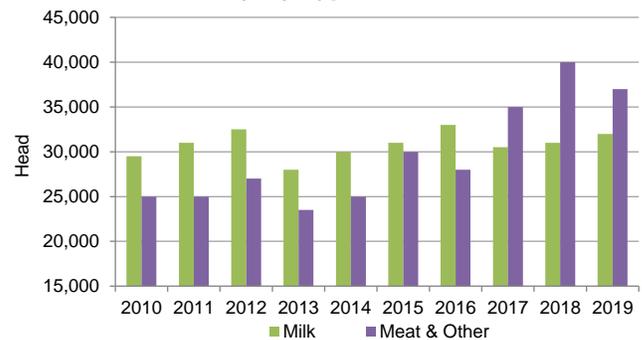
## Goat Inventory – Selected States and United States: 2018 and 2019

	Milk Goats		Meat & Other Goats	
	2018	2019	2018	2019
	(head)	(head)	(head)	(head)
California .....	40,000	42,000	85,000	90,000
<b>Iowa</b> .....	<b>31,000</b>	<b>32,000</b>	<b>40,000</b>	<b>37,000</b>
Minnesota .....	14,000	13,000	24,000	25,000
Tennessee .....	7,500	7,000	96,000	89,000
Texas .....	29,000	27,000	765,000	740,000
Wisconsin <sup>1</sup> .....	67,000	72,000	(NA)	(NA)
United States .....	420,000	430,000	2,075,000	2,055,000

(NA) Not Available

<sup>1</sup> Beginning in 2016, Meat and Other Goats for Wisconsin is no longer published individually. It is now included in the Other States total.

## Goat Inventory By Type – Iowa: 2010-2019



## United States Goat and Kid Inventory

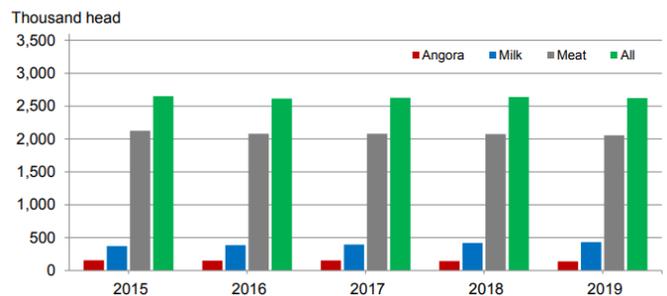
All goats and kids inventory in the United States on January 1, 2019 totaled 2.62 million head, down 1 percent from 2018. Breeding goat inventory totaled 2.15 million head, down 1 percent from 2018. Does one year old and older, at 1.60 million head, were 1 percent below last year's number. Market goats and kids totaled 474 thousand head, up 2 percent from a year ago.

Kid crop for 2018 totaled 1.64 million head for all goats, up slightly from 2017.

Meat and all other goats totaled 2.06 million head on January 1, 2019, down 1 percent from 2018. Milk goat inventory was 430 thousand head, up 2 percent from January 1, 2018, while Angora goats were down 5 percent, totaling 137 thousand head.

Mohair production in the United States during 2018 was 755 thousand pounds. Goats and kids clipped totaled 133 thousand head. Average weight per clip was 5.7 pounds. Mohair price was \$5.25 per pound with a value of 3.96 million dollars.

## All Goats and Kids Inventory by Class – United States: January 1



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