



Sheep, Lambs, & Goats

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Kansas Sheep and Lamb Inventory Down to Record Low

KANSAS: All sheep and lamb inventory in Kansas on January 1, 2011 totaled 70,000 head, down 10,000 head or 12 percent from last year. This is the lowest number of sheep and lambs on record for Kansas. **Breeding sheep inventory**, at 43,000 head, was down 14 percent from January 1, 2010. The inventory of ewes one year and older, at 33,000 head, was down 20 percent from last year, while rams at 2,000 head, were unchanged from the previous year. Replacement lambs totaled 8,000 head, up 1,000 head from last year. The 2010 **lamb crop** was 50,000 head, down 17 percent from 2009. The 2010 lambing rate was 122 lambs per 100 ewes one year old and older on hand January 1, 2010, compared with a lambing rate of 128 in 2009. **Market sheep and lambs** on January 1, 2011 totaled 27,000 head, down 3,000 head from a year ago. Of these, 13,000 weighed less than 65 pounds, 3,500 weighed 65 - 84 pounds, 3,500 weighed 85 - 105 pounds, 3,000 weighed over 105 pounds, and 4,000 were market sheep.

UNITED STATES: All sheep and lamb inventory in the United States on January 1, 2011, totaled 5.53 million head, down 2 percent from 2010. Breeding sheep inventory decreased to 4.12 million head on January 1, 2011, down 2 percent from 4.19 million head on January 1, 2010. Ewes one year old and older, at 3.26 million head, were 2 percent below last year. Market sheep and lambs on January 1, 2011, totaled 1.42 million head, down 1 percent from January 1, 2010. Market lambs comprised 94 percent of the total marketings. Twenty-seven percent were lambs under 65 pounds, 12 percent were 65 - 84 pounds, 21 percent were 85 - 105 pounds, and 34 percent were over 105 pounds. Market sheep comprised the remaining 6 percent of total marketings. **The 2010 lamb crop** of 3.60 million head, was down 2 percent from 2009. The 2010 lambing rate was 108 lambs per 100 ewes one year old and older on January 1, 2010, unchanged from 2009.

Kansas and United States, Sheep and Lambs on Farms, by Classes, January 1

Class	Kansas				United States			
	2009	2010	2011	'11 % of '10	2009	2010	2011	'11 % of '10
	1,000 Head			Percent	1,000 Head			Percent
All Sheep & Lambs	80.0	80.0	70.0	88	5,747.0	5,620.0	5,530.0	98
Market	23.0	30.0	27.0	90	1,500.0	1,435.0	1,415.0	99
Breeding Sheep & Lambs								
Replacement Lambs under 1 Year	7.0	7.0	8.0	114	646.5	655.0	670.0	102
Ewes 1 Yr. & Older	47.0	41.0	33.0	80	3,405.0	3,335.0	3,255.0	98
Rams 1 Yr. & Older	3.0	2.0	2.0	100	195.5	195.0	190.0	97
Market Lambs								
Under 65 Lbs.	12.0	14.0	13.0	93	349.9	360.0	380.0	106
65-84 Lbs.	1.0	3.0	3.5	117	170.4	170.0	170.0	100
85-105 Lbs.	3.0	3.0	3.5	117	314.0	280.0	300.0	107
105 Lbs. +	3.0	6.0	3.0	50	584.7	545.0	485.0	89
Total	19.0	26.0	23.0	88	1,419.0	1,355.0	1,335.0	99
Market Sheep	4.0	4.0	4.0	100	81.0	80.0	80.0	100

Kansas and United States, Lamb Crop

Year	Kansas			United States		
	Breeding Ewes 1 Yr.+, Jan. 1	Lambs per 100 Ewes 1 Yr.+, Jan. 1	Lamb Crop	Breeding Ewes 1 Yr.+, Jan. 1	Lambs per 100 Ewes 1 Yr.+, Jan. 1	Lamb Crop
	1,000 Head	Number	1,000 Head	1,000 Head	Number	1,000 Head
2006	52	127	66	3,630	109	3,950
2007	54	119	64	3,620	108	3,895
2008	53	109	58	3,540	105	3,710
2009	47	128	60	3,405	108	3,690
2010	41	122	50	3,335	108	3,600



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Wool Production

KANSAS: Shorn wool production during 2010 was 275,000 pounds, down 26 percent from a year earlier. Sheep shorn, at 42,000 head, decreased 26 percent from 2009. Average fleece weight was 6.5 pounds per fleece, unchanged from 2009. The average price paid for wool sold in 2010 was 46 cents per pound, up 9 cents from 2009. Total value of shorn wool was \$127,000, down 7 percent from 2009.

UNITED STATES: Shorn wool production in the United States during 2010 was 30.6 million pounds, down 1 percent from 2009. Sheep and lambs shorn totaled 4.22 million head, up slightly from 2009. The average price paid for wool sold in 2010 was \$1.15 per pound for a total value of 35.3 million dollars, up 45 percent from 24.3 million dollars in 2009.

Kansas and United States, Wool Production and Value

Year	Sheep Shorn ¹	Weight per Fleece	Shorn Wool Product Production	Price per Pound	Value
	1,000 Head	Pounds	1,000 Pounds	Dollars	1,000 Dollars
Kansas					
2009	57.0	6.5	370	0.37	137
2010	42.0	6.5	275	0.46	127
United States					
2009	4,195.0	7.4	30,860	0.79	24,337
2010	4,215.0	7.3	30,600	1.15	35,288

¹ Includes shearing at commercial feedyards.

Kansas Goat and Kid Inventory

KANSAS: As of January 1, 2011, the total number of milk goats and kids was up 24 percent to 4,700 head, while all meat goats and kids totaled 40,000 head, down 5 percent from last year.

UNITED STATES: All goat inventory in the United States on January 1, 2011, totaled 3.00 million head, down 1 percent from 2010. Breeding goat inventory totaled 2.49 million head, down 1 percent from 2010. Does one year old and older, at 1.84 million head, were 1 percent below last year's number. Market goats and kids totaled 514,000 head, down 1 percent from a year ago. Kid crop for 2010 totaled 1.91 million head for all goats,

down 2 percent from 2009. Meat and all other goats totaled 2.47 million head on January 1, 2011, down 2 percent from 2010. Milk goat inventory increased to 360,000 head, 1 percent above January 1, 2010, while Angora goats were up 7 percent, totaling 172,000 head. Mohair production in the United States during 2010 was 1.09 million pounds. Goats and kids clipped totaled 181,000 head. Average weight per clip was 6.0 pounds. Mohair price was \$3.49 per pound with a value of 3.79 million dollars.