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Kansas Sheep and Lamb Inventory Unchanged

KANSAS: All sheep and lamb inventory in Kansas on January 1, 2012 totaled 70,000 head, unchanged from last year. This is tied with a year ago for the lowest number of sheep and lambs on record for Kansas. **Breeding sheep inventory**, at 44,000 head, was up 2 percent from January 1, 2011. The inventory of ewes one year and older, at 34,000 head, was up 3 percent from last year, while rams at 2,000 head, were unchanged from the previous year. Replacement lambs totaled 8,000 head, also unchanged from last year. The 2011 **lamb crop** was 47,000 head, down 6 percent from 2010. The 2011 lambing rate was 142 lambs per 100 ewes one year old and older on hand January 1, 2011, compared with a lambing rate of 122 in 2010. **Market sheep and lambs** on January 1, 2012 totaled 26,000 head, down 1,000 head from a year ago. Of the lambs, 11,000 weighed less than 65 pounds, 3,000 weighed 65 - 84 pounds, 2,000 weighed 85 - 105 pounds, 6,000 weighed over 105 pounds, while 4,000 were market sheep.

UNITED STATES: All sheep and lamb inventory in the United States on January 1, 2012, totaled 5.35 million head, down 2 percent from 2011. Breeding sheep inventory decreased to 3.98 million head on January 1, 2012, down 3 percent from 4.08 million head on January 1, 2011. Ewes one year old and older, at 3.16 million head, were 2 percent below last year. Market sheep and lambs on January 1, 2012, totaled 1.37 million head, down 2 percent from January 1, 2011. Market lambs comprised 94 percent of the total market inventory. Twenty-two percent were lambs under 65 pounds, 12 percent were 65 - 84 pounds, 22 percent were 85 - 105 pounds, and 38 percent were over 105 pounds. Market sheep comprised the remaining 6 percent of total market inventory. **The 2011 lamb crop** of 3.51 million head, was down 2 percent from 2010. The 2011 lambing rate was 109 lambs per 100 ewes one year old and older on January 1, 2011, an increase of 2 percent from 2010.

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

Class	Kansas				United States			
	2010	2011	2012	% of 2011	2010	2011	2012	% of 2011
	1,000 Head			Percent	1,000 Head			Percent
All Sheep & Lambs	80.0	70.0	70.0	100	5,620.0	5,480.0	5,345.0	98
All Market Sheep & Lambs	30.0	27.0	26.0	96	1,435.0	1,400.0	1,370.0	98
Breeding Sheep & Lambs								
Replacement Lambs under 1 Year	7.0	8.0	8.0	100	655.0	665.0	650.0	98
Ewes 1 Yr. & Older	41.0	33.0	34.0	103	3,335.0	3,225.0	3,155.0	98
Rams 1 Yr. & Older	2.0	2.0	2.0	100	195.0	190.0	170.0	89
Market Lambs								
Under 65 Lbs.	14.0	13.0	11.0	85	360.0	364.0	297.0	82
65-84 Lbs.	3.0	3.5	3.0	86	170.0	178.0	159.0	89
85-105 Lbs.	3.0	3.5	2.0	57	280.0	297.0	308.0	104
105 Lbs. +	6.0	3.0	6.0	200	545.0	481.0	522.0	109
Total	26.0	23.0	22.0	96	1,355.0	1,320.0	1,286.0	97
Market Sheep	4.0	4.0	4.0	100	80.0	80.0	84.0	105

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
2007	54	119	64	3,620.0	108	3,895.0
2008	53	109	58	3,540.0	105	3,710.0
2009	47	128	60	3,405.0	108	3,690.0
2010	41	122	50	3,335.0	107	3,570.0
2011	33	142	47	3,225.0	109	3,510.0



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Wool Production

KANSAS: Shorn wool production during 2011 was 285,000 pounds, up 4 percent from a year earlier. **Sheep shorn**, at 44,000 head, increased 5 percent from 2010. Average weight per fleece was 6.5 pounds, unchanged from 2010. The average **price paid** for wool sold in 2011 was 70 cents per pound, up 24 cents from 2010. Total value of shorn wool was \$200,000, up 57 percent from 2010.

UNITED STATES: Shorn wool production in the United States during 2011 was 29.3 million pounds, down 4 percent from 2010. Sheep and lambs shorn totaled 4.03 million head, also down 4 percent from 2010. The average price paid for wool sold in 2011 was a record high \$1.67 per pound for a total value of 48.9 million dollars, up 40 percent from 35.0 million dollars in 2010.

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					
2010	42.0	6.5	275	0.46	127
2011	44.0	6.5	285	0.70	200
United States					
2010	4,180	7.3	30,370	1.15	35,018
2011	4,030	7.3	29,290	1.67	48,925

¹ Includes shearing at commercial feedyards.

Goat and Kid Inventory

KANSAS: As of January 1, 2012, the total number of milk goats and kids was up 13 percent to 5,300 head, while all meat goats and kids totaled 43,000 head, up 8 percent from last year.

UNITED STATES: All goat inventory in the United States on January 1, 2012, totaled 2.86 million head, down 4 percent from 2011. Breeding goat inventory totaled 2.38 million head, down 4 percent from 2011. Does one year old and older, at 1.78 million head, were 3 percent below last year's number. Market goats and kids totaled 487 thousand head, down 5

percent from a year ago. **Kid crop** for 2011 totaled 1.88 million head for all goats, down 2 percent from 2010. **Meat and all other goats** totaled 2.36 million head on January 1, 2012, down 4 percent from 2011. **Milk goat** inventory was 360 thousand head, unchanged from January 1, 2011, while **Angora goats** were down 15 percent, totaling 146 thousand head. **Mohair production** in the United States during 2011 was 865 thousand pounds. Goats and kids clipped totaled 149 thousand head. Average weight per clip was 5.8 pounds. Mohair price was \$4.12 per pound with a value of 3.56 million dollars.

For the latest beef and other livestock charts provided by Dr. Glynn Tonsor, Extension Ag Economist with KSU-Research & Extension Service, please go to www.agmanager.info/livestock/marketing/graphs. Links to the latest newsletter and radio comments can also be found from this website.

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