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Winter Wheat Seedings

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United States: Planted area of winter wheat for harvest in 2011 is estimated at 41.0 million acres, up 10 percent from 2010 but 5 percent below 2009. Seeding began last August and during September was slightly behind the 5-year average. During October, seeding progressed slightly ahead of the 5-year average. More acres were seeded this year due to the early row crop harvest and higher prices.

Nevada: Winter wheat seeded area for harvest in 2011 is estimated at 19,000 acres, matching that of 2010.

Total Goat and Kid Inventory Down 1 Percent

The total inventory of all goats 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.

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. **Kid crop** for 2010 totaled 1.91 million head for all goats, down 2 percent from 2009.

Nevada’s total goat inventory was largely unchanged as milk goat numbers rose by 1,200 head to 5,800 and meat and other goat numbers fell 1,300 head to 4,700. Angora goat inventories for Nevada are not published as there are too few producers to prevent disclosure of individual information.

Goats: Inventory, All Categories, January 1, 2010 – 2011

<u>Class of Livestock</u>	<u>Nevada</u>			<u>United States</u>		
	<u>2010</u>	<u>2011</u>	<u>'11 as % of '10</u>	<u>2010</u>	<u>2011</u>	<u>'11 as % of '10</u>
<u>Angora Goats</u>	(D)	(D)	---	<u>161,000</u>	<u>172,000</u>	<u>107</u>
<u>Milk Goats</u>	<u>4,600</u>	<u>5,800</u>	<u>126</u>	<u>356,000</u>	<u>360,000</u>	<u>101</u>
<u>Meat and Other goats</u>	<u>6,000</u>	<u>4,700</u>	<u>78</u>	<u>2,521,000</u>	<u>2,468,000</u>	<u>98</u>

(D) Withheld to avoid disclosing data for individual operations.

January Sheep Inventory

Nevada: The January 1, 2011 inventory of **all sheep and lambs** in Nevada was 68,000 head, 7,000 head less than January 1, 2010. **Breeding sheep and lambs**, at 59,000 head, were down 8 percent from 2010. **Market sheep and lambs**, at 9,000 head, were down 2,000 head from 2010. The Nevada **lamb crop** was 42,000 head during 2010, down 2,000 head from 2009. Wool production in Nevada totaled 520 thousand pounds in 2010 compared with 515 thousand in 2009. Nevada wool brought an average price of \$1.40 per pound in 2010 making the wool value \$728,000, 28 percent more than the 2009 clip.

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. **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. **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.

Sheep and Lamb Inventory, January 1, 2010 - 2011¹						
Class of Livestock	Nevada			United States		
	2010	2011	'11 as % of '10	2010	2011	'11 as % of '10
	--- 1,000 Head ---		Pct.	--- 1,000 Head ---		Pct.
All Sheep and Lambs	75	68	91%	5,620	5,530	98%
All Market Sheep & Lambs	11	9	82%	1,435	1,415	99%
Market Sheep	1	1	100%	80	80	100%
Market Lambs	10	8	80%	1,355	1,335	99%
All Breeding Sheep & Lambs	64	59	92%	4,185	4,115	98%
Breeding Ewes 1 year & older	49	46	94%	3,335	3,255	98%
Breeding Rams 1 year & older	2	2	100%	195	190	97%
Breeding Replacement Lambs	13	11	85%	655	670	102%

¹ Sum of classes may not add to total due to rounding.

Lamb Crop, 2009 and 2010						
	Nevada			United States		
	2009	2010	'10 as %	2009	2010	'10 as % of
Lamb Crop (1,000 head)	44	42	95%	3,690	3,600	98%

January Cattle Inventory

Nevada: All cattle and calves in Nevada as of January 1, 2011 totaled 460,000 head, up 2 percent from January 1, 2010. **Beef cows**, at 237,000 head, were unchanged from last year. **Milk cows**, at 28,000 head, were also unchanged from last year. **All heifers**, weighing 500 pounds and over, increased 7 percent from last year to 78,000 head. **Steers** weighing 500 pounds and over, at 40,000 head, were up 8 percent from January 1, 2010. **Calves under 500 pounds**, totaled 62,000 head, up 3 percent from last year. **The 2010 calf crop** was estimated at 210,000 head, unchanged from 2009.

United States: All cattle and calves in the United States as of January 1, 2011, totaled 92.6 million head, 1 percent below the 93.9 million on January 1, 2010. **All cows and heifers** that have calved, at 40.0 million, were down 1 percent from the 40.5 million a year ago. **Beef cows**, at 30.9 million, were down 2 percent from last year. **Milk cows**, at 9.2 million, were up 1 percent from last year. **The 2010 calf crop** was estimated at 35.7 million head, down 1 percent from 2009.

Cattle and Calves: Inventory, January 1, 2010-2011

Class of Livestock ¹	Nevada			United States		
	2010	2011	'11 as % of '10	2010	2011	'11 as % of '10
	1,000	1,000	Percent	1,000	1,000	Percent
All Cattle and Calves	450	460	102	93,881	92,582	99
All Cows that have calved	265	265	100	40,456	40,014	99
Beef Cows	237	237	100	31,371	30,865	98
Milk Cows	28	28	100	9,086	9,150	101
Heifers 500 Lbs. +	73	78	107	19,746	19,533	99
Beef Replacement	35	37	106	5,451	5,158	95
Milk Replacement	10	10	100	4,526	4,557	101
Other Heifers	28	31	111	9,769	9,818	101
Steers 500 Lbs. +	37	40	108	16,510	16,382	99
Bulls 500 Lbs. +	15	15	100	2,190	2,153	98
Calves Under 500 Lbs.	60	62	103	14,979	14,500	97

¹ Sum of classes may not add to total due to rounding.

Quarterly Milk Production

The October - December 2010 quarterly milk production for Nevada totaled 157 million pounds, 3.3 percent above last year's 152 million pounds and 0.6 percent below last quarter. During the last quarter of 2010, the average number of milk cows totaled 28,000.

Milk production in the U.S. during the October - December quarter totaled 47.5 billion pounds, up 2.8 percent from the October - December quarter last year. The average number of milk cows in the U.S. during the quarter was 9.13 million head, 36,000 head more than the same period last year.

January Weather Summary

Mild weather dominated the state in January. Temperatures across the state varied from 2.5 degrees below normal to 5.4 degrees above normal. Ely recorded the lowest temperature at -20 degrees. Las Vegas recorded the highest temperature of the month at 74 degrees. All weather stations reported some precipitation. Winnemucca recorded the most precipitation with 0.28 inches. Snow cover created the need for additional supplemental feeding of northern range livestock. Cattle marketing continues. Winter wheat is in good condition. Onions continued to be shipped from climate controlled storage. Despite warm weather, most Nevada snow packs are at or above normal levels for this time of year.

Weather data for stations in Nevada for January 2011

Station	High	Low	Avg.	Departure From Normal	Precipitation
Reno	67	16	37.3	+3.7	0.10
Elko	56	-3	28.0	+2.4	0.19
Ely	53	-20	22.7	-2.5	0.27
Winnemucca	58	3	31.8	+1.7	0.28
Eureka	58	-7	29.1	+5.4	0.04
Tonopah	61	-4	33.3	+1.3	0.12
Las Vegas	74	27	49.0	+2.0	0.01
