



Agriculture Across Ohio

Ohio Cattle Inventory

All cattle and calves in Ohio as of January 1, 2021 were 1.26 million head, down 2 percent from last year. Ohio highlights from the January 1 report follow:

- Beef cow numbers increased 1 percent to 302,000 head. Beef replacement heifers remained unchanged at 70,000 head.
- Milk cows increased 2 percent at 258,000 head. Heifers for milk cow replacement increased 4 percent to 125,000 head.
- The 2020 calf crop was 470,000 head, down 3 percent from 2019.

Nationally, all cattle and calves in the United States as of January 1, 2021 totaled 93.6 million head, slightly below the

93.8 million head on January 1, 2020. All cows and heifers that have calved, at 40.6 million head, were slightly below the 40.7 million head on January 1, 2020. Beef cows, at 31.2 million head, were down 1 percent from a year ago. Milk cows, at 9.44 million head, were up 1 percent from the previous year. All heifers 500 pounds and over as of January 1, 2021 totaled 20.0 million head, slightly below the 20.0 million head on January 1, 2020. Beef replacement heifers, at 5.81 million head, were up slightly from a year ago. Milk replacement heifers, at 4.60 million head, were down 2 percent from the previous year. Other heifers, at 9.58 million head, were 1 percent above a year earlier.

Cattle Inventory by Class – Ohio and United States: January 1, 2020 and 2021

Class	Ohio		United States	
	2020	2021	2020	2021
	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)
All cattle and calves	1,290	1,260	93,793	93,595
Cows	550	560	40,681	40,598
Beef	298	302	31,339	31,158
Milk	252	258	9,343	9,440
Replacement heifers	255	250	20,024	20,000
Beef	70	70	5,809	5,812
Milk	120	125	4,684	4,605
Other	65	55	9,532	9,584
Steers 500 pounds and over	220	200	16,541	16,598
Bulls 500 pounds and over	30	30	2,237	2,211
Calves under 500 pounds	235	220	14,309	14,188
Cattle on feed	170	150	14,658	14,707

Totals may not add due to rounding.

2021 Release Schedule for 2020 County Estimates

Commodity	Release Date
Oats	December 10, 2020
Winter Wheat	December 10, 2020
Corn for Grain	February 25, 2021
Soybeans	February 25, 2021
Cattle & Calves	May 10, 2021

Chickens and Eggs

All layers in Ohio totaled 34.8 million during December, down 5 percent from a year ago. Egg production totaled 890 million eggs, down 3 percent from last year. The rate of lay during December was 2,554 eggs per 100 layers. All layers in

the U.S. totaled 391.1 million during December, down 3 percent from a year ago. There were 22.8 million turkey poults hatched in the U.S. in December, up 1 percent from the previous year.

Egg and Hatchery Production – Ohio and United States: December 2019 and 2020

Item	2019	2020	Percent Change
Ohio			
All layers..... Thousand	36,510	34,832	-5
Eggs per hundred layers.....Number	2,522	2,554	1
Eggs produced Million	921	890	-3
U.S.			
All Layers..... Thousand	404,190	391,134	-3
Eggs per hundred layers.....Number	2,427	2,453	1
Eggs produced Million	9,809	9,596	-2
Turkey Eggs in incubators, Jan 1..... Thousand	28,820	26,430	-8
Turkey Poults hatched, Dec..... Thousand	22,655	22,776	1

December Agricultural Prices

Prices received by Ohio farmers for the full month of December 2020 are listed in the table below. Some Ohio highlights were: December corn, at \$4.11 per bushel, increased \$0.20 from November and decreased \$0.02 from last year; December soybeans, at \$11.30 per bushel, increased \$0.60 from last month and increased \$1.95 from last year; December wheat, at \$5.69 per bushel, decreased \$0.01 from November and increased \$0.16 from last year; December milk at \$19.90 per cwt., decreased \$0.10 from last month, and decreased \$1.10 from last year.

Nationally, the December Prices Received Index 2011 Base (Agricultural Production), at 91.4, decreased 1.8 percent from

November but increased 0.3 percent from December 2019. At 91.8, the Crop Production Index was down 0.5 percent from last month but up 6.6 percent from the previous year. The Livestock Production Index, at 90.9, decreased 3.5 percent from November and 6.4 percent from December 2019. Producers received higher prices during December for broilers, corn, soybeans, and cattle but lower prices for milk, lettuce, market eggs, and oranges. In addition to prices, the volume change of commodities marketed also influences the indexes. In December, there was increased monthly movement for oranges, broilers, cotton, and milk and decreased marketing of corn, grapes, soybeans, and calves.

Prices Received by Farmers¹ - Ohio and United States: December 2020 with Comparisons

Commodity	Ohio			United States		
	Dec 2019	Nov 2020	Dec 2020	Dec 2019	Nov 2020	Dec 2020
Corndollars/bu	4.13	3.91	4.11	3.71	3.79	3.97
Hay, alfalfadollars/ton	220.00	200.00	200.00	172.00	167.00	169.00
Hay, otherdollars/ton	150.00	140.00	150.00	136.00	136.00	134.00
Soybeansdollars/bu	9.35	10.70	11.30	8.70	10.30	10.50
Wheat, winterdollars/bu	5.53	5.70	5.69	4.58	5.34	5.57
Milk, alldollars/cwt	21.00	20.00	19.90	20.70	21.30	18.50

¹ Entire month weighted average price.

Sheep and Goat Inventory

All sheep and lamb inventory in Ohio on January 1, 2021, was 126,000 head, unchanged from 2020. Breeding sheep inventory, at 100,000 head, was unchanged from last year. Market sheep and lambs totaled 26,000 head, were unchanged from last year. The 2020 Ohio lamb crop was 92,000 head, down 3,000 from the previous year.

The number of sheep and lambs shorn in Ohio, at 80,000 head, was down 7,000 from the previous year. Ohio shorn wool production in 2020 was 480,000 pounds, a decrease of 5

percent from 2019. The average price paid for wool in Ohio was \$0.73 per pound, an increase of \$0.25 from the previous year. The total value of wool was \$350,000, 45 percent above the 2019 value.

As of January 1, 2021, there were 10,000 milk goats in Ohio, down 1,000 from a year earlier. The Ohio meat and other goat inventory was 44,000 head, 1,000 above the January 1, 2020, inventory.

Sheep and Lambs Inventory by Class – Ohio and United States: January 1, 2020 and 2021

Class	Ohio		United States	
	2020	2021	2020	2021
	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)
All sheep and lambs	126	126	5,200	5,170
Breeding sheep and lambs	100	100	3,810	3,780
Ewes	77	76	2,980	2,960
Rams	6	6	170	170
Replacement lambs	17	18	660	650
Total market sheep and lambs	26	26	1,390	1,390
Previous year's lamb crop	95	92	3,230	3,210

Goats and Kids Inventory by Class – Ohio and United States: January 1, 2020 and 2021

Class	Ohio		United States	
	2020	2021	2020	2021
	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)
Angora	(NA)	(NA)	130	117
Milk	11	10	435	420
Meat and other	43	44	2,090	2,045

(NA) Not available.

December Milk Production

Dairy herds in Ohio produced 480 million pounds of milk during December, up 5.3 percent from a year ago. Production per cow in Ohio averaged 1,860 pounds for December, 50 pounds above December 2019. The dairy herd was estimated at 258,000 head for December, up 6,000 head from a year earlier. The average price of milk sold in December by Ohio dairy producers was \$19.90 per cwt., \$1.10 less than the price in December 2019.

Milk Cows, Production, and Price – Ohio: December 2019 and 2020

Item	2019	2020
Cows	252	258
Milk per cow.....	1,810	1,860
Production	456	480
Milk price, all.....	21.00	19.90
Fat test	4.07	4.04
Protein ¹	3.23	3.27

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