



Agriculture Across Ohio

Ohio Cattle Inventory

All cattle and calves in Ohio as of January 1, 2022 were 1.30 million head, up 3 percent from last year. Ohio highlights from the January 1 report follow:

- Beef cow numbers increased 7 percent to 312,000 head. Beef replacement heifers remained unchanged at 70,000 head.
- Milk cows decreased 4 percent to 248,000 head. Heifers for milk cow replacement decreased 4 percent to 120,000 head.
- The 2021 calf crop was 490,000 head, up 4 percent from 2020.

Nationally, all cattle and calves in the United States as of January 1, 2022 totaled 91.9 million head, 2 percent below the

93.8 million head on January 1, 2021. All cows and heifers that have calved, at 39.5 million head, were 2 percent below the 40.3 million head on January 1, 2021. Beef cows, at 30.1 million head, were down 2 percent from a year ago. Milk cows, at 9.38 million head, were down 1 percent from the previous year. All heifers 500 pounds and over as of January 1, 2022 totaled 19.8 million head, 2 percent below the 20.2 million head on January 1, 2021. Beef replacement heifers, at 5.61 million head, were down 3 percent from a year ago. Milk replacement heifers, at 4.45 million head, were down 3 percent from the previous year. Other heifers, at 9.71 million head, were 1 percent below a year earlier.

Cattle Inventory by Class – Ohio and United States: January 1, 2021 and 2022

Class	Ohio		United States	
	2021 <i>(1,000 head)</i>	2022 <i>(1,000 head)</i>	2021 <i>(1,000 head)</i>	2022 <i>(1,000 head)</i>
All cattle and calves	1,260	1,300	93,790	91,902
Cows	550	560	40,286	39,500
Beef	292	312	30,844	30,125
Milk	258	248	9,442	9,375
Replacement heifers	255	240	20,200	19,776
Beef	70	70	5,803	5,612
Milk	125	120	4,609	4,451
Other	60	50	9,789	9,714
Steers 500 pounds and over	205	210	16,788	16,580
Bulls 500 pounds and over	30	30	2,211	2,110
Calves under 500 pounds	220	260	14,305	13,936
Cattle on feed	150	150	14,667	14,693

Totals may not add due to rounding.

2022 Release Schedule for 2021 County Estimates

Commodity	Release Date
Oats	December 9, 2021
Winter Wheat	December 9, 2021
Corn for Grain	February 24, 2022
Soybeans	February 24, 2022
Cattle & Calves	May 9, 2022

Chickens and Eggs

All layers in Ohio totaled 36.8 million during December, up 6 percent from a year ago. Egg production totaled 933 million eggs, up 5 percent from last year. The rate of lay during December was 2,538 eggs per 100 layers. All layers in the U.S.

totalled 392.3 million during December, up slightly from a year ago. There were 22.3 million turkey poult hatchlings in the U.S. in December, down 4 percent from the previous year.

Egg and Hatchery Production – Ohio and United States: December 2020 and 2021

Item	2020	2021	Percent Change
Ohio			
All layers..... Thousand	34,691	36,762	6
Eggs per hundred layers.....Number	2,555	2,538	-1
Eggs produced..... Million	886	933	5
U.S.			
All Layers..... Thousand	391,780	392,251	0
Eggs per hundred layers.....Number	2,453	2,464	0
Eggs produced..... Million	9,610	9,664	1
Turkey Eggs in incubators, Jan 1..... Thousand	24,635	26,854	9
Turkey Poults hatched, Dec..... Thousand	23,090	22,250	-4

December Agricultural Prices

Prices Received by Ohio farmers for the full month of December 2021 are listed in the table below. Some Ohio highlights were: December corn, at \$5.41 per bushel, was down \$0.16 from November but increased \$1.30 from last year; December soybeans, at \$12.70 per bushel, was up \$0.40 from last month and increased \$1.40 from last year; December wheat, at \$6.67 per bushel, was down \$0.65 from November but increased \$0.98 from last year; December milk, at \$21.80 per cwt., was up \$0.70 from last month and increased \$1.90 from last year.

Nationally, the December Prices Received Index 2011 Base (Agricultural Production), at 112.6, increased 3.5 percent from

November and 24 percent from December 2020. At 105.9, the Crop Production Index is down 1.3 percent from last month but up 16 percent from the previous year. The Livestock Production Index, at 120.5, increased 9.0 percent from November, and 33 percent from December last year. Producers received higher prices during December for broilers, cattle, market eggs, and corn but lower prices for lettuce, oranges, hogs, and broccoli. In addition to prices, the volume change of commodities marketed also influences the indexes. In December, there was increased monthly movement for broilers, milk, cotton, and wheat and decreased marketing of corn, grapes, soybeans, and calves.

Prices Received by Farmers¹ - Ohio and United States: December 2021 with Comparisons

Commodity	Ohio			United States		
	Dec 2020	Nov 2021	Dec 2021	Dec 2020	Nov 2021	Dec 2021
Corn dollars/bu	4.11	5.25	5.41	3.97	5.27	5.47
Hay, alfalfa dollars/ton	200.00	200.00	200.00	166.00	210.00	213.00
Hay, other dollars/ton	150.00	145.00	140.00	133.00	147.00	146.00
Soybeans dollars/bu	11.30	12.30	12.70	10.60	12.20	12.50
Wheat, winter dollars/bu	5.69	7.32	6.67	5.60	7.78	7.80
Milk, all dollars/cwt	19.90	21.10	21.80	18.30	20.80	21.80

¹ Entire month weighted average price.

Sheep and Goat Inventory

All sheep and lamb inventory in Ohio on January 1, 2022, was 127,000 head, up 1 percent from 2021. Breeding sheep inventory, at 101,000 head, was up 1,000 from last year. Market sheep and lambs totaled 26,000 head, unchanged from last year. The 2021 Ohio lamb crop was 95,000 head, up 3,000 from the previous year.

The number of sheep and lambs shorn in Ohio, at 81,000 head, was up 1,000 from the previous year. Ohio shorn wool

production in 2021 was 480,000 pounds, unchanged from 2020. The average price paid for wool in Ohio was \$0.65 per pound, a decrease of \$0.08 from the previous year. The total value of wool was \$312,000, 11 percent below the 2020 value.

As of January 1, 2022, there were 11,000 milk goats in Ohio, up 1,000 from a year earlier. The Ohio meat and other goat inventory was 42,000 head, 2,000 below the January 1, 2021, inventory.

Sheep and Lambs Inventory by Class – Ohio and United States: January 1, 2021 and 2022

Class	Ohio		United States	
	2021	2022	2021	2022
	<i>(1,000 head)</i>	<i>(1,000 head)</i>	<i>(1,000 head)</i>	<i>(1,000 head)</i>
All sheep and lambs	126	127	5,170	5,065
Breeding sheep and lambs	100	101	3,780	3,710
Ewes	76	76	2,960	2,910
Rams	6	6	170	160
Replacement lambs	18	19	650	640
Total market sheep and lambs	26	26	1,390	1,355
Previous year's lamb crop	92	95	3,210	3,160

Goats and Kids Inventory by Class – Ohio and United States: January 1, 2021 and 2022

Class	Ohio		United States	
	2021	2022	2021	2022
	<i>(1,000 head)</i>	<i>(1,000 head)</i>	<i>(1,000 head)</i>	<i>(1,000 head)</i>
Angora	(NA)	(NA)	121	110
Milk	10	11	420	410
Meat and other	44	42	2,045	2,030

(NA) Not available.

December Milk Production

Dairy herds in Ohio produced 461 million pounds of milk during December, down 4.0 percent from a year ago. Production per cow in Ohio averaged 1,860 pounds for December, unchanged from December 2020. The dairy herd was estimated at 248,000 head for December, down 10,000 head from a year earlier. The average price of milk sold in December by Ohio dairy producers was \$21.80 per cwt., \$1.90 more than the price in December 2020.

Milk Cows, Production, and Price – Ohio: December 2020 and 2021

Item	2020	2021
Cows	258	248
Milk per cow.....	1,860	1,860
Production	480	461
Milk price, all.....	19.90	21.80
Fat test	4.04	4.10
Protein ¹	3.27	3.31

¹ FMO 33

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