



Agriculture Across Ohio

Ohio Cattle Inventory

All cattle and calves in Ohio as of January 1, 2023 were 1.25 million head, down 5 percent from last year. Ohio highlights from the January 1 report follow:

- Beef cow numbers decreased 7 percent to 290,000 head. Beef replacement heifers decreased 15 percent to 55,000 head.
- Milk cows increased 1 percent to 250,000 head. Heifers for milk cow replacement remained unchanged at 120,000 head.
- The 2022 calf crop was 475,000 head, down 3 percent from 2021.

Nationally, all cattle and calves in the United States as of January 1, 2023 totaled 89.3 million head, 3 percent below

the 92.1 million head on January 1, 2022. All cows and heifers that have calved, at 38.3 million head, were 3 percent below the 39.4 million head on January 1, 2022. Beef cows, at 28.9 million head, were down 4 percent from a year ago. Milk cows, at 9.40 million head, were up slightly from the previous year. All heifers 500 pounds and over as of January 1, 2023 totaled 19.2 million head, 4 percent below the 19.9 million head on January 1, 2022. Beef replacement heifers, at 5.16 million head, were down 6 percent from a year ago. Milk replacement heifers, at 4.34 million head, were down 2 percent from the previous year. Other heifers, at 9.67 million head, were 3 percent below a year earlier.

Cattle Inventory by Class – Ohio and United States: January 1, 2022 and 2023

Class	Ohio		United States	
	2022	2023	2022	2023
	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)
All cattle and calves	1,320	1,250	92,077	89,274
Cows	560	540	39,360	38,320
Beef	312	290	29,983	28,918
Milk	248	250	9,377	9,403
Replacement heifers	245	240	19,916	19,173
Beef	65	55	5,482	5,164
Milk	120	120	4,441	4,337
Other	60	65	9,994	9,672
Steers 500 pounds and over	220	205	16,705	16,132
Bulls 500 pounds and over	30	25	2,110	2,029
Calves under 500 pounds	265	240	13,986	13,621
Cattle on feed	150	140	14,695	14,157

Totals may not add due to rounding.

2023 Release Schedule for 2022 County Estimates

Commodity	Release Date
Oats	December 15, 2022
Winter Wheat	December 15, 2022
Corn for Grain	February 24, 2023
Soybeans	February 24, 2023
Cattle & Calves	May 8, 2023

Chickens and Eggs

All layers in Ohio totaled 36.2 million during December, down less than 1 percent from a year ago. Egg production totaled 899 million eggs, down 3 percent from last year. The rate of lay during December was 2,483 eggs per 100 layers. All layers in the U.S.

totalled 374.3 million during December, down 5 percent from a year ago. There were 22.9 million turkey poults hatched in the U.S. in December, up 3 percent from the previous year.

Egg and Hatchery Production – Ohio and United States: December 2021 and 2022

Item	2021	2022	Percent Change
Ohio			
All layers..... Thousand	36,364	36,209	0
Eggs per hundred layers.....Number	2,538	2,483	-2
Eggs produced Million	923	899	-3
U.S.			
All Layers..... Thousand	392,761	374,266	-5
Eggs per hundred layers.....Number	2,464	2,435	-1
Eggs produced Million	9,679	9,115	-6
Turkey Eggs in incubators, Jan 1..... Thousand	26,854	27,032	1
Turkey Poults hatched, Dec..... Thousand	22,299	22,939	3

December Agricultural Prices

Prices Received by Ohio farmers for the full month of December 2022 are listed in the table below. Some Ohio highlights were: December corn, at \$6.24 per bushel, was down \$0.07 from November but increased \$0.83 from last year; December soybeans, at \$14.70 per bushel, was up \$0.60 from last month and increased \$2.00 from last year; December wheat, at \$7.35 per bushel, was down \$0.28 from November but increased \$0.68 from last year; December milk, at \$25.50 per cwt., was down \$0.50 from last month but increased \$3.70 from last year. Nationally, the December Prices Received Index 2011 Base (Agricultural Production), at 137.7, increased 3.1 percent from November and 22 percent from December 2021. At 128.6, the Crop

Production Index was up 1.1 percent from last month and 21 percent from the previous year. The Livestock Production Index, at 150.4, increased 4.9 percent from November, and 25 percent from December last year. Producers received higher prices during December for eggs, celery, soybeans, and cattle, but lower prices for lettuce, milk, hogs, and cauliflower. In addition to prices, the volume change of commodities marketed also influences the indexes. In December, there was increased monthly movement for eggs, milk, broilers, and lettuce, and decreased marketing of corn, grapes, soybeans, and calves.

Prices Received by Farmers¹ - Ohio and United States: December 2022 with Comparisons

Commodity	Ohio			United States		
	Dec 2021	Nov 2022	Dec 2022	Dec 2021	Nov 2022	Dec 2022
Corn dollars/bu	5.41	6.31	6.24	5.47	6.49	6.58
Hay, alfalfa dollars/ton	200.00	180.00	180.00	217.00	267.00	269.00
Hay, other dollars/ton	140.00	160.00	155.00	155.00	182.00	177.00
Soybeans dollars/bu	12.70	14.10	14.70	12.50	14.00	14.40
Wheat, winter dollars/bu	6.67	7.63	7.35	7.79	8.92	8.44
Milk, all dollars/cwt	21.80	26.00	25.50	21.70	25.60	24.70

¹ Entire month weighted average price.

Sheep and Goat Inventory

All sheep and lamb inventory in Ohio on January 1, 2023, was 125,000 head, down 2,000 from 2022. Breeding sheep inventory, at 99,000 head, was down 2,000 from last year. Market sheep and lambs totaled 26,000 head, unchanged from last year. The 2022 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 1,000 from the previous year. Ohio shorn wool production in 2022 was 460,000 pounds, down 20,000 from 2021. The average

price paid for wool in Ohio was \$0.55 per pound, a decrease of \$0.10 from the previous year. The total value of wool was \$253,000, \$59,000 below the 2021 value.

As of January 1, 2023, there were 10,000 milk goats in Ohio, down 1,000 from a year earlier. The Ohio meat and other goat inventory was 43,000 head, 1,000 above the January 1, 2022, inventory.

Sheep and Lambs Inventory by Class – Ohio and United States: January 1, 2022 and 2023

Class	Ohio		United States	
	2022	2023	2022	2023
	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)
All sheep and lambs	127	125	5,065	5,020
Breeding sheep and lambs	101	99	3,710	3,665
Ewes	76	75	2,910	2,870
Rams	6	6	160	160
Replacement lambs	19	18	640	635
Total market sheep and lambs	26	26	1,355	1,355
Previous year's lamb crop	95	92	3,160	3,110

Goats and Kids Inventory by Class – Ohio and United States: January 1, 2022 and 2023

Class	Ohio		United States	
	2022	2023	2022	2023
	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)
Angora	(NA)	(NA)	110	107
Milk	11	10	410	400
Meat and other	42	43	2,030	2,000

(NA) Not available.

December Milk Production

Dairy herds in Ohio produced 466 million pounds of milk during December, up 1.1 percent from a year ago. Production per cow in Ohio averaged 1,865 pounds for December, 5 pounds above December 2021. The dairy herd was estimated at 250,000 head for December, up 2,000 head from a year earlier. The average price of milk sold in December by Ohio dairy producers was \$25.50 per cwt., \$3.70 more than the price in December 2021.

Milk Cows, Production, and Price – Ohio: December 2021 and 2022

Item	2021	2022
Cows	248	250
Milk per cow.....	1,860	1,865
Production	461	466
Milk price, all.....	21.80	25.50
Fat test	4.10	4.17
Protein ¹	3.31	3.31

¹ FMO 33

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