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**Goat Inventory**



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**US Goat and Kid Inventory Down 1 Percent**

All goat inventory in the United States on January 1, 2018 totaled 2.62 million head, down 1 percent from 2017. Milk goat inventory was 380,000 head, up 2 percent from the previous year. Meat and all other goats totaled 2.10 million head, down 1 percent from the previous year. Alabama all goat inventory totaled 50,500 head, a 3 percent increase from last year. In Florida, the all goat inventory totaled 55,000 head, an increase of 2 percent. Georgia all goat inventory totaled 73,800 head, up 5 percent from the previous year. In South Carolina, the goat inventory was up 6 percent to 37,000 head.

**Goat Inventory by Type — States and United States: January 1, 2017 and 2018**

State	Milk goats			Meat and other goats		
	2017	2018	Percent of previous year	2017	2018	Percent of previous year
	(head)	(head)	(percent)	(head)	(head)	(percent)
Alabama .....	3,900	3,500	90	45,000	47,000	104
Florida .....	10,000	10,000	100	44,000	45,000	102
Georgia.....	3,500	3,800	109	67,000	70,000	104
South Carolina.....	3,000	3,500	117	32,000	33,500	105
United States.....	373,000	380,000	102	2,115,000	2,098,000	99

Source: USDA National Agricultural Statistics Service - *Sheep and Goats*, January 2018

**Meat and Other Goat Inventory: January 1, 2017 and 2018**

