

SHEEP AND GOATS

Lambs saved in 2023, at 59,000 head, up 2 percent from the previous year. The number of ewes one year old and older on hand January 1, 2023, was up 2 percent. Lamb Crop per 100 ewes one year old and older was 116,000 during 2023, down 8 percent from a year earlier.

Wool production, at 250,000 pounds, was unchanged from the previous year. Sheep and lambs shorn totaled 44,000 head with an average fleece weight of 5.7 pounds. Total value of shorn wool was \$175,000, up 17 percent from a year earlier, and averaged 70 cents per pound.

NUMBER OF SHEEP ON FARMS BY CLASS, INDIANA, JANUARY 1, 2019-2024

Class of Livestock	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024 ¹
	Thousand Head					
All Sheep and Lambs	60.0	57.0	60.0	70.0	78.0	80.0
Market Sheep & Lambs	8.0	7.0	7.0	9.0	10.0	10.0
Market Sheep	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	2.0	2.0
Market Lambs	7.0	6.0	6.0	8.0	8.0	8.0
Under 65 Pounds	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0
65 - 84 Pounds	2.0	1.0	1.0	3.0	3.0	3.0
85 - 105 Pounds	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
Over 105 Pounds	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
Breeding Sheep	52.0	50.0	53.0	61.0	68.0	70.0
Replacement Lambs	8.0	8.0	8.0	10.0	11.0	12.0
One Year Old and Older	44.0	42.0	45.0	51.0	57.0	58.0
Ewes	40.0	38.0	41.0	46.0	51.0	52.0
Wethers and Rams	4.0	4.0	4.0	5.0	6.0	6.0
Lamb Crop	44.0	48.0	53.0	58.0	59.0	---
Lamb Crop Per 100 Ewes One Year Old and Older	110.0	126.0	129.0	126.0	116	---
¹ Preliminary						

NUMBER AND VALUE OF SHEEP ON FARMS INDIANA, JANUARY 1, 2019-2024

January 1	All Sheep and Lambs ¹	Average Value Per Head	Total Value
	Thousand Head	Dollars	Thousand Dollars
2019	60	235.00	14,100
2020	57	239.00	13,623
2021	60	244.00	14,640
2022	70	261.00	18,270
2023	78	287.00	22,386
2024 ²	80	295.00	23,600
¹ Includes number on feed.			
² Preliminary.			

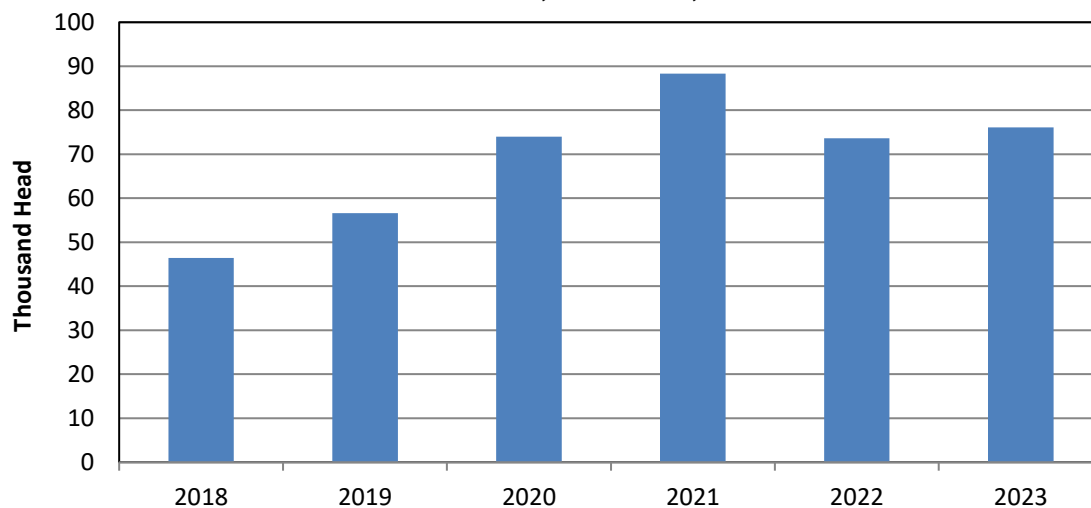
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COMMERCIAL SHEEP SLAUGHTER BY MONTH, INDIANA, 2018-2023 ¹

Year	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total ²
Thousand Head													
2018	3.1	2.6	3.8	4.1	4.5	3.5	3.9	5.0	3.4	4.0	3.9	4.6	46.4
2019	3.9	3.6	3.8	6.2	5.2	4.2	4.8	5.5	4.2	4.8	4.5	5.8	56.6
2020	4.7	4.3	5.4	7.5	7.1	6.3	7.1	5.9	6.2	6.2	6.4	7.0	74.0
2021	5.4	5.1	7.1	9.5	7.6	7.2	8.2	8.0	8.3	7.7	7.3	6.9	88.3
2022	4.9	4.3	6.4	7.3	5.2	5.8	7.4	6.7	6.4	6.6	6.4	6.3	73.6
2023	5.9	4.9	7.0	6.6	6.1	7.1	6.1	6.8	6.4	6.5	6.7	6.1	76.1
Average Live Weight													
2018	123	123	115	118	118	120	119	121	118	115	117	114	118
2019	109	106	114	100	112	106	108	107	106	104	108	109	107
2020	116	115	115	100	108	112	113	114	110	110	109	111	111
2021	118	119	118	112	116	113	113	115	116	117	111	110	115
2022	114	115	114	108	117	114	114	113	111	111	111	111	112
2023	104	103	102	100	102	108	102	101	104	102	100	101	102
Total Live Weight (Thousand Pounds)													
2018	378	323	437	483	528	420	459	610	400	462	461	522	5,485
2019	430	381	439	621	577	441	525	593	440	501	491	627	6,065
2020	547	498	620	747	766	701	798	671	678	681	692	779	8,180
2021	636	603	838	1,061	880	814	935	922	965	906	807	759	10,127
2022	552	498	732	786	605	659	842	749	705	737	712	695	8,273
2023	608	503	711	661	621	764	627	690	661	659	667	614	7,787

¹ Includes custom slaughter but excludes on-farm slaughter.
² Totals may not add due to rounding.

COMMERCIAL SHEEP SLAUGHTER NUMBER OF HEAD, INDIANA, 2018-2023

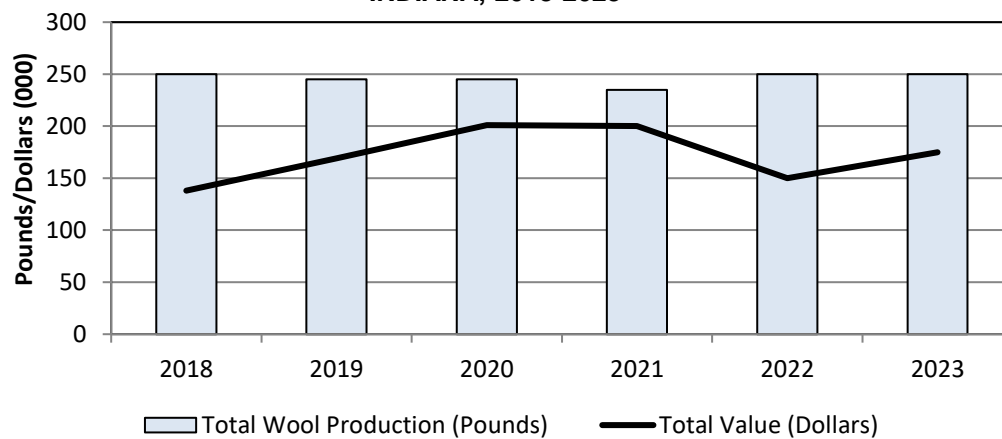


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WOOL PRODUCTION AND VALUE INDIANA, 2018-2023

Year	Sheep Shorn	Average Weight Per Fleece	Total Wool Production	Price Per Pound of Wool	Value of Production
	<u>Thousands</u>	<u>Pounds</u>	<u>Thousand Pounds</u>	<u>Dollars</u>	<u>Thousand Dollars</u>
2018	42	6.0	250	.55	138
2019	41	6.0	245	.69	169
2020	42	5.8	245	.82	201
2021	40	5.9	235	.85	200
2022	44	5.7	250	.60	150
2023	44	5.7	250	.70	175

WOOL PRODUCTION AND VALUE INDIANA, 2018-2023



“New Life on the Farm”
 Photographer ~ Rylan Schipper
 Age 9, Roann, IN

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INSHIPMENTS OF SHEEP REPORTED BY STATE VETERINARIAN INDIANA, 2018-2023

Year	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total
Number of Head													
2018	8	1	627	228	261	1,342	864	311	68	72	81	2	3,865
2019	5	21	758	159	164	99	215	354	250	59	50	16	2,146
2020	0	0	10	9	17	8	28	17	1,486	312	4	1	1,892
2021	739	5	166	83	196	445	189	250	17	36	2	8	2,136
2022	69	162	110	32	37	434	34	4	665	58	552	21	2,178
2023	30	0	36	4	273	22	3	5	68	29	11	0	481

¹ Includes both feeders and breeding stock.



"Wooly Love"
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NUMBER OF GOATS ON FARMS BY CLASS, INDIANA, JANUARY 1, 2019-2024

Class of Livestock	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024 ¹
Number of Head						
Milk Goats	12,000	13,000	14,000	14,200	12,500	13,500
Meat & Other Goats	34,000	37,000	38,000	36,000	37,000	37,000

¹ Preliminary