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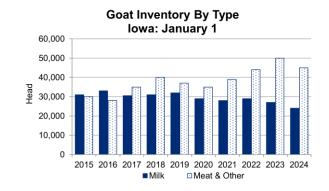
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Milk goat inventory in Iowa as of January 1, 2024, was 24,000 head, 11 percent below January 2023, according to the latest USDA, National Agricultural Statistics Service – *Sheep and Goats* report. Total **meat and other goat** inventory was 45,000 head, 10 percent below the previous year.

Goat Inventory – Selected States and United States: 2023-2024

	Milk goats		Meat & other goats	
	2023	2024	2023	2024
	(head)	(head)	(head)	(head)
California Iowa Minnesota Texas Wisconsin	36,000 27,000 12,000 23,000 74,000	37,000 24,000 14,000 26,000 74,000	80,000 50,000 35,000 730,000 (NA)	72,000 45,000 34,000 700,000 (NA)
United States .	410,000	415,000	2,010,000	1,950,000



(NA) Not available

United States Goat and Kid Inventory

All goats and kids inventory in the United States on January 1, 2024, totaled 2.47 million head, down 2 percent from 2023. Breeding goat inventory totaled 2.03 million head, down 2 percent from 2023. Does one year old and older, at 1.51 million head, were 2 percent below last year's number. Market goats and kids totaled 438,700 head, down 4 percent from a year ago.

Kid crop for 2023 totaled 1.52 million head for all goats, down 2 percent from 2022.

Meat and all other goats totaled 1.95 million head on January 1, 2024, down 3 percent from 2023. Milk goat inventory was 415,000 head, up 1 percent from January 1, 2023, while Angora goats were down 2 percent, totaling 105,000 head.

Mohair production in the United States during 2023 was 505,000 pounds. Goats and kids clipped totaled 100,000 head. Average weight per clip was 5.1 pounds. Mohair price was \$6.35 per pound with a value of 3.21 million dollars.

The complete report can be found on the USDA NASS website at www.nass.usda.gov/Publications.

All Goats and Kids Inventory by Class – United States: January 1

