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Winter Wheat Area Seeded - Kentucky, North Carolina, Tennessee, Virginia, West Virginia, and United States: 2023-2025

State	Crop year			2025 as a percent of 2024
	2023	2024	2025	
	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(percent)
Kentucky	610	560	520	102
North Carolina	480	410	380	95
Tennessee	470	380	350	92
Virginia	200	150	200	83
United States	36,699	33,390	34,115	99

Hay Stocks on Farms - Kentucky, North Carolina, Tennessee, Virginia, West Virginia, and United States: May 1 and December 1, 2023 and 2024

State	May 1		December 1	
	2023	2024	2023	2024
	(1,000 Tons)	(1,000 Tons)	(1,000 Tons)	(1,000 Tons)
Kentucky	630	610	3,000	3,650
North Carolina	125	180	930	850
Tennessee	400	410	2,750	2,570
Virginia	320	410	1,750	1,600
West Virginia	175	185	780	680
United States	14,333	21,010	76,721	81,534

Field Crop Area Harvested, Yield, and Production — Kentucky, North Carolina, Tennessee, Virginia, West Virginia, and United States: 2024

State	Area planted		Area harvested		Yield Per Acre		Production	
	2023	2024	2023	2024	2023	2024	2023	2024
	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(units)	(units)	(1,000 units)	(1,000 units)
Corn for grain ¹ bushels								
Kentucky	1,600	1,370	1,500	1,280	187.0	178.0	280,500	227,840
North Carolina	950	890	900	815	147.0	87.0	132,300	70,905
Tennessee	940	700	890	660	173.0	152.0	153,970	100,320
Virginia	495	460	370	305	157.0	114.0	58,090	34,770
West Virginia	44	41	30	26	145.0	110.0	4,350	2,860
United States	94,641	90,594	86,506	82,896	177.3	179.3	15,340,520	14,866,744
Soybeans bushels								
Kentucky	1,830	2,050	1,820	2,040	55.0	48.0	100,100	97,920
North Carolina	1,640	1,630	1,620	1,610	38.5	39.0	62,370	62,790
Tennessee	1,600	1,820	1,570	1,800	51.0	42.0	80,070	75,600
Virginia	580	610	570	600	38.0	44.0	21,660	26,400
United States	83,600	87,050	82,271	86,050	50.6	50.7	4,162,057	4,366,492
Winter wheat ^{1 2} bushels								
Kentucky	610	560	460	390	88.0	75.0	40,480	29,250
North Carolina	480	410	400	330	70.0	57.0	28,000	18,810
Tennessee	470	380	390	320	80.0	75.0	31,200	24,000
Virginia	200	150	135	85	78.0	66.0	10,530	5,610
United States	36,699	33,390	24,558	26,103	50.6	51.7	1,242,368	1,348,930
Barley ² bushels								
Virginia	30	24	6	9	83.0	84.0	498	756
United States	3,109	2,373	2,574	1,875	72.3	76.7	186,127	143,836
Cotton ³ pounds/bales								
North Carolina	380	410	370	400	933	906	719	755
Tennessee	265	265	260	250	1,250	1,066	677	555
Virginia	81	91	80	90	1,122	1,093	187	205
United States	10,230	11,174	6,440	8,271	899	836	12,066	14,414
Peanuts pounds								
North Carolina	124	130	123	129	4,200	4,400	516,600	567,600
Virginia	29	30	29	30	4,800	4,950	139,200	148,500
United States	1,645	1,801	1,557	1,758	3,775	3,668	5,877,560	6,448,020
All hay tons								
Kentucky	--	--	2,070	2,100	2.14	2.38	4,428	5,000
North Carolina	--	--	657	588	2.11	2.21	1,383	1,299
Tennessee	--	--	1,716	1,645	2.21	2.21	3,790	3,637
Virginia	--	--	1,155	970	2.13	2.22	2,464	2,158
West Virginia	--	--	610	607	1.72	1.52	1,051	920
United States	--	--	52,771	49,390	2.25	2.48	118,588	122,462
Alfalfa hay tons								
Kentucky	--	--	90	100	3.00	3.00	270	300
North Carolina	--	--	7	8	2.60	2.90	18	23
Tennessee	--	--	16	15	3.10	3.40	50	51
Virginia	--	--	35	30	3.20	3.00	112	90
West Virginia	--	--	10	7	3.10	2.80	31	20
United States	--	--	15,604	14,612	3.19	3.41	49,769	49,840
Other hay tons								
Kentucky	--	--	1,980	2,000	2.10	2.35	4,158	4,700
North Carolina	--	--	650	580	2.10	2.20	1,365	1,276
Tennessee	--	--	1,700	1,630	2.20	2.20	3,740	3,586
Virginia	--	--	1,120	940	2.10	2.20	2,352	2,068
West Virginia	--	--	600	600	1.70	1.50	1,020	900
United States	--	--	37,167	34,778	1.85	2.09	68,819	72,622

Field Crop Area Harvested, Yield, and Production — Kentucky, North Carolina, Tennessee, Virginia, West Virginia, and United States: 2024 (Continued)

State	Area planted		Area harvested		Yield Per Acre		Production	
	2023	2024	2023	2024	2023	2024	2023	2024
	(acres)	(acres)	(acres)	(acres)	(units)	(units)	(1,000 units)	(1,000 units)
All tobacco pounds								
Kentucky	--	--	36,600	32,800	2,324	2,298	85,070	75,365
North Carolina	--	--	113,120	114,000	2,299	1,800	260,098	205,200
Tennessee	--	--	8,950	8,250	2,493	2,332	22,315	19,235
Virginia	--	--	12,830	12,400	2,295	2,050	29,443	25,420
United States	--	--	186,540	167,450	2,298	1,942	428,761	325,220
Burley tobacco pounds								
Kentucky	--	--	27,000	25,000	2,100	2,050	56,700	51,250
Tennessee	--	--	2,900	3,600	1,550	1,600	4,495	5,760
United States	--	--	31,260	28,600	2,061	1,993	64,430	57,010
Flue-cured tobacco pounds								
North Carolina	--	--	113,000	114,000	2,300	2,000	259,900	205,200
Virginia	--	--	12,600	12,400	2,300	2,200	28,980	25,420
United States	--	--	137,800	126,400	2,276	2,019	313,635	230,620
Dark fire-cured tobacco pounds								
Kentucky	--	--	6,200	4,700	3,150	3,350	19,530	8,370
Tennessee	--	--	4,900	3,700	3,050	3,000	14,945	11,100
United States	--	--	11,190	8,400	3,097	3,196	34,651	26,845
Dark air-cured tobacco pounds								
Kentucky	--	--	3,400	3,100	2,600	2,700	8,840	8,370
Tennessee	--	--	1,150	950	2,500	2,500	2,875	2,375
United States	--	--	4,550	4,050	2,575	2,653	11,715	26,845

(--) Not available.

¹ Area harvested represents grain.

² Includes area planted in the preceding fall.

³ Production in 480-lb bales. U.S. estimates include American-Pima cotton.

Upland Cotton, Running Bales Ginned — States and United States: January 1, 2024-2025 and January 15, 2024-2025

[Excluding linters]

State	January 1		January 15	
	2024	2025	2024	2025
	(number)	(number)	(number)	(number)
Alabama	720,200	663,600	755,000	691,300
Arizona	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Arkansas	1,474,850	1,427,200	1,554,050	1,443,800
California	54,600	44,200	64,600	53,100
Florida	120,150	91,150	129,200	92,350
Georgia	2,294,400	1,876,450	2,491,600	2,039,350
Kansas	106,050	(D)	116,700	(D)
Louisiana	355,600	207,200	355,600	207,200
Mississippi	1,129,600	831,750	1,133,250	833,100
Missouri	664,950	762,400	724,200	784,500
New Mexico	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
North Carolina	984,500	736,900	1,009,350	748,000
Oklahoma	134,750	137,200	156,550	139,200
South Carolina	368,450	287,600	412,550	314,600
Tennessee	677,750	647,600	692,550	657,300
Texas	2,978,350	2,685,450	3,108,800	2,714,800
Virginia	199,850	178,950	201,250	185,700
United States	12,439,050	10,847,000	13,115,050	11,209,300

(D) Withheld to avoid disclosing data for individual operations.

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Grain Stocks by Position — Kentucky, North Carolina, Tennessee, Virginia, West Virginia, and United States: December 1, 2023, September 1, 2024 and December 1, 2024

Date	Kentucky			North Carolina		
	On farms	Off farms ¹	Total all positions	On farms	Off farms ¹	Total all positions
	(1,000 bushels)	(1,000 bushels)	(1,000 bushels)	(1,000 bushels)	(1,000 bushels)	(1,000 bushels)
All Wheat						
December 1, 2023	(D)	17,069	(D)	1,350	6,638	7,988
September 1, 2024	(D)	14,416	(D)	3,900	8,280	12,180
December 1, 2024	(D)	11,772	(D)	1,250	5,761	7,011
Corn						
December 1, 2023	155,000	34,281	189,281	41,000	44,912	85,912
September 1, 2024	7,700	7,008	14,708	2,600	14,777	17,377
December 1, 2024	145,000	28,000	173,000	26,000	29,024	55,024
Soybeans						
December 1, 2023	(D)	13,719	(D)	(D)	19,370	(D)
September 1, 2024	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
December 1, 2024	(D)	9,971	(D)	(D)	17,910	(D)
	Tennessee			Virginia		
	On farms	Off farms ¹	Total all positions	On farms	Off farms ¹	Total all positions
	(1,000 bushels)	(1,000 bushels)	(1,000 bushels)	(1,000 bushels)	(1,000 bushels)	(1,000 bushels)
All Wheat						
December 1, 2023	(D)	8,694	(D)	(D)	8,516	(D)
September 1, 2024	(D)	9,115	(D)	(D)	7,396	(D)
December 1, 2024	(D)	6,476	(D)	(D)	4,761	(D)
Corn						
December 1, 2023	(D)	34,616	(D)	(D)	14,737	(D)
September 1, 2024	(D)	7,384	(D)	(D)	2,612	(D)
December 1, 2024	(D)	29,132	(D)	(D)	9,580	(D)
Soybeans						
November 1, 2023	(D)	9,162	(D)	(D)	5,019	(D)
September 1, 2024	(D)	1,037	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
December 1, 2024	(D)	8,635	(D)	(D)	5,357	(D)
	West Virginia			United States		
	On farms	Off farms ¹	Total all positions	On farms	Off farms ¹	Total all positions
	(1,000 bushels)	(1,000 bushels)	(1,000 bushels)	(1,000 bushels)	(1,000 bushels)	(1,000 bushels)
All Wheat						
December 1, 2023	(D)	(D)	(D)	401,060	1,020,019	1,421,079
September 1, 2024	(D)	(D)	(D)	663,760	1,328,397	1,992,157
December 1, 2024	(D)	(D)	(D)	466,580	1,103,046	1,569,626
Corn						
December 1, 2023	(D)	(D)	(D)	7,830,000	4,341,163	12,171,163
September 1, 2024	(D)	(D)	(D)	780,400	983,000	1,763,400
December 1, 2024	(D)	(D)	(D)	7,663,000	4,411,194	12,074,194
Soybeans						
December 1, 2023	(D)	(D)	(D)	1,453,000	1,547,719	3,000,719
September 1, 2024	(D)	(D)	(D)	111,200	231,233	342,433
December 1, 2024	(D)	(D)	(D)	1,540,000	1,559,743	3,099,743

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¹ Includes stocks at mills, elevators, warehouses, terminals, and processors.

**Prices Received for Commodities — Kentucky, North Carolina, Tennessee, and Virginia:
December 2024 with Comparisons**

Commodity	Kentucky			North Carolina		
	December 2023	November 2024	December 2024	December 2023	November 2024	December 2024
Corn, for graindollars/bushel	5.05	4.28	4.42	5.59	4.96	5.17
Soybeansdollars/bushel	13.30	10.30	10.40	12.70	9.90	9.70
Wheat, winterdollars/bushel	--	--	--	5.94	5.09	5.17
Cotton, uplanddollars/pound	--	--	--	0.793	0.643	0.637
Peanutsdollars/pound	--	--	--	0.225	0.285	0.273
Hay, alldollars/ton	195.00	184.00	185.00	--	--	--
Alfalfadollars/ton	230.00	220.00	220.00	--	--	--
Otherdollars/ton	184.00	175.00	175.00	--	--	--

Commodity	Tennessee			Virginia		
	December 2023	November 2024	December 2024	December 2023	November 2024	December 2024
Corndollars/bushel	4.99	4.39	4.53	--	--	--
Soybeansdollars/bushel	13.20	10.10	10.20	--	--	--
Wheat, winterdollars/bushel	--	--	--	--	--	--
Cottondollars/pound	(D)	(D)	(D)	--	--	--
Peanutsdollars/pound	--	--	--	0.108	0.277	0.281
Hay, alldollars/ton	--	--	--	--	--	--
Alfalfadollars/ton	--	--	--	--	--	--
Otherdollars/ton	--	--	--	--	--	--

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(--) Not available.

**Crop Average Prices Received - United States:
December 2024 with Comparisons**

Commodity	United States		
	Dec 2023	Nov 2024	Dec 2024
	(\$)	(\$)	(\$)
Corn, for grain(bu)	4.80	4.07	4.23
Soybeans(bu)	13.10	9.84	9.79
Wheat, winter(bu)	6.19	5.30	5.27
Cotton, upland(lb)	0.738	0.656	0.624
Peanuts(lb)	0.237	0.252	0.239
Hay, all(ton)	195.00	159.00	157.00
Alfalfa(ton)	206.00	165.00	164.00
Other(ton)	174.00	147.00	145.00

Livestock Average Prices Received - United States: December 2024 with Comparisons ¹

Commodity	United States		
	Dec 2023	Nov 2024	Dec 2024
	(\$ / Cwt)	(\$ / Cwt)	(\$ / Cwt)
All Hogs	53.30	65.40	62.30
Barrows & Gilts	53.50	65.30	62.90
Sows	48.90	66.10	50.60
All Beef Cattle ²	172.00	188.00	190.00
Steers & Heifers ³	176.00	190.00	193.00
Cows	101.00	124.00	121.00
Calves ⁴	280.00	334.00	356.00

¹ U.S. prices based on data provided by USDA AMS. ² "Steers & Heifers" and "Cows" combined. ³ 500 lbs. and over. ⁴ Under 500 lbs.

Cattle and Calves: Number by Class and Calf Crop — Kentucky: January 1, 2021-2025

Class	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
	(Head)	(Head)	(Head)	(Head)	(Head)
All Cattle and Calves	2,090,000	2,030,000	1,910,000	1,890,000	1,850,000
Cows and Heifers That Have Calved	1,020,000	1,010,000	940,000	950,000	910,000
Beef Cows	973,000	965,000	895,000	907,000	869,000
Milk Cows	47,000	45,000	45,000	43,000	41,000
Calves Under 500 Pounds	480,000	470,000	425,000	425,000	410,000
Steers 500 Pounds and Over	230,000	220,000	225,000	205,000	210,000
Heifers 500 Pounds and Over					
Beef Cow Replacements	135,000	125,000	105,000	100,000	105,000
Milk Cow Replacements	40,000	35,000	30,000	25,000	25,000
Other Heifers	120,000	110,000	130,000	130,000	130,000
Bulls 500 Pounds and Over	65,000	60,000	55,000	55,000	60,000
Calf Crop	970,000	920,000	920,000	890,000	(1)

¹ 2025 Calf crop available January 2026

Cattle and Calves: Number by Class and Calf Crop — North Carolina: January 1, 2021-2025

Class	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
	(Head)	(Head)	(Head)	(Head)	(Head)
All Cattle and Calves	800,000	780,000	730,000	750,000	720,000
Cows and Heifers That Have Calved	410,000	400,000	380,000	390,000	370,000
Calf Crop	370,000	350,000	360,000	350,000	(1)

¹ 2025 Calf crop available January 2026

Cattle and Calves: Number by Class and Calf Crop — Tennessee: January 1, 2021-2025

Class	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
	(Head)	(Head)	(Head)	(Head)	(Head)
All Cattle and Calves	1,790,000	1,750,000	1,680,000	1,600,000	1,570,000
Cows and Heifers That Have Calved	930,000	920,000	880,000	860,000	850,000
Beef Cows	900,000	893,000	854,000	835,000	826,000
Milk Cows	30,000	27,000	26,000	25,000	24,000
Calves Under 500 Pounds	415,000	415,000	390,000	380,000	385,000
Steers 500 Pounds and Over	150,000	135,000	135,000	115,000	100,000
Heifers 500 Pounds and Over					
Beef Cow Replacements	130,000	115,000	110,000	100,000	100,000
Milk Cow Replacements	25,000	20,000	15,000	14,000	15,000
Other Heifers	75,000	85,000	90,000	76,000	65,000
Bulls 500 Pounds and Over	65,000	60,000	60,000	55,000	55,000
Calf Crop	870,000	850,000	820,000	820,000	(1)

¹ 2025 Calf crop available January 2026

Cattle and Calves: Number by Class and Calf Crop — Virginia: January 1, 2021-2025

Class	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
	(Head)	(Head)	(Head)	(Head)	(Head)
All Cattle and Calves	1,390,000	1,390,000	1,290,000	1,320,000	1,320,000
Cows and Heifers That Have Calved	660,000	670,000	630,000	640,000	640,000
Beef Cows	586,000	599,000	563,000	574,000	574,000
Milk Cows	74,000	71,000	67,000	66,000	66,000
Calves Under 500 Pounds	335,000	340,000	310,000	315,000	315,000
Steers 500 Pounds and Over	160,000	149,000	147,000	151,000	148,000
Heifers 500 Pounds and Over					
Beef Cow Replacements	90,000	89,000	72,000	79,000	83,000
Milk Cow Replacements	36,000	35,000	32,000	33,000	35,000
Other Heifers	70,000	69,000	64,000	66,000	62,000
Bulls 500 Pounds and Over	39,000	38,000	35,000	36,000	37,000
Calf Crop	630,000	590,000	610,000	610,000	(1)

¹ 2025 Calf crop available January 2026

Cattle and Calves: Number by Class and Calf Crop — West Virginia: January 1, 2021-2025

Class	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
	(Head)	(Head)	(Head)	(Head)	(Head)
All Cattle and Calves	375,000	370,000	375,000	370,000	365,000
Cows and Heifers That Have Calved	195,000	193,000	196,000	192,000	193,000
Cattle on Feed	5,000	4,000	4,000	4,000	
Calf Crop	185,000	191,000	186,000	189,000	(1)

¹ 2025 Calf crop available January 2026

Cattle and Calves: Number by Class and Calf Crop — United States: January 1, 2021-2025

Class	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
	(Head)	(Head)	(Head)	(Head)	(Head)
All Cattle and Calves	93,586,500	91,788,700	88,841,000	87,157,400	86,662,200
Cows and Heifers That Have Calved	40,307,000	39,346,200	38,336,800	37,359,800	37,212,800
Beef Cows	30,856,600	29,965,200	28,939,300	28,013,000	27,863,500
Milk Cows	9,450,400	9,381,000	9,397,500	9,346,800	9,349,300
Calves Under 500 Pounds	14,280,600	13,979,700	13,658,000	13,487,700	13,458,100
Steers 500 Pounds and Over	16,742,800	16,696,700	16,056,500	15,959,200	15,802,400
Heifers 500 Pounds and Over					
Beef Cow Replacements	5,640,100	5,299,500	4,929,600	4,718,300	4,672,400
Milk Cow Replacements	4,498,000	4,222,100	4,073,600	3,951,200	3,914,300
Other Heifers	9,907,500	10,134,900	9,757,500	9,650,500	9,593,200
Bulls 500 Pounds and Over	2,210,500	2,109,600	2,029,000	2,030,700	2,009,000
Cattle on Feed	14,667,500	14,677,800	14,195,800	14,426,300	14,296,700
Calf Crop	35,130,900	34,439,500	33,563,000	33,529,500	(1)

¹ 2025 Calf crop available January 2026

Goats, Sheep and Lambs: Number by Class and Lamb Crop - Kentucky: January 1, 2021-2025

Class	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
	(Head)	(Head)	(Head)	(Head)	(Head)
All Meat and Other Goats	53,000	54,000	56,000	59,000	60,000
All Milk Goats	6,000	5,500	6,000	5,300	5,800
All Sheep and Lambs ¹	58,000	65,000	70,000	75,000	72,000
Sheep and Lambs kept for breeding					
All Breeding Sheep and Lambs	45,000	50,000	53,000	56,000	54,000
Ewes	35,000	40,000	41,000	42,000	42,000
Rams	2,000	2,000	3,000	3,000	2,500
Replacement Lambs	8,000	8,000	9,000	11,000	9,500
Market Sheep and Lambs					
Total Market Sheep and Lambs	13,000	15,000	17,000	19,000	18,000
Market Sheep	1,000	1,000	2,000	2,000	2,000
Market Lambs	12,000	14,000	15,000	17,000	16,000
Market Lambs by Size Group					
Under 65 pounds	6,000	7,000	7,000	9,500	9,000
65 - 84 pounds	3,000	3,300	3,700	3,900	4,000
85 - 105 pounds	2,000	2,200	3,400	2,500	2,000
Over 105 pounds	1,000	1,500	900	1,100	1,000
Deaths					
Sheep	2,500	2,500	3,000	2,900	(4)
Lambs	5,500	5,500	6,500	6,000	(4)
Lamb Crop ²	38,000	40,000	41,000	42,000	(4)
Lambing Rate ³	109	100	100	100	(4)

¹ All sheep includes new crop lambs. New crop lambs are lambs born after September 30, the previous year.

² Total for the year. Lamb crop defined as lambs marked, docked or branded.

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⁴ Data available January 2026

Goats, Sheep and Lambs: Number by Class and Lamb Crop - North Carolina: January 1, 2021-2025

Class	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
	(Head)	(Head)	(Head)	(Head)	(Head)
All Meat and Other Goats	46,000	43,000	40,000	42,000	45,000
All Milk Goats	8,500	7,500	8,500	9,000	8,000
All Sheep and Lambs ¹	28,000	29,000	30,000	32,000	33,000
Sheep and Lambs kept for breeding					
All Breeding Sheep and Lambs	22,000	23,000	23,000	25,000	25,000
Ewes	16,000	17,000	17,000	18,000	18,000
Rams	2,500	2,500	2,000	2,500	2,500
Replacement Lambs	3,500	3,500	4,000	4,500	4,500
Market Sheep and Lambs					
Total Market Sheep and Lambs	6,000	6,000	7,000	7,000	8,000
Market Sheep	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
Market Lambs	5,000	5,000	6,000	6,000	7,000
Market Lambs by Size Group					
Under 65 pounds	2,700	2,800	3,700	3,800	4,900
65 - 84 pounds	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,400	1,100
85 - 105 pounds	800	800	800	600	700
Over 105 pounds	500	400	500	200	300
Deaths					
Sheep	1,000	1,000	1,000	2,000	(4)
Lambs	2,700	3,000	3,500	3,100	(4)
Lamb Crop ²	16,000	17,000	20,000	18,000	(4)
Lambing Rate ³	100	100	118	100	(4)

¹ All sheep includes new crop lambs. New crop lambs are lambs born after September 30, the previous year.

² Total for the year. Lamb crop defined as lambs marked, docked or branded.

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⁴ Data available January 2026

Goats, Sheep and Lambs: Number by Class and Lamb Crop - Tennessee: January 1, 2021-2025

Class	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
	(Head)	(Head)	(Head)	(Head)	(Head)
All Meat and Other Goats	96,000	81,000	70,000	72,000	73,000
All Milk Goats	7,000	7,000	6,900	7,200	7,000
All Sheep and Lambs ¹	53,000	49,000	49,000	51,000	48,000
Sheep and Lambs kept for breeding					
All Breeding Sheep and Lambs	42,000	39,000	38,000	41,000	38,000
Ewes	32,000	30,000	29,000	30,000	28,000
Rams	3,500	2,500	3,000	3,000	3,000
Replacement Lambs	6,500	6,500	6,000	8,000	7,000
Market Sheep and Lambs					
Total Market Sheep and Lambs	11,000	10,000	11,000	10,000	10,000
Market Sheep	1,000	1,500	1,000	1,000	1,000
Market Lambs	10,000	8,500	10,000	9,000	9,000
Market Lambs by Size Group					
Under 65 pounds	6,000	5,000	6,000	4,000	4,000
65 - 84 pounds	1,500	2,000	2,000	3,000	3,000
85 - 105 pounds	1,300	700	1,000	1,000	1,000
Over 105 pounds	1,200	800	1,000	1,000	1,000
Deaths					
Sheep	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000	(4)
Lambs	5,500	6,000	5,500	5,000	(4)
Lamb Crop ²	35,000	34,000	35,000	33,000	(4)
Lambing Rate ³	109	113	121	110	(4)

¹ All sheep includes new crop lambs. New crop lambs are lambs born after September 30, the previous year.

² Total for the year. Lamb crop defined as lambs marked, docked or branded.

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⁴ Data available January 2026

Goats, Sheep and Lambs: Number by Class and Lamb Crop - Virginia: January 1, 2021-2025

Class	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
	(Head)	(Head)	(Head)	(Head)	(Head)
All Meat and Other Goats	40,000	40,000	34,000	34,000	35,000
All Milk Goats	4,800	4,200	4,800	5,400	6,000
All Sheep and Lambs ¹	78,000	72,000	73,000	79,000	80,000
Sheep and Lambs kept for breeding					
All Breeding Sheep and Lambs	62,000	58,000	58,000	62,000	63,000
Ewes	49,000	46,000	45,000	49,000	48,000
Rams	3,500	3,000	3,000	3,000	5,000
Replacement Lambs	9,500	9,000	10,000	10,000	10,000
Market Sheep and Lambs					
Total Market Sheep and Lambs	16,000	14,000	15,000	17,000	17,000
Market Sheep	500	1,000	1,000	1,000	3,000
Market Lambs	15,500	13,000	14,000	16,000	14,000
Market Lambs by Size Group					
Under 65 pounds	7,400	7,000	6,500	7,100	5,200
65 - 84 pounds	4,500	4,000	4,500	5,700	4,400
85 - 105 pounds	2,600	1,200	2,000	2,400	3,400
Over 105 pounds	1,000	800	1,000	800	1,000
Deaths					
Sheep	3,300	3,500	3,500	3,500	(4)
Lambs	9,500	9,000	9,500	9,500	(4)
Lamb Crop ²	58,000	56,000	62,000	61,000	(4)
Lambing Rate ³	118	122	139	124	(4)

¹ All sheep includes new crop lambs. New crop lambs are lambs born after September 30, the previous year.

² Total for the year. Lamb crop defined as lambs marked, docked or branded.

³ Not strictly a lambing rate. Represents lamb crop expressed as a percent of ewes 1 year old and older on hand at the beginning of the year.

⁴ Data available January 2026

Sheep and Lambs: Number by Class and Lamb Crop - West Virginia: January 1, 2021-2025

Class	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
	(Head)	(Head)	(Head)	(Head)	(Head)
All Sheep and Lambs ¹	30,000	32,000	34,000	35,000	36,000
Sheep and Lambs kept for breeding					
All Breeding Sheep and Lambs	26,000	28,000	28,000	29,000	30,000
Ewes	21,000	22,000	23,000	24,000	25,000
Rams	1,500	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
Replacement Lambs	3,500	5,000	4,000	4,000	4,000
Market Sheep and Lambs					
Total Market Sheep and Lambs	4,000	4,000	6,000	6,000	6,000
Market Sheep	500	500	1,000	1,000	1,000
Market Lambs	3,500	3,500	5,000	5,000	5,000
Market Lambs by Size Group					
Under 65 pounds	2,000	1,500	2,000	2,000	2,000
65 - 84 pounds	500	500	1,000	1,000	1,000
85 - 105 pounds	500	500	500	500	1,000
Over 105 pounds	500	1,000	1,500	1,500	1,000
Deaths					
Sheep	1,700	2,000	2,000	2,000	(4)
Lambs	3,500	4,000	4,000	4,500	(4)
Lamb Crop ²	26,000	27,000	28,000	30,000	(4)
Lambing Rate ³	124	123	122	125	(4)

¹ All sheep includes new crop lambs. New crop lambs are lambs born after September 30, the previous year.

² Total for the year. Lamb crop defined as lambs marked, docked or branded.

³ Not strictly a lambing rate. Represents lamb crop expressed as a percent of ewes 1 year old and older on hand at the beginning of the year.

⁴ Data available January 2026

Goats, Sheep and Lambs: Number by Class and Lamb Crop - United States: January 1, 2021-2025

Class	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
	(Head)	(Head)	(Head)	(Head)	(Head)
All Meat and Other Goats	2,055,000	2,040,000	2,010,000	1,950,000	1,975,000
All Milk Goats	430,000	420,000	410,000	415,000	430,000
All Sheep and Lambs ¹	5,200,000	5,165,000	5,130,000	5,030,000	5,050,000
Sheep and Lambs kept for breeding					
All Breeding Sheep and Lambs	3,798,000	3,781,000	3,740,000	3,670,000	3,680,000
Ewes	2,974,000	2,962,000	2,930,000	2,870,000	2,880,000
Rams	170,000	164,000	166,500	165,000	165,000
Replacement Lambs	654,000	655,000	643,500	635,000	635,000
Market Sheep and Lambs					
Total Market Sheep and Lambs	1,402,000	1,384,000	1,390,000	1,360,000	1,370,000
Market Sheep	83,000	83,000	87,000	81,000	82,000
Market Lambs	1,319,000	1,301,000	1,303,000	1,279,000	1,288,000
Market Lambs by Size Group					
Under 65 pounds	343,000	355,500	342,600	350,000	355,000
65 - 84 pounds	196,500	192,800	187,500	195,000	195,000
85 - 105 pounds	293,000	270,700	283,200	269,000	273,000
Over 105 pounds	486,500	482,000	489,700	465,000	465,000
Deaths					
Sheep	201,500	208,000	200,000	200,000	(4)
Lambs	366,000	377,000	365,000	370,000	(4)
Lamb Crop ²	3,140,000	3,099,000	3,030,000	3,040,000	(4)
Lambing Rate ³	106	105	104	106	(4)

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⁴ Data available January 2026

**Milk Cows and Production — Kentucky, North Carolina, Tennessee, Virginia, and United States:
Revised July and September, 2023 and 2024**

[May not add due to rounding]

State	July - September Milk Cows ¹		July - September Milk Production ²		
	2023	2024	2023	2024	Change from 2023
	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(million pounds)	(million pounds)	(percent)
Kentucky	44	41	215	198	-7.9
North Carolina	38	37	213	201	-5.6
Tennessee	25	24	111	108	-2.7
Virginia	68	66	350	337	-3.7
West Virginia	5	4	16	15	-9.4
United States	9,366	9,330	55,994	56,057	0.1

¹ Includes dry cows. Excludes heifers not yet fresh.

² Excludes milk sucked by calves.

**Milk Cows and Production — Kentucky, North Carolina, Tennessee, Virginia, and United States:
Revised October and December, 2023 and 2024**

[May not add due to rounding]

State	October - December Milk Cows ¹		October - December Milk Production ²		
	2023	2024	2023	2024	Change from 2023
	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(million pounds)	(million pounds)	(percent)
Kentucky	43	41	211	200	-5.2
North Carolina	38	37	217	203	-6.5
Tennessee	25	24	114	110	-3.5
Virginia	68	66	350	342	-2.3
West Virginia	5	4	16	15	-9.4
United States	9,349	9,359	55,529	55,470	-0.1

¹ Includes dry cows. Excludes heifers not yet fresh.

² Excludes milk sucked by calves.

**Egg Production by Type — Kentucky, North Carolina, Virginia, and United States:
December 2023 and 2024**

State	Total production		Table eggs		Hatching eggs	
	2023	2024	2023	2024	2023	2024
	(million eggs)	(million eggs)	(million eggs)	(million eggs)	(million eggs)	(million eggs)
Kentucky	118.7	119.2	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
North Carolina	364.7	377.4	193.0	213.2	171.7	164.2
United States	9,427.7	9,120.2	8,133.2	7,833.5	1,294.5	1,286.7

(D) Withheld to avoid disclosing data for individual operations.

**Layers on Hand and Eggs Produced — Kentucky, North Carolina, Virginia, and United States: During
December 2023 and 2024**

State	Table egg layers in flocks 30,000 and above		All layers		Eggs per 100 for all layers	
	2023	2024	2023	2024	2023	2024
	(1,000 layers)	(1,000 layers)	(1,000 layers)	(1,000 layers)	(eggs)	(eggs)
Kentucky	(D)	(D)	5,344	5,298	2,221	2,250
North Carolina	7,435	7,799	16,298	16,364	2,238	2,306
United States	299,970	291,904	382,585	372,590	2,464	2,448

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