



Wisconsin Ag News – Mink

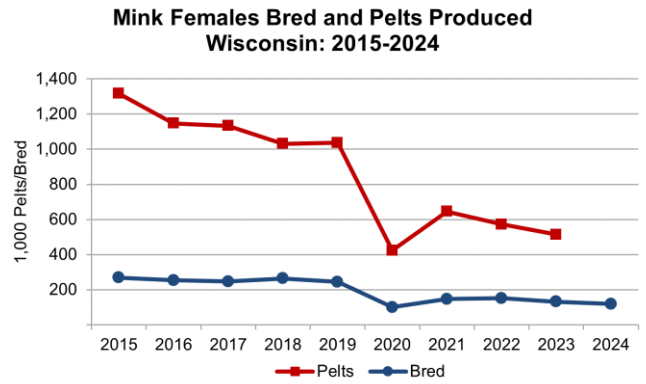
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Wisconsin ranked first in the U.S. for **mink pelt production** and females bred, according to the latest USDA, National Agricultural Statistics Service – *Mink* report. The State's pelt production in 2023 totaled 514,130 pelts. Utah was the second-largest producing state with 138,550 pelts. Nationwide, mink pelt production during 2023 totaled 973,510 pelts, down 28 percent from 2022. Wisconsin's production was down 10 percent in 2023 and accounted for 53 percent of the nation's total pelt production.



Female mink bred to produce kits in Wisconsin in 2024 totaled 118,800, down 10 percent from last year. Utah came in second with 28,650 females bred. Nationally, females bred to produce kits in 2024 totaled 216,470, down 14 percent from 2023. Wisconsin accounted for 55 percent of the total number of females bred in the U.S.

The **value of U.S. pelts produced** during the 2023 crop year was \$33.1 million, down 10 percent from \$36.6 million a year ago. The average price per pelt for the 2023 crop year was \$34.00, \$6.80 higher than \$27.20 in 2022.

Mink Females Bred and Pelts Produced - Wisconsin and United States: 2020-2024

Year	Wisconsin		United States	
	Females bred	Pelts produced ¹	Females bred	Pelts produced ¹
2020	100,090	423,140	358,880	1,441,760
2021	147,300	645,460	382,190	1,565,520
2022	150,670	573,600	356,650	1,346,090
2023	132,360	514,130	250,320	973,510
2024	118,800		216,470	

¹ 2024 pelts produced will be published in July 2025

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