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January 1 Sheep and Lambs Inventory in the Northwest Region Down Slightly from Last Year

January 1, 2024 sheep and lambs inventory in Idaho was estimated at 235,000 head, unchanged from 2023. Inventory of sheep and lambs in Oregon was 155,000 head, unchanged from last year. In Washington, sheep and lambs inventory totaled 45,000 head, down 4 percent from January 1, 2023. Nationally, January 1 all sheep and lambs inventory was estimated at 5.03 million head. This was down 2 percent from January 1, 2023.

January 1, 2024 milk goat inventory in Idaho totaled 6,500 head, up 2 percent from 2023. Inventory of milk goats in Oregon was estimated at 14,300 head, up 2 percent from last year. In Washington, milk goat inventory was 8,200 head, up 3 percent from the previous year. Nationally, January 1 milk goat inventory was estimated at 415,000 head, up 1 percent from January 1, 2023.

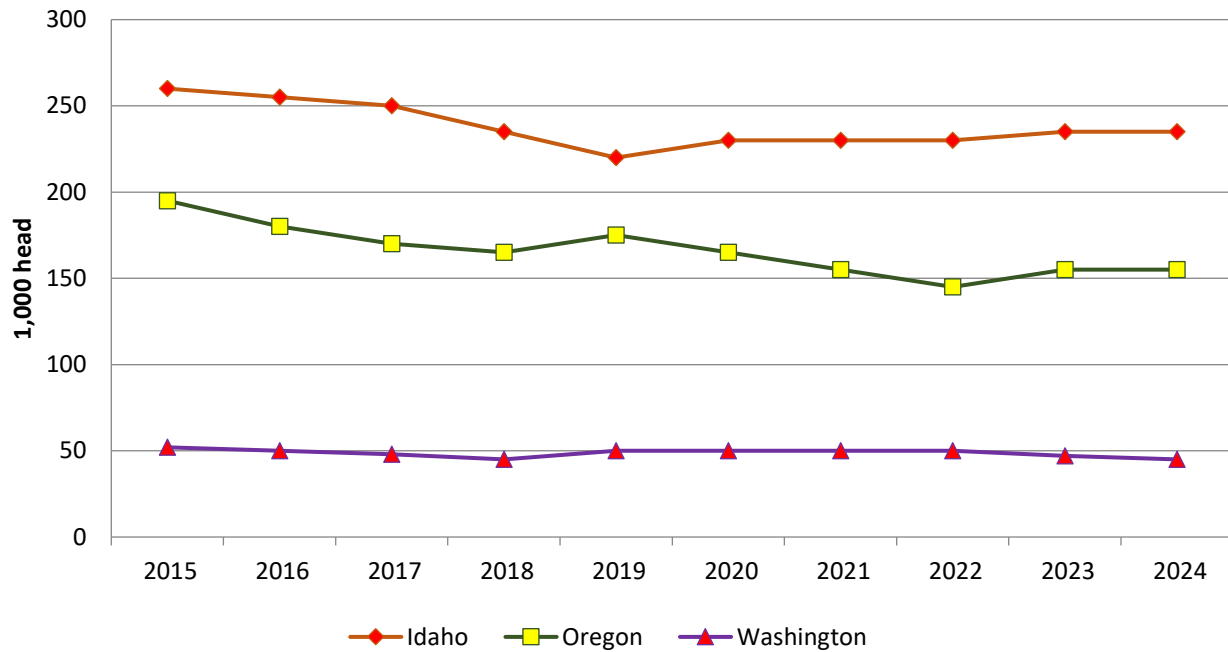
January 1, 2024 inventory of meat and other goats in Oregon was estimated at 26,000 head, down 4 percent from last year. In Washington, meat and other goat inventory was 17,000 head, down 8 percent from the previous year. Nationally, January 1 meat and other goat inventory was estimated at 1.95 million head, down 3 percent from January 1, 2023.

All goats and kids inventory in the United States on January 1, 2024, totaled 2.47 million head, down 2 percent from 2023.

Sheep and Lambs Inventory by Class — Idaho, Oregon, Washington, and United States: January 1, 2023 and 2024

| State | All sheep and lambs | | | Total breeding | | Total market | |
|---------------------|---------------------|--------------|-------------------------|----------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| | 2023 | 2024 | 2024 as percent of 2023 | 2023 | 2024 | 2023 | 2024 |
| | (1,000 head) | (1,000 head) | (percent) | (1,000 head) | (1,000 head) | (1,000 head) | (1,000 head) |
| Idaho | 235.0 | 235.0 | 100 | 160.0 | 160.0 | 75.0 | 75.0 |
| Oregon | 155.0 | 155.0 | 100 | 111.0 | 115.0 | 44.0 | 40.0 |
| Washington | 47.0 | 45.0 | 96 | 36.0 | 34.0 | 11.0 | 11.0 |
| United States | 5,130.0 | 5,030.0 | 98 | 3,740.0 | 3,670.0 | 1,390.0 | 1,360.0 |

**Sheep and Lambs Inventory—Idaho, Oregon, and Washington:
January 1, 2015 - 2024**



**Breeding Sheep and Lambs Inventory by Class — Idaho, Oregon, Washington, and United States:
January 1, 2023 and 2024**

| State | Breeding sheep | | | | Replacement lambs | | Total breeding sheep and lambs | |
|---------------------|----------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|-------------------|--------------|--------------------------------|--------------|
| | Ewes | | Rams | | 2023 | 2024 | 2023 | 2024 |
| | 2023 | 2024 | 2023 | 2024 | | | | |
| | (1,000 head) | (1,000 head) | (1,000 head) | (1,000 head) | (1,000 head) | (1,000 head) | (1,000 head) | (1,000 head) |
| Idaho | 125.0 | 125.0 | 5.0 | 5.0 | 30.0 | 30.0 | 160.0 | 160.0 |
| Oregon..... | 87.0 | 90.0 | 4.0 | 4.0 | 20.0 | 21.0 | 111.0 | 115.0 |
| Washington..... | 26.0 | 25.0 | 2.0 | 2.0 | 8.0 | 7.0 | 36.0 | 34.0 |
| United States | 2,930.0 | 2,870.0 | 166.5 | 165.0 | 643.5 | 635.0 | 3,740.0 | 3,670.0 |

Lamb Crop — Idaho, Oregon, Washington, and United States: 2022 and 2023

| State | Ewes 1 year and older January 1 | | Lambs per 100 ewes January 1 | | Lamb crop ¹ | | |
|---------------------|---------------------------------|--------------|------------------------------|----------|------------------------|--------------|-------------------------|
| | 2022 | 2023 | 2022 | 2023 | 2022 | 2023 | 2023 as percent of 2022 |
| | (1,000 head) | (1,000 head) | (number) | (number) | (1,000 head) | (1,000 head) | (percent) |
| Idaho | 115.0 | 125.0 | 120 | 110 | 138.0 | 138.0 | 100 |
| Oregon..... | 84.0 | 87.0 | 133 | 126 | 112.0 | 110.0 | 98 |
| Washington..... | 28.0 | 26.0 | 118 | 115 | 33.0 | 30.0 | 91 |
| United States | 2,962.0 | 2,930.0 | 105 | 103 | 3,099.0 | 3,030.0 | 98 |

¹ Lamb crop is defined as lambs born in the Eastern States and lambs docked or branded in the Western States.

Market Sheep and Lambs Inventory by Weight Group — Idaho, Oregon, Washington, and United States: January 1, 2023 and 2024

| State | Market lambs | | | | | Market sheep | Total market sheep and lambs |
|---------------|-----------------|----------------|-----------------|-----------------|--------------|--------------|------------------------------|
| | Under 65 pounds | 65 - 84 pounds | 85 - 105 pounds | Over 105 pounds | Total | | |
| | (1,000 head) | (1,000 head) | (1,000 head) | (1,000 head) | (1,000 head) | (1,000 head) | (1,000 head) |
| Idaho | | | | | | | |
| 2023 | 4.0 | 6.0 | 13.0 | 50.0 | 73.0 | 2.0 | 75.0 |
| 2024 | 4.0 | 6.0 | 11.0 | 52.0 | 73.0 | 2.0 | 75.0 |
| Oregon | | | | | | | |
| 2023 | 5.5 | 7.5 | 9.0 | 20.0 | 42.0 | 2.0 | 44.0 |
| 2024 | 6.0 | 6.0 | 8.0 | 18.0 | 38.0 | 2.0 | 40.0 |
| Washington | | | | | | | |
| 2023 | 2.0 | 2.5 | 1.5 | 3.0 | 9.0 | 2.0 | 11.0 |
| 2024 | 2.0 | 2.5 | 2.0 | 2.5 | 9.0 | 2.0 | 11.0 |
| United States | | | | | | | |
| 2023 | 342.6 | 187.5 | 283.2 | 489.7 | 1,303.0 | 87.0 | 1,390.0 |
| 2024 | 350.0 | 195.0 | 269.0 | 465.0 | 1,279.0 | 81.0 | 1,360.0 |

Sheep and Lambs Farm Slaughter and Death Loss — Idaho, Oregon, Washington, and United States: 2022 and 2023

| State | Farm slaughter ¹ | | Deaths | | | |
|---------------------|-----------------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| | | | Sheep | | Lambs | |
| | 2022 | 2023 | 2022 | 2023 | 2022 | 2023 |
| | (1,000 head) | (1,000 head) | (1,000 head) | (1,000 head) | (1,000 head) | (1,000 head) |
| Idaho | 2.0 | 1.5 | 7.0 | 8.0 | 8.0 | 9.0 |
| Oregon | 4.0 | 4.0 | 6.0 | 6.0 | 6.0 | 6.0 |
| Washington | 6.0 | 5.0 | 2.0 | 2.0 | 2.0 | 2.0 |
| United States | 95.0 | 96.0 | 208.0 | 200.0 | 377.0 | 365.0 |

¹ Excludes custom slaughter for farmers at commercial establishments.

Wool Production - Idaho, Oregon, Washington, and United States: 2022 and 2023

| Stub | Sheep shorn | | Weight per fleece ¹ | | Production | |
|---------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------------------------|----------|----------------|----------------|
| | 2022 | 2023 | 2022 | 2023 | 2022 | 2023 |
| | (1,000 head) | (1,000 head) | (pounds) | (pounds) | (1,000 pounds) | (1,000 pounds) |
| Idaho | 190.0 | 185.0 | 8.4 | 8.2 | 1,600 | 1,510 |
| Oregon | 130.0 | 130.0 | 6.7 | 6.9 | 870 | 900 |
| Washington | 35.0 | 33.0 | 7.9 | 7.9 | 275 | 260 |
| United States | 3,303.0 | 3,222.0 | 7.0 | 7.0 | 23,269 | 22,700 |

¹ Fleece weight is calculated by dividing wool production by sheep shorn and rounded to the nearest tenth. US wool production is the sum of the state totals and may not add due to rounding.

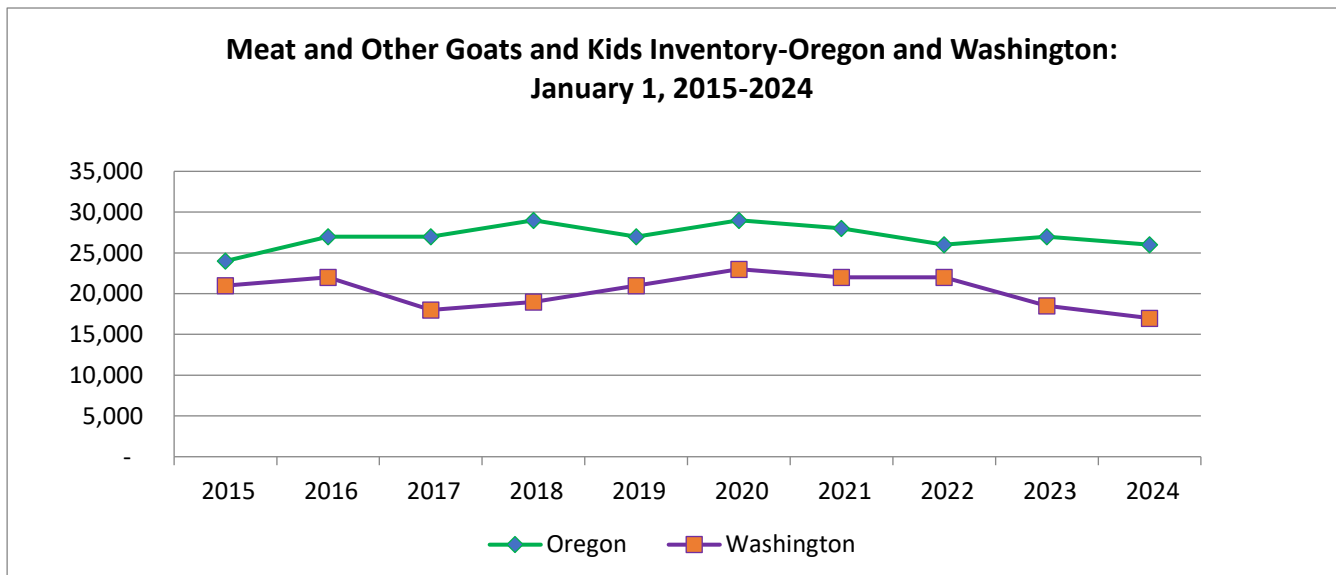
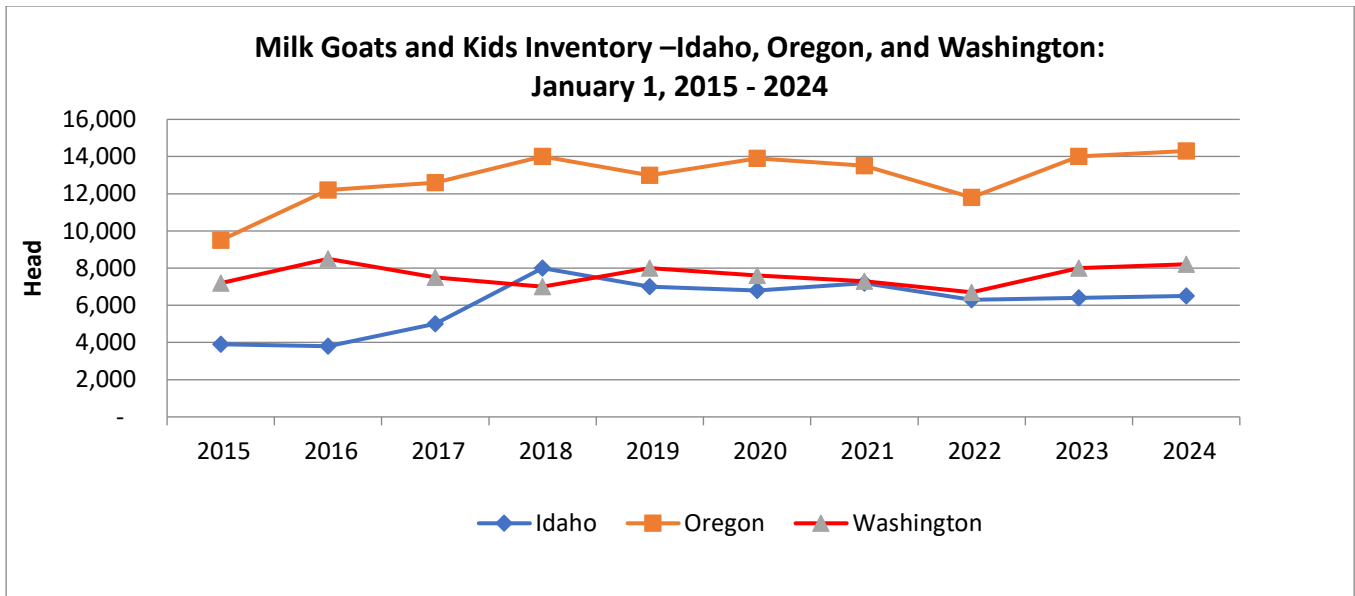
Wool Price and Value — Idaho, Oregon, Washington, and United States: 2022 and 2023

| State | Price per pound | | Value ¹ | |
|---------------------|-----------------|-----------|--------------------|-----------------|
| | 2022 | 2023 | 2022 | 2023 |
| | (dollars) | (dollars) | (1,000 dollars) | (1,000 dollars) |
| Idaho | 1.70 | 1.90 | 2,720 | 2,869 |
| Oregon | 1.35 | 1.30 | 1,175 | 1,170 |
| Washington | 1.60 | 1.80 | 440 | 468 |
| United States | 1.53 | 1.56 | 35,527 | 35,323 |

¹ Production multiplied by marketing year average price. United States value is the summation of State values.

**Goats and Kids Inventory by Category — Idaho, Oregon, Washington, and United States:
January 1, 2023 and 2024**

| Category and State | 2023 | 2024 | 2024 as percent of 2023 |
|--------------------------------------|-----------|-----------|-------------------------|
| | (head) | (head) | (percent) |
| Milk goats and kids | | | |
| Idaho..... | 6,400 | 6,500 | 102 |
| Oregon..... | 14,000 | 14,300 | 102 |
| Washington..... | 8,000 | 8,200 | 103 |
| United States | 410,000 | 415,000 | 101 |
| Meat and other goats and kids | | | |
| Oregon..... | 27,000 | 26,000 | 96 |
| Washington..... | 18,500 | 17,000 | 92 |
| United States | 2,010,000 | 1,950,000 | 97 |





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