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## **Indiana Cattle Inventory**

All cattle and calves in Indiana as of January 1, 2022 were 810,000 head, down 5 percent from last year. Indiana highlights from the January 1 report follow:

- Beef cow numbers remained unchanged at 184,000 head. Beef replacement heifers decreased 8 percent to 35,000 head.
- Milk cows decreased 3 percent to 186,000 head. Heifers for milk cow replacement decreased 22 percent to 60,000 head.
- The 2021 calf crop was 330,000 head, down 3 percent from 2020.

Nationally, all cattle and calves in the United States as of January 1, 2022 totaled 91.9 million head, 2 percent below the

93.8 million head on January 1, 2021. All cows and heifers that have calved, at 39.5 million head, were 2 percent below the 40.3 million head on January 1, 2021. Beef cows, at 30.1 million head, were down 2 percent from a year ago. Milk cows, at 9.38 million head, were down 1 percent from the previous year. All heifers 500 pounds and over as of January 1, 2022 totaled 19.8 million head, 2 percent below the 20.2 million head on January 1, 2021. Beef replacement heifers, at 5.61 million head, were down 3 percent from a year ago. Milk replacement heifers, at 4.45 million head, were down 3 percent from the previous year. Other heifers, at 9.71 million head, were 1 percent below a year earlier.

#### Cattle Inventory by Class - Indiana and United States: January 1, 2021 and 2022

	Indi	ana	United States		
Class	2021	2022	2021	2022	
	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	
All cattle and calves	850	810	93,790	91,902	
Cows	375	370	40,286	39,500	
Beef	184	184	30,844	30,125	
Milk	191	186	9,442	9,375	
Replacement heifers	161	140	20,200	19,776	
Beef	38	35	5,803	5,612	
Milk	77	60	4,609	4,451	
Other	46	45	9,789	9,714	
Steers 500 pounds and over	118	96	16,788	16,580	
Bulls 500 pounds and over	15	16	2,211	2,110	
Calves under 500 pounds	181	188	14,305	13,936	
Cattle on feed	115	105	14,667	14,693	

Totals may not add due to rounding.

### 2022 Release Schedule for 2021 County Estimates

Commodity	Release Date
Winter Wheat	December 9, 2021
Corn for Grain	February 24, 2022
Soybeans	February 24, 2022
Cattle & Calves	May 9, 2022

# **Chickens and Eggs**

All layers in Indiana totaled 35.4 million during December, up slightly from a year ago. Egg production totaled 890 million eggs, down 1 percent from last year. The rate of lay during December was 2,513 eggs per 100 layers. All layers in the U.S.

totaled 392.3 million during December, up slightly from a year ago. There were 22.3 million turkey poults hatched in the U.S. in December, down 4 percent from the previous year.

Egg and Hatchery Production	Indiana and Uni	ted States: December	2020 and 2021

Item	2020	2021	Percent Change
Indiana			
All layers	35,321	35,418	0
Eggs per hundred layers Number	2,549	2,513	-1
Eggs produced Million	900	890	-1
U.S.			
All LayersThousand	391,780	392,251	0
Eggs per hundred layers Number	2,453	2,464	0
Eggs produced Million	9,610	9,664	1
Turkey Eggs in incubators, Jan 1	24,635	26,854	9
Turkey Poults hatched, Dec Thousand	23,090	22,250	-4

### **December Agricultural Prices**

Prices received by Indiana farmers for the full month of December 2021 are listed in the table below. Some Indiana highlights were: December corn, at \$5.58 per bushel, was up \$0.21 from November and up \$1.52 from last year; December soybeans, at \$12.70 per bushel, was up \$0.50 from last month and up \$1.90 from last year; December wheat, at \$6.84 per bushel, was down \$0.61 from November but up \$0.69 from last year; December milk, at \$21.70 per cwt., was up \$1.60 from last month and increased \$2.50 from last year.

Nationally, the December Prices Received Index 2011 Base (Agricultural Production), at 112.6, increased 3.5 percent from November and 24 percent from December 2020. At 105.9, the

Crop Production Index is down 1.3 percent from last month but up 16 percent from the previous year. The Livestock Production Index, at 120.5, increased 9.0 percent from November, and 33 percent from December last year. Producers received higher prices during December for broilers, cattle, market eggs, and corn but lower prices for lettuce, oranges, hogs, and broccoli. In addition to prices, the volume change of commodities marketed also influences the indexes. In December, there was increased monthly movement for broilers, milk, cotton, and wheat and decreased marketing of corn, grapes, soybeans, and calves.

	Indiana			United States		
Commodity	Dec 2020	Nov 2021	Dec 2021	Dec 2020	Nov 2021	Dec 2021
	Dollars	Dollars	Dollars	Dollars	Dollars	Dollars
Corn dollars/bu	4.06	5.37	5.58	3.97	5.27	5.47
Soybeans dollars/bu	10.80	12.20	12.70	10.60	12.20	12.50
Wheat, winter dollars/bu	6.15	7.45	6.84	5.60	7.78	7.80
Milk, all dollars/cwt	19.20	20.10	21.70	18.30	20.80	21.80

#### Prices Received by Farmers<sup>1</sup> - Indiana and United States: December 2021 with Comparisons

<sup>1</sup> Entire month weighted average price.

## **Sheep and Goat Inventory**

All sheep and lamb inventory in Indiana on January 1, 2022, was 60,000 head, unchanged from 2021. The breeding sheep inventory, at 52,000 head, was down 1,000 from last year. Market sheep and lambs totaled 8,000 head, up 1,000 from last year. The 2021 Indiana lamb crop was 48,000 head, unchanged from the previous year.

The number of sheep and lambs shorn in Indiana, at 40,000 head, was down 2,000 from the previous year. Indiana shorn wool production in 2021 was 235,000 pounds, down 4 percent

from 2020. The average price paid for wool in Indiana was \$0.85 per pound, an increase of \$0.03 from the previous year. The total value of wool was \$200,000, unchanged from the 2020 value.

As of January 1, 2022, there were 14,000 milk goats in Indiana, unchanged from a year earlier. The Indiana meat and other goat inventory was 36,000 head, 2,000 head below the January 1, 2021, inventory.

Sheep and Lambs Inventory by Class	- Indiana and United States: January 1, 2021 and 2022

	Indi	iana	United States		
Class	2021	2022	2021	2022	
	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	
All sheep and lambs	60	60	5,170	5,065	
Breeding sheep and lambs	53	52	3,780	3,710	
Ewes	41	39	2,960	2,910	
Rams	4	4	170	160	
Replacement lambs	8	9	650	640	
Total market sheep and lambs	7	8	1,390	1,355	
Previous year's lamb crop	48	48	3,210	3,160	

#### Goats and Kids Inventory by Class - Indiana and United States: January 1, 2021 and 2022

Class	Ind	iana	United States		
Class	2021	2022	2021	2022	
	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	
Angora	(NA)	(NA)	121	110	
Milk	14	14	420	410	
Meat and other	38	36	2,045	2,030	

(NA) Not available.

### **December Milk Production**

Dairy herds in Indiana produced 368 million pounds of milk during December, down 3.2 percent from a year ago. Production per cow in Indiana averaged 1,980 pounds for December, 10 pounds below December 2020. The dairy herd was estimated at 186,000 head for December, down 5,000 head from a year earlier. The average price of milk sold in December by Indiana dairy producers was \$21.70 per cwt., \$2.50 more than the price in December 2020.

#### Milk Cows, Production, and Price - Indiana: December 2020 and 2021

Item	2020	2021
Cows1,000 hd	191	186
Milk per cow lb/month	1,990	1,980
Production mil lbs	380	368
Milk price, alldol/cwt	19.20	21.70
Fat test pct	4.07	4.12
Protein <sup>1</sup> pct	3.27	3.31

<sup>1</sup> FMO 33

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