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Winter Wheat Area Seeded - Kentucky, North Carolina, Tennessee, Virginia, West Virginia, and United States: 2022-2024

State	Crop year			2024 as a percent of 2023
	2022	2023	2024	
	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(percent)
Kentucky	530	610	510	84
North Carolina	480	480	400	69
Tennessee	410	470	380	93
Virginia	230	200	240	75
United States	33,281	36,699	34,425	93

Hay Stocks on Farms - Kentucky, North Carolina, Tennessee, Virginia, West Virginia, and United States: May 1 and December 1, 2022 and 2023

State	May 1		December 1	
	2022	2023	2022	2023
	(1,000 Tons)	(1,000 Tons)	(1,000 Tons)	(1,000 Tons)
Kentucky	960	630	3,100	3,000
North Carolina	150	125	990	930
Tennessee	530	400	2,650	2,750
Virginia	280	320	1,700	1,750
West Virginia	105	175	780	780
United States	16,777	14,333	71,761	76,721

Field Crop Area Harvested, Yield, and Production — Kentucky, North Carolina, Tennessee, Virginia, West Virginia, and United States: 2023

State	Area planted		Area harvested		Yield Per Acre		Production	
	2022	2023	2022	2023	2022	2023	2022	2023
	(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	1,420	1,600	1,330	1,500	156.0	187.0	207,480	280,500
North Carolina	820	950	775	900	126.0	147.0	97,650	132,300
Tennessee	830	940	785	890	130.0	173.0	102,050	153,970
Virginia	430	495	325	375	167.0	157.0	54,275	58,875
West Virginia	40	44	30	32	168.0	145.0	5,040	4,640
United States	88,162	94,641	78,705	86,513	173.4	177.3	13,650,531	15,341,595
Soybeans bushels								
Kentucky	1,950	1,830	1,940	1,820	51.0	55.0	98,940	100,100
North Carolina	1,700	1,640	1,680	1,630	38.5	38.5	64,680	62,755
Tennessee	1,650	1,600	1,620	1,570	48.0	51.0	77,760	80,070
Virginia	620	580	610	570	41.0	38.0	25,010	21,660
United States	87,450	83,600	86,174	82,356	49.6	50.6	4,270,381	4,164,677
Winter wheat ^{1 2} bushels								
Kentucky	530	610	375	460	80.0	88.0	30,000	40,480
North Carolina	480	480	375	400	64.0	70.0	24,000	28,000
Tennessee	410	470	335	390	73.0	80.0	24,455	31,200
Virginia	230	200	150	135	68.0	78.0	10,200	10,530
United States	33,281	36,699	23,454	24,683	47.0	50.6	1,103,062	1,247,748
Barley ² bushels								
Virginia	29	30	7	6	86.0	83.0	602	498
United States	2,927	3,101	2,425	2,555	71.7	72.4	173,920	185,036
Cotton ³ pounds/bales								
North Carolina	470	380	460	370	1,049	947	1,005	730
Tennessee	335	265	325	260	1,053	1,237	713	670
Virginia	91	81	90	80	1,131	1,170	212	195
United States	13,749	10,233	7,290	7,065	953	845	14,468	12,434
Peanuts pounds								
North Carolina	117	124	116	123	4,370	4,300	506,920	528,900
Virginia	29	29	28	29	4,490	4,830	125,720	140,070
United States	1,449	1,645	1,381	1,574	4,012	3,742	5,541,772	5,890,020
All hay tons								
Kentucky	--	--	1,910	2,070	2.28	2.14	4,356	4,428
North Carolina	--	--	646	657	2.21	2.11	1,426	1,383
Tennessee	--	--	1,672	1,716	2.11	2.21	3,523	3,790
Virginia	--	--	1,000	1,155	2.13	2.13	2,133	2,464
West Virginia	--	--	565	610	1.91	1.72	1,080	1,051
United States	--	--	48,711	52,821	2.29	2.25	111,738	118,769
Alfalfa hay tons								
Kentucky	--	--	110	90	3.60	3.00	396	270
North Carolina	--	--	6	7	3.00	2.60	18	18
Tennessee	--	--	12	16	3.10	3.10	37	50
Virginia	--	--	30	35	3.20	3.20	96	112
West Virginia	--	--	15	10	2.30	3.10	35	31
United States	--	--	15,153	15,634	3.22	3.19	48,838	49,916
Other hay tons								
Kentucky	--	--	1,800	1,980	2.20	2.10	3,960	4,158
North Carolina	--	--	640	650	2.20	2.10	1,408	1,365
Tennessee	--	--	1,660	1,700	2.10	2.20	3,486	3,740
Virginia	--	--	970	1,120	2.10	2.10	2,037	2,352
West Virginia	--	--	550	600	1.90	1.70	1,045	1,020
United States	--	--	33,558	37,187	1.87	1.85	62,900	68,853

Field Crop Area Harvested, Yield, and Production — Kentucky, North Carolina, Tennessee, Virginia, West Virginia, and United States: 2023 (Continued)

State	Area planted		Area harvested		Yield Per Acre		Production	
	2022	2023	2022	2023	2022	2023	2022	2023
	(acres)	(acres)	(acres)	(acres)	(units)	(units)	(1,000 units)	(1,000 units)
All tobacco pounds								
Kentucky	--	--	43,000	36,800	2,196	2,327	94,425	85,645
North Carolina	--	--	115,160	113,120	2,149	2,299	247,522	260,098
Tennessee	--	--	12,500	9,300	2,676	2,495	33,445	23,205
Virginia	--	--	12,420	13,070	2,440	2,343	30,303	30,624
United States	--	--	198,280	187,630	2,208	2,305	437,775	432,452
Burley tobacco pounds								
Kentucky	--	--	28,000	27,000	1,800	2,100	50,400	56,700
North Carolina	--	--	160	120	1,700	1,650	272	198
Tennessee	--	--	2,700	3,000	1,550	1,550	4,185	4,650
Virginia	--	--	200	170	2,000	2,050	400	349
United States	--	--	32,360	31,390	1,808	2,059	58,507	64,647
Flue-cured tobacco pounds								
North Carolina	--	--	115,000	113,000	2,150	2,100	247,250	259,900
Virginia	--	--	12,100	12,800	2,450	2,400	29,645	30,080
United States	--	--	138,900	138,000	2,161	2,122	300,195	315,030
Dark fire-cured tobacco pounds								
Kentucky	--	--	9,500	6,300	3,100	3,150	29,450	9,100
Tennessee	--	--	6,300	5,100	3,200	3,050	20,160	15,555
Virginia	--	--	120	100	2,150	1,950	258	195
United States	--	--	15,920	11,500	3,132	3,095	49,868	35,595
Dark air-cured tobacco pounds								
Kentucky	--	--	5,500	3,500	2,650	2,600	14,575	9,100
Tennessee	--	--	3,500	1,200	2,600	2,500	9,100	3,000
United States	--	--	9,000	4,700	2,631	2,574	23,675	35,595

(--) 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, 2023-2024 and January 15, 2023-2024

[Excluding linters]

State	January 1		January 15	
	2023	2024	2023	2024
	(number)	(number)	(number)	(number)
Alabama	720,200	720,200	755,000	755,000
Arizona	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Arkansas	1,499,900	1,474,850	1,579,100	1,554,050
California	54,600	54,600	64,600	64,600
Florida	120,150	120,150	129,200	129,200
Georgia	2,295,100	2,294,400	2,492,450	2,491,600
Kansas	106,050	106,050	116,700	116,700
Louisiana	355,600	355,600	355,600	355,600
Mississippi	1,129,600	1,129,600	1,133,250	1,133,250
Missouri	664,950	664,950	724,200	724,200
New Mexico	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
North Carolina	984,500	984,500	1,009,350	1,009,350
Oklahoma	134,750	134,750	156,550	156,550
South Carolina	368,450	368,450	412,550	412,550
Tennessee	683,150	677,750	697,950	692,550
Texas	3,134,150	2,978,350	3,281,150	3,108,800
Virginia	199,850	199,850	201,250	201,250
United States	12,626,000	12,439,050	13,318,700	13,115,050

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

Grain Stocks by Position — Kentucky, North Carolina, Tennessee, Virginia, West Virginia, and United States: December 1, 2022, September 1, 2023 and December 1, 2023

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, 2022	(D)	12,125	(D)	1,500	5,310	6,810
September 1, 2023	(D)	18,949	(D)	5,600	10,163	15,763
December 1, 2023	(D)	17,069	(D)	1,150	6,638	7,788
Corn						
December 1, 2022	115,000	28,609	143,609	29,000	31,750	60,750
September 1, 2023	4,400	5,074	9,474	1,000	14,621	15,621
December 1, 2023	155,000	34,281	189,281	41,000	44,912	85,912
Soybeans						
December 1, 2022	(D)	13,706	(D)	(D)	18,891	(D)
September 1, 2023	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
December 1, 2023	(D)	13,719	(D)	(D)	19,370	(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, 2022	(D)	6,295	(D)	(D)	6,550	(D)
September 1, 2023	(D)	11,203	(D)	(D)	10,326	(D)
December 1, 2023	(D)	8,694	(D)	(D)	8,516	(D)
Corn						
December 1, 2022	(D)	26,585	(D)	(D)	12,605	(D)
September 1, 2023	(D)	6,821	(D)	(D)	1,709	(D)
December 1, 2023	(D)	34,616	(D)	(D)	14,737	(D)
Soybeans						
November 1, 2022	(D)	11,940	(D)	(D)	5,510	(D)
September 1, 2023	(D)	423	(D)	(D)	711	(D)
December 1, 2023	(D)	9,162	(D)	(D)	5,019	(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, 2022	(D)	(D)	(D)	361,900	949,930	1,311,830
September 1, 2023	(D)	(D)	(D)	598,140	1,168,981	1,767,121
December 1, 2023	(D)	(D)	(D)	394,960	1,015,294	1,410,254
Corn						
December 1, 2022	(D)	6	(D)	6,740,000	4,073,207	10,813,207
September 1, 2023	(D)	(D)	(D)	604,400	755,801	1,360,201
December 1, 2023	(D)	(D)	(D)	7,830,000	4,338,869	12,168,869
Soybeans						
December 1, 2022	(D)	(D)	(D)	1,477,000	1,544,152	3,021,152
September 1, 2023	(D)	(D)	(D)	72,000	192,184	264,184
December 1, 2023	(D)	(D)	(D)	1,453,000	1,546,949	2,999,949

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

**Prices Received for Commodities — Kentucky, North Carolina, Tennessee, and Virginia:
December 2023 with Comparisons**

Commodity	Kentucky			North Carolina		
	December 2022	November 2023	December 2023	December 2022	November 2023	December 2023
Corn, for graindollars/bushel	6.72	4.88	5.05	7.57	5.23	5.59
Soybeansdollars/bushel	14.40	13.20	13.30	14.50	13.00	12.70
Wheat, winterdollars/bushel	--	--	--	8.55	5.39	5.91
Cotton, uplanddollars/pound	--	--	--	0.866	0.783	0.791
Peanutsdollars/pound	--	--	--	0.292	0.271	0.225
Hay, alldollars/ton	178.000	194.000	197.000	--	--	--
Alfalfadollars/ton	220.00	230.00	230.00	--	--	--
Otherdollars/ton	165.00	181.00	184.00	--	--	--

Commodity	Tennessee			Virginia		
	December 2022	November 2023	December 2023	December 2022	November 2023	December 2023
Corndollars/bushel	6.91	4.93	4.99	--	--	--
Soybeansdollars/bushel	14.20	13.00	13.20	--	--	--
Wheat, winterdollars/bushel	--	--	--	--	--	--
Cottondollars/pound	0.912	0.692	(D)	--	--	--
Peanutsdollars/pound	--	--	--	(S)	0.277	0.108
Hay, alldollars/ton	--	--	--	--	--	--
Alfalfadollars/ton	--	--	--	--	--	--
Otherdollars/ton	--	--	--	--	--	--

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

(S) Insufficient number of reports to establish an estimate.

(--) Not available.

**Crop Average Prices Received - United States:
December 2023 with Comparisons**

Commodity	United States		
	Dec 2022	Nov 2023	Dec 2023
	(\$)	(\$)	(\$)
Corn, for grain(bu)	6.58	4.66	4.80
Soybeans(bu)	14.40	13.00	13.10
Wheat, winter(bu)	8.47	6.10	6.20
Cotton, upland(lb)	0.846	0.724	0.732
Peanuts(lb)	0.245	0.295	0.243
Hay, all(ton)	235.00	195.00	191.00
Alfalfa(ton)	268.00	207.00	205.00
Other(ton)	180.00	170.00	170.00

Livestock Average Prices Received - United States: December 2023 with Comparisons ¹

Commodity	United States		
	Dec 2022	Nov 2023	Dec 2023
	(\$ / Cwt)	(\$ / Cwt)	(\$ / Cwt)
All Hogs	62.50	57.50	53.30
Barrows & Gilts	63.00	57.50	53.50
Sows	51.90	58.10	48.90
All Beef Cattle ²	154.00	180.00	172.00
Steers & Heifers ³	158.00	184.00	176.00
Cows	76.90	104.00	101.00
Calves ⁴	206.00	290.00	280.00

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, 2020-2024

Class	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
	(Head)	(Head)	(Head)	(Head)	(Head)
All Cattle and Calves	2,110,000	2,090,000	2,030,000	1,910,000	1,890,000
Cows and Heifers That Have Calved	1,070,000	1,020,000	1,010,000	940,000	950,000
Beef Cows	1,021,000	973,000	966,000	895,000	907,000
Milk Cows	49,000	47,000	44,000	45,000	43,000
Calves Under 500 Pounds	480,000	480,000	470,000	425,000	425,000
Steers 500 Pounds and Over	215,000	230,000	220,000	225,000	205,000
Heifers 500 Pounds and Over					
Beef Cow Replacements	125,000	135,000	125,000	105,000	100,000
Milk Cow Replacements	40,000	40,000	35,000	30,000	25,000
Other Heifers	110,000	120,000	110,000	130,000	130,000
Bulls 500 Pounds and Over	70,000	65,000	60,000	55,000	55,000
Cattle on Feed	17,000	19,000	18,000	20,000	18,000
Calf Crop	950,000	980,000	920,000	920,000	(1)

¹ 2024 Calf crop available January 2025

Cattle and Calves: Number by Class and Calf Crop — North Carolina: January 1, 2020-2024

Class	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
	(Head)	(Head)	(Head)	(Head)	(Head)
All Cattle and Calves	810,000	800,000	780,000	730,000	750,000
Cows and Heifers That Have Calved	410,000	410,000	400,000	380,000	390,000
Beef Cows	369,000	370,000	361,000	341,000	352,000
Milk Cows	41,000	40,000	39,000	39,000	38,000
Calves Under 500 Pounds	225,000	215,000	205,000	195,000	200,000
Steers 500 Pounds and Over	40,000	44,000	42,000	33,000	39,000
Heifers 500 Pounds and Over					
Beef Cow Replacements	63,000	61,000	62,000	59,000	56,000
Milk Cow Replacements	18,000	15,000	14,000	16,000	14,000
Other Heifers	23,000	24,000	26,000	19,000	22,000
Bulls 500 Pounds and Over	31,000	31,000	31,000	28,000	29,000
Calf Crop	375,000	370,000	350,000	360,000	(1)

¹ 2024 Calf crop available January 2025

Cattle and Calves: Number by Class and Calf Crop — Tennessee: January 1, 2020-2024

Class	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
	(Head)	(Head)	(Head)	(Head)	(Head)
All Cattle and Calves	1,810,000	1,790,000	1,760,000	1,680,000	1,600,000
Cows and Heifers That Have Calved	940,000	930,000	920,000	880,000	860,000
Beef Cows	909,000	900,000	893,000	854,000	835,000
Milk Cows	31,000	30,000	27,000	26,000	25,000
Calves Under 500 Pounds	420,000	415,000	420,000	390,000	365,000
Steers 500 Pounds and Over	155,000	150,000	135,000	135,000	125,000
Heifers 500 Pounds and Over					
Beef Cow Replacements	125,000	130,000	120,000	110,000	105,000
Milk Cow Replacements	25,000	25,000	20,000	15,000	14,000
Other Heifers	85,000	75,000	85,000	90,000	76,000
Bulls 500 Pounds and Over	60,000	65,000	60,000	60,000	55,000
Calf Crop	850,000	870,000	850,000	820,000	(1)

¹ 2024 Calf crop available January 2025

Cattle and Calves: Number by Class and Calf Crop — Virginia: January 1, 2020-2024

Class	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
	(Head)	(Head)	(Head)	(Head)	(Head)
All Cattle and Calves	1,450,000	1,390,000	1,390,000	1,290,000	1,320,000
Cows and Heifers That Have Calved	700,000	660,000	670,000	630,000	640,000
Beef Cows	626,000	585,000	599,000	563,000	574,000
Milk Cows	74,000	75,000	71,000	67,000	66,000
Calves Under 500 Pounds	355,000	335,000	340,000	310,000	315,000
Steers 500 Pounds and Over	165,000	160,000	149,000	147,000	151,000
Heifers 500 Pounds and Over					
Beef Cow Replacements	93,000	90,000	89,000	72,000	79,000
Milk Cow Replacements	33,000	36,000	35,000	32,000	33,000
Other Heifers	64,000	70,000	69,000	64,000	66,000
Bulls 500 Pounds and Over	40,000	39,000	38,000	35,000	36,000
Cattle on Feed	20,000	16,000	17,000	15,000	14,000
Calf Crop	600,000	630,000	590,000	610,000	(1)

¹ 2024 Calf crop available January 2025

Cattle and Calves: Number by Class and Calf Crop — West Virginia: January 1, 2020-2024

Class	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
	(Head)	(Head)	(Head)	(Head)	(Head)
All Cattle and Calves	395,000	375,000	370,000	375,000	370,000
Cows and Heifers That Have Calved	205,000	195,000	193,000	196,000	192,000
Beef Cows	199,000	190,000	188,000	191,000	188,000
Milk Cows	6,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	4,000
Calves Under 500 Pounds	72,000	66,000	70,000	74,000	67,000
Steers 500 Pounds and Over	44,000	44,000	39,000	37,000	39,000
Heifers 500 Pounds and Over					
Beef Cow Replacements	34,000	32,000	30,000	29,000	31,000
Milk Cow Replacements	3,000	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000
Other Heifers	22,000	22,000	22,000	23,000	26,000
Bulls 500 Pounds and Over	15,000	14,000	14,000	14,000	13,000
Cattle on Feed	4,000	5,000	4,000	4,000	4,000
Calf Crop	185,000	185,000	191,000	186,000	(1)

¹ 2024 Calf crop available January 2025

Cattle and Calves: Number by Class and Calf Crop — United States: January 1, 2020-2024

Class	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
	(Head)	(Head)	(Head)	(Head)	(Head)
All Cattle and Calves	93,793,300	93,789,500	92,076,600	88,841,000	87,157,400
Cows and Heifers That Have Calved	40,681,300	40,286,000	39,360,100	38,336,800	37,579,800
Beef Cows	31,338,700	30,843,600	29,983,100	28,939,300	28,223,000
Milk Cows	9,342,600	9,442,400	9,377,000	9,397,500	9,356,800
Calves Under 500 Pounds	14,309,000	14,305,100	13,986,200	13,658,000	13,284,700
Steers 500 Pounds and Over	16,541,200	16,787,800	16,704,700	16,056,500	15,789,200
Heifers 500 Pounds and Over					
Beef Cow Replacements	5,808,900	5,803,100	5,481,500	4,929,600	4,858,300
Milk Cow Replacements	4,684,000	4,608,500	4,440,600	4,073,600	4,059,200
Other Heifers	9,531,500	9,788,500	9,993,900	9,757,500	9,565,500
Bulls 500 Pounds and Over	2,237,400	2,210,500	2,109,600	2,029,000	2,020,700
Cattle on Feed	14,657,700	14,667,400	14,694,600	14,195,800	14,423,300
Calf Crop	35,495,500	35,165,900	34,439,500	33,593,000	(1)

¹ 2024 Calf crop available January 2025

Goats, Sheep and Lambs: Number by Class and Lamb Crop - Kentucky: January 1, 2020-2024

Class	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
	(Head)	(Head)	(Head)	(Head)	(Head)
All Meat and Other Goats	57,000	53,000	54,000	56,000	59,000
All Milk Goats	7,000	6,000	5,500	6,000	5,300
All Sheep and Lambs ¹	62,000	58,000	59,000	70,000	75,000
Sheep and Lambs kept for breeding					
All Breeding Sheep and Lambs	48,000	45,000	45,000	53,000	56,000
Ewes	37,000	35,000	36,000	41,000	42,000
Rams	2,500	2,000	2,000	3,000	3,000
Replacement Lambs	8,500	8,000	7,000	9,000	11,000
Market Sheep and Lambs					
Total Market Sheep and Lambs	14,000	13,000	14,000	17,000	19,000
Market Sheep	1,500	1,000	1,000	2,000	2,000
Market Lambs	12,500	12,000	13,000	15,000	17,000
Market Lambs by Size Group					
Under 65 pounds	7,000	6,000	6,500	7,000	9,500
65 - 84 pounds	3,000	3,000	3,000	3,700	3,900
85 - 105 pounds	1,500	2,000	2,000	3,400	2,500
Over 105 pounds	1,000	1,000	1,500	900	1,100
Deaths					
Sheep	2,000	2,500	2,500	3,000	(4)
Lambs	5,500	5,500	5,500	6,500	(4)
Lamb Crop ²	39,000	38,000	40,000	41,000	(4)
Lambing Rate ³		105	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.

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 2025

Goats, Sheep and Lambs: Number by Class and Lamb Crop - North Carolina: January 1, 2020-2024

Class	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
	(Head)	(Head)	(Head)	(Head)	(Head)
All Meat and Other Goats	45,000	46,000	43,000	40,000	42,000
All Milk Goats	7,500	8,500	7,500	8,500	9,000
All Sheep and Lambs ¹	30,000	28,000	29,000	30,000	32,000
Sheep and Lambs kept for breeding					
All Breeding Sheep and Lambs	23,000	22,000	23,000	23,000	25,000
Ewes	17,000	16,000	17,000	17,000	18,000
Rams	2,500	2,500	2,500	2,000	2,500
Replacement Lambs	3,500	3,500	3,500	4,000	4,500
Market Sheep and Lambs					
Total Market Sheep and Lambs	7,000	6,000	6,000	7,000	7,000
Market Sheep	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
Market Lambs	6,000	5,000	5,000	6,000	6,000
Market Lambs by Size Group					
Under 65 pounds	3,700	2,700	2,800	3,700	3,800
65 - 84 pounds	1,200	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,400
85 - 105 pounds	800	800	800	800	600
Over 105 pounds	300	500	400	500	200
Deaths					
Sheep	1,200	1,000	1,000	1,000	(4)
Lambs	2,700	2,700	3,000	3,500	(4)
Lamb Crop ²	15,000	16,000	17,000	20,000	(4)
Lambing Rate ³		88	100	118	(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 2025

Goats, Sheep and Lambs: Number by Class and Lamb Crop - Tennessee: January 1, 2020-2024

Class	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
	(Head)	(Head)	(Head)	(Head)	(Head)
All Meat and Other Goats	100,000	96,000	91,000	70,000	72,000
All Milk Goats	7,400	7,000	7,300	6,900	7,200
All Sheep and Lambs ¹	49,000	53,000	49,000	49,000	51,000
Sheep and Lambs kept for breeding					
All Breeding Sheep and Lambs	40,000	42,000	39,000	38,000	41,000
Ewes	30,000	32,000	30,000	29,000	30,000
Rams	3,000	3,500	2,500	3,000	3,000
Replacement Lambs	7,000	6,500	6,500	6,000	8,000
Market Sheep and Lambs					
Total Market Sheep and Lambs	9,000	11,000	10,000	11,000	10,000
Market Sheep	1,500	1,000	1,500	1,000	1,000
Market Lambs	7,500	10,000	8,500	10,000	9,000
Market Lambs by Size Group					
Under 65 pounds	4,300	6,000	5,000	6,000	4,000
65 - 84 pounds	1,600	1,500	2,000	2,000	3,000
85 - 105 pounds	1,300	1,300	700	1,000	1,000
Over 105 pounds	300	1,200	800	1,000	1,000
Deaths					
Sheep	3,300	2,000	2,000	2,000	(4)
Lambs	7,000	5,500	6,000	5,500	(4)
Lamb Crop ²	37,000	35,000	34,000	35,000	(4)
Lambing Rate ³		123	113	121	(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 2025

Goats, Sheep and Lambs: Number by Class and Lamb Crop - Virginia: January 1, 2020-2024

Class	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
	(Head)	(Head)	(Head)	(Head)	(Head)
All Meat and Other Goats	43,000	40,000	42,000	34,000	34,000
All Milk Goats	5,000	4,800	4,200	4,800	5,400
All Sheep and Lambs ¹	73,000	78,000	72,000	73,000	79,000
Sheep and Lambs kept for breeding					
All Breeding Sheep and Lambs	59,000	62,000	58,000	58,000	62,000
Ewes	47,000	49,000	46,000	45,000	49,000
Rams	3,000	3,500	3,000	3,000	3,000
Replacement Lambs	9,000	9,500	9,000	10,000	10,000
Market Sheep and Lambs					
Total Market Sheep and Lambs	14,000	16,000	14,000	15,000	17,000
Market Sheep	1,000	500	1,000	1,000	1,000
Market Lambs	13,000	15,500	13,000	14,000	16,000
Market Lambs by Size Group					
Under 65 pounds	6,500	7,400	7,000	6,500	7,100
65 - 84 pounds	4,000	4,500	4,000	4,500	5,700
85 - 105 pounds	2,000	2,600	1,200	2,000	2,400
Over 105 pounds	500	1,000	800	1,000	800
Deaths					
Sheep	3,000	3,300	3,500	3,500	(4)
Lambs	9,000	9,500	9,000	9,500	(4)
Lamb Crop ²	57,000	58,000	56,000	62,000	(4)
Lambing Rate ³		121	122	138	(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 2025

Goats, Sheep and Lambs: Number by Class and Lamb Crop - West Virginia: January 1, 2020-2024

Class	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
	(Head)	(Head)	(Head)	(Head)	(Head)
All Meat and Other Goats	18,000	19,000	20,000	19,000	18,000
All Sheep and Lambs ¹	33,000	30,000	32,000	34,000	35,000
Sheep and Lambs kept for breeding					
All Breeding Sheep and Lambs	27,000	26,000	28,000	28,000	29,000
Ewes	22,000	21,000	22,000	23,000	24,000
Rams	1,500	1,500	1,000	1,000	1,000
Replacement Lambs	3,500	3,500	5,000	4,000	4,000
Market Sheep and Lambs					
Total Market Sheep and Lambs	6,000	4,000	4,000	6,000	6,000
Market Sheep	1,000	500	500	1,000	1,000
Market Lambs	5,000	3,500	3,500	5,000	5,000
Market Lambs by Size Group					
Under 65 pounds	1,800	2,000	1,500	2,000	2,000
65 - 84 pounds	1,200	500	500	1,000	1,000
85 - 105 pounds	1,200	500	500	500	500
Over 105 pounds	800	500	1,000	1,500	1,500
Deaths					
Sheep	1,500	1,700	2,000	2,000	(4)
Lambs	3,000	3,500	4,000	4,000	(4)
Lamb Crop ²	25,000	26,000	27,000	28,000	(4)
Lambing Rate ³	--	114	123	122	(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 2025

⁵ Discontinued in 2015.

Goats, Sheep and Lambs: Number by Class and Lamb Crop - United States: January 1, 2020-2024

Class	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
	(Head)	(Head)	(Head)	(Head)	(Head)
All Meat and Other Goats	2,090,000	2,045,000	2,030,000	2,010,000	1,950,000
All Milk Goats	435,000	420,000	410,000	410,000	415,000
All Sheep and Lambs ¹	5,200,000	5,170,000	5,065,000	5,130,000	5,030,000
Sheep and Lambs kept for breeding					
All Breeding Sheep and Lambs	3,810,000	3,780,000	3,710,000	3,740,000	3,670,000
Ewes	2,980,000	2,960,000	2,910,000	2,930,000	2,870,000
Rams	170,000	170,000	160,000	166,500	165,000
Replacement Lambs	660,000	650,000	640,000	643,500	635,000
Market Sheep and Lambs					
Total Market Sheep and Lambs	1,390,000	1,390,000	1,355,000	1,390,000	1,360,000
Market Sheep	84,000	81,000	78,000	87,000	81,000
Market Lambs	1,306,000	1,309,000	1,277,000	1,303,000	1,279,000
Market Lambs by Size Group					
Under 65 pounds	347,000	338,000	345,000	342,600	350,000
65 - 84 pounds	190,000	195,000	187,000	187,500	195,000
85 - 105 pounds	271,000	291,000	266,000	283,200	269,000
Over 105 pounds	498,000	485,000	479,000	489,700	465,000
Deaths					
Sheep	210,000	200,000	208,000	200,000	(4)
Lambs	370,000	365,000	377,000	365,000	(4)
Lamb Crop ²	3,210,000	3,160,000	3,099,000	3,030,000	(4)
Lambing Rate ³		108	105	103	(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 2025

**Milk Cows and Production — Kentucky, North Carolina, Tennessee, Virginia, and United States:
Revised July and September, 2022 and 2023**

[May not add due to rounding]

State	July - September Milk Cows ¹		July - September Milk Production ²		
	2022	2023	2022	2023	Change from 2022
	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(million pounds)	(million pounds)	(percent)
Kentucky	45	44	220	215	-2.3
North Carolina	39	38	215	213	-0.9
Tennessee	27	25	120	111	-7.5
Virginia	69	68	344	350	1.7
West Virginia	5	5	18	16	-11.1
United States	9,408	9,376	56,438	56,077	-0.6

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, 2022 and 2023**

[May not add due to rounding]

State	October - December Milk Cows ¹		October - December Milk Production ²		
	2022	2023	2022	2023	Change from 2022
	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(million pounds)	(million pounds)	(percent)
Kentucky	45	43	222	211	-5.0
North Carolina	39	38	220	217	-1.4
Tennessee	26	25	118	113	-4.2
Virginia	68	68	343	349	1.7
West Virginia	5	5	18	16	-11.1
United States	9,404	9,360	55,897	55,565	-0.6

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 2022 and 2023**

State	Total production		Table eggs		Hatching eggs	
	2022	2023	2022	2023	2022	2023
	(million eggs)	(million eggs)	(million eggs)	(million eggs)	(million eggs)	(million eggs)
Kentucky	127.0	125.0	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
North Carolina	346.1	363.5	179.4	193.0	166.7	170.5
Virginia	63.7	66.5	33.8	35.3	29.9	31.2
United States	9,148.9	9,453.4	7,859.7	8,143.3	1,289.2	1,310.1

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

**Layers on Hand and Eggs Produced — Kentucky, North Carolina, Virginia, and United States: During
December 2022 and 2023**

State	Table egg layers in flocks 30,000 and above		All layers		Eggs per 100 for all layers	
	2022	2023	2022	2023	2022	2023
	(1,000 layers)	(1,000 layers)	(1,000 layers)	(1,000 layers)	(eggs)	(eggs)
Kentucky	(D)	(D)	5,504	5,562	2,307	2,247
North Carolina	6,995	7,435	15,723	16,249	2,201	2,237
Virginia	888	891	2,694	2,773	2,365	2,398
United States	292,446	299,481	375,943	383,968	2,434	2,462

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

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