



# Wisconsin Ag News – Mink



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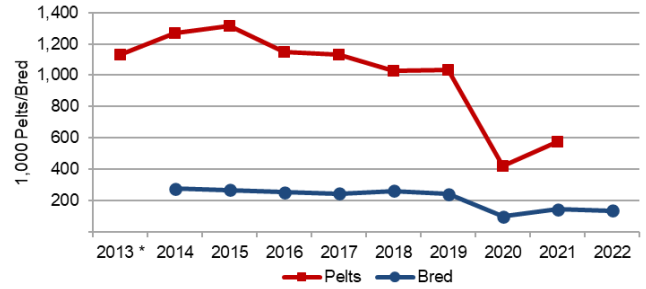
Wisconsin ranked 1 in the U.S. for **mink pelt production** and females bred. The State's pelt production in 2021 totaled 579,460 pelts. Utah was the second-largest producing state with 319,690 pelts. Nationwide, mink pelt production during 2021 totaled 1.44 million pelts, up slightly from 2020. Wisconsin's production was up 37 percent in 2021 and accounted for 40 percent of the nation's total pelt production.

The percentages of pelts produced in 2021 in Wisconsin by color class were Black at 81 percent and White at 11 percent. Other colors accounted for the remaining 8 percent.

**Female mink bred** to produce kits in Wisconsin in 2022 totaled 138,380, down 6 percent from last year. Utah came in second with 73,230 females bred. Nationally, females bred to produce kits in 2022 totaled 341,890, down 11 percent from 2021. Wisconsin accounted for 40 percent of the total number of females bred in the U.S.

The **value of U.S. pelts produced** during the 2021 crop year was \$59.9 million, up 23 percent from \$48.6 million a year ago. The average price per pelt for the 2021 crop year was \$41.50, \$7.80 higher than \$33.70 in 2020.

Mink Females Bred and Pelts Produced  
Wisconsin: 2013-2022



\*2013 Bred not available due to government sequestration.

## Mink Females Bred and Pelts Produced - Wisconsin and United States: 2018-2022

Year	Wisconsin		United States	
	Females bred	Pelts produced <sup>1</sup>	Females bred	Pelts produced <sup>1</sup>
2018 .....	264,260	1,030,600	776,440	3,169,560
2019 .....	244,000	1,036,220	695,650	2,742,200
2020 .....	100,090	423,140	358,880	1,441,760
2021 .....	147,300	579,460	382,190	1,444,190
2022 .....	138,380		341,890	

<sup>1</sup> 2022 pelts produced will be published in July 2023