

sheep and goats



January 1, 1973

Release:
January 29, 1973
3:00 P. M. EST

In this Issue:

Sheep and Lambs--Number, Value and Classes

Goats (Texas)--Number and Value

Lamb Crop

Number of Sheep Farms

SHEEP AND LAMBS: The January 1, 1973 inventory of all sheep and lambs, at 17,726,000 head, declined 5 percent during 1972. This continues the downward trend which began in 1961. Stock sheep numbers were reduced 6 percent and totaled 14,853,000 head on the first of the year. The 26 principal sheep feeding States had 2,873,000 sheep and lambs on feed for slaughter market, nearly the same as a year earlier.

All classes of stock sheep showed declines from last year. Ewes one year old and older on January 1, 1973 totaled 12,117,000, down 6 percent from a year earlier. Rams and wethers one year old and older, at 487,000, showed a decline of 13 percent from 1972. Ewe lambs under a year old numbered 1,895,000--down 4 percent. Wether and ram lambs at 354,000 head were down 12 percent.

The sheep and goat inventory and lamb crop reports formerly published in separate releases have been combined into a single report beginning with this issue.

The 1965-70 sheep inventory and value estimates were revised, if necessary, based on a review of survey data, the 1969 Census of Agriculture and other data made available since the original estimates were made. Revised estimates by States for the years 1965-70 are shown in Statistical Bulletin 502. This bulletin is available on request.

(Continued on page 10)

Sheep: Number on farms and ranches, by classes and value per head and total value, United States, January 1, 1971-73

CLASS	1971	1972	1973	1973 as %
	1,000 head			of 1972
				Percent
All Sheep and Lambs	19,686	18,710	17,726	95
On feed	2,740	2,875	2,873	100
Stock Sheep	16,946	15,835	14,853	94
Lambs				
Ewe	2,280	1,974	1,895	96
Wether and Ram	462	401	354	88
One year and older				
Ewes	13,609	12,901	12,117	94
Rams	508			
Wethers	88	1,559	1,487	87
		Dollars		
All Sheep and Lambs--Value per head 2/	23.60	22.90	26.30	
		1,000 dollars		
All Sheep and Lambs--Total Value 2/	463,986	427,745	465,973	

1/ Rams and wethers one year and older combined beginning in 1972.

2/ Based on reporters' estimates of average price per head in their localities.

Goats: Number of farms, value per head and total value, Texas
January 1, 1971-73

Year	Number	Value	
		Per head	Total
	1,000 head	Dollars	1,000 dollars
1971	2,058	5.70	11,731
1972	1,500	6.20	9,300
1973	1,600	8.90	14,240

ALL SHEEP AND LAMBS: Number on farms and total value, by States, January 1, 1971-73

State	Number			1973	Total value		
	1971	1972	1973	as % of 1972	1971	1972	1973
	1,000 head			Percent	1,000 dollars		
Maine	15	14	14	100	255	245	322
N. H.	5.3	5.3	5.1	96	111	109	143
Vt.	6.4	6	6.1	102	134	120	159
Mass.	8.2	7.8	7.5	96	164	156	210
R. I.	1.7	1.6	1.6	100	32	31	44
Conn.	4.8	4.8	4.8	100	91	89	134
N. Y.	103	101	98	97	2,266	2,071	2,646
N. J.	10	10	9.7	97	225	290	286
Pa.	160	150	144	96	3,440	3,075	2,952
Ohio	687	672	627	93	13,740	13,440	15,362
Ind.	261	244	235	96	4,698	4,270	5,170
Ill.	309	295	275	93	5,716	5,458	6,050
Mich.	255	222	221	100	5,355	4,440	5,636
Wis.	151	141	124	88	3,246	3,102	2,604
Minn.	504	467	437	94	10,332	9,107	10,707
Iowa	765	735	660	90	16,830	15,068	16,170
Mo.	251	230	215	93	5,020	4,600	4,730
N. Dak.	415	407	396	97	8,715	8,751	10,890
S. Dak.	1,201	1,181	1,161	98	28,824	28,935	33,089
Nebr.	370	366	370	101	7,955	8,601	5,180
Kans.	328	337	325	96	6,396	7,414	7,963
Del.	1.8	1.8	1.9	106	33	36	41
Md.	20	20	19	95	380	410	428
Va.	192	177	175	99	4,032	3,806	4,638
W. Va.	165	162	142	88	3,135	3,240	3,479
N. C.	14	13	12	92	259	254	258
S. C.	1.5	1.4	1.3	93	32	27	27
Ga.	4.2	4.8	3	63	76	91	59
Fla.	4.7	4.8	4.5	94	73	84	88
Ky.	88	78	62	79	1,848	1,677	1,395
Tenn.	41	33	26	79	759	594	533
Ala.	5.5	5.2	5	96	82	88	98
Miss.	11	9.7	8	82	192	175	148
Ark.	8	7	6	86	128	123	117
La.	23	22	20	91	368	374	360
Okla.	122	123	120	98	2,013	2,706	3,060
Tex.	3,789	3,524	3,214	91	66,308	65,194	64,280
Mont.	1,067	1,000	955	96	28,276	24,000	27,218
Idaho	828	780	707	91	24,840	23,010	20,503
Wyo.	1,829	1,735	1,705	98	51,212	42,508	52,003
Colo.	1,274	1,220	1,214	100	36,309	34,160	39,455
N. Mex.	742	714	743	104	16,695	13,566	18,947
Ariz.	506	503	502	100	10,120	9,557	11,797
Utah	1,009	976	905	93	31,279	25,864	29,413
Nev.	206	204	171	84	6,180	6,222	5,729
Wash.	144	137	129	94	3,960	3,562	3,548
Oreg.	492	525	464	88	13,284	14,175	12,992
Calif.	1,264	1,113	1,059	95	37,920	32,277	34,418
48 States	19,663	18,691	17,710	95	463,338	427,152	465,479
Alaska	23	19	16	84	644	589	488
Hawaii							
U. S.	19,686	18,710	17,726	95	463,982	427,741	465,967

Sheep and Lambs: Number on Farms, by classes by States, January 1, 1971-73

State	Stock Sheep and Lambs				Sheep and Lambs on Feed 1/			
	1971	1972	1973	1973 as % of 1972	1971	1972	1973	1973 as % of 1972
	1,000 head		Percent		1,000 head		Percent	
Maine.	15	14	14	100				
N. H.	5.3	5.3	5.1	96				
Vt.	6.4	6	6.1	102				
Mass.	8.2	7.8	7.5	96				
R. I.	1.7	1.6	1.6	100				
Conn.	4.8	4.8	4.8	100				
N. Y.	90	88	85	97	13	13	13	100
N. J.	10	10	9.7	97				
Pa.	160	150	144	96				
Ohio	575	564	519	92	112	108	108	100
Ind.	228	223	210	94	33	21	25	119
Ill.	249	240	230	96	60	55	45	82
Mich.	195	176	170	97	60	46	51	111
Wis.	125	120	108	91	26	21	15	71
Minn.	393	358	330	92	111	109	107	98
Iowa	586	556	495	89	179	179	165	92
Mo.	202	186	175	94	49	44	40	91
N. Dak.	310	307	286	93	105	100	110	110
S. Dak.	1,052	1,031	1,031	100	149	150	130	87
Nebr.	208	204	200	98	162	162	170	105
Kans.	253	240	221	92	75	97	104	107
Del.	1.8	1.8	1.9	106				
Md.	20	20	19	95				
Va.	192	177	175	99				
W. Va.	165	162	142	88				
N. C.	14	13	12	92				
S. C.	1.5	1.4	1.3	93				
Ga.	4.2	4.8	3	63				
Fla.	4.7	4.8	4.5	94				
Ky.	88	78	62	79				
Tenn.	41	33	26	79				
Ala.	5.5	5.2	5	96				
Miss.	11	9.7	8	82				
Ark.	8	7	6	86				
La.	23	22	20	91				
Okla.	97	90	80	89	25	33	40	121
Texas	3,510	3,125	2,875	92	279	399	339	85
Mont.	967	900	835	93	100	100	120	120
Idaho	687	678	631	93	141	102	76	75
Wyo.	1,679	1,561	1,500	96	150	174	205	118
Colo.	774	720	684	95	500	500	530	106
N. Mex.	705	682	692	101	37	32	51	159
Ariz.	430	412	392	95	76	91	110	121
Utah	929	891	820	92	80	85	85	100
Nev.	183	176	152	86	23	28	19	68
Wash.	126	112	106	95	18	25	23	92
Oreg.	430	426	375	88	62	99	89	90
Calif.	1,149	1,011	956	95	115	102	103	101
48 States	16,946	15,816	14,837	94	2,740	2,875	2,873	100
Alaska	23	19	16	84				
Hawaii								
U.S.	16,946	15,835	14,853	94	2,740	2,875	2,873	100

Sheep and Lambs: Number on farms, by classes, by States, January 1, 1971-73

State	Ewe Lambs			Wether Lambs		
	1971	1972	1973	1971	1972	1973
	1,000 head					
Maine	3	2	2	1	1	1
N. H.	.9	.9	.8	.2	.2	.2
Vt.	1	.8	.8	.3	.4	.4
Mass.	1.4	1	1	.3	.4	.4
R. I.	.3	.2	.2	.1	.1	.1
Conn.	.8	.7	.7	.2	.2	.2
N. Y.	12	11	10	3	3	3
N. J.	1.4	1.5	1.5	.5	.5	.5
Pa.	22	21	20	10	8	8
Ohio	69	72	60	14	17	16
Ind.	32	30	28	8	11	10
Ill.	40	39	36	8	8	8
Mich.	26	22	22	6	5	5
Wis.	18	16	14	4	4	3
Minn.	53	46	42	4	4	4
Iowa	83	76	64	5	5	5
Mo.	22	21	20	6	6	5
N. Dak.	40	41	37	7	7	7
S. Dak.	161	145	145	15	11	11
Nebr.	18	18	18	4	4	4
Kans.	18	20	16	14	13	10
Del.	.3	.3	.3	.1	.1	.1
Md.	2	3	3	1	1	1
Va.	25	24	23	4	3	6
W. Va.	21	21	18	5	5	4
N. C.	1	1	1	1	1	1
S. C.	.1	.2	.2	.1	.1	.1
Ga.	.6	.6	.4	.2	.4	.1
Fla.	.6	.7	.7	.3	.3	.5
Ky.	6	4	4	4	4	3
Tenn.	4	4	3	2	2	1
Ala.	.7	.6	.6	.3	.3	.3
Miss.	2	1.6	1.3	1	.9	.7
Ark.	1	.9	.8	.5	.4	.3
La.	3	3	3	2	2	2
Okla.	9	8	6	2	2	2
Texas	431	300	335	213	160	124
Mont.	177	166	145	15	14	12
Idaho	85	81	69	5	4	4
Wyo.	284	219	239	10	10	15
Colo.	78	71	65	15	17	8
N. Mex.	128	125	121	19	19	21
Ariz.	72	69	67	12	12	12
Utah	117	102	77	8	8	9
Nev.	27	28	24	1	1	1
Wash.	19	16	14	1	1	1
Oreg.	57	57	47	8	8	8
Calif.	104	81	87	20	15	14
48 States	2,278	1,973	1,894	461	400	353
Alaska	2	1	1	1	1	1
Hawaii						
U. S.	2,280	1,974	1,895	462	401	354

Sheep and Lambs: Number on farms, by classes, by States, January 1, 1971-73

State	Stock Sheep - one year old and older						
	Ewes		Rams		Wethers		Rams and wethers
	1971	1972	1973	1971	1971	1972	1973
	1,000 head						
Maine	10	10	10	1		1	1
N. H.	3.8	3.8	3.8	.4		.4	.3
Vt.	4.8	4.6	4.7	.3		.2	.2
Mass.	5.9	5.8	5.5	.6		.6	.6
R. I.	1.2	1.2	1.2	.1		.1	.1
Conn.	3.5	3.6	3.6	.3		.3	.3
N. Y.	72	71	69	3		3	3
N. J.	7.3	7.2	7	.5	.3	.8	.7
Pa.	120	113	108	4	4	8	8
Ohio	470	456	426	17	5	19	17
Ind.	179	174	165	8	1	8	7
Ill.	189	182	176	11	1	11	10
Mich.	158	144	138	5		5	5
Wis.	98	95	88	4	1	5	4
Minn.	323	297	274	12	1	11	10
Iowa	479	456	410	18	1	19	16
Mo.	168	153	145	5	1	6	5
N. Dak.	254	251	235	8	1	8	7
S. Dak.	848	845	845	27	1	30	30
Nebr.	178	174	170	7	1	8	8
Kans.	211	198	187	9	1	9	8
Del.	1.3	1.3	1.4	.1		.1	.1
Md.	16	15	14	1		1	1
Va.	156	144	141	6	1	6	5
W. Va.	133	130	115	5	1	6	5
N. C.	11	10	9	1		1	1
S. C.	1.1	1	.9	.1	.1	.1	.1
Ga.	2.9	3.4	2.3	.5		.4	.2
Fla.	3.5	3.5	3.1	.3		.3	.2
Ky.	74	66	52	3	1	4	3
Tenn.	33	26	21	2		1	1
Ala.	4.1	3.9	3.7	.3	.1	.4	.4
Miss.	7	6.4	5.4	1		.8	.6
Ark.	6.2	5.4	4.6	.3		.3	.3
La.	16	15	13	1	1	2	2
Okla.	81	76	68	5		4	4
Tex.	2,720	2,530	2,310	109	37	1/135	1/106
Mont.	747	697	657	27	1	23	21
Idaho	583	580	547	13	1	13	11
Wyo.	1,334	1,282	1,200	50	1	50	46
Colo.	661	611	594	18	2	21	17
N. Mex.	528	510	523	26	4	28	27
Ariz.	326	311	294	18	2	20	19
Utah	780	758	713	23	1	23	21
Nev.	150	143	124	4	1	4	3
Wash.	99	88	85	6	1	7	6
Oreg.	349	345	306	15	1	16	14
Calif.	992	885	831	30	3	30	24
48 States	13,599	12,892	12,110	507	79	551	480
Alaska	10	9	7	1	9	2/8	2/7
Hawaii							
U. S.	13,609	12,901	12,117	508	88	559	487

1/ 1972-- 35 Wethers, 100 Rams; 1973--23 Wethers, 83 Rams.

2/ 1972-- 7 Wethers, 1 Rams; 1973--6 Wethers, 1 Rams.

New Crop Lambs: Number on farms, January 1, 1971-73

State and region	1971	1972	1973
		1,000 head	
North Atlantic	14	15	15
Ohio	18	18	17
Indiana	5	9	9
Other East North Central	18	20	15
East North Central	41	47	41
Missouri	18	18	17
Nebraska	17	17	25
Kansas	122	104	110
Other West North Central	25	28	27
West North Central	182	167	179
Virginia	33	31	36
Other South Atlantic	12	11	12
South Atlantic	45	42	48
Kentucky	20	20	15
Tennessee	7	5	5
Oklahoma	31	35	31
Texas	470	275	345
Other South Central	10	9	8
South Central	538	344	404
Idaho	9	13	15
Arizona	96	86	80
California	514	451	400
Other Western	37	29	36
Western	656	579	531
48 States	1,476	1,194	1,218

1/ New Crop Lamb Inventory includes all lambs born after September 30 the previous year that are on hand January 1. New Crop Lambs are not included in the Sheep and Lamb inventory estimates shown on page 3-6 of this report.

All sheep and lambs: Value per head, January 1, 1971-73; Number of sheep farms, January 1, 1970-72; Rank of States in number on farms, January 1, 1973

State	Value per head			Number of sheep farms			Rank of States in number of all sheep and lambs
	1971	1972	1973	1970	1971	1972	
	Dollars			Number			Rank
Maine	17.00	17.50	23.00	540	520	480	1
N. H.	21.00	20.50	28.00	290	280	250	2
Vt.	21.00	20.00	26.00	320	310	280	3
Mass.	20.00	20.00	28.00	370	360	340	4
R. I.	19.00	19.50	27.50	70	70	60	5
Conn.	19.00	18.50	28.00	280	270	250	6
N. Y.	22.00	20.50	27.00	2,300	2,300	2,200	7
N. J.	22.50	29.00	29.50	550	580	560	8
Pa.	21.50	20.50	20.50	5,400	5,300	5,000	9
Ohio	20.00	20.00	24.50	17,500	16,000	15,300	10
Ind.	18.00	17.50	22.00	10,000	9,600	9,400	11
Ill.	18.50	18.50	22.00	13,000	12,000	11,500	12
Mich.	21.00	20.00	25.50	4,200	3,900	3,600	13
Wis.	21.50	22.00	21.00	4,300	4,100	3,800	14
Minn.	20.50	19.50	24.50	11,000	10,500	10,000	15
Iowa	22.00	20.50	24.50	20,000	19,000	18,000	16
Mo.	20.00	20.00	22.00	7,000	6,500	5,500	17
N. Dak.	21.00	21.50	27.50	3,500	3,300	3,100	18
S. Dak.	24.00	24.50	28.50	8,500	8,100	7,800	19
Nebr.	21.50	23.50	14.00	4,200	4,200	4,100	20
Kans.	19.50	22.00	24.50	3,700	3,500	3,300	21
Del.	18.50	20.00	21.50	70	70	70	22
Md.	19.00	20.50	22.50	850	840	840	23
Va.	21.00	21.50	26.50	4,600	4,400	4,100	24
W. Va.	19.00	20.00	24.50	4,900	4,600	4,400	25
N. C.	18.50	19.50	21.50	800	700	650	26
S. C.	21.00	19.00	21.00	120	110	110	27
Ga.	18.00	19.00	19.50	240	210	190	28
Fla.	15.50	17.50	19.50	200	200	190	29
Ky.	21.00	21.50	22.50	2,000	1,700	1,400	30
Tenn.	18.50	18.00	20.50	1,600	1,400	1,300	31
Ala.	15.00	17.00	19.50	280	260	240	32
Miss.	17.50	18.00	18.50	450	400	350	33
Ark.	16.00	17.50	19.50	290	270	260	34
La.	16.00	17.00	18.00	1,300	1,200	1,100	35
Okla.	16.50	22.00	25.50	2,200	1,900	1,800	36
Texas	17.50	18.50	20.00	15,000	14,500	14,000	37
Mont.	26.50	24.00	28.50	3,100	3,100	3,000	38
Idaho	30.00	29.50	29.00	2,600	2,500	2,400	39
Wyo.	28.00	24.50	30.50	2,600	2,400	2,200	40
Colo.	28.50	28.00	32.50	3,000	3,000	2,900	41
N. Mex.	22.50	19.00	25.50	1,400	1,300	1,300	42
Ariz.	20.00	19.00	23.50	340	330	320	43
Utah	31.00	26.50	32.50	3,000	3,000	3,000	44
Nev.	30.00	30.50	33.50	300	290	280	45
Wash.	27.50	26.00	27.50	1,800	1,700	1,600	46
Oreg.	27.00	27.00	28.00	4,600	4,500	4,400	47
Calif.	30.00	29.00	32.50	4,900	4,600	4,600	48
48 States				179,560	170,170	161,820	49
Alaska	28.00	31.00	30.50	20	20	20	
Hawaii							
U. S.	23.60	22.90	26.30	179,580	170,190	161,840	

Lamb Crop: 1970-72

State	Breeding ewes 1 year and older January 1			Lambs saved per 100 ewes 1+ January 1 1/			Lambs saved 1/			1972 as % of 1971
	1970	1971	1972	1970	1971	1972	1970	1971	1972	
	1,000 head			Number			1,000 head			Percent
Maine	11	10	10	109	110	110	12	11	11	100
N. H.	3.8	3.8	3.8	100	100	100	3.8	3.8	3.8	100
Vt.	5	4.8	4.6	98	94	98	4.9	4.5	4.5	100
Mass.	6.1	5.9	5.8	95	90	90	5.8	5.3	5.2	98
R. I.	1.3	1.2	1.2	100	100	100	1.3	1.2	1.2	100
Conn.	3.8	3.5	3.6	100	100	103	3.8	3.5	3.7	106
N. Y.	74	72	71	100	100	101	74	72	72	100
N. J.	7	7.3	7.2	107	108	110	7.5	7.9	7.9	100
Pa.	122	120	113	101	101	98	123	121	111	92
Ohio	490	470	456	97	101	105	473	474	480	101
Ind.	188	179	174	110	113	110	207	203	192	95
Ill.	220	189	182	110	110	109	241	208	199	96
Mich.	164	158	144	106	109	107	174	173	154	89
Wis.	105	98	95	112	113	114	118	111	108	97
Minn.	347	323	297	114	112	112	397	361	333	92
Iowa	526	479	456	106	106	105	555	506	479	95
Mo.	188	168	153	104	105	107	196	177	164	85
N. Dak.	265	254	251	111	112	112	295	285	280	99
S. Dak.	848	848	845	102	104	106	865	882	896	102
Nebr.	184	178	174	104	101	106	191	180	184	102
Kans.	230	211	198	96	104	106	221	219	209	95
Del.	1.3	1.3	1.3	100	100	100	1.3	1.3	1.3	100
Md.	17	16	15	100	100	107	17	16	16	100
Va.	161	156	144	116	113	120	187	176	173	98
W. Va.	138	133	130	112	112	110	155	149	143	96
N. C.	12	11	10	100	100	100	12	11	10	91
S. C.	1.2	1.1	1	75	73	80	.9	.8	.8	100
Ga.	3.2	2.9	3.4	75	79	88	2.4	2.3	3	130
Fla.	3.7	3.5	3.5	84	83	86	3.1	2.9	3	103
Ky.	84	74	66	106	108	111	89	80	73	91
Tenn.	41	33	26	93	91	92	38	30	24	80
Ala.	4.6	4.1	3.9	89	90	90	4.1	3.7	3.5	95
Miss.	9	7	6.4	83	91	92	7.5	6.4	5.9	92
Ark.	6.2	6.2	5.4	92	98	100	5.7	6.1	5.4	89
La.	17	16	15	65	69	67	11	11	10	91
Okla.	85	81	76	101	101	104	86	82	79	96
Texas	2,590	2,720	2,530	92	84	91	2,383	2,285	2,302	101
Mont.	774	747	697	93	93	96	720	695	669	96
Idaho	583	583	580	112	115	111	653	670	644	96
Wyo.	1,343	1,334	1,282	83	84	84	1,115	1,121	1,077	96
Colo.	703	661	611	102	102	100	717	674	611	91
N. Mex.	552	528	510	82	77	85	454	409	435	106
Ariz.	321	326	311	79	80	79	254	261	245	94
Utah	821	780	758	95	91	94	780	710	713	100
Nev.	163	150	143	94	95	92	153	143	132	92
Wash.	96	99	88	116	113	116	111	112	102	91
Greg.	369	349	345	101	99	99	373	346	342	99
Calif.	1,024	992	885	91	92	92	932	913	814	89
48 States	13,912	13,599	12,892	97	95	97	13,434	12,927	12,535	97
Alaska	11	10	9	45	30	22	5	3	2	67
Hawaii										
U. S.	13,923	13,609	12,901	97	95	97	13,439	12,930	12,537	97

1/ Lambs saved defined as lambs living July 1, or sold before July 1 in the Native States and lambs docked or branded in the Western States.

(Continued from page 1)

Stock sheep and lambs on January 1, 1973 in the 35 Native States totaled 3,788,000, down 7 percent from a year earlier. The 11 Western States plus Texas and South Dakota had 11,049,000 stock sheep and lambs, 6 percent fewer than on January 1, 1972. All States in this region showed declines from the previous year except New Mexico which was up 1 percent and South Dakota which was unchanged from the previous year.

On January 1, 1973 all sheep and lambs were valued at \$466 million, \$38 million more than last year and \$2 million above 2 years ago. Average value per head for all sheep and lambs was \$26.30, compared with \$22.90 last year and \$23.60 on January 1, 1971.

GOATS: The number of goats and kids on Texas farms and ranches on January 1, 1973 was 1,600,000 head, 7 percent above a year ago, but 22 percent less than on January 1, 1971. Total value of goats at \$14.2 million was \$4.9 million more than the previous year. Average value per head was \$8.90, compared with \$6.20 a year earlier and \$5.70 two years ago.

LAMB CROP: The 1972 U. S. lamb crop is estimated at 12,537,000 head, 3 percent less than the 12,930,000 head produced in 1971. The number of breeding ewes 1 year old and older on farms and ranches January 1, 1972 was 5 percent less than a year earlier, and ewe lambs under 1 year old were down 13 percent. The lambing percentage for 1972 (number of lambs saved per 100 ewes 1 year old and older on hand January 1), at 97, is 2 points above 1971.

The 1972 lamb crop in the 13 Western States (11 Western, South Dakota, and Texas) totaled 8,982,000 head, 3 percent less than the 1971 crop of 9,221,000 head. The number of breeding ewes 1 year old and older on January 1, 1972, at 9,585,000 head, was down 5 percent from a year earlier. Lambing percentage during 1972, at 94, is 3 points above 1971. The number of early lambs (dropped before March 15) in the 13 Western States was down 11 percent from 1971.

The lamb crop in the 35 Native States (excluding the 13 Western States and Alaska) totaled 3,553,000 head, down 4 percent from the 1971 crop of 3,706,000 head. The number of ewes 1 year old and older on January 1, 1972 was 3,307,000 head, 5 percent less than a year earlier. The lambing percentage for 1972 was 107 or 1 point above 1971.



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
 STATISTICAL REPORTING SERVICE
 CROP REPORTING BOARD
 WASHINGTON, D. C. 20250

February 2, 1973

E R R A T A

"Sheep and Goats" January 1, 1973 should be changed as follows:

Page 2 - Value per head and total value, United States, 1971 - 1973			
	1971	1972	1973
All sheep and lambs--Value per head	464,535	427,741	472,900
All sheep and lambs--Total value	463,986	427,745	465,973

	Page 3 - Total Value, 1971 and 1973		Page 8-Value per head, 1971-73		
	1971	1973	1971	1972	1973
Illinois	5,717				24.00
Wisconsin	3,247	2,976			21.00
Nebraska	3,246	2,604			26.00
Alabama	83	9,620			14.00
Mississippi	82	5,180			
Oklahoma	193		21.00		
Idaho	492	22,624	16.50		32.00
48 States	2,562	20,503			29.00
U. S.	2,013	472,412	23.60	22.90	26.70
	463,891	465,479			26.70
	464,535	472,900			26.30
	463,982	465,967			

Page 4 - Stock Sheep and Lambs - 1971	
	1971
48 States	16,923
	16,946

Page 9 - Lamb Crop	
	1972 as % of 1971
Missouri	93
	85
	98
North Dakota	99

COPIES AVAILABLE

1962
1963
1964
1965
1966
1967
1968
1969
1970
1971
1972
1973
1974
1975
1976
1977
1978
1979
1980
1981
1982
1983
1984
1985
1986
1987
1988
1989
1990
1991
1992
1993
1994
1995
1996
1997
1998
1999
2000
2001
2002
2003
2004
2005
2006
2007
2008
2009
2010
2011
2012
2013
2014
2015
2016
2017
2018
2019
2020

1962
1963
1964
1965
1966

1967
1968
1969
1970
1971
1972
1973
1974
1975
1976
1977
1978
1979
1980
1981
1982
1983
1984
1985
1986
1987
1988
1989
1990
1991
1992
1993
1994
1995
1996
1997
1998
1999
2000
2001
2002
2003
2004
2005
2006
2007
2008
2009
2010
2011
2012
2013
2014
2015
2016
2017
2018
2019
2020