



Mink

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Pelt Production Down 2 Percent

Mink pelt production in the United States in 1998 totaled 2.94 million pelts, down 2 percent from 1997. Wisconsin, the major mink producing State, produced 800,500 pelts.

By color class, the number of pelts as a percent of the total U.S. production follows: Standard - 40.6 percent; Mahogany - 24.8 percent; Gunmetal - 15.3 percent; Ranch Wild - 6.0 percent; Demi-buff - 3.9 percent. The remaining color classes accounted for 9.4 percent.

Value of Pelt Production Down 26 Percent

Mink pelts produced during the 1998 crop year were valued at \$72.9 million dollars, down 26 percent from \$99.1 million a year ago. The average price per pelt for the 1998 crop year was \$24.80, down from \$33.10 in 1997.

Females Bred Down 10 Percent

Female mink bred to produce kits in 1999 totaled 659,900, down 10 percent from the previous year.

Percent of total females bred to produce kits in 1999 by color class are: Standard - 39.4 percent; Mahogany - 22.5 percent; Gunmetal - 16.8 percent; Ranch Wild - 6.0 percent; Sapphire - 5.8 percent. The remaining color classes accounted for 9.5 percent.

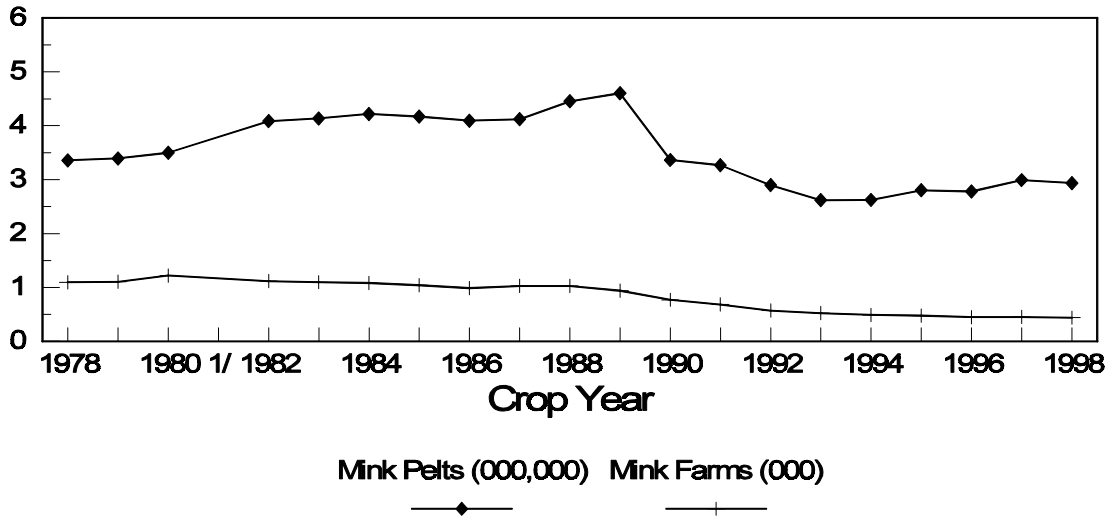
Number Of Mink Farms Down 3 Percent

There were 439 mink farms producing pelts in 1998, down 3 percent from a year ago. Leading States were Utah with 115 farms, Wisconsin with 94 farms and Minnesota with 44.

Fox

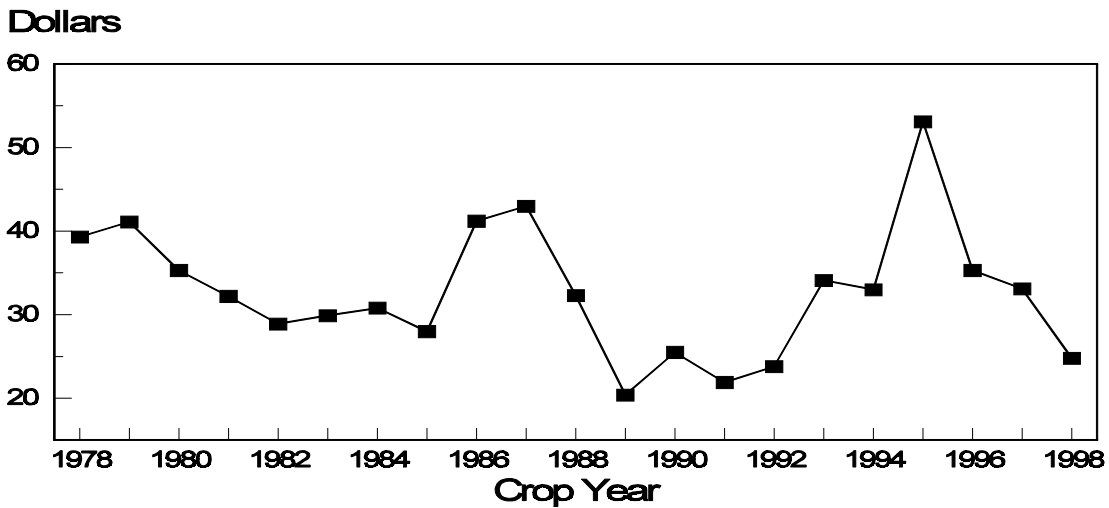
There were 31 mink farms which also raised fox in 1998, the same as the previous year.

Mink Pelts and Number of Farms 1978-1998



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Mink Pelt Average Price 1978-1998



**Mink: Pelts Produced and Females Bred, by Color Class,
United States, 1997-99 ¹**

Color Class	Pelts Produced		Females Bred to Produce Kits		
	1997 ²	1998	1997 ²	1998 ²	1999
	<i>1,000</i>	<i>1,000</i>	<i>1,000</i>	<i>1,000</i>	<i>1,000</i>
Standard	1,290	1,194	353.9	304	260
Ranch Wild	190	176	46.6	43	40
Demi-buff	124	114	30.9	36	26
Pastel	35	34	14.2	9	8
Pale Brown	1	1	0.4	0	1
Sapphire	136	140	34.5	40	38
Gunmetal	481	449	102.3	127	111
Mahogany	655	727	140.9	152	148
Pearl	13	23	6.2	4	7
Lavender-hope	6	6	2.6	2	2
Pink	3	2	1.3	1	1
Violet-type	15	26	6.4	5	5
White	41	44	9.1	11	12
Misc. & Unclassified	4	4	0.4	1	1
US	2,993	2,938	749.7	733	660

**Mink: Farms, Pelts Produced, Price, and Value,
United States, 1978-98**

Year	Mink Farms	Pelts Produced	Average Marketing Price	Value of Mink Pelts
	<i>Number</i>	<i>1,000</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Million Dollars</i>
1978	1,095	3,358	39.30	132.0
1979	1,105	3,394	41.10	139.5
1980	1,122	3,501	35.30	123.6
1981	(³)	(³)	32.20	
1982	1,116	4,085	28.90	118.1
1983	1,098	4,137	29.90	123.7
1984	1,084	4,220	30.80	130.0
1985	1,042	4,171	28.00	116.8
1986	989	4,096	41.30	170.0
1987	1,027	4,122	43.00	177.2
1988	1,027	4,453	32.30	143.8
1989	940	4,604	20.40	93.9
1990	771	3,366	25.50	85.8
1991	683	3,268	21.90	71.6
1992	571	2,900	23.80	69.0
1993 ²	523	2,620	34.10	89.3
1994 ²	484	2,623	33.00	86.6
1995 ²	478	2,803	53.10	148.8
1996 ²	449	2,783	35.30	98.2
1997 ²	452	2,993	33.10	99.1
1998 ⁴	439	2,938	24.80	72.9

¹ Sum of color class may not add to U.S. total due to rounding.

² Revised based on additional information.

³ Data not available for 1981.

⁴ Data are preliminary.

**Mink: Pelts Produced by Color Class and Number of Farms,
Major States and United States, 1993**

States	Standard	Ranch Wild	Demi- Buff ¹	Pastel	Pale Brown	Sap- phire	Gun Metal	Mahog- any
	<i>Pelts</i>	<i>Pelts</i>	<i>Pelts</i>	<i>Pelts</i>	<i>Pelts</i>	<i>Pelts</i>	<i>Pelts</i>	<i>Pelts</i>
ID	63,400	32,500	36,500	1,400		4,000	*	20,500
IL	36,100						*	*
IA	33,700	4,300	5,900	8,700		3,000	3,700	7,900
MI	33,500	*	1,800	1,600		*	500	8,400
MN	104,100	125,300	11,500	3,100		*	21,600	27,200
NY	17,800	*	1,800	2,400		*	2,800	8,400
OH	36,700	*	*	*		1,400	*	4,600
OR	65,000	*	*	*		9,200	91,000	11,000
PA	*		*	*		8,000	18,800	5,000
SD	*	32,700	*	*				*
UT	310,000	30,000	99,000	1,000		24,000	11,000	121,000
WA	62,700	*	*	*			22,200	
WI	364,900	29,300	18,100	11,800		17,400	42,100	133,000
Oth Sts	69,700	98,100	43,200	6,600	500	6,200	22,100	58,300
US	1,197,600	352,200	217,800	36,600	500	73,200	235,800	405,300
	Pearl	Lavender Hope	Pink	Violet Type	White	Misc. & Unclas- sified	Total Pelts	Number of Farms
	<i>Pelts</i>	<i>Pelts</i>	<i>Pelts</i>	<i>Pelts</i>	<i>Pelts</i>	<i>Pelts</i>	<i>Pelts</i>	
ID	*	*					169,000	24
IL					*	*	41,800	11
IA	4,500			8,500	*	*	81,000	21
MI	2,900			3,300	3,400		55,800	16
MN	*		*	*	2,200		302,200	59
NY	600		2,500	900	*		38,300	12
OH			*	*	*		57,800	12
OR			*	2,000			189,000	27
PA	*		*	*	*		61,400	17
SD	*						68,400	6
UT	2,000			1,000		1,000	600,000	140
WA							102,700	24
WI	1,300	6,900	3,200	7,900	25,000		660,900	110
Oth Sts	3,500	1,100	6,300	3,900	7,000	400	192,000	44
US	14,800	8,000	12,000	27,500	37,600	1,400	2,620,300	523

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**Mink: Pelts Produced by Color Class and Number of Farms,
Major States and United States, 1994**

States	Standard	Ranch Wild	Demi- Buff ¹	Pastel	Pale Brown	Sap- phire	Gun Metal	Mahog- any
	<i>Pelts</i>	<i>Pelts</i>	<i>Pelts</i>	<i>Pelts</i>	<i>Pelts</i>	<i>Pelts</i>	<i>Pelts</i>	<i>Pelts</i>
ID	74,000	28,600	*	*		*		44,400
IL	44,200		*					*
IA	36,700	2,800	4,500	*		2,800	10,100	11,500
MI	31,000		3,200	1,900		*	700	6,500
MN	104,000	107,500	*	*		*	21,500	41,000
NY	20,300	*	700	1,900		*	500	13,800
OH	*	6,500				3,000	*	*
OR	69,000	8,700	*	1,000		9,000	90,000	8,000
PA	24,900		*	*	*	8,800	20,200	4,200
SD	8,200	26,500	*	*				24,200
UT	275,000	20,000	66,000	1,000		14,000	17,000	133,000
WA	66,000	*	*				22,500	
WI	403,900	23,400	10,000	13,000	0	16,600	60,700	147,000
Oth Sts	82,200	54,600	90,600	15,400	2,600	9,000	8,500	58,600
US	1,239,400	278,600	175,000	34,200	2,600	63,200	251,700	492,200
	Pearl	Lavender Hope	Pink	Violet Type	White	Misc. & Unclas- sified	Total Pelts	Number of Farms
	<i>Pelts</i>	<i>Pelts</i>	<i>Pelts</i>	<i>Pelts</i>	<i>Pelts</i>	<i>Pelts</i>	<i>Pelts</i>	
ID	1,300	*					186,500	23
IL	*				*		50,300	10
IA	*			2,900	*		83,100	19
MI	*			2,200	*		52,500	12
MN	*		*	*	2,500		305,000	53
NY	1,800		2,200	1,100			45,600	12
OH			200				60,500	12
OR			*	*			189,000	27
PA	*		*	*	*	*	68,800	17
SD	*						71,300	4
UT	1,000			1,000		2,000	530,000	130
WA							108,700	23
WI	1,700	3,900	2,500	3,200	21,200	100	707,200	109
Oth Sts	11,800	2,500	6,200	4,400	10,400	200	164,700	33
US	17,600	6,400	11,100	14,800	34,100	2,300	2,623,200	484

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	<i>Pelts</i>	<i>Pelts</i>	<i>Pelts</i>	<i>Pelts</i>	<i>Pelts</i>	<i>Pelts</i>	<i>Pelts</i>	<i>Pelts</i>
ID	68,400	36,100	*	*		*		40,000
IL	43,500		*					*
IA	42,900	2,100	*	*		*	10,900	*
MI	32,100	*	3,400	1,600		1,500	1,300	6,000
MN	115,000	74,000	3,800	*		*	28,000	71,500
NY	12,700	*		300		*	600	3,100
OH	*	6,000	2,100	100		2,900	800	*
OR	73,000	*		1,100		*	101,000	5,500
PA	*	*	*	*		8,900	21,600	2,500
SD	*	*	*	*				29,000
UT	267,000	13,000	68,000	4,000		16,000	22,000	168,000
WA	67,100	*					25,500	*
WI	450,200	26,900	10,700	10,600		20,400	79,100	153,500
Oth Sts	120,000	106,100	72,000	16,800	500	21,400	7,900	103,100
US	1,291,900	264,200	160,000	34,500	500	71,100	298,700	582,200
	Pearl	Lavender Hope	Pink	Violet Type	White	Misc. & Unclas- sified	Total Pelts	Number of Farms
	<i>Pelts</i>	<i>Pelts</i>	<i>Pelts</i>	<i>Pelts</i>	<i>Pelts</i>	<i>Pelts</i>	<i>Pelts</i>	
ID	*	*					170,500	22
IL	*				*		48,400	10
IA	*			3,900	*		91,300	21
MI	2,100		*	1,400	2,500		52,100	12
MN	*		*		3,300		306,000	52
NY	200		1,000	1,000		*	20,800	11
OH				100			68,000	12
OR				*			198,000	27
PA	*	*	*	*	*		63,200	13
SD	*						80,700	4
UT	11,000			1,000			570,000	130
WA							105,000	20
WI	1,400	*	*	5,800	20,600	*	785,800	107
Oth Sts	18,400	5,900	6,300	3,600	7,300	700	243,300	37
US	33,100	5,900	7,300	16,800	33,700	700	2,803,100	478

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	<i>Pelts</i>	<i>Pelts</i>	<i>Pelts</i>	<i>Pelts</i>	<i>Pelts</i>	<i>Pelts</i>	<i>Pelts</i>	<i>Pelts</i>
ID	52,900	32,800	19,100	*	*	*		45,700
IL	50,900							*
IA	45,100	*	*	11,500		5,200	14,700	3,900
MI	30,000		400	1,600		3,400	1,600	12,700
MN	111,300	65,300	11,200	1,800		*	27,300	71,900
NY	9,100	*	500	1,100	*	*	800	4,100
OH	*	5,500				4,700	2,000	*
OR	78,000	*		*		8,400	110,000	*
PA	*		1,600	*		9,300	22,100	*
SD	*	31,000	*	*				37,500
UT	286,000	11,000	50,000	3,000		18,000	28,000	183,000
WA	68,000	*	*			*	33,000	*
WI	470,700	25,000	6,700	7,200		25,300	103,700	162,400
Oth Sts	115,000	24,500	21,000	6,100	1,200	19,800	10,000	62,900
US	1,317,000	195,100	110,500	32,300	1,200	94,100	353,200	584,100
	Pearl	Lavender Hope	Pink	Violet Type	White	Misc. & Unclas- sified	Total Pelts	Number of Farms
	<i>Pelts</i>	<i>Pelts</i>	<i>Pelts</i>	<i>Pelts</i>	<i>Pelts</i>	<i>Pelts</i>	<i>Pelts</i>	
ID	*			*			170,000	22
IL	*				*	*	56,700	9
IA	*			*	*		97,000	20
MI	1,700			1,200	3,800	600	57,000	9
MN	*			*	*		293,300	40
NY	200		200	400		1,600	20,100	11
OH							73,800	12
OR				*			208,000	23
PA	*		*	*	*		65,700	13
SD	*						94,100	4
UT	5,000			1,000			585,000	130
WA							117,000	19
WI	*	4,000	*	7,200	20,900	800	836,700	106
Oth Sts	18,500	5,300	2,800	11,700	8,400	400	108,800	31
US	25,400	9,300	3,000	21,500	33,100	3,400	2,783,200	449

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Major States and United States, 1997**

States	Standard	Ranch Wild	Demi- Buff ¹	Pastel	Pale Brown	Sap- phire	Gun Metal	Mahog- any
	<i>Pelts</i>	<i>Pelts</i>	<i>Pelts</i>	<i>Pelts</i>	<i>Pelts</i>	<i>Pelts</i>	<i>Pelts</i>	<i>Pelts</i>
ID	45,100	34,700	*	*		25,200	9,100	57,500
IL	55,500							*
IA	59,500	700	*	*			19,100	6,800
MI	25,000	*	*	1,600		3,000	*	17,000
MN	109,600	75,600				2,200	54,400	66,300
NY	10,000	*	800	500		2,700	*	7,300
OH	28,600	*					*	24,000
OR	88,100		6,700	*		13,300	126,000	*
PA	*		*			10,800	24,200	4,200
SD	*	32,000	*	*			*	14,000
UT	311,000	*	60,000	*		30,000	28,000	226,000
WA	62,800	*	*	*	*		41,000	*
WI	425,100	19,600	6,100	10,700		32,200	119,700	188,100
Oth Sts	69,600	27,200	49,900	21,900	1,000	16,500	59,300	44,200
US	1,289,900	189,800	123,500	34,700	1,000	135,900	480,800	655,400
	Pearl	Lavender Hope	Pink	Violet Type	White	Misc. & Unclas- sified	Total Pelts	Number of Farms
	<i>Pelts</i>	<i>Pelts</i>	<i>Pelts</i>	<i>Pelts</i>	<i>Pelts</i>	<i>Pelts</i>	<i>Pelts</i>	
ID	*	*					189,000	24
IL	*						62,000	9
IA	*				*		122,000	17
MI	1,500			1,500	*	*	56,000	12
MN					2,500		310,600	46
NY			300	200		900	23,000	8
OH							70,300	12
OR				*			250,000	28
PA	*		*	900			70,300	12
SD							95,300	4
UT	*			*			670,000	125
WA							121,400	19
WI		*	*	6,500	20,600	2,800	835,100	103
Oth Sts	11,800	5,600	3,100	5,900	17,500	700	118,300	33
US	13,300	5,600	3,400	15,000	40,600	4,400	2,993,300	452

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Major States and United States, 1998**

States	Standard	Ranch Wild	Demi- Buff ¹	Pastel	Pale Brown	Sap- phire	Gun Metal	Mahog- any
	<i>Pelts</i>	<i>Pelts</i>	<i>Pelts</i>	<i>Pelts</i>	<i>Pelts</i>	<i>Pelts</i>	<i>Pelts</i>	<i>Pelts</i>
ID	35,800	42,300	*	*		19,100	26,100	49,000
IL	43,200							*
IA	61,500			*		*	17,000	8,100
MI	21,000	*	*	1,200		3,000	*	20,000
MN	72,200	58,000	*	2,100		1,700	31,100	97,700
NY	13,000		*	200		4,300	100	8,700
OH	31,000	*			*	*		27,700
OR	87,600		*	*		15,800	133,000	*
PA	*		*	*		12,400	22,900	*
SD	*	*	*	*				37,200
UT	312,000	*	62,000	*	*	40,000	27,000	219,000
WA	57,700	*				*	59,300	*
WI	397,100	14,100	2,500	9,500		27,500	118,000	194,300
Oth Sts	61,600	61,700	49,500	20,600	600	16,400	14,200	65,600
US	1,193,700	176,100	114,000	33,600	600	140,200	448,700	727,300
	Pearl	Lavender Hope	Pink	Violet Type	White	Misc. & Unclas- sified	Total Pelts	Number of Farms
	<i>Pelts</i>	<i>Pelts</i>	<i>Pelts</i>	<i>Pelts</i>	<i>Pelts</i>	<i>Pelts</i>	<i>Pelts</i>	
ID		*		*		*	184,500	22
IL	*				*	*	49,600	10
IA	*			*	*		123,900	19
MI	800			*	4,400		54,000	13
MN	*						268,300	44
NY				4,200			30,500	10
OH							70,400	12
OR				*			263,000	30
PA	*		*	*	*		67,500	11
SD	*						93,800	6
UT	*			*			675,000	115
WA							142,600	20
WI		*	*	11,900	20,700	*	800,500	94
Oth Sts	22,400	5,500	1,900	9,700	18,400	4,100	114,600	33
US	23,200	5,500	1,900	25,800	43,500	4,100	2,938,200	439

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**Female Mink Bred to Produce Kits: Number by Color Class,
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States	Standard	Ranch Wild	Demi- Buff ¹	Pastel	Pale Brown	Sap- phire	Gun Metal	Mahog- any
	<i>Number</i>	<i>Number</i>	<i>Number</i>	<i>Number</i>	<i>Number</i>	<i>Number</i>	<i>Number</i>	<i>Number</i>
ID	20,500	7,300	4,900	300		1,300	2,800	12,800
IL	12,800							*
IA	10,200	1,900	1,300	2,800		1,100	3,100	1,800
MI	8,700	*	700	400		100	*	1,900
MN	33,000	30,500	1,700	*		*	6,500	4,600
NY	7,800	*	100	1,000	*	*	900	1,300
OH	11,900	*	*	*		*		2,500
OR	18,000	*	*	500		2,700	22,700	2,000
PA	6,200		*	*		2,100	5,300	2,200
SD	*	9,100		*				4,300
UT	106,100	6,000	23,800	300		5,300	3,400	24,300
WA	15,800	*	*	*			5,900	
WI	99,300	7,900	5,200	3,900	0	4,500	11,700	17,000
Oth Sts	14,300	27,400	7,600	2,400	200	2,500	2,900	16,800
US	253,000	90,100	45,300	11,600	200	19,600	65,200	91,500
	Pearl	Lavender Hope	Pink	Violet Type	White	Misc. & Unclass- ified	Total	
	<i>Number</i>	<i>Number</i>	<i>Number</i>	<i>Number</i>	<i>Number</i>	<i>Number</i>	<i>Number</i>	<i>Number</i>
ID	200	200	100				50,400	
IL	*				*		14,300	
IA	1,400			*	*		24,500	
MI	900			*	*		15,300	
MN	*		*		1,000		80,300	
NY	600		1,200	500			14,100	
OH			*	*			17,400	
OR			*	*			49,000	
PA	*		*	*	*		18,700	
SD	*						18,500	
UT	300			500			170,000	
WA							26,700	
WI	400	1,600	900	1,900	5,600	100	160,000	
Oth Sts	900		2,400	3,200	2,500		55,300	
US	4,700	1,800	4,600	6,100	9,100	100	714,500	

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States	Standard	Ranch Wild	Demi- Buff ¹	Pastel	Pale Brown	Sap- phire	Gun Metal	Mahog- any
	<i>Number</i>	<i>Number</i>	<i>Number</i>	<i>Number</i>	<i>Number</i>	<i>Number</i>	<i>Number</i>	<i>Number</i>
ID	19,700	6,000	6,100	100		900		10,700
IL	13,300		*					*
IA	12,400	1,100	1,000	2,600		1,100	1,800	2,900
MI	10,300		800	300		*	400	1,400
MN	31,800	23,900	*	*		*	5,400	7,100
NY	8,500	*	500	900		*	700	1,700
OH	12,100	*	*	*		700	*	1,700
OR	18,000	1,800	*	400		*	23,000	*
PA	6,900		*	*		2,500	5,800	1,700
SD	3,800	9,300	*	*				*
UT	95,000	11,700	18,500	200		6,900	3,000	28,700
WA	19,300	*	*				6,100	
WI	107,600	5,600	4,800	3,300		4,200	12,900	22,600
Oth Sts	15,300	25,400	12,000	2,100	100	4,700	2,700	25,900
US	374,000	84,800	43,700	9,900	100	21,000	61,800	104,400
	Pearl	Lavender Hope	Pink	Violet Type	White	Misc. & Unclass- ified	Total	
	<i>Number</i>	<i>Number</i>	<i>Number</i>	<i>Number</i>	<i>Number</i>	<i>Number</i>	<i>Number</i>	<i>Number</i>
ID	*	*					44,700	
IL	*					*	14,700	
IA	1,000		*	2,400		*	26,500	
MI	*			700		*	15,500	
MN	*		*	*	1,000		74,000	
NY	700		1,100	500			15,000	
OH			*			*	19,000	
OR			*	*			48,700	
PA	*		*	*	*		19,800	
SD	*						19,800	
UT	700			300			165,000	
WA							29,900	
WI	300	1,400	900	1,000	4,400		169,000	
Oth Sts	2,800	600	2,400	1,500	2,800		64,600	
US	5,500	2,000	4,400	6,400	8,200		726,200	

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States	Standard	Ranch Wild	Demi- Buff ¹	Pastel	Pale Brown	Sap- phire	Gun Metal	Mahog- any
	<i>Number</i>	<i>Number</i>	<i>Number</i>	<i>Number</i>	<i>Number</i>	<i>Number</i>	<i>Number</i>	<i>Number</i>
ID	22,000	5,400	*	*		1,400		11,900
IL	12,300							*
IA	12,900	600	1,000	*		1,000	3,900	3,600
MI	7,700		700	400		*	400	2,000
MN	32,500	17,500	*	*		*	5,500	12,000
NY	4,300	*	200	300		*	1,000	1,000
OH	*	1,500		100		*	200	*
OR	18,000	*		*		*	24,000	1,600
PA	6,300	*	*	*		2,500	5,700	1,500
SD	*	*	*	*				5,200
UT	87,300	5,200	14,200	1,400		6,800	7,600	35,600
WA	16,700	*					6,500	*
WI	115,300	5,800	2,400	3,100	0	4,800	18,900	26,600
Oth Sts	28,200	22,400	23,500	5,100	100	5,900	3,100	25,200
US	363,500	58,400	42,000	10,400	100	22,400	76,800	126,200
	Pearl	Lavender Hope	Pink	Violet Type	White	Misc. & Unclass- ified	Total	
	<i>Number</i>	<i>Number</i>	<i>Number</i>	<i>Number</i>	<i>Number</i>	<i>Number</i>	<i>Number</i>	<i>Number</i>
ID	800	*					52,200	
IL	*					*	13,400	
IA	*			1,000		*	28,100	
MI	*	*		900		*	13,500	
MN	*		*		1,500		75,500	
NY	100		500				7,600	
OH			100	100			20,000	
OR				*			49,300	
PA	*		*	*	*		19,000	
SD	*						18,500	
UT	2,900			200		800	162,000	
WA							25,600	
WI	300	1,400	400	900	5,000	100	185,000	
Oth Sts	3,900	1,400	2,000	1,100	2,700		58,200	
US	8,000	2,800	3,000	4,200	9,200	900	727,900	

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States	Standard	Ranch Wild	Demi- Buff ¹	Pastel	Pale Brown	Sap- phire	Gun Metal	Mahog- any
	<i>Number</i>	<i>Number</i>	<i>Number</i>	<i>Number</i>	<i>Number</i>	<i>Number</i>	<i>Number</i>	<i>Number</i>
ID	13,000	7,300	2,800	*	*	*		9,000
IL	13,200							*
IA	13,000	*	*	*		1,400	4,700	3,600
MI	7,700			300		700	600	2,100
MN	31,000	13,000	*	*		*	6,500	15,500
NY	4,100	*		300		*	100	500
OH	*	1,100	800	100		1,300	400	*
OR	18,000	*		400		3,000	27,000	1,100
PA	*	*	*	*		2,700	6,000	1,100
SD	*	*	*	*				6,700
UT	86,400	3,300	14,000	700	100	6,200	8,200	45,900
WA	16,400	*				*	8,200	*
WI	115,000	5,600	2,200	2,600	*	6,200	28,900	26,400
Oth Sts	33,400	14,100	9,500	5,200	300	5,100	3,900	10,500
US	351,200	44,400	29,300	9,600	400	26,600	94,500	122,400
	Pearl	Lavender Hope	Pink	Violet Type	White	Misc. & Unclass- ified	Total	
	<i>Number</i>	<i>Number</i>	<i>Number</i>	<i>Number</i>	<i>Number</i>	<i>Number</i>	<i>Number</i>	<i>Number</i>
ID	*	*		*			37,400	
IL	*				*		14,300	
IA	*			1,300	*		29,600	
MI	800			500	700		13,400	
MN				*	*		68,500	
NY						*	7,200	
OH				100			20,500	
OR				*			51,000	
PA	*		*	*	*		19,200	
SD	*						22,800	
UT	2,000			200			167,000	
WA							27,500	
WI	200	1,300	*	900	5,200		195,000	
Oth Sts	3,700	1,500	800	1,400	2,200	2,100	29,700	
US	6,700	2,800	800	4,400	8,100	2,100	703,100	

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**Female Mink Bred to Produce Kits: Number by Color Class,
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States	Standard	Ranch Wild	Demi- Buff ¹	Pastel	Pale Brown	Sap- phire	Gun Metal	Mahog- any
	<i>Number</i>	<i>Number</i>	<i>Number</i>	<i>Number</i>	<i>Number</i>	<i>Number</i>	<i>Number</i>	<i>Number</i>
ID	12,900	9,100	*	*		7,000	2,500	12,800
IL	13,300		*					*
IA	13,700	*	2,200	6,000		2,400	5,300	3,600
MI	7,300		100	300		600	600	3,300
MN	26,100	16,600	*	600		*	6,300	16,800
NY	3,600	*		800	*	*	600	300
OH	*	1,300				2,000	500	*
OR	19,000	*		*		3,400	27,000	*
PA	*		900	*		2,900	5,900	*
SD	*	*	*	*				7,600
UT	91,600	2,400	15,000	700	100	7,800	9,300	56,300
WA	17,000	*	*				10,400	*
WI	117,500	4,900	2,100	2,300		6,600	29,700	25,100
Oth Sts	31,900	12,300	10,600	3,500	300	1,800	4,200	15,100
US	353,900	46,600	30,900	14,200	400	34,500	102,300	140,900
	Pearl	Lavender Hope	Pink	Violet Type	White	Misc. & Unclass- ified	Total	
	<i>Number</i>	<i>Number</i>	<i>Number</i>	<i>Number</i>	<i>Number</i>	<i>Number</i>	<i>Number</i>	<i>Number</i>
ID	*	*		*			51,400	
IL	*				*		14,700	
IA	*			2,700	*		36,600	
MI	500			300	800	200	14,000	
MN	*			*	*		68,500	
NY			400	400			6,800	
OH							19,700	
OR				*			52,000	
PA	*		*	*	*		19,100	
SD	*						23,000	
UT	500			400	900		185,000	
WA							30,900	
WI	*	*	*	1,600	4,800	200	196,600	
Oth Sts	5,200	2,600	900	1,000	2,600		31,400	
US	6,200	2,600	1,300	6,400	9,100	400	749,700	

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**Female Mink Bred to Produce Kits: Number by Color Class,
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States	Standard	Ranch Wild	Demi- Buff ¹	Pastel	Pale Brown	Sap- phire	Gun Metal	Mahog- any
	<i>Number</i>	<i>Number</i>	<i>Number</i>	<i>Number</i>	<i>Number</i>	<i>Number</i>	<i>Number</i>	<i>Number</i>
ID	9,900	9,200	*	*		6,100	7,300	15,000
IL	10,700	*						*
IA	17,600	200	*	*		*	5,600	3,600
MI	7,600	*	*	400		800	*	4,200
MN	21,700	16,500	*	400		*	14,600	14,800
NY	3,200			700		2,100		100
OH	9,800	*		*		*	*	7,000
OR	19,600		1,500	*		4,000	34,100	*
PA				*		3,100	5,700	*
SD		5,700		*				3,500
UT	80,200	*	19,100	*	*	11,700	5,600	54,700
WA	14,900	*					12,600	*
WI	91,300	3,900	1,900	3,300		7,700	27,600	38,100
Oth Sts	17,300	7,000	13,100	4,000	100	4,900	14,100	10,600
US	303,800	42,500	35,600	8,800	100	40,400	127,200	151,600
	Pearl	Lavender Hope	Pink	Violet Type	White	Misc. & Unclass- ified	Total	
	<i>Number</i>	<i>Number</i>	<i>Number</i>	<i>Number</i>	<i>Number</i>	<i>Number</i>	<i>Number</i>	<i>Number</i>
ID		*		*		*	51,500	
IL	*				*		12,200	
IA	1,800			*	*		35,000	
MI	400			600	*		15,500	
MN	*				*		69,900	
NY	100				*		6,200	
OH							21,100	
OR	400						61,000	
PA	*		*	300	*		18,300	
SD							23,200	
UT				*			175,000	
WA	*						31,300	
WI		*	*	1,300	6,000	400	182,300	
Oth Sts	1,300	1,800	800	2,900	4,900	300	30,800	
US	4,000	1,800	800	5,100	10,900	700	733,300	

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**Female Mink Bred to Produce Kits: Number by Color Class,
Major States and United States, 1999**

States	Standard	Ranch Wild	Demi- Buff ¹	Pastel	Pale Brown	Sap- phire	Gun Metal	Mahog- any
	<i>Number</i>	<i>Number</i>	<i>Number</i>	<i>Number</i>	<i>Number</i>	<i>Number</i>	<i>Number</i>	<i>Number</i>
ID	7,700	9,100	*	*		5,600	6,600	13,900
IL	11,300		*					*
IA	20,300	*	1,600			*	4,900	3,600
MI	3,900	*	*	600		1,000	*	4,700
MN	10,900	13,900	*	700		700	7,100	22,500
NY	1,500			300		100	100	
OH	8,800	*			*	*	*	5,900
OR	18,400		*	*		2,900	33,000	*
PA	*	*	*	*		3,700	6,000	*
SD	*	*	*	*				7,800
UT	70,400	*	15,400	*	*	9,800	8,500	45,700
WA	11,800	*					10,100	
WI	79,500	3,400	800	2,800		*0	28,400	35,000
Oth Sts	15,400	13,300	8,300	3,500	1,200	7,100	6,200	8,800
US	259,900	39,700	26,100	7,900	1,200	38,200	110,900	147,900
	Pearl	Lavender Hope	Pink	Violet Type	White	Misc. & Unclass- ified	Total	
	<i>Number</i>	<i>Number</i>	<i>Number</i>	<i>Number</i>	<i>Number</i>	<i>Number</i>	<i>Number</i>	<i>Number</i>
ID		*		*		*	46,700	
IL	*				*		12,800	
IA	*			*	*		37,900	
MI	*			*	1,300		12,800	
MN					*		57,000	
NY							2,000	
OH						*	20,100	
OR							58,000	
PA	*		*	*	*		18,900	
SD	*						22,800	
UT	*			*			156,000	
WA							26,600	
WI		*	*	2,000	5,300	1,000	166,200	
Oth Sts	7,400	1,800	700	3,300	4,900	400	22,100	
US	7,400	1,800	700	5,300	11,500	1,400	659,900	

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