

SHEEP AND LAMBS ON FEED



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SHEEP AND LAMBS ON FEED UP 2 PERCENT FROM 1981

The number of sheep and lambs on feed in seven selected States on March 1, 1982 totaled 680 thousand head, up 2 percent from the 664 thousand head on feed a year ago. There were 366 thousand placed on feed during January and February this year, up 5 percent from the 349 thousand placed during the same period of 1981. The 673 thousand head marketed during January and February 1982 were 6 percent fewer than the comparable period a year earlier.

Of the total number on feed March 1, 1982, in the seven States:

12 percent weighed less than 70 pounds,
9 percent weighed 70-79 pounds,
13 percent weighed 80-89 pounds,
22 percent weighed 90-99 pounds,
44 percent weighed 100 pounds and over.

EARLY LAMB CROP DOWN 1 PERCENT

The early lamb crop in California, Kansas and Texas totaled 1.43 million head, down 1 percent from a year ago. The January 1 inventory of ewes one year old and older for these States was down 1 percent.

EARLY LAMB CROP, MARCH 1 1/

STATE	1980	1981	1982	1982 AS % OF 1981
	1,000 HEAD			PERCENT
CALIF	667	673	673	100
KANS	114	108	106	98
TEX	640	660	650	98
TOTAL 3 STATES	1,421	1,441	1,429	99

1/ IN KANS AND TEX-EARLY LAMBS LIVING MAR 1 WHICH WERE BORN BETWEEN OCT 1 AND MAR 1. IN CALIF-EARLY LAMBS LIVING MAR 1 WHICH WERE BORN BETWEEN SEP 1 AND MAR 1.

NOTE: The November, January and March Sheep and Lambs on Feed reports for the seven major feeding States are eliminated following this report. The Early Lamb Crop estimates for 3 major States published in the March Sheep and Lambs on Feed is also discontinued.

SHEEP AND LAMBS ON FEED: INVENTORY, WEIGHT GROUPS, PLACEMENTS, AND MARKETINGS,
7 STATES, MARCH 1, 1981-82 1/

ITEM	1981	1982	1982/1981
	1,000 HEAD		PERCENT
ON FEED JAN 1	1,029	987	96
PLACEMENTS, JAN-FEB	349	366	105
MARKETED, JAN-FEB	714	673	94
ON FEED MAR 1	664	680	102
WEIGHT GROUPS:			
UNDER 70 POUNDS	70	79	113
70-79 POUNDS	59	63	107
80-89 POUNDS	81	88	109
90-99 POUNDS	197	147	75
100 POUNDS AND OVER	257	303	118

SHEEP AND LAMBS ON FEED: PLACEMENTS, MARKETINGS, AND INVENTORY,
7 STATES, MARCH 1, 1981-82

STATE	PLACED ON FEED		MARKETED		TOTAL ON FEED		1982 AS % OF 1981
	DURING JAN AND FEB	DURING JAN AND FEB	DURING JAN AND FEB	DURING JAN AND FEB	MAR 1	MAR 1	
	1981	1982	1981	1982	1981	1982	
	1,000 HEAD						PERCENT
ARIZ	4	4	11	15	40	46	115
CALIF	5	5	85	135	95	70	74
COLO	120	155	260	215	160	170	106
IOWA	40	50	48	50	69	85	123
NEBR	30	35	65	55	65	65	100
TEX	135	105	170	125	175	180	103
WYO	15	12	75	78	60	64	107
7 STATES	349	366	714	673	664	680	102

SHEEP AND LAMBS ON FEED: BY WEIGHT GROUPS,
7 STATES, MARCH 1, 1981-82

STATE	UNDER 70 POUNDS		70-79 POUNDS		80-89 POUNDS		90-99 POUNDS		100 POUNDS AND OVER	
	1981	1982	1981	1982	1981	1982	1981	1982	1981	1982
	1,000 HEAD									
ARIZ	0	4	8	6	3	7	20	8	9	21
CALIF	0	0	0	0	3	1	27	15	65	54
COLO	3	0	6	3	32	20	43	42	76	105
IOWA	34	35	5	5	7	11	9	16	14	18
NEBR	18	19	4	5	3	7	23	11	17	23
TEX	14	20	35	43	31	40	51	43	44	34
WYO	1	1	1	1	2	2	24	12	32	48
7 STATES	70	79	59	63	81	88	197	147	257	303

1/ SHEEP AND LAMBS ON FEED ARE ANIMALS BEING FATTENED FOR SLAUGHTER MARKET ON GRAIN, OTHER CONCENTRATES, OR SUCCULENT PASTURES, AND ARE EXPECTED TO PRODUCE A CARCASS THAT WILL GRADE GOOD OR BETTER.