



USDA Weekly National Lamb Market Summary

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National Boxed Lamb Cuts

FOB Plant basis negotiated sales for delivery within 0-21 day period, fresh and frozen carlot volume, including sales since last report, U.S. dollars per 100 pounds. *Items with no entries indicate non-reportable trades.*

Current Volume:		Fresh Cuts	1,287,013	pounds	Frozen Cuts	290,740	pounds	
Fresh Choice & Prime Cuts			# of			Weighted		Change from
IMPS	Sub-Primal		Trades		Total	Average		Prior Day
200A	Carcass, 3-way, 55/65		3		1,468	388.43		
204	Rack, 8-Rib, light		3		726	949.75		(4.89)
204	Rack, 8-Rib, medium		132		30,220	873.89		(2.68)
204	Rack, 8-Rib, heavy		8		1,434	950.60		(7.75)
204A	Rack, chined		49		10,892	1,054.51		(15.78)
204B	Rack, roast-ready		17		10,403	1,283.71		4.31
204C	Rack, roast-ready, frenched		118		20,565	1,641.08		(8.70)
204C	Rack, roast-ready, frenched - Frozen		3		1,887	1,576.14		
204D	Rack, roast-ready, special		31		6,787	2,055.61		13.40
206	Shoulders		71		55,799	303.16		(8.46)
207	Shoulders, square-cut		202		86,391	322.35		(0.17)
207	Shoulders, square-cut - Frozen		3		362	296.93		5.62
208	Shoulders, square-cut, bnls		66		17,273	567.34		8.57
209	Breast		122		36,451	271.05		(1.04)
209	Breast - Frozen		8		1,024	325.67		(8.24)
	Breast, bulk		9		19,804	212.33		
209A	Ribs, Breast bones off		36		5,891	633.69		1.49
209A	Ribs, Breast bones off - Frozen							
210	Foreshank		159		20,486	419.20		5.17
210	Foreshank - Frozen		46		12,403	360.53		7.65
230	Hindsaddle		5		443	428.28		(2.50)
231	Loins		16		2,230	327.03		(17.82)
232	Loins, trimmed 4x4		112		13,972	541.37		(5.36)
232	Loins, trimmed 2x2		5		1,790	638.09		47.02
232	Loins, trimmed 1x1		77		19,809	597.42		(20.58)
232	Loins, trimmed 1x1 - Frozen		4		916	500.98		(6.39)
232	Loins, trimmed 0x0		19		2,098	861.02		74.25
232A	Loins, short-cut, 1x1		16		3,013	677.50		(16.48)
232C	Loins, boneless, tied		10		630	1,552.80		64.48
232E	Flank, untrimmed		30		10,340	155.00		0.87
232E	Flank, untrimmed - Frozen		4		9,341	127.89		
233	Legs		76		11,642	413.19		(2.01)
233A	Legs, trotter-off		230		83,491	370.63		9.28
233A	Legs, trotter-off - Frozen		3		1,802	356.45		29.72
233C	Legs, trotter-off, partial bnls		52		56,099	511.86		(4.58)
233E	Leg, steamship		16		3,404	515.40		(27.79)
233F	Hindshank		55		18,863	398.51		2.21
233F	Hindshank - Frozen		15		6,458	353.71		5.33
234	Leg, Boneless, Tied		166		63,532	558.92		0.42
234	Leg, Boneless, Tied - Frozen		9		3,160	565.53		(1.61)
234A	Leg, shank off bnls		51		12,051	646.64		(0.63)
234E	Leg, inside, boneless		74		9,132	835.52		1.27
234E	Leg, inside, boneless - Frozen		20		6,314	739.61		(52.75)
234G	Sirloin, boneless		20		1,231	868.44		5.57
236	Back, trimmed		3		50	704.26		(0.82)
238	Trimmings		15		5,498	362.50		(1.01)
239	Special trimmings		18		740	585.14		6.21
239	Special trimmings - Frozen		5		5,290	313.40		14.18
295	Lamb for stewing		38		8,005	502.42		(5.76)
295	Lamb for stewing - Frozen		12		2,679	750.74		8.77
296	Ground lamb		72		15,974	564.94		(5.70)
296	Ground lamb - Frozen		41		7,874	528.83		(47.08)
	Necks		35		8,737	201.24		(5.23)
	Necks - Frozen		6		7,100	166.71		(2.73)

USDA Estimated National Lamb Carcass Cutout				National Sheep Summary	
Based on a 5-Day Rolling weighted average FOB plant prices collected under Mandatory Price Reporting and industry yields **Includes Fresh and Frozen Product				https://www.ams.usda.gov/mnreports/sa_ls855.txt	
	FOB Price	Change	% Carcass		
Gross Carcass Value	396.29	2.05	94.47%		
				National Wool Review	
Foresaddle Value	441.30	(0.51)	48.92%		
Hindsaddle Value	396.07	5.05	45.55%	http://www.ams.usda.gov/mnreports/gl_ls850.txt	
Carcass value less process/pkg per cwt cost of			\$48.45		
Net Carcass Value	347.84	2.05			

National Weekly Lamb Carcass And Lamb Cuts - Imported

FOB cold storage; negotiated sales for delivery within 0-21 days and for delivery 22/Up days; fresh and frozen carlot volume;
U.S. dollars per 100 pounds. *Items with no entries indicate non-reportable trades.*

AUS = Australia		NZ = New Zealand				
Current Volume:	Fresh Cuts	2,181,777	pounds	Frozen Cuts	1,792,488	pounds
Fresh Choice & Prime Cuts		# of	Total			Weighted
Sub-Primal		Trades	Pounds		Price Range	Average
AUS Rack, FR, Cap-off, 20-24 oz		9	6,020		1129.00 1231.00	1161.51
AUS Rack, FR, Cap-off, 20-24 oz - Frozen		4	13,610		1081.00 1164.00	1144.67
AUS Rack, FR, Cap-off, 24-28 oz		23	29,760		1055.00 1255.00	1164.34
AUS Rack, FR, Cap-off, 24-28 oz - Frozen		26	16,296		924.00 1219.00	1048.78
AUS Rack, FR, Cap-off, 28 oz/up		25	20,775		1099.00 1250.00	1174.85
AUS Rack, FR, Cap-off, 28 oz/up - Frozen		11	12,828		924.00 1199.00	1056.55
AUS Shoulder, Square-cut		22	78,167		269.00 369.00	302.72
AUS Shoulder, Square-cut - Frozen		13	16,340		225.00 288.00	264.24
AUS Shoulder, Square-cut, bnls - Frozen						
AUS Foreshank, VP		6	13,656		293.00 351.00	303.70
AUS Foreshank, VP - Frozen						
AUS Shortloin, 1-Rib, 1x1		5	44,634		368.00 516.00	383.76
AUS Shortloin, 1-Rib, 0x0		34	238,951		430.00 585.00	502.19
AUS Leg, Long - Frozen		77	227,747		273.00 400.00	383.25
AUS Leg, semi bnls		7	57,640		346.00 465.00	350.65
AUS Hindshank, LP - Frozen		20	31,113		265.00 360.00	297.28
AUS Hindshank, VP - Frozen						
AUS Leg, bnls - Frozen						
NZ Rack, FR, Cap-off, 12 oz/dn - Frozen		3	563		1099.00 1248.00	1164.00
NZ Rack, FR, Cap-off, 12-16 oz - Frozen		59	38,492		1065.00 1347.00	1166.50
NZ Rack, FR, Cap-off, 16-20 oz - Frozen		131	92,051		1085.00 1355.00	1148.27
NZ Rack, FR, Cap-off, 20 oz/up - Frozen		24	15,173		1015.00 1347.00	1087.64

National Weekly Slaughter Sheep Review

Compared to last week: steady to 1.00 lower on comparable sales.

Negotiated Purchases:	This week:	4,400	Last week:	4,200	Last year:	3,200
Domestic Slaughter Lambs: Choice and Prime:						
Live Purchases:	Wooled and Shorn	125-165	lbs	Price Range	137.44 - 158.00	Wtd Avg Price
						151.72
Formula Purchases:	Formula purchase information for	Comprehensive Information:				
	previously slaughtered lambs (carcass basis)	Formula transactions submitted this week (carcass basis)				
Weighted Average Weight:	75.70	lbs	Weighted Average Weight:	75.52	lbs	
Weighted Average Net Price:	292.61		Weighted Average Net Price:	293.92		
Weighted Average Dressing Percent:	48.78		Weighted Average Dressing Percent:	49.34		

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USDA National Lamb Est. Grading Percent

YIELD GRADE						10/27/2019 to 11/30/2019	
QUALITY	#1	#2	#3	#4	#5	QUALITY ONLY	TOTAL QUALITY GRADED THIS PD
GRADE							% OF ALL QUALITY GRADED
PRIME	8	99	179	152	53		491 7.5%
CHOICE	260	1,636	3,050	1,013	137		6,096 92.5%
GOOD	0	0	0	0	0		0 0.0%
UTILITY	0	0	0	0	0		0 0.0%
CULL	0	0	0	0	0		0 0.0%
TOTAL YIELD GRADED THIS PERIOD	267	1,735	3,229	1,166	191		
% OF ALL YIELD GRADED	4.1%	26.3%	49.0%	17.7%	2.9%		

10/27/2019 to 11/30/2019
November
2019 Fiscal Year

Acutal Slaughter Under Federal Inspection					U.S. Federally Inspected Slaughter by Region			
Red Meat Production					Week Ending 12/7/2019			
Estimated, except Actual=**			Average		Standard Federal	Sheep in 1,000 head		
	Production	Slaughter	Live Weights	Dressed	Regions	Total	Mature	Lambs and
					1/	2/	Sheep	Yearlings
21-Dec-19	2.5	39,000	129	65				
14-Dec-19	2.5	39,000	128	64	1	0.8	-	0.7
Change:					2	3.9	0.4	3.5
22-Dec-18	3.1	46,000	132	66	3	2.7	0.3	2.4
Change:	-19.40%	-15.20%			4	2.1	0.3	1.9
7-Dec-19	2.7	**	132	66	5	6.7	0.5	6.2
2019 YTD	130.1	1,964,000			6	0.8	0.1	0.8
2018 YTD	137.1	1,957,000			7	0.2	-	0.2
Change:	-5.10%	0.40%			8	16.2	0.4	15.8
					9	5.7	0.2	5.6
					10	1.1	0.1	1.1
Actual Slaughter Under Federal Inspection					U.S. 2/ :	40.3	2.2	38.2
For Week Ending:	12/7/2019				- Represents zero.			
Monday	8,942		% Lambs and Yearlings	94.7	(D) Withheld to avoid disclosing individual operations			
Tuesday	8,446		% Mature Sheep	5.3	1/ States included in regions are: 1-CT, ME,NH,VT,MA & RI; 2-NY & NJ;			
Wednesday	7,255				3-DE-MD,PA,WV & VA; 4-AL,FL,GA,KY,MS,NC,SC & TN; 5-IL,IN,MI,			
Thursday	7,700				MN,OH & WI; 6-AR,LA,NM,OK & TX; 7-IA,KS-MO & NE; 8-CO,MT,ND,			
Friday	6,712				SD,UT & WY; 9-AZ,CA,HI & NV; 10-AK,ID,OR & WA			
Saturday	1,287				2/ Totals may not add due to rounding. A region may not be			
Total	40,342				published due to confidentiality, but is included in totals.			

U.S. to Mexico Weekly Export Summary						National Retail Summary					
Thursday	12/19/2019					NATIONAL SUMMARY					
	Current	Previous	Current	Previous	Percent		THIS WEEK	LAST WEEK	LAST YEAR		
	Week	Week	YTD	YTD	Change						
	12/14/19	12/7/19									
Slaughter						Outlets	29,200	29,200	29,200		
Lambs						Feature Rate (1/)	16.3%	12.0%	17.9%		
Ewes	319		5,271	7467		Special Rate (2/)	0.3%	0.0%	1.5%		
Breeding Males				30		Activity Index (3/)	7,790	5,780	8,480		
Breeding Female							Stores	Wtd Avg	Stores	Wtd Avg	Stores
Total	319		5,271	7497	70.31%	LAMB					
						LB Shoulder Roast		90	8.99	170	8.16
						LB Shldr Blade Chops	180	7.21	610	6.07	440
						LB Shldr Rnd Bone Chop	170	7.60	250	6.34	80
						LB Breast		70	3.99	10	3.99
						LB Rack	860	15.19	120	14.99	870
						LB Ribs					12.29
						LB Rib Chops					
						LB Whole Loin					
						LB Loin Chops	670	9.22	2,070	6.84	1,020
						LB Bone-In Leg	1,860	5.50			2,510
						LB Boneless Leg	1,260	7.14	120	8.56	810
						LB Semi-Bnls Leg	600	6.01			890
						LB Butterflied, Bnls Leg	100	8.99			60
						LB Leg, Shank/Butt	880	5.75	20	4.99	360
						LB Leg Steaks					6.23
						LB Top Round Roast					
						LB Top Round Steak					
						LB Ground Lamb	10	4.99	30	9.32	20
						LB Shank	90	5.49	120	5.99	60
						LB Stew Meat-Lamb	100	5.87	60	8.99	60
						LB Stew Meat-Mutton			90	4.99	120

Weekly Lamb Pelts Price Report											
FOB Major Production Points - Livestock Mandatory Reporting on Negotiated, Formula and Contract trades											
Monday	Monday, December 16, 2019				through	Friday, December 20, 2019					
Per Piece Price. Estimated Credit Returned to Producers Per Piece Price for Week Ending:										12/20/2019	
Pelt activity this week compared to last report:					Compared to last week, pelts				prices were steady.		
Unshorn:	72.9%	Price Range			Shorn:	27.1%	Price Range				
Supreme		(3.00	)-	1.00	Supreme		(3.00)	-	2.00		
Premium		(3.00)	-	1.00	Premium		(3.00)	-	1.00		
Standard		(3.00)	-	(1.00)	Standard		(3.00)	-	(2.00)		
Fair		(3.00)	-	(1.50)	Fair		(3.00)	-	(1.00)		
Mixed Class		(3.00)	-	(0.25)	Mixed Class		(3.00)	-	(2.25)		
Damaged/Puller		(3.00)	-	(0.25)	Damaged/Puller		(3.00)	-	(2.25)		
Pelt Category	Square Footage		Discolored Fiber		Manure/Seed Free		Staple Length		Micron		Processing Defects
Supreme	9-up		none		predominantly		1-3		22-26		minimal
Premium	7-10		none-minimal		predominantly		1-3		22-26		minimal
Standard	8-down		minimal		somewhat/heavy		1-3		22-up		minimal
Fair	4-up		some		somewhat/heavy		NA		NA		yes
Mixed Class	NA		some		somewhat/heavy		NA		NA		yes
Damaged/Puller	NA		some		somewhat/heavy		NA		NA		yes

Feedlot Inventories*

December 1, 2019 192,313	November 1, 2019 222,258	Change -29,945	December 1, 2018 234,877	5 year Average 230,518
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*Current as of the first day of each month. Inventory data is collected from feedlots with a capacity of 5,000 head or greater in Colorado.

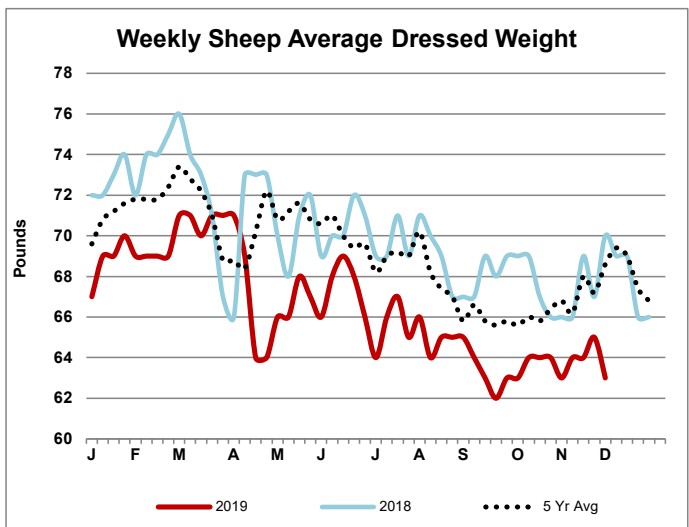
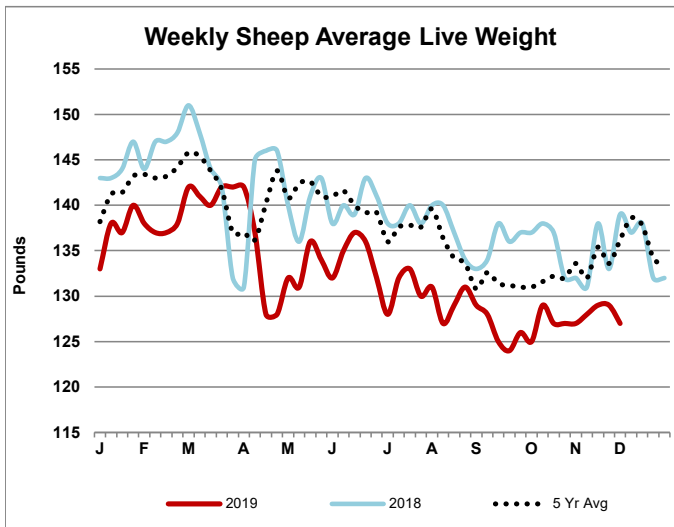
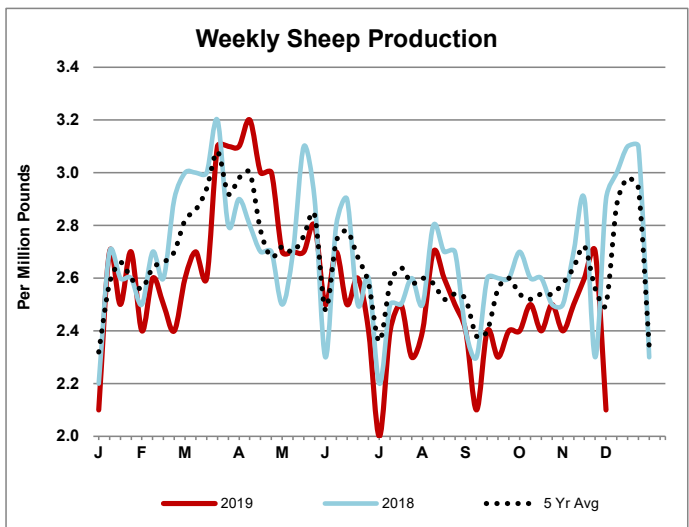
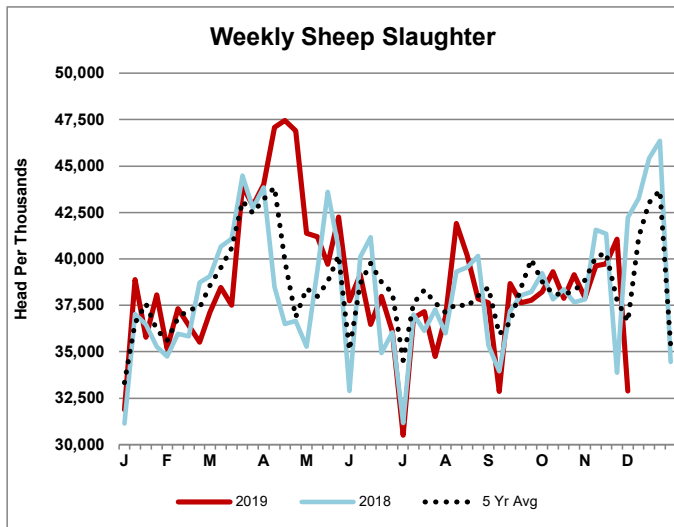
Percentage Comparison

Previous Month 86.5%	Previous Year 81.9%	5 Year 83.4%
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Inventory Trends

MONTH	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	5 year Avg
Jan	154,800	177,610	192,045	192,425	214,715	187,094	186,319
Feb	136,400	160,615	162,025	153,670	180,585	152,898	158,659
Mar	151,367	169,935	138,715	128,665	163,324	120,793	150,401
Apr	179,970	165,720	154,210	117,810	161,957	124,616	155,933
May	139,890	132,635	125,920	95,080	147,994	98,568	128,304
Jun	103,500	97,065	93,285	88,200	134,844	86,652	103,379
Jul	85,000	63,950	61,685	75,875	107,311	74,301	78,764
Aug	60,550	69,370	50,055	81,135	92,569	59,025	70,736
Sep	95,960	102,915	96,215	117,225	133,423	83,389	109,148
Oct	205,825	252,355	230,055	254,830	232,850	203,786	235,183
Nov	235,800	274,805	246,750	278,145	256,134	222,258	258,327
Dec	206,475	245,870	219,810	245,557	234,877	192,313	230,518

Weekly Lamb Graphs



Weekly Auctions

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