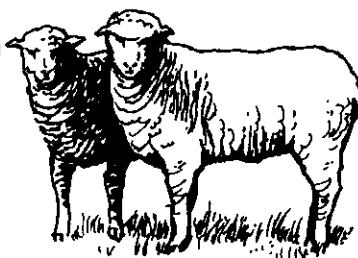


SHEEP & LAMBS ON FEED



November 1, 1964

7 Selected States

November 13, 1964

Sheep and lambs on feed for market in 7 major feeding States totaled 2,187,000 head on November 1, 1964, according to the Crop Reporting Board. This is slightly above the 2,178,000 head on feed in these 7 States November 1, 1963. South Dakota and Colorado showed a 17 percent increase from a year earlier; Iowa was unchanged from November 1, 1963, and the remaining 4 States showed a decline in the number on feed from a year earlier. Kansas showed the largest decline at 36 percent, Texas decreased 19 percent, Nebraska declined 7 percent, and California was down 4 percent.

A total of 1,885,000 head were placed on feed during September and October 1964, which was 86 percent of the number on feed November 1. During these same months in 1963, placements totaled 1,852,000 head or 85 percent of the number on feed November 1. The number of head placed on feed before September 1 totaled 302,000, compared to 326,000 a year earlier.

WEIGHT OF SHEEP AND LAMBS ON FEED

The number of sheep on feed in each of the weight groups, with the exception of the 60-79 pound group, was more than a year earlier in the major sheep feeding States.

The number weighing less than 60 pounds totaled 194,000 head, up 33 percent from the 146,000 on feed in 1963. A total of 1,085,000 head weighing 60-79 pounds was on hand this year, compared with 1,208,000 head on feed a year earlier, a decrease of 10 percent. A total of 792,000 head weighed 80-99 pounds, an increase of 6 percent from the 747,000 on feed November 1, 1963. Those weighing 100 pounds and over totaled 116,000, or 51 percent above the 77,000 head in this group a year earlier.

Sheep and lambs on feed in the 7 States November 1 that weighed less than 60 pounds accounted for 9 percent of the total, compared to 7 percent last year. The number weighing 60-79 pounds made up 50 percent of the total this year against 55 percent a year earlier. The number weighing 80-99 pounds comprised 36 percent of the total this year, compared with 34 percent last year, while those in the 100 pounds and over group accounted for 5 percent of the total this year compared to 4 percent last year.

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Sheep and lambs on feed, selected States, November 1, 1963-64

State	Number on feed November 1						Percent	
	Placed on feed		Total on feed		1964			
	Before	During	September	and October	1963	1964		as % of
	September 1	and October	1963	1964	1963	1964		1963
	1963	1964	1963	1964	1963	1964		
	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000		
	head	head	head	head	head	head		
Iowa	81	79	327	329	408	408	100	
S. Dak.	37	62	251	274	288	336	117	
Nebr.	32	45	302	264	334	309	93	
Kans.	43	6	140	111	183	117	64	
Texas	26	22	139	112	165	134	81	
Colo.	23	27	517	606	540	633	117	
Calif.	84	61	176	189	260	250	96	
Total								
7 States	326	302	1,852	1,885	2,178	2,187	100	

Sheep and lambs on feed, by weight groups, November 1

State	Under 60		60-79		80-99		100 pounds	
	pounds		pounds		pounds		and over	
	1963	1964	1963	1964	1963	1964	1963	1964
	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
	head	head	head	head	head	head	head	head
Iowa	13	11	195	171	176	198	24	28
S. Dak.	21	17	147	131	107	149	13	39
Nebr.	39	34	168	170	115	96	12	9
Kans.	14	20	133	73	35	24	1	--
Texas	21	36	93	64	48	33	3	1
Colo.	16	48	375	381	138	183	11	21
Calif.	22	28	97	95	128	109	13	18
Total								
7 States	146	194	1,208	1,085	747	792	77	116

November 1, 1964 as percent of November 1, 1963

	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.
7 States	133	90	106	151