SHEEP AND WOOL

WOOL: Farm production and income, Illinois, 1995-2004

Year	Number of sheep shorn 1/	Weight per fleece	Wool produced	Season average price per pound 2/	Value of production
	Thousand head	<u>Pounds</u>	Thousand pounds	<u>Cents</u>	Thousand dollars
1995	86	6.9	590	55	325
1996	85	6.7	570	34	194
1997	82	6.7	546	43	235
1998	73	6.8	495	25	124
1999	73	6.6	480	12	58
2000	75	6.9	520	8	42
2001	70	6.6	460	9	41
2002	65	6.6	430	23	99
2003	58	6.8	395	23	91
2004	60	6.8	405	26	105

^{1/} Includes sheep shorn at commercial feeding yards. 2/ Marketing season January-December.

STOCK SHEEP: Number on farms by districts and top ten counties, Illinois, January 1, 2005

District	Number	County	Number
Northwest	15,400	Henry	3,200
Northeast	5,600	La Salle	2,100
West	8,800	Stephenson	2,100
Central	6,100	Warren	2,000
East	2,600	McLean	1,900
West Southwest	7,000	Ogle	1,900
East Southeast	5,500	Mercer	1,700
Southwest	3,500	Macoupin	1,600
Southeast	1,500	McDonough	1,600
		Adams	1,500
Illinois	56,000	Whiteside	1,500