



# Indiana Agriculture Report

## Indiana Cattle Inventory

All cattle and calves in Indiana as of January 1, 2023 were 790,000 head, down 2 percent from last year. Indiana highlights from the January 1 report follow:

- Beef cow numbers decreased 6 percent to 173,000 head. Beef replacement heifers remained unchanged at 35,000 head.
- Milk cows increased 1 percent to 187,000 head. Heifers for milk cow replacement increased 3 percent to 62,000 head.
- The 2022 calf crop was 330,000 head, unchanged from 2021. Nationally, all cattle and calves in the United States as of January 1, 2023 totaled 89.3 million head, 3 percent below the

92.1 million head on January 1, 2022. All cows and heifers that have calved, at 38.3 million head, were 3 percent below January 1, 2022. Beef cows, at 28.9 million head, were down 4 percent from a year ago. Milk cows, at 9.40 million head, were up slightly from the previous year. All heifers 500 pounds and over as of January 1, 2023 totaled 19.2 million head, 4 percent below January 1, 2022. Beef replacement heifers, at 5.16 million head, were down 6 percent from a year ago. Milk replacement heifers, at 4.34 million head, were down 2 percent from the previous year. Other heifers, at 9.67 million head, were 3 percent below a year earlier.

**Cattle Inventory by Class - Indiana and United States: January 1, 2022 and 2023**

Class	Indiana		United States	
	2022	2023	2022	2023
	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)
All cattle and calves .....	810	790	92,077	89,274
Cows .....	370	360	39,360	38,320
Beef .....	184	173	29,983	28,918
Milk .....	186	187	9,377	9,403
Replacement heifers .....	140	145	19,916	19,173
Beef .....	35	35	5,482	5,164
Milk .....	60	62	4,441	4,337
Other .....	45	48	9,994	9,672
Steers 500 pounds and over .....	96	102	16,705	16,132
Bulls 500 pounds and over .....	16	14	2,110	2,029
Calves under 500 pounds .....	188	169	13,986	13,621
Cattle on feed .....	105	110	14,695	14,157

Totals may not add due to rounding.

## 2023 Release Schedule for 2022 County Estimates

Commodity	Release Date
Winter Wheat	December 15, 2022
Corn for Grain	February 24, 2023
Soybeans	February 24, 2023
Cattle & Calves	May 8, 2023

## Chickens and Eggs

All layers in Indiana totaled 37.0 million during December, up 5 percent from a year ago. Egg production totaled 937 million eggs, up 5 percent from last year. The rate of lay during December was 2,530 eggs per 100 layers. All layers in the U.S.

totalled 374.3 million during December, down 5 percent from a year ago. There were 22.9 million turkey poults hatched in the U.S. in December, up 3 percent from the previous year.

### Egg and Hatchery Production - Indiana and United States: December 2021 and 2022

Item	2021	2022	Percent Change
<b>Indiana</b>			
All layers..... Thousand	35,418	37,020	5
Eggs per hundred layers..... Number	2,513	2,530	1
Eggs produced..... Million	890	937	5
<b>U.S.</b>			
All Layers..... Thousand	392,761	374,266	-5
Eggs per hundred layers..... Number	2,464	2,435	-1
Eggs produced..... Million	9,679	9,115	-6
Turkey Eggs in incubators, Jan 1..... Thousand	26,854	27,032	1
Turkey Poults hatched, Dec..... Thousand	22,299	22,939	3

## December Agricultural Prices

Prices received by Indiana farmers for the full month of December 2022 are listed in the table below. Some Indiana highlights were: December corn, at \$6.57 per bushel, was up \$0.16 from November and up \$0.99 from last year; December soybeans, at \$14.70 per bushel, was up \$0.60 from last month and up \$2.00 from last year; December wheat, at \$8.31 per bushel, was up \$0.71 from November and increased \$1.47 from last year; December milk, at \$25.30 per cwt., was down \$0.90 from last month but increased \$3.60 from last year. Nationally, the December Prices Received Index 2011 Base (Agricultural Production), at 137.7, increased 3.1 percent from November and 22 percent from December 2021. At 128.6, the

Crop Production Index was up 1.1 percent from last month and 21 percent from the previous year. The Livestock Production Index, at 150.4, increased 4.9 percent from November, and 25 percent from December last year. Producers received higher prices during December for eggs, celery, soybeans, and cattle, but lower prices for lettuce, milk, hogs, and cauliflower. In addition to prices, the volume change of commodities marketed also influences the indexes. In December, there was increased monthly movement for eggs, milk, broilers, and lettuce, and decreased marketing of corn, grapes, soybeans, and calves.

### Prices Received by Farmers<sup>1</sup> - Indiana and United States: December 2022 with Comparisons

Commodity	Indiana			United States		
	Dec 2021	Nov 2022	Dec 2022	Dec 2021	Nov 2022	Dec 2022
	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Dollars</i>
Corn..... dollars/bu	5.58	6.41	6.57	5.47	6.49	6.58
Soybeans..... dollars/bu	12.70	14.10	14.70	12.50	14.00	14.40
Wheat, winter..... dollars/bu	6.84	7.60	8.31	7.79	8.92	8.44
Milk, all..... dollars/cwt	21.70	26.20	25.30	21.70	25.60	24.70

<sup>1</sup> Entire month weighted average price.

## Sheep and Goat Inventory

All sheep and lamb inventory in Indiana on January 1, 2023, was 62,000 head, up 2,000 from 2022. The breeding sheep inventory, at 54,000 head, was up 2,000 from last year. Market sheep and lambs totaled 8,000 head, unchanged from last year. The 2022 Indiana lamb crop was 49,000 head, up 1,000 from the previous year.

The number of sheep and lambs shorn in Indiana, at 41,000 head, was up 1,000 from the previous year. Indiana shorn wool production in 2022 was 235,000 pounds, unchanged from

2021. The average price paid for wool in Indiana was \$0.60 per pound, a decrease of \$0.25 from the previous year. The total value of wool was \$141,000, down \$59,000 from the 2021 value.

As of January 1, 2023, there were 13,000 milk goats in Indiana, down 1,000 from a year earlier. The Indiana meat and other goat inventory was 37,000 head, 1,000 head above the January 1, 2022, inventory.

### Sheep and Lambs Inventory by Class - Indiana and United States: January 1, 2022 and 2023

Class	Indiana		United States	
	2022	2023	2022	2023
	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)
All sheep and lambs .....	60	62	5,065	5,020
Breeding sheep and lambs .....	52	54	3,710	3,665
Ewes .....	39	41	2,910	2,870
Rams .....	4	4	160	160
Replacement lambs .....	9	9	640	635
Total market sheep and lambs .....	8	8	1,355	1,355
Previous year's lamb crop .....	48	49	3,160	3,110

### Goats and Kids Inventory by Class - Indiana and United States: January 1, 2022 and 2023

Class	Indiana		United States	
	2022	2023	2022	2023
	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)
Angora .....	(NA)	(NA)	110	107
Milk .....	14	13	410	400
Meat and other .....	36	37	2,030	2,000

(NA) Not available.

## December Milk Production

Dairy herds in Indiana produced 374 million pounds of milk during December. Production per cow in Indiana averaged 2,000 pounds for December, 20 pounds above December 2021. The dairy herd was estimated at 187,000 head for December, up 1,000 head from a year earlier.

### Milk Cows, Production, and Price - Indiana: December 2021 and 2022

Item	2021	2022
Cows.....1,000 hd	186	187
Milk per cow ..... lb/month	1,980	2,000
Production ..... mil lbs	368	374
Milk price, all ..... dol/cwt	21.70	25.30
Fat test ..... pct	4.12	4.16
Protein <sup>1</sup> ..... pct	3.31	3.31

<sup>1</sup> FMO 33

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