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Goat Inventory



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US Goats and Kids Inventory Down 2 Percent

All goat inventory in the United States on January 1, 2024 totaled 2.47 million head, down 2 percent from 2023. Meat and all other goats totaled 1.95 million head, down 3 percent from the previous year. Milk goat inventory was 415,000 head, up 1 percent from the previous year. Alabama all goat inventory totaled 44,900 head, 6 percent below last year. In Florida, the all goat inventory totaled 55,300 head, 1 percent below 2023. Georgia all goat inventory totaled 58,900 head, down 9 percent from the previous year. In South Carolina, the all goat inventory was down 6 percent to 33,900 head.

Goats and Kids Inventory by Type – States and United States: January 1, 2023 and 2024

State	Milk goats			Meat and other goats		
	2023	2024	Percent of previous year	2023	2024	Percent of previous year
	(head)	(head)	(percent)	(head)	(head)	(percent)
Alabama	3,900	3,900	100	44,000	41,000	93
Florida	10,200	12,300	121	45,500	43,000	95
Georgia.....	7,000	6,900	99	58,000	52,000	90
South Carolina.....	3,200	2,900	91	33,000	31,000	94
United States.....	410,000	415,000	101	2,010,000	1,950,000	97

Source: USDA National Agricultural Statistics Service - [Sheep and Goats](#), January 2024

Meat and Other Goats and Kids Inventory – States: January 1, 2023 and 2024

