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| **Age Class** | **Head** | **Breed** | **Head** | **Primary Use** | **Head** |
| Breeding ewes 1 year and older |  | Black face wool breeds (Hampshire, Suffolk, Shropshire, Romanov, Oxford) |  | Meat Production |  |
| Breeding rams 1 year and older |  | Fine wool white face (Rambouillet, Merino, Targhee) |  | Wool production |  |
| Replacement lambs for breeding less than 1 year old |  | Medium wool white face (Columbia, Corriedale, Cheviot, Finn, Polypay) |  | Show, competition, 4-H, or club lambs |  |
| Market lambs less than 1 year old-under 65 lbs |  | Long wool (Border Leicester, Coopworth, Romney) |  | Breeding stock/Seedstock |  |
| Market lambs less than 1 year old- 65-84 lbs |  | Mottle-faced, brockle, speckle-faced crossbred |  | Milk production (cheese or other dairy products) |  |
| Market lambs less than 1 year old- 85-105 lbs |  | Colored wool (Black welsh, Jacob, Navajo Churro, CVM, Shetland) |  | Brush control/fire suppression/solar grazing |  |
| Market lambs less than 1 year old- over 105 lbs |  | Hair sheep (Barbados, Katahdin, Dorper, St. Croix) |  | Other (Specify) |  |
| Market sheep 1 year old and older |  | Milk sheep (East Friesian, Rideau Arcott) |  |  |
|  | Other (Specify |  |
| Other Crossbred (Specify) |  |
| Unknown (feedlot only) |  |
| **TOTAL (should be equal for age class, breed, and primary use)** |

**NAHMS Sheep 2024 Study**

**Cheat Sheet for General Sheep Management Questionnaire (GSMQ)**

This sheet contains a list of topics and questions that are covered in the *General Sheep Management Questionnaire*. It will be helpful for the participant to have sufficient knowledge of, or access to, records for these items when answering specific questions. This document can be used to jot down records to review while completing the questionnaire.

**Section A- Inventory**

* Total number of sheep and lambs on the operation on January 1, 2024, by age class, breed, and primary use

**TOTAL:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Section C- Feed and Housing Management**

* Number of months during 2023 when sheep and lambs were managed in different spaces

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| --- | --- |
| **Management Type** | **Months** |
| Open range |  |
| Fenced range |  |
| Fenced farm |  |
| Dry lot |  |
| **SHOULD TOTAL 12 MONTHS** |

**Section D- Shearing and Wool Marketing**

* Number of lambs and sheep shorn by the following individuals

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| --- | --- |
| **Shearer** | **Head** |
| Employees (including owner) |  |
| Hired individuals, not regularly employed by the operation |  |
| Contracted shearing crew |  |
| Other (specify) |  |
| TOTAL HEAD OF LAMBS OR SHEEP SHORN |  |

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| **Use of wool** | **Pounds** | **Marketing Method** | **Percentage of wool** |
| Sold as wool |  | Commercial warehouse |  |
| Sold as other wool products |  | Commercial buyer |  |
| Not sold |  | Cooperative pools |  |
| Total pounds of wool produced |  | Direct sales to consumers locally (within 400 miles of farm) |  |
|  | Direct sales to consumers not local |  |
| Direct sales to a small milk |  |
| Others |  |
| Commercial warehouse |  |
| Total | 100% |

* Pounds of wool sold as wool, other wool products, or not sold and percentage of wool by marketing methods during 2023

S**ection E- Movement and Marketing**

* Last year any sheep or lambs were added if none were added during 2023: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_(yyyy)
* Number of sheep added during 2023 by, age class and source

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| **Source** | **Lambs**  | **Ewes** | **Rams** |
| Sheep wholesaler or dealer |  |  |  |
| Directly from another premises |  |  |  |
| Livestock market or auction |  |  |  |
| Fair or show |  |  |  |
| Other |  |  |  |
| Total |  |  |  |

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| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Channel** | **Lambs**  | **Cull Sheep** | **Breeding sheep** |
| Direct sales to consumers or ethnic markets |  |  |  |
| Direct sales to slaughter plant/packer |  |  |  |
| Moved to feedlot separate from this operation |  |  |  |
| Direct sale to a backgrounder |  |  |  |
| Direct sales to another sheep producer |  |  |  |
| Auction/sale barn |  |  |  |
| Buyer/dealer for resale |  |  |  |
| Slaughters for personal use |  |  |  |
| Total |  |  |  |

* Number of sheep permanently removed through the following channels, by class

**Section F- Identification**

* Number of sheep identified by the following ID types (sheep may have more than one ID)

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| --- | --- |
| **ID Type** | **Head** |
| Tattoo |  |
| Collar or leg band |  |
| Ear notch |  |
| Hot iron or freeze brand |  |
| Paint brand |  |
| Electronic ID or microchip |  |
| Unofficial plastic ear tag |  |
| Official APHIS ear tag (with U.S. shield logo) |  |
| Other (specify) |  |