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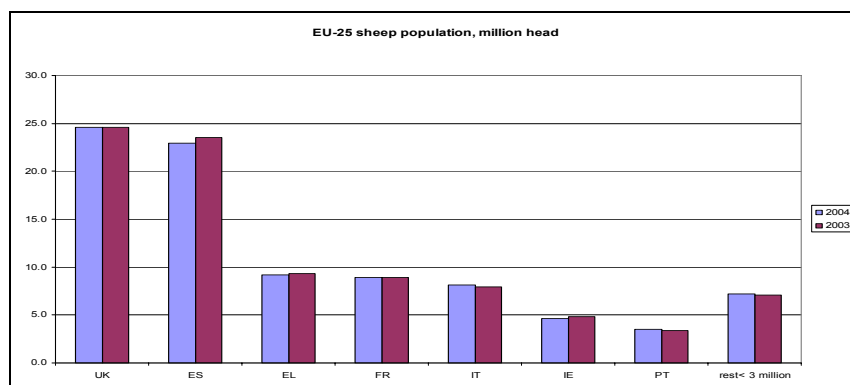
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December 2004 survey of EU sheep and goat populations and production forecasts for 2005

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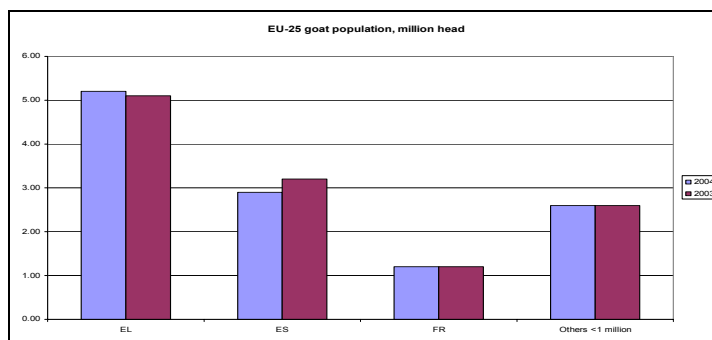
The sheep population in the EU-25 fell by 0.4% to 89.3 million head in December 2004, compared with the previous year. The sheep population has been showing a slight downward trend since 1998. The largest decrease was in Denmark (-16.2%), while the largest rise was in the Czech Republic (+49.0%). Spain and the United Kingdom have more than half of the EU-25 sheep population. Spain's flock size decreased by -2.4%, while the United Kingdom showed a small rise of +0.5%.



There is a slight downward trend in sheep production. According to forecasts provided by the Member States, sheep production in 2005 will be 2.6% lower than in 2004, at an estimated 63.1 million head.

Slight decrease in goat production and population

The goat population of the EU-25 is estimated at 12.1 million head in December 2004, down -0.7% on the previous year. The largest populations are in Greece (+1.3%), and Spain (-5.4%).



Latest forecasts on EU-25 goat production predict a small decrease (-2.6%) to 7.8 million head in 2005, and the largest producer, Greece, is expecting a decrease of -2.9%.



SCHAFBESTAND IM DEZEMBER (1000 STÜCK)		SHEEP LIVESTOCK IN DECEMBER (1000 HEAD)																				EFFECTIFS OVINS EN DECEMBRE (1000 TETES)									
1000 STÜCK		1000 HEAD																				1000 TETES									
	EU-25	EU-15	BE	CZ	DK	DE	EE	EL	ES	FR	IE	IT	CY	LV	LT	LU	HU	MT	NL	AT	PL	PT	SI	SK	FI	SE	UK				
1 INSGESAMT		TOTAL																												TOTAL	
2002	89,923	87,600	146	103	92	2,145	30	8,858	23,813	9,127	4,829	8,138	274	32	14	8	1,103	12	1,300	304	332	3,457	107	316	67	427	24,888	2002			
2003	89,721 e			104	105	2,125	31 p	9,326	23,486	8,947	4,850	7,952	265	39	17	7	1,296	15	1,476 p	325 p	331	3,356	106	326	67	451	24,572	2003			
2004	89,328 e			155	88	2,138	42	9,241 p	22,932 p	8,898	4,557	8,106	260	39	22	7	1,397	14	1,450	327	311	3,541 p	119 p	321	72	456	24,688	2004			
%03/02	-0.2 e			1.0	14.1	-0.9	3.0	5.3	-1.4	-2.0	0.4	-2.3	-3.6	24.4	24.3	-12.2	17.5	21.3	13.5	6.9	-0.3	-2.9	-1.6	3.0	0.0	5.6	-1.3	%03/02			
%04/03	-0.4 e			49.0	-16.2	0.6	34.7	-0.9	-2.4	-0.5	-6.0	1.9	-1.5	-1.5	30.8	-2.0	7.8	-4.9	-1.8	0.5	-6.2	5.5	12.9	-1.0	1.1	6.8	1.1	%04/03			
1.1 MUTTERSCHAFE UND GEDECKTE LÄMMER		EWES AND LAMBS PUT TO THE RAM																				BREBIS ET AGNELLES SAILLIES									
2002				40	73	1,592	21	6,824	18,174	7,020	3,731	7,290	189	17	8	7	854		975	204	208	2,279	76	257	49	198	16,423	2002			
2003				43	82	1,625	23 p	7,026	18,255	6,833	3,677	7,156	186	21	10	5	956	10	1,107 p	215 p	208	2,300	72	263	48	201	16,300	2003			
2004				64	77	1,595	30	6,972 p	17,352 p	6,749	3,469	7,255	181	23	14	5	1,088	10	1,085	217	201	2,312 p	84 p	266	50	201	16,266	2004			
%03/02				7.5	12.3	2.1	11.0	3.0	0.4	-2.7	-1.4	-1.8	-1.3	22.6	22.6	-20.0	11.9		13.5	5.5	0.0	0.9	-5.0	2.5	-0.2	1.5	-0.7	%03/02			
%04/03				48.8	-6.1	-1.8	30.6	-0.8	-4.9	-1.2	-5.7	1.4	-2.7	10.7	39.8	-2.8	13.8	-4.2	-2.0	0.9	-3.4	0.6	17.0	1.1	3.9	0.0	0.2	%04/03			
1.1.1 MILCHSCHAFE UND GEDECKTE ZUR MILCH BESTIMMT LÄMMER		MILK EWES AND MILK EWE-LAMB PUT TO THE RAM																				BREBIS LAITIÈRES ET AGNELLES SAILLIES LAITIÈRES									
2002				1				6,182	3,363	1,648		1,427					65			14	570	4	173	0	0		2002				
2003				2			p	6,328	3,429	1,636		1,427					73	10		p	39	577	4	170	0		2003				
2004				2				6,300 p	3,475 p	1,618		1,427					112	10			44	587 p	7 p	176	0		2004				
%03/02				0.0				2.4	2.0	-0.7		-2.4					12.3				172.8	1.2	-4.4	-1.6			%03/02				
%04/03				100.0				-0.4	1.3	-1.1		1.4					53.4	-4.2			14.6	1.7	64.2	3.9			%04/03				
1.1.2 ANDERE MUTTERSCHAFE UND GEDECKTE LÄMMER		OTHER EWES AND EWE-LAMBS PUT TO THE RAM																				AUTRES BREBIS ET AGNELLES SAILLIES									
2002				39				642	14,811	5,372		1,427		17			789			194	1,709	72	84	49	198		2002				
2003				42			p	698	14,826	5,197		1,431		21			883	0		p	169	1,722	68	94	48		2003				
2004				62				672 p	13,877 p	5,131		1,451		23			976	0			157	1,725 p	78 p	90	50		2004				
%03/02				7.7				8.7	0.1	-3.3		0.3		22.6			11.9				-12.6	0.8	-5.0	11.0	-0.2		%03/02				
%04/03				47.6				-3.7	-6.4	-1.3		1.4		10.7			10.5				-7.5	0.2	14.1	-3.9	3.9		%04/03				
1.2 ANDERE SCHAFE		OTHER SHEEP																				AUTRES OVINS									
2002				83	19	563	9	2,034	5,640	2,107	1,098	848	86	15	5	2	249		325	101	124	1,178	32	59	19	229	8,465	2002			
2003				81	23	500	8 p	2,300	5,231	2,114	1,071	795	78	19	7	2	340	-4	369 p	111 p	123	1,056	34	62	19	250	8,272	2003			
2004				91	11	543	11	2,269 p	5,580 p	2,149	987	851	79	16	8	2	309	4	365	111	110	1,229 p	30 p	55	22	255	8,423	2004			
%03/02				-3.2	21.1	-9.6	-15.6	13.1	-7.2	0.3	-2.4	-6.2	-8.7	26.5	26.9	19.1	36.5		13.5	9.9	-0.7	-10.3	6.5	5.2	0.5	9.2	-2.3	%03/02			
%04/03				49.2	-52.2	8.6	47.4	-1.3	6.7	1.7	-7.8	7.0	1.1	-15.1	16.7	0.2	-9.1	-6.6	-1.1	-0.1	-11.0	16.4	-9.8	-11.7	14.2	2.0	1.8	%04/03			
ZIEGENBESTAND IM DEZEMBER (1000 STÜCK)		GOATS LIVESTOCK IN DECEMBER (1000 HEAD)																				EFFECTIFS CAPRINS EN DECEMBRE (1000 TETES)									
		(2)																													
	EU-25	EU-15	BE	CZ	DK	DE	EE	EL	ES	FR	IE	IT	CY	LV	LT	LU	HU	MT	NL	AT	PL	PT	SI	SK	FI	SE	UK				
1 INSGESAMT		TOTAL																												TOTAL	
2002	12,543 e		25	13	0	160	4	5,468	3,047	1,229	8	988	444	13	22	2	86	5	268	58 p		538	22	40	5	5		2002			
2003	12,238 e			13	0	160	4 p	5,117	3,162	1,240	9	961	408	15	27	2	82	5	290 p	55 p		502	23	39	5	6		2003			
2004	12,149 e			14	0	170	3	5,185 p	2,992 p	1,218	9	978	368	15	27	3	74	6	300	56		547 p	23 p	39	5	6		2004			
%03/02	-2.4 e			0.0		0.0	-10.3	-6.4	3.8	0.9	11.7	-2.7	-8.1	13.6	23.6	31.7	-4.7	4.1	8.2	-5.2		-6.7	6.0	-2.4	-5.9	12.0		%03/02			
%04/03	-0.73 e			7.7		6.3	-14.3	1.3	-5.4	-1.8	3.1	1.8	-9.7	-2.0	-1.1	5.0	-9.8	4.9	3.4	1.8		8.9	-1.1	-0.5	-2.1	0.0		%04/03			
1.1 ZIEGEN DIE GEZICKELT HABEN UND GEDECKTE ZIEGEN		GOATS WHICH HAVE KIDDED AND GOATS MATED																				CHEVRES AYANT MIS BAS ET CHEVRES SAILLIES									
2002				8			2	3,875	2,334	1,046		821	275	6	15		55			40 p		391	17	38	4		2002				
2003				9			p	3,646	2,407	1,056		798	274	8	19		50	4		37 p		377	17	37	4	3	2003				
2004				9			2	3,696 p	2,288 p	1,039		808	274	8	18		48	4		38		380 p	16 p	37	4	3	2004				
%03/02				12.5				-16.7	-5.9	3.1		-2.8	-0.4	35.5	23.8		9.1				-7.5	-3.4	1.5	-1.8	-7.9		%03/02				
%04/03				4.4				-15.0	1.4	-4.9		1.2	-0.1	-7.1	-4.3		-4.0	4.7		2.7		0.8	-5.3	-0.5	20.0	0.0	%04/03				
1.1.1 ZIEGEN DIE BEREITS GEZICKELT HABEN		GOATS WHICH HAVE ALREADY KIDDED																				CHEVRES AYANT DÉJÀ MIS BAS									
2002				7				3,291	2,118	834		684									p		350	14	30	3		2002			
2003				7			p	3,121	2,179	848		662					43	3			p		338	14	29	3		2003			
2004				8				3,160 p	2,094 p	839		667					46	3				339 p	13 p	29	4		2004				
%03/02				0.0				-5.2	2.9	1.7		-3.2										3.3	3.6	-2.0	-8.8		%03/02				
%04/03				10.0				1.2	-3.9	-1.1		0.8					7.0	4.9				0.1	-10.9	-2.2	22.6		%04/03				
1.1.2 ZIEGEN DIE ZUM ERSTEN MAL GEDECKT WURDEN		GOATS MATED FOR THE FIRST TIME																				CHEVRES SAILLIES POUR LA PREMIÈRE FOIS									
2002				1				584	216	212		137									p		41	3	8	0		2002			
2003				2			p	525	228	208		136					7	1			p		39	3	8	0		2003			
2004				2				536 p	194 p	200		140					2	1				42 p	4 p	8	0		2004				
%03/02				100.0				-10.1	-7.7	-1.9		-1.0										-4.5	-7.9	-0.9	0.0		%03/02				
%04/03				-15.0				2.1	-14.9	-3.8		3.5					-71.4	4.2				7.2	21.6	5.9	0.0		%04/03				
1.2 ANDERE ZIEGEN		OTHER GOATS																				AUTRES CAPRINS									
2002				5			2	1,593	713	183		167	168	7	7		31					148	5	2	1		2002				
2003				4			p	1,471	755	184		163	134	7	9		32	1				125	6	2	1	2	2003				
2004				5			1	1,489 p																							

		BRUTTOEIGENERZEUGUNG												GROSS INDIGENOUS PRODUCTION												PRODUCTION INDIGENE BRUTE							
		1000 STÜCK												1000 HEAD												1000 TETES							
		EU-25	EU-15	BE	CZ	DK	DE	EE	EL	ES	FR	IE	IT	CY	LV	LT	LU	HU	MT	NL	AT	PL	PT	SI	SK	FI	SE	UK					
1 SCHAFE		SHEEP																										OVINS 1					
1-06	:	30,778.8	110.0	23.2	27.0	1,037.5	3.0	4,280.8	9,809.0	3,814.0	1,316.2	1,697.0	67.0	9.3	:	3.7	390.0	4.6	565.0	186.3	:	1,140.0	0.0	109.2	13.3	66.0	6,713.0	1-06					
7-12	:	32,452.4	97.0	38.8	54.0	1,073.5	11.0	2,150.2	11,101.0	3,304.0	1,606.0	2,814.0	63.0	:	:	3.8	363.3	2.5	405.0	125.5	:	1,020.0	0.0	35.8	19.9	126.0	8,552.5	7-12					
2003	:	63,231.2	207.0	62.0	81.0	2,111.0	14.0	6,431.0	20,910.0	7,118.0	2,922.3	4,511.0	130.0	:	:	7.5	753.3	7.1	970.0	311.8	:	2,160.0	0.0	145.0	33.2	192.0	15,265.5	2003					
1-06	e	31,754.6	:	32.1	32.0	1,078.7	4.0	4,475.7	9,755.0	3,657.0	1,455.7	2,005.9	56.0	2.5	4.4	3.3	400.0	4.4	615.0	183.1	111.0	1,070.0	0.0	125.3	15.1	66.0	6,494.3	1-06					
7-12	e	33,026.6	:	40.0	60.0	1,138.1	10.0	2,100.1	10,670.0	3,178.0	1,858.0	2,902.4	54.0	9.3	4.1	3.8	327.0	2.4	445.0	118.6	81.0	1,047.0	0.0	37.5	14.3	126.0	8,708.8	7-12					
2004	e	64,781.2	:	72.1	92.0	2,216.9	14.0	6,575.8	20,425.0	6,835.0	3,313.7	4,908.3	110.0	11.8	8.5	7.1	727.0	6.8	1,060.0	301.7	192.0	2,117.0	0.0	162.8	29.4	192.0	15,203.0	2004					
1-06	e	31,086.1	:	35.8	30.0	1,050.0	4.0	4,151.1	9,332.0	3,634.0	1,420.0	2,070.0	53.0	2.5	4.9	3.4	450.0	4.2	600.0	193.0	108.0	1,027.0	0.0	127.8	15.0	66.0	6,596.4	1-06					
7-12	e	32,001.7	:	43.0	58.0	1,090.0	12.0	2,141.3	10,197.0	3,107.0	1,449.0	2,920.0	52.0	9.2	4.9	3.9	380.0	2.3	450.0	129.0	75.0	1,052.0	0.0	37.8	14.0	126.0	8,557.1	7-12					
2005	e	63,087.8	:	78.8	88.0	2,140.0	16.0	6,292.4	19,529.0	6,741.0	2,869.0	4,990.0	105.0	11.6	9.8	7.3	830.0	6.5	1,050.0	322.0	183.0	2,079.0	0.0	165.6	29.0	192.0	15,153.5	2005					
% 1-06	:	:	:	38.4	18.5	4.0	33.3	4.6	-0.6	-4.1	10.6	18.2	-16.4	-72.8	:	-10.7	2.6	-4.3	8.8	-1.7	:	-6.1	:	14.7	13.2	0.0	-3.3	% 1-06					
% 7-12	:	:	:	3.1	11.1	6.0	-9.1	-2.3	-3.9	-3.8	15.7	3.1	-14.3	:	:	0.3	-10.0	-4.0	9.9	-5.5	:	2.6	:	4.7	-28.1	0.0	1.8	% 7-12					
%04/03	:	:	:	16.3	13.6	5.0	0.0	2.3	-2.3	-4.0	13.4	8.8	-15.4	:	:	-5.2	-3.5	-4.2	9.3	-3.2	:	-2.0	:	12.3	-11.6	0.0	-0.4	%04/03					
% 1-06	e	-2.1	:	11.5	-6.3	-2.7	0.0	-7.3	-4.3	-0.6	-2.5	3.2	-5.4	-1.5	11.4	3.4	12.5	-4.5	-2.4	5.4	-2.7	-4.0	:	2.0	-0.4	0.0	1.6	% 1-06					
% 7-12	e	-3.1	:	7.5	-3.3	-4.2	20.0	2.0	-4.4	-2.2	-22.0	0.6	-3.7	-1.5	19.5	3.4	16.2	-4.2	1.1	8.8	-7.4	0.5	:	0.8	-2.1	0.0	-1.7	% 7-12					
%05/04	e	-2.6	:	9.3	-4.3	-3.5	14.3	-4.3	-4.4	-1.4	-13.4	1.7	-4.5	-1.5	15.3	3.4	14.2	-4.4	-0.9	6.7	-4.7	-1.8	:	1.7	-1.2	0.0	-0.3	%05/04					
2 ZIEGEN		GOATS																										CAPRINS 1.1					
1-06	:	4,764.0	0.0	8.8	0.0	11.4	1.0	2,934.4	730.0	693.0	0.0	215.0	89.0	:	:	0.5	14.5	2.0	25.0	40.5	:	111.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	3.2	1-06					
7-12	:	2,927.3	0.0	4.3	0.0	8.6	1.0	1,328.3	978.0	254.0	0.0	180.0	101.0	:	:	0.8	6.0	0.8	10.0	26.1	:	137.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	4.6	7-12					
2003	:	7,691.3	0.0	13.1	0.0	19.9	2.0	4,262.7	1,708.0	947.0	0.0	395.0	190.0	:	:	1.3	20.5	2.8	35.0	66.6	:	248.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	7.8	2003					
1-06	e	5,050.2	:	8.9	0.0	11.7	0.0	3,028.9	761.0	725.0	0.0	210.8	77.0	0.0	11.0	1.2	13.0	2.0	35.0	35.4	7.0	118.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	:	4.2	1-06					
7-12	e	2,952.7	:	4.1	0.0	10.0	2.0	1,280.5	885.0	268.0	0.0	188.8	95.0	0.0	11.0	1.1	11.2	0.9	20.0	23.2	29.0	119.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	:	3.9	7-12					
2004	e	8,002.9	:	13.0	0.0	21.7	2.0	4,309.4	1,646.0	993.0	0.0	399.7	172.0	0.0	22.0	2.3	24.2	2.9	55.0	58.6	36.0	237.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	:	8.2	2004					
1-06	e	4,850.4	:	8.8	0.0	11.9	0.0	2,870.5	742.0	706.0	0.0	212.0	75.0	0.0	12.0	1.7	15.0	2.1	35.0	37.0	6.0	112.0	0.0	:	0.0	:	3.5	1-06					
7-12	e	2,947.3	:	4.2	0.0	10.1	2.0	1,313.1	867.0	242.0	0.0	191.0	93.0	0.0	12.0	1.5	14.0	0.9	15.0	24.0	32.0	122.0	0.0	:	0.0	:	3.5	7-12					
2005	e	7,797.7	:	13.0	0.0	22.0	2.0	4,183.6	1,609.0	948.0	0.0	403.0	168.0	0.0	24.0	3.1	29.0	3.0	50.0	61.0	38.0	234.0	0.0	:	0.0	:	7.0	2005					
% 1-06	:	:	:	1.1	:	3.0	-100.0	3.2	4.2	4.6	:	-1.9	-13.5	:	:	125.7	-10.4	0.0	40.0	-12.6	:	6.3	:	:	-100.0	:	33.2	% 1-06					
% 7-12	:	:	:	-4.7	:	17.0	100.0	-3.6	-9.5	5.5	:	4.9	-5.9	:	:	39.5	86.7	12.5	100.0	-11.2	:	-13.1	:	:	-100.0	:	-14.3	% 7-12					
%04/03	:	:	:	-0.8	:	9.0	0.0	1.1	-3.6	4.9	:	1.2	-9.5	:	:	74.8	18.0	3.6	57.1	-12.0	:	-4.4	:	:	:	:	5.2	%04/03					
% 1-06	e	-4.0	:	-1.1	:	1.6	:	-5.2	-2.5	-2.6	:	0.6	-2.6	:	9.1	35.3	15.4	5.0	0.0	4.5	-14.3	-5.1	:	:	:	:	-17.5	% 1-06					
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