

TABLE 19. Litters Farrowed—Farms and Number of Litters Farrowed, Hogs and Pigs on Farms, and Hogs and Pigs Sold, for Farms Classified by Number of Litters Farrowed, for the United States: 1954 to 1964

Item and number of litters farrowed per farm	Total farms			Percent distribution			Number, 1964	
	1964	1959	1954	1964	1959	1954	Total (1,000)	Percent distribution
Litters farrowed, total.....	749,714	1,142,373	1,284,778	100.0	100.0	100.0	10,655	100.0
On farms with—								
1 litter.....	121,939	195,560	265,940	16.3	17.1	20.7	122	1.1
2 to 4 litters.....	188,661	323,125	398,231	25.2	28.3	31.0	518	4.9
5 to 9 litters.....	124,537	219,846	252,010	16.6	19.2	19.6	836	7.8
10 to 19 litters.....	140,898	216,055	368,597	18.8	18.9	28.7	1,902	17.8
20 to 49 litters.....	133,014		(NA)	17.7		(NA)	3,923	36.8
50 to 99 litters.....	32,431	183,190	(NA)	4.3	16.0	(NA)	2,107	19.8
100 to 199 litters.....	7,040		(NA)	0.9		(NA)	885	8.3
200 or more litters.....	1,194	4,597	(NA)	0.2	0.4	(NA)	362	3.4
Farms with no litters farrowed.....								
Hogs and pigs on farms with litters, total.....	733,703	(NA)	(NA)	100.0	(NA)	(NA)	48,201	100.0
On farms with—								
1 litter.....	118,384	(NA)	(NA)	16.1	(NA)	(NA)	938	1.9
2 to 4 litters.....	183,147	(NA)	(NA)	24.9	(NA)	(NA)	3,060	6.3
5 to 9 litters.....	121,013	(NA)	(NA)	16.5	(NA)	(NA)	4,022	8.3
10 to 19 litters.....	138,586	(NA)	(NA)	18.9	(NA)	(NA)	8,698	18.0
20 to 49 litters.....	132,060	(NA)	(NA)	18.0	(NA)	(NA)	17,472	36.2
50 to 99 litters.....	32,307	(NA)	(NA)	4.4	(NA)	(NA)	8,986	18.6
100 to 199 litters.....	7,017	(NA)	(NA)	1.0	(NA)	(NA)	3,615	7.5
200 or more litters.....	1,189	(NA)	(NA)	0.2	(NA)	(NA)	1,410	2.9
On farms with no litters.....	347,735	(NA)	(NA)		(NA)	(NA)	5,879	
Hogs and pigs on farms with litters, total.....	648,725	(NA)	(NA)	100.0	(NA)	(NA)	72,156	100.0
On farms with—								
1 litter.....	53,943	(NA)	(NA)	8.3	(NA)	(NA)	704	1.0
2 to 4 litters.....	156,274	(NA)	(NA)	24.1	(NA)	(NA)	4,036	5.6
5 to 9 litters.....	124,040	(NA)	(NA)	19.1	(NA)	(NA)	6,265	8.7
10 to 19 litters.....	140,827	(NA)	(NA)	21.7	(NA)	(NA)	13,438	18.6
20 to 49 litters.....	132,923	(NA)	(NA)	20.5	(NA)	(NA)	26,057	36.1
50 to 99 litters.....	32,425	(NA)	(NA)	5.0	(NA)	(NA)	13,638	18.9
100 to 199 litters.....	7,040	(NA)	(NA)	1.1	(NA)	(NA)	5,720	7.9
200 or more litters.....	1,193	(NA)	(NA)	0.2	(NA)	(NA)	2,298	3.2
On farms with no litters.....	153,895	(NA)	(NA)		(NA)	(NA)	11,381	

NA Not available.

**Sheep production**—Both the number of farms and the number of sheep and lambs on farms has been declining.

Year	Farms with sheep or lambs	Sheep and lambs on farms (million)
1964 .....	234,789	25.5
1959 .....	341,952	33.9
1954 .....	361,001	31.6
1950 .....	320,351	31.4

Most of the sheep and lambs are on livestock ranches in the West. In 1964, 10.5 million of the 25.5 million sheep and lambs were on 13,000 livestock ranches in the West. Sales of sheep and lambs from livestock ranches accounted for 8.3 of the 22.1 million sheep and lambs sold in 1964. About half the sheep and lambs sold are moved to other farms and fattened before sale for slaughter.

The production of both sheep and wool is concentrated on a relatively small number of farms.

Farms with ewe flock of—	Number of farms	Number of sheep and lambs on farm (million)	Wool shorn (millions of pounds)
Any .....	217,133	22.8	172.5
Under 25 .....	130,449	2.2	14.5
25 to 99 .....	63,559	4.5	30.0
100 to 199 .....	11,443	2.3	16.0
200 to 499 .....	6,772	2.9	21.5
500 to 999 .....	2,326	2.2	17.5
1,000 to 4,999 .....	2,349	6.0	51.0
5,000 or more .....	235	2.8	22.1
No ewes .....	17,657	2.6	15.1

**Livestock sold versus livestock slaughtered**—

Table 26 presents data comparing the number of livestock slaughtered off farms with the number sold. Because of the sale of livestock by farmers to farmers, the sales of livestock from farms significantly exceed the number of animals slaughtered. In the case of hogs, the sale of hogs from farms appears understated by about 15 percent, as approximately 11 million hogs were sold from farms on which none were farrowed. (See table 41.) Procedures used in office processing affected the number of livestock sold. For a description of these procedures, see the introduction to this volume.

**Other livestock and livestock products sold**—

Table 47 presents data regarding the quantity and value of miscellaneous livestock and livestock products sold. The production of wool is given in table 43 and mohair for the principal mohair producing States is given in table 46.

The production of wool relates only to that produced on farms and does not include wool obtained in slaughtering plants, etc. The sale of horses, mules, honey, and bees represents only the sales from census farms. Considerable quantities of these livestock and products are sold from places not counted as census farms.