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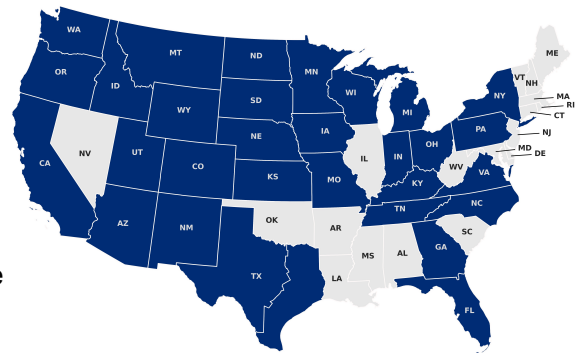U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

NAHMS Sheep 2024 Study
Informational Flyer

What is the NAHMS Sheep 2024 Study?

The U.S. Department of Agriculture's National Animal Health Monitoring System (NAHMS) conducts a national sheep study approximately every 10 years. The upcoming Sheep 2024 study will support industry groups and research efforts with new and valuable information on sheep health and management. The study consists of two phases and includes biological sampling and two questionnaires.

Who is Eligible to Participate in the Study?

A random selection of almost 5,000 sheep operations with at least 1 ewe located in the study States (see dark shaded States in the map) will be asked to participate. While participation is voluntary, it is important to obtain high quality data. National Agricultural Statistics Service (NASS) will ntact selected participants in January and February 2024. Participants will be asked to provide their contact information to NAHMS in order to complete the second phase of the study, which begins in April 2024 and continues through July 2024.

Why Should I Participate in the Study?

Information from the study will help develop new treatments, controls, and prevention mechanisms for sheep diseases. The results will also guide future research and education. Participants will not only represent themselves but also the producers who were not selected for the study.
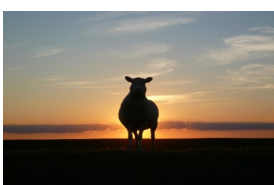

Eligible operations will receive **FREE** testing for enteric microbes, gastrointestinal parasites, and lameness pathogens.

What are the Next Steps?

If you don't currently receive NASS censuses or surveys, sign up at www.agcounts.usda.gov/static/get-counted.html
If NASS contacts you in January 2024, please agree to complete the NAHMS Sheep 2024 study. Until then, you can help spread the word to other producers about the importance of the 2024 study.

To access reports from previous NAHMS studies or information on upcoming studies, visit www.aphis.usda.gov/nahms or scan the QR code.

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