



# SHEEP SHEET

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## General Information:

The following figures indicate the normal body functions of horses, cattle, sheep and goats. Also included is general reproduction and gestation related information.

## Rectal Temperatures:

Horses	100.5 degrees F
Cattle	101.5 degrees F
Sheep	101.5-104 degrees F
Goats	102-104 degrees F

## Heart & Respiratory Rate:

	<u>Heart Rate</u>	<u>Range</u>
Horses	35	23-70
Cattle	60	40-80
Sheep	75	60-120
Goats	85	70-135

	<u>Respiratory Rate</u>
Horses	12
Cattle	20
Sheep	16
Goats	18

## Fecal & Urine Output Per Day:

	<u>Feces (lbs.)</u>	<u>Urine (ml/kg)</u>
Horses	30-50	3-18
Cattle	60/1000 lbs. bwt	17-45
Sheep	var.	10-40
Goat	var.	10-40

## Basic Health (Horses, Cattle, Sheep and Goats)

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#### Age at Puberty (months):

Horse	24
Cattle	14
Sheep	8-12
Goats	8-12

#### Estrous Cycle:

Horses	Seasonal
Cattle	Year Round
Sheep	Seasonal
Goats	Seasonal

#### Cycle Length (days):

Horses	22
Cattle	18-24
Sheep	14-19
Goats	20-22

#### Gestation Period (months):

Horses	11
Cattle	9
Sheep	5
Goats	5




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