

2008 North American Bluefaced Leicester Breeders Survey

In an effort to get an idea of Bluefaced Leicester lambing percentages in North America, some interested Bluefaced Leicester breeders have devised this short survey. We are asking all breeders of purebred Bluefaced Leicesters to **complete the attached survey and return it to us** as soon as possible after their lambing is completed for 2008. **The cut off date for replies will be July 1, 2008.**

When you've completed the survey, there are two ways to respond:

- 1.) Reply via email to **bflsurvey2008@gmail.com** Please mention **2008 BFL Survey in the subject line.** You can select the text from the survey form, paste it into your email, and insert your answers. Or you can list the question number and your answer in the text of your email response.
- 2.) This form can be printed out, completed in pen, and mailed to :
BFL Survey, c/o Becky Utecht, 2157 River Oaks Circle, Mora, MN 55051

If you have any questions about how to complete the survey, feel free to use the addresses above or call 320-679-4117 for answers.

We will compile the data and report the results to all interested BFL producers and organizations as soon as possible after all information is received. Thank you for taking the time to help us learn more about lambing percentages for BFL ewes in North America!

The 2008 BFL Survey Committee

in collaboration with

The Bluefaced Leicester Union Breed Registry, 760 West V.W. Ave., Schoolcraft, MI 49087

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Breeder Name/Address: _____

(optional) **To determine your responses, please use the numbers of sheep in your flock as of at least 7 days after the end of lambing in 2008.**

- 1.) _____ **Total flock size** (include all breeds of adult sheep age 9 months and over)
- 2.) _____ **# purebred Bluefaced Leicesters** (adult sheep age 9 months and over)
- 3.) _____ **# purebred BFL ewes exposed to a ram or Artificially Inseminated** in the 2007-2008 breeding season
- 4.) _____ **# purebred BFL ewes who lambled** in 2008 (include all ewes who had stillborns, abortions, etc.)
- 5.) _____ **# lambs born to purebred BFL ewes** in 2008 (include all births, stillborns, etc.)
- 6.) _____ **# live lambs born to purebred BFL ewes** (include all lambs who lived 7 days or longer)

Note: The ewes and their lambs reported in the following four questions (#7-10) should also be included in the counts for questions #1 - #6 above.

- 7.) _____ **# purebred BFL ewes who were Artificially Inseminated** in the 2007-2008 breeding season
- 8.) _____ **# lambs born to AI'd purebred BFL ewes** (include only births, stillborns, abortions, etc. resulting from the AI procedure)
- 9.) _____ **# live lambs born to AI'd purebred BFL ewes** (include only lambs resulting from the AI procedure who lived 7 days or longer)
- 10.) _____ **# purebred BFL Ewe lambs bred** (purebred BFL ewes born in 2007 who lambled in 2008)

Comments or suggestions: _____
