Sheep And Goat

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HOLIDAY CALENDAR

inexpensive and the loss of one lamb or kid to entertoxemia could buy many doses of vaccine.

Finally, the question of whether to wean or not to wean before marketing lambs or kids is important. Major buyers recognize whether a lamb or kids is "fresh" or not. In the best case scenario, babies go directly from their mother to the buyer.

Weaning is an added stress to animals and it takes several days to a couple of weeks to get them through the weaning period. They lose their bloom or freshness quickly when they are weaned.

Of course they regain some of that once they are through the weaning period.

Attached is a calendar with many holidays listed where sheep and goats are in demand. And in addition to these ethnic and religious holidays, our American type holidays such as Mother's Day, Father's Day, Memorial Day, and the Fourth of July create demand for goats and lambs among many cultures.

FOR MARKETING SHEEP & GOATS

	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
New Years	January-1	January 1	January I	January i	January 1
Epiphany	January 6				
Eid ul Adha	February 12	February 2	January 21	January 10	December 31
Islamic New Year	March 5	February 22	February 10	January 31	January 20
Christian Easter	April 20	April 11	March 27	April 16	April 8
Orthodox Easter	April 27	April 11	May 1	April 23	April 8
Ashura	March 14	March 2	February 19	February \$	January 29
Burth of the Prophet	May 14	May 2	April 21	April 11	March 31
Isra' and Me'raj	September 24	September 12	September I	August 22	August 11
Nisfu Sha ban	October 12	September 30	September 19	September 9	August 29
Ramadan Begins	October 27	October 15	October 4	September 24	September 12
Thanks-giving	November 27	November 25	November 24	November 23	November 22
Nuzulul Qur'an	November 21	November 12	October 28	October 20	October 12
Eid al Fitr Ramadan ends	November 26	November 14	November 3	October 24	October 13
Christmas	December 25	December 25	December 25	December 25	December 29

