Animal Unit Equivalent Chart - Texas Domestic Livestock - Native Wildlife - Exotic Wildlife

Kind Of Animal	Body Weight Pounds	Daily Ave Intake %ofBW	Annual Forage Intake Pounds	AU per Head	Head PerAU (Rounded)
Domestic Livestock					
Beef Cattle (cow)	1000	2.6	9400	1	1
Horse	1100	3.0	12,045	1.27	1
Domestic Sheep (Ewe)	130	3.5	1661	0.18	6
Spanish Goat (Nanny)	90	4.5	1478	0.16	6
Boer Goat (Nanny)	125	4.0	1825	0.19	5
Angora Goat (Nanny)	70	4.5	1150	0.12	8
Native Wildlife					
White-tailed Deer	100	3.5	1278	0.13	7
•^Muls_Deer „—	135	3.5	1725	0.18	6
Pronghorn Antelope	90	4.0	1314	0.14	7
Exotic Wildlife					
Axis Deer	150	3.5	1916	0.20	5
Sika Deer	145	3.5	1852	0.20	5
Fallow Deer	130	3.5	1661	0.18	6
Elk	800	3.0	8760	0.92	1
Red Deer	350	3.5	4471	0.47	2
Barasinga Deer	350	3.5	4471	0.47	2
Sambar Deer	400	3.5	5110	0.54	2
Pere David Deer	400	3.5	5110	0.54	2
Sable Antelope	500	3.0	5475	0.56	2
Blackbuck Antelope	75	4.0	1095	0.12	9
Nilgi Antelope	350	3.5	4471	0.47	2
Scimitar-horned Oryx	400	3.5	5110	0.54	2
Gemsbok Oryx	400	3.5	5110	0.54	2
Arabian Oryx	150	3.5	1916	0.20	5
Addax	250	3.5	3194	0.34	3
Ibex	100	3.5	1278	0.13	7
Impala	130	3.5	1661	0.18	6
Common Eland	1000	2.5	9125	0.96	1
Greater Kudu	450	3.5	5749	0.61	2
Sitatunga	200	3.5	2555	0.27	4
Waterbuck	500	3.0	5475	0.58	2
Thompson's Gazelle	85	4.0	1241	0.13	8
Mouflon/Barbado Sheep	120	3.5	1533	0.16	6
Auodad Sheep	200	3.5	2555	0.27	4

- This chart is based on the standard concept of an Animal Unit being one 1000 Ib beef cow consuming an average of 2.6% of her body weight daily throughout her yearly production cycle. Actual daily consumption will vary considerably throughout the year.
- Offspring of females are considered as part of the mother until weaning. After weaning, they are separate animals.
- Stocker cattle are usually calculated as 0.1 AU per 100 Ibs. body weight.
- For wildlife species, the AU equivalent is based on a normal population consisting of females, males and yearling animals. If a specific herd has an unusually high number of females, the average weight will be lower and the AU Eq. may need to be adjusted.

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