Breed Descriptor of Poonchi (Sheep)





Breeding Tract	
State: Jammu & Kashmir	Rajouri
	Poonch
Location	
Longitude (deg.)	74.00 - 74.50
Latitude (deg.)	33.30 - 33.40
General Information	
Synonyms	
Origin	
Major utility	Fibre - Wool
Comments on utility	
Comments on breeding tract	
Adaptability to environment	

Population			
	Year	Population	Other information
	2013	2643	Source: Estimated Livestock Population Breed Wise Based on Breed Survey 2013. Department of Animal Husbandry, Dairying & Fisheries, Government of India, New Delhi

Management					
Management system		Extensive			
Mobility		Transhumant			
Feeding of adults		Grazing			
Comments on Management		In summer, the animals graze on highland pasture. The flocks are mostly stall fed in winter.			
Morphology					
Colour	Predominantly white in colour, including the face, but spotted animals are also seen.				
Horn shape and size					
Visible characteristics	Medium sized animals. Nose and forehead is flat. Ears are medium in size and drooping. Body is covered with white, medium to coarse fleece. Belly is particularly covered; Legs and face are devoid of wool.				
	Male		Female	Ove	erall
Height (avg. cm.)			57.0		
Body Length (avg. cm.)			56.7		
Heart girth (avg. cm.)			72.6		
Body weight (avg. kg.)			27.0		
Performance				'	

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	Average	Minimum	Maximum
Fleece weight (kg/year)		0.9	1.3
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Any Peculiarity of the breed