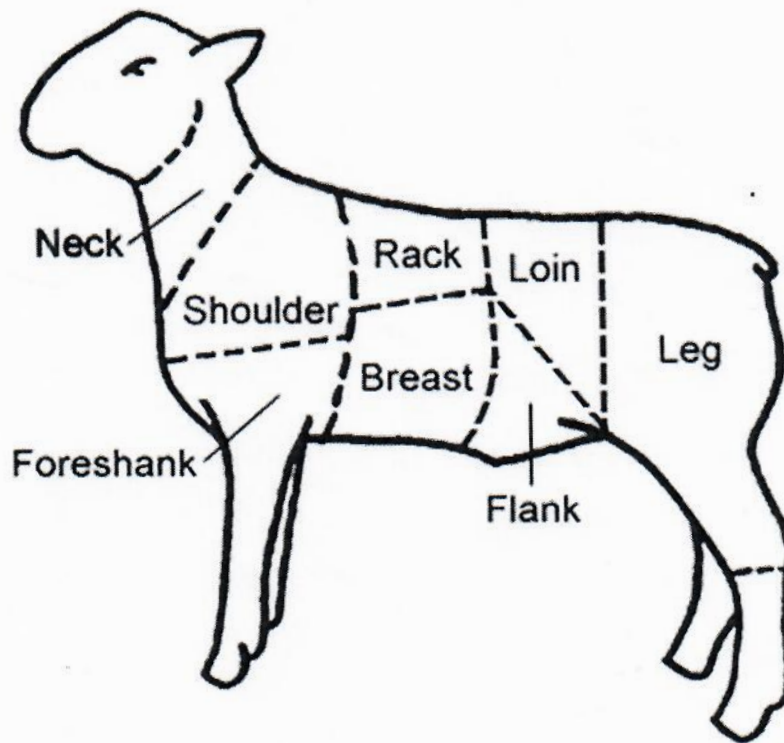


A few additional notes about lamb carcasses:

- Over 95% of all lambs in the United States grade Choice or Prime.
- The average dressed carcass weight in the U.S. is about 70 lbs.
- The average dressing percentage for lambs in the U.S. is about 50% for unshorn lambs and about 53% for shorn lambs. Dressing Percentage is determined by dividing chilled carcass weight by live weight then multiplying that number by 100.

### LAMB CARCASS ANATOMY

This illustration shows where the wholesale cuts of lamb are located on the lamb's body.



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