

Arkansas

Quarterly Hogs and Pigs

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This report contains the results from the quarterly *Hog Report*, conducted during the first half of December 2006. The data are also posted on our Web site at the Internet address above, and in more detailed U.S. statistics at <http://www.usda.gov/nass/>. Thanks to all who responded to the questionnaires and interviews for the surveys.

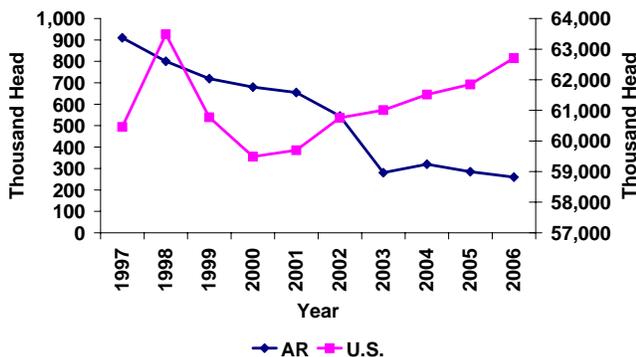
Hog Inventory on December 1, 2006, Down 4 Percent in Arkansas

Arkansas inventory of all hogs and pigs on December 1, 2006, totaled 260,000 head, down 4 percent from December 1, 2005. Breeding hog inventory, at 85,000 head, was unchanged, and market hog inventory, at 175,000 head, was down 5 percent from a year earlier. For the September – November 2006 quarter, the pig crop totaled 361,000 head, down 11 percent from the same quarter in 2005. Sows farrowed during the fourth quarter was down from the previous quarter at 37,000 head, and represented 44 percent of the breeding herd. Arkansas hog producers intend to have 40,000 sows farrow during the December 2006 – February 2007 quarter, down 7 percent from the actual farrowings for this period in 2005. The average number of pigs saved per litter for the September – November 2006 quarter was 9.75 head, up from 9.7 head for the same period in 2005.

Hog and Pig Inventory, December 1, 2006, Arkansas and U.S.

| Commodity | Arkansas | | | | United States | | | |
|--|--------------|---------------|--------------|-------------------------|---------------|---------------|--------------|-------------------------|
| | Dec. 1, 2005 | Sept. 1, 2006 | Dec. 1, 2006 | '06 Dec as % of '05 Dec | Dec. 1, 2005 | Sept. 1, 2006 | Dec. 1, 2006 | '06 Dec as % of '05 Dec |
| | 1,000 Head | | | Percent | 1,000 Head | | | Percent |
| All Hogs and Pigs | 270 | 280 | 260 | 96 | 61,197 | 62,704 | 62,149 | 101 |
| Breeding | 85 | 85 | 85 | 100 | 6,011 | 6,079 | 6,088 | 101 |
| Market | 185 | 195 | 175 | 95 | 55,186 | 56,625 | 56,061 | 101 |
| Market Hogs & Pigs by Weight: | | | | | | | | |
| Under 60 pounds | 130 | 145 | 125 | 96 | 19,955 | 20,998 | 20,334 | 101 |
| 60-119 Pounds | 20 | 15 | 15 | 75 | 13,552 | 13,991 | 13,603 | 101 |
| 120-179 Pounds | 15 | 15 | 15 | 100 | 11,266 | 11,555 | 11,544 | 102 |
| 180 Pounds and Over | 20 | 20 | 20 | 100 | 10,414 | 10,082 | 10,580 | 100 |

Hog and Pig Inventory, December 1, 1997-2006, Arkansas and U.S.



Market Hog Inventory by Weight Group, December 1, 2002-2006, Arkansas

