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This report contains the results from the *Quarterly Hogs and Pigs Survey, conducted during the first half of March 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.

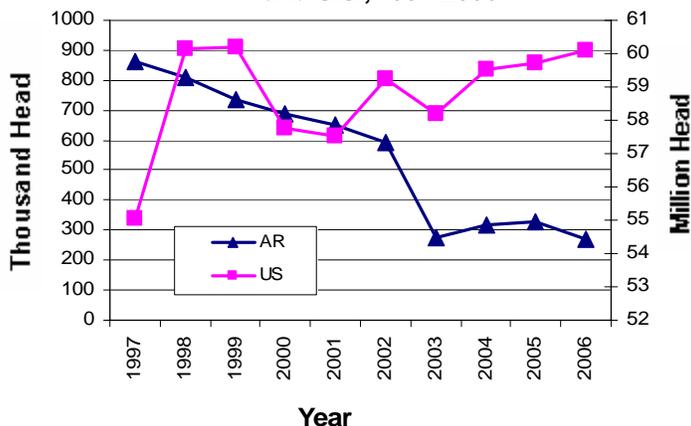
March 1 Hog Inventory Down 18 Percent

Arkansas inventory of all hogs and pigs on March 1, 2006, totaled 270,000 head, down 18 percent from March 1, 2005. *Breeding hog inventory*, at 85,000 head, was unchanged, and *market hog inventory*, at 185,000 head, was down 24 percent from a year earlier. For the December 2005-February 2006 quarter, *the pig crop* totaled 390,000 head, down 5 percent from the same quarter in 2005. *Sows farrowed* during the first quarter was 41,000 head, down 5 percent, and represented 48 percent of the breeding herd. Arkansas hog producers intend to have 41,000 sows farrow during the next March-May 2006 quarter, 2 percent below the actual farrowings for this period in 2005. The average number of *pigs saved per litter* for the December-February quarter was 9.50 head, down from the 9.55 head for the same period in 2005.

March 1 Hog and Pig Inventory, 2005-2006, Arkansas and U.S.

Item	Arkansas			United States		
	2005	2006	% Chg.	2005	2006	% Chg.
	1,000 head			1,000 Head		
	Percent			Percent		
All Hogs and Pigs	330	270	-18	59,699	60,104	+1
Breeding	85	85	0	5,941	6,025	+1
Market	245	185	-24	53,757	54,079	+1
Market Hogs & Pigs by Weight Groups:						
Under 60 pounds	145	140	-3	19,667	19,838	+1
60-119 Pounds	35	15	-57	13,087	13,114	0
120-179 Pounds	30	15	-50	11,360	11,317	0
180 Pounds and Over	35	15	-57	9,644	9,811	+2

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Market Hog Inventory by Weight Group Arkansas, March 1, 1997-2006

