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SPRINGFIELD, IL - The Illinois Field Office of NASS today released the USDA's **September 1 Hogs and Pigs Report**. State and national highlights of the report include:

#### ILLINOIS

Total **inventory** of all hogs and pigs on hand September 1, 2007 was 4.0 million head, down eight percent from last year. Market hogs, at 3.55 million head, were down nine percent from a year ago, while breeding hogs, at 450 thousand head, were up two percent.

The June - August **pig crop** of 2.07 million pigs was up 14 percent from last year. There were 230 thousand sows that farrowed, up 15 percent from last year. The average number of pigs per litter was 9.00, down from 9.05 during the same period last year.

Hog producers **intend to farrow** 235 thousand sows during the September - November quarter, up nine percent from the same period a year ago. The first intentions estimate for the December 2007 - February 2008 quarter is for 225 thousand sows to farrow, up seven percent from the previous year.

#### UNITED STATES

**U.S. inventory** of all hogs and pigs on September 1, 2007 was 64.6 million head. This was up three percent from both September 1, 2006, and June 1, 2007. **Breeding inventory**, at 6.14 million head, was up one percent from last year, and up slightly from the previous quarter. **Market hog inventory**, at 58.5 million head, was up three percent from both last year and last quarter.

**The June-August 2007 pig crop**, at 27.5 million head, was up four percent from each of the last two years. Sows farrowing during this period totaled 2.99 million head, up three percent from 2006 and up two percent from 2005. The sows farrowed during this quarter represented 49 percent of the breeding herd. The average pigs saved per litter was 9.19 for the June-August 2007 period, compared to 9.11 last year. Pigs saved per litter by size of operation ranged from 7.50 for operations with 1-99 hogs and pigs to 9.30 for operations with more than 5,000 hogs and pigs.

**U.S. hog producers** intend to have 2.96 million sows farrow during the September-November 2007 quarter, up one percent from the actual farrowings in 2006, and up two percent from 2005. Intended farrowings for December 2007-February 2008, at

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2.94 million sows, are up one percent from 2007, and up four percent from 2006. The total number of hogs under contract, owned by operations with over 5,000 head but raised by contractees, accounted for 40 percent of the total U.S. hog inventory, up from 39 percent last year.

HOGS AND PIGS: INVENTORY NUMBERS SEPTEMBER 1, 2006-2007

	Illinois			United States		
	2006	2007	2007 as % of 2006	2006	2007	2007 as % of 2006
	1,000 head		Percent	1,000 head		Percent
Breeding	440	450	102	6,079	6,145	101
Market	3,910	3,550	91	56,835	58,503	103
Under 60 lbs.	1,360	1,310	96	20,708	21,318	103
60-119 lbs.	990	890	90	14,231	14,614	103
120-179 lbs.	850	740	87	11,685	12,015	103
180 lbs.& over	710	610	86	10,212	10,556	103
Total	4,350	4,000	92	62,914	64,648	103

HOGS AND PIGS: FARROWINGS & PIG CROP, 2006-2007

	Illinois			United States		
	2006	2007	2007 as % of 2006	2006	2007	2007 as % of 2006
	1,000 head		Percent	1,000 head		Percent
Sows Farrowing						
Dec-Feb 1/	210	225 2/	107	2,905	2,943 2/	101
Mar-May	210	225	107	2,927	2,966	101
Jun-Aug	200	230	115	2,912	2,986	103
Sep-Nov	215	235 2/	109	2,949	2,964 2/	101
Pig Crop						
Mar-May	1,901	2,025	107	26,579	27,141	102
June-August	1,810	2,070	114	26,518	27,452	104
	Number					
Pigs Per Litter						
Mar-May	9.05	9.00	-	9.08	9.15	-
June-August	9.05	9.00	-	9.11	9.19	-

1/ January and February of following year.

2/ Intentions.

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