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Hogs & Pigs Inventory

Iowa: On March 1, there were 16.6 million hogs and pigs on Iowa farms. The March 1 inventory was up 200,000 from a year ago.

The December 2006-February 2007 pig crop was 4.0 million head. A total of 445,000 sows farrowed with an average litter size of 9.0 pigs per sow.

As of March 1, producers planned to farrow 470,000 head of sows and gilts in the March-May 2007 quarter. Farrowing intentions for the June-August 2007 period were estimated at 470,000 as of March 1, 2007.

United States: U.S. inventory of all hogs and pigs on March 1, 2007 was 61.1 million head. This was up 1 percent from March 1, 2006, but down 2 percent from December 1, 2006.

Breeding inventory, at 6.08 million head, was up 1 percent from last year, but down slightly from the previous quarter. Market hog inventory, at 55.0 million head, was up 1 percent from last year, but down 2 percent from last quarter.

The December 2006-February 2007 pig crop, at 26.1 million head, was up 2 percent from 2006 and up 3 percent from 2005. Sows farrowing during this period totaled 2.87 million head, up 1 percent from both 2006 and 2005. The sows farrowed during this quarter represented 47 percent of the breeding herd. The average pigs saved per litter was 9.08 for the December 2006-February 2007 period, compared to 9.03 last year. Pigs saved per litter by size of operation ranged from 7.60 for operations with 1-99 hogs and pigs to 9.20 for operations with more than 5,000 hogs and pigs.

U.S. hog producers intend to have 2.91 million sows farrow during the March-May 2007 quarter, down slightly from the actual farrowings, but up 1 percent from 2005. Intended farrowings for June-August 2007, at 2.92 million sows, are virtually unchanged from both 2006 and 2005. The total number of hogs under contract, owned by operations with over 5,000 head, but raised by contractees, accounted for 39 percent of the total U.S. hog inventory, unchanged from last year.

Hogs and Pigs: Breeding, Market, and Total Inventory By Selected States and United States, March 1, 2006-2007¹

| State | Breeding | | | Market | | | Total | | |
|-----------|-------------------|-------------------|-----------------|-------------------|-------------------|-----------------|-------------------|-------------------|-----------------|
| | 2006 | 2007 | '07 as % of '06 | 2006 | 2007 | '07 as % of '06 | 2006 | 2007 | '07 as % of '06 |
| | <i>1,000 Head</i> | <i>1,000 Head</i> | <i>Percent</i> | <i>1,000 Head</i> | <i>1,000 Head</i> | <i>Percent</i> | <i>1,000 Head</i> | <i>1,000 Head</i> | <i>Percent</i> |
| IL | 420 | 440 | 105 | 3,730 | 3,610 | 97 | 4,150 | 4,050 | 98 |
| IA | 1,100 | 1,080 | 98 | 15,300 | 15,520 | 101 | 16,400 | 16,600 | 101 |
| MN | 580 | 600 | 103 | 5,820 | 6,200 | 107 | 6,400 | 6,800 | 106 |
| MO | 345 | 360 | 104 | 2,355 | 2,440 | 104 | 2,700 | 2,800 | 104 |
| NE | 355 | 360 | 101 | 2,545 | 2,640 | 104 | 2,900 | 3,000 | 103 |
| NC | 1,020 | 1,020 | 100 | 8,480 | 8,380 | 99 | 9,500 | 9,400 | 99 |
| US | 6,025 | 6,081 | 101 | 54,301 | 55,022 | 101 | 60,326 | 61,103 | 101 |

¹ May not add due to rounding.

Market Hogs and Pigs: Inventory Number by Weight Group, Selected States, and United States, March 1, 2006-2007¹

| State | Under 60 lbs. | | 60-119 lbs. | | 120-179 lbs. | | 180 lbs. and over | |
|-----------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| | 2006 | 2007 | 2006 | 2007 | 2006 | 2007 | 2006 | 2007 |
| | <i>1,000 Head</i> |
| IL | 1,310 | 1,300 | 870 | 860 | 840 | 790 | 710 | 660 |
| IA | 4,680 | 4,690 | 4,140 | 4,090 | 3,520 | 3,570 | 2,960 | 3,170 |
| MN | 2,280 | 2,380 | 1,330 | 1,490 | 1,310 | 1,330 | 900 | 1,000 |
| MO | 1,085 | 1,160 | 490 | 485 | 460 | 460 | 320 | 335 |
| NE | 1,000 | 1,010 | 660 | 700 | 490 | 510 | 395 | 420 |
| NC | 3,400 | 3,430 | 1,940 | 1,850 | 1,690 | 1,680 | 1,450 | 1,420 |
| US | 19,988 | 20,265 | 13,006 | 13,086 | 11,434 | 11,423 | 9,874 | 10,248 |

¹ Weight groups may not add to Market due to rounding.