



# HOGS & PIGS

## Kansas Agricultural Statistics



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### Kansas Inventory Up 1 Percent From Last Year

The March 1 inventory of **hogs and pigs** on Kansas farms totaled 1.86 million head, up 1 percent from March 1, 2007, no change from December 1, 2007.

Hogs and pigs kept for breeding purposes totaled 160,000 head, down 3 percent from a year ago and down 6 percent from December 1, 2007. Breeding stock accounted for 9 percent of all hogs and pigs. Market hogs accounted for the remaining 91 percent of the total inventory, at 1.70 million head. Market hog inventory was 1 percent above a year ago and up less than one percent from December 1, 2007. Market hogs weighing less than 60 pounds totaled 575,000 head, unchanged from a year ago. The 60-119 pound weight group, at 370,000 head, was up 19 percent from 2007. The 120-179 pound weight group totaled 295,000 head, down 12 percent from a

year ago. The 180 pound and over weight group, at 460,000 head, was down 1 percent from a year ago.

### December-February Pig Crop

Farrowings during December-February, at 85,000 sows, were down 3 percent from the previous year, with a litter rate of 9.10 pigs.

### Farrowing Intentions

Kansas farmers intend to farrow 87,000 sows in the March-May quarter, down 1 percent from the preceding year. For the June-August quarter, expected farrowings are estimated at 86,000 sows, down 4 percent from last year.

**Hogs And Pigs Inventory, March 1, Seventeen Major States**

State	2007	2008	2008 % of 2007	State	2007	2008	2008 % of 2007
	<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>
Arkansas	275	300	109	N. Carolina	9,400	10,000	106
Colorado	820	780	95	Ohio	1,710	1,830	107
Illinois	4,100	4,300	105	Oklahoma	2,350	2,330	99
Indiana	3,250	3,500	108	Pennsylvania	1,110	1,120	101
Iowa	16,900	18,700	111	S. Dakota	1,280	1,430	112
<b>Kansas</b>	1,850	1,860	101	Texas	970	1,080	111
Michigan	990	970	98	Wisconsin	440	410	93
Minnesota	6,900	7,300	106	Other States	3,565	3,749	105
Missouri	2,850	3,050	107	United States	61,860	65,909	107
Nebraska	3,100	3,200	103				

### U.S. Inventory Up 7 Percent

U.S. inventory of all hogs and pigs on March 1, 2008 was 65.9 million head. This was up 7 percent from March 1, 2007 but down 2 percent from December 1, 2007. Breeding inventory, at 6.14 million head, was up less than 1 percent from last year, but down slightly from the previous quarter. Market hog inventory, at 59.8 million head, was up 7 percent from last year, but down 2 percent from last quarter.

### Pig Crop

The December-February 2008 pig crop, at 28.1 million head, was up 6 percent from 2007 and up 9 percent from 2006. Sows farrowing during this period totaled 3.05 million head, up 5 percent from 2007 and up 7 percent from 2006. The sows

farrowed during this quarter represented 50 percent of the breeding herd. The average pigs saved per litter was 9.21 for the December 2007-February 2008 period, compared to 9.09 pigs last year. Pigs saved per litter by size of operation ranged from 7.50 for operations with 1-99 hogs to 9.30 for operations with more than 5,000 hogs.

### Farrowing Intentions

U.S. hog producers intend to have 3.05 million sows farrow during the March-May 2008 quarter, up slightly from the actual farrowings during the same period in 2007 and up 4 percent above 2006. Intended farrowings for June-August 2008, at 3.04 million sows, are down 2 percent from 2007 but up 4 percent from 2006.

### Hogs And Pigs: Inventory, March 1

Item	Kansas			United States		
	2007	2008		2007	2008	
	Number (000)	Number (000)	% of 2007	Number (000)	Number (000)	% of 2007
<b>All Hogs &amp; Pigs</b>	1,850	1,860	101	61,860	65,909	107
Breeding	165	160	97	6,110	6,138	100
Market	1,685	1,700	101	55,749	59,770	107
<b>Market Hogs &amp; Pigs By Weight Group:</b>						
Under 60 pounds	575	575	100	20,381	21,897	107
60 - 119 pounds	310	370	119	13,356	14,291	107
120 - 179 pounds	335	295	88	11,679	12,443	107
180 pounds & over	465	460	99	10,334	11,140	108

### Farrowings: Number of Sows, Pigs Per Litter, And Pig Crop

Item	Kansas			United States		
	2007	2008		2007	2008	
	Number (000)	Number (000)	% of 2007	Number (000)	Number (000)	% of 2007
<b>December - February</b>						
Sows Farrowing	88	85	97	2,905	3,051	105
Pig Crop <sup>1</sup>	783	774	99	26,396	28,094	106
Pigs per Litter <sup>2</sup>	8.90	9.10	102	9.09	9.21	101
<b>March - May</b>						
Expected Farrowings	88	87	99	3,033	3,047	100
<b>June - August</b>						
Expected Farrowings	90	86	96	3,114	3,037	98

<sup>1</sup> Number of pigs born December-February that were still on hand March 1 or had been sold.

<sup>2</sup> Number of pigs.

### Canadian Hog Inventory Down 6 Percent

**Inventory of all hogs and pigs** on January 1, 2008 in Canada was 14.0 million head, down 6 percent from January 1, 2007 and down 7 percent from January 1, 2006. The **breeding inventory**, at 1.55 million head, was down 2 percent from last year and down slightly from last quarter. **Market hog inventory**, at 12.5

million head, was down 7 percent from last year and down 3 percent from last quarter. The **pig crop**, at 8.20 million head, was down slightly from 2007 and 2006. **Sows farrowed** during this period totaled 837,000 head, down 1 percent from last year.

For economic analyses and market implications of these reports, please go to [www.agmanager.info/livestock.marketing/graphs](http://www.agmanager.info/livestock.marketing/graphs) for the latest hog charts provided by Dr. Jim Mintert, Extension Ag Economist with KSU-Research & Extension Service. A link to the latest newsletter and radio comments is also available on this page.