



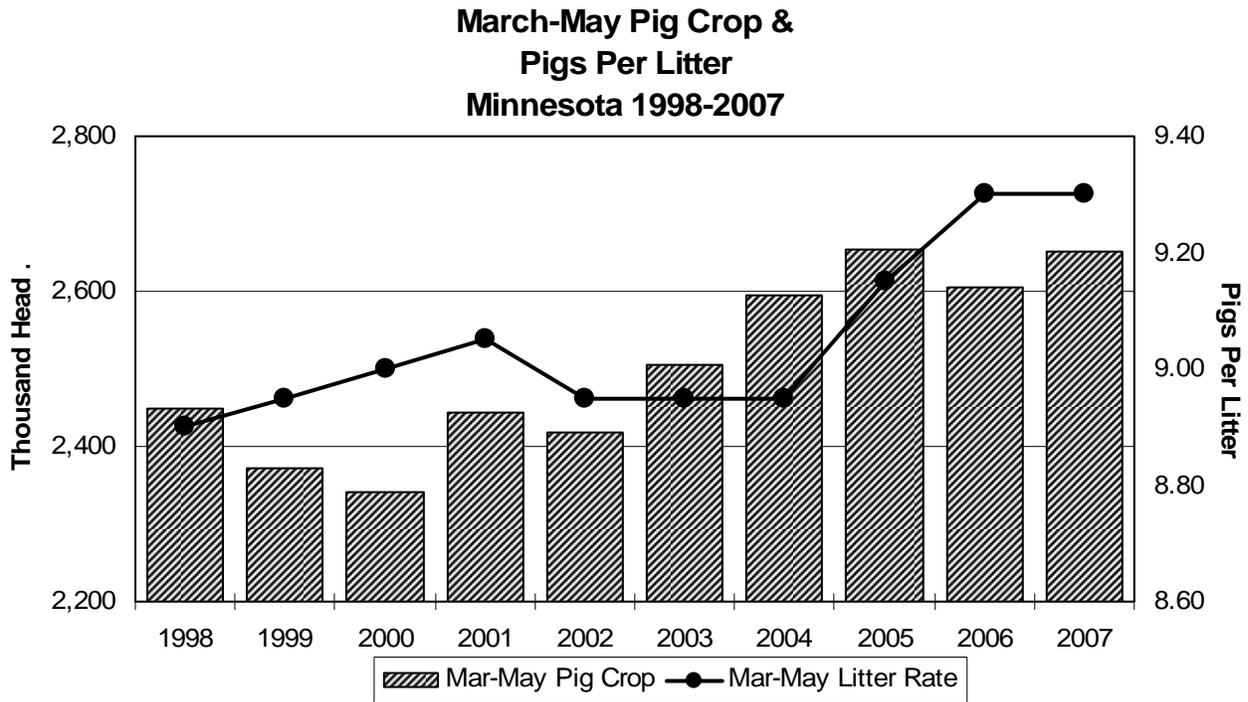
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**MINNESOTA HOG NUMBERS UNCHANGED FROM MARCH**

Minnesota hog producers had an inventory of 6.9 million hogs and pigs on June 1, 2007, up 1 percent from last year but unchanged from the March 1, 2007 figure, according to the USDA, NASS, Minnesota Field Office. This is a new record inventory for June 1. Breeding hogs totaled 610 thousand head, up 3 percent from a year earlier and market hogs and pigs at 6.29 million head, were up 1 percent from a year ago.

**STATE PIG CROP UP 4 PERCENT**

Minnesota's March-May 2007 pig crop totaled 2.65 million head, up 2 percent from a year earlier and up 4 percent from the December 2006-February 2007 pig crop. The 285 thousand sows that farrowed averaged 9.30 pigs per litter, tying the record high litter rate for the March-May quarter set in 2006.



**JUNE-AUGUST 2007 AND SEPTEMBER-NOVEMBER 2007 INTENTIONS**

Hog producers in Minnesota intend to farrow 285 thousand sows during the June-August 2007 quarter. If realized, this would be up 2 percent from the same period a year earlier. Producers intend to farrow 285 thousand sows during the September-November 2007 quarter. If realized, this would be up 2 percent from the same period in 2006.

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## U.S. Hog Inventory Up 2 Percent

**U.S. inventory** of all hogs and pigs on June 1, 2007 was 62.8 million head. This was up 2 percent from both June 1, 2006 and March 1, 2007.

**Breeding inventory**, at 6.12 million head, was up 1 percent from last year, and 2 percent from the previous quarter.

**Market hog inventory**, at 56.6 million head, was up 2 percent from both last year and last quarter.

**The March-May 2007 pig crop**, at 27.1 million head, was up 2 percent from 2006 and up 4 percent from 2005. Sows farrowing during this period totaled 2.97 million head, up 1 percent from 2006 and up 3 percent from 2005. The sows farrowed during this quarter represented 49 percent of the breeding herd. The average pigs saved per litter was 9.15 for the March-May 2007 period, compared to 9.08 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.

### Revisions

All inventory and pig crop estimates for June 2006 through March 2007 were reviewed using final pig crop, official slaughter, death loss, and updated import and export data. Based on the findings of this review, adjustments of slightly larger than one-half of one percent were made to the December 1, 2006 and March 1, 2007 total inventory. Adjustments of slightly more than one percent were made to the September-November 2006 pig crop and less than one-half of one percent to the December 2006-February 2007 pig crop.

**Monthly Farrowings: Number of Sows, Pigs per Litter, and Pig Crop,  
United States, December-November 2006-2007<sup>1 2</sup>**

Month	Sows Farrowing		Pigs per Litter		Pig Crop	
	2006	2007	2006	2007	2006	2007
	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>Number</i>	<i>Number</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>
Dec <sup>1</sup>	937	954	8.98	9.07	8,411	8,649
Jan	952	965	9.08	9.10	8,646	8,784
Feb	951	966	9.05	9.09	8,605	8,777
Mar	984	997	9.04	9.12	8,898	9,094
Apr	969	985	9.07	9.18	8,788	9,038
May	974	984	9.13	9.16	8,893	9,009
Jun	973		9.10		8,856	
Jul	965		9.10		8,780	
Aug	974		9.12		8,882	
Sep	1,002		9.10		9,123	
Oct	985		9.12		8,982	
Nov	962		9.10		8,752	
Total	11,629		9.08		105,615	

<sup>1</sup> December preceding year.

<sup>2</sup> Monthly values may not add to quarterly or annual totals due to rounding.