



# Farm Report

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## OHIO HOG INVENTORY UP FROM MARCH 2006

Ohio hog producers had 1.70 million hogs on hand March 1, 2007, up 1 percent from last quarter and up 10 percent from a year ago. The number of market hogs, at 1,535,000 head, was up 2 percent from last quarter and up 11 percent from last year. Breeding stock, at 165,000 head, was down 3 percent from last quarter but up 3 percent from last year.

The pig crop during the December-February 2007 quarter numbered 759,000 head, 8 percent above last year but 1 percent below last quarter. The number of sows farrowed during the December-February 2007 quarter, at 83,000, was 6,000 head above last year and unchanged from last quarter. Pigs saved per litter averaged 9.15, down 1 percent for the same period last quarter, but up 1 percent from last year.

Ohio producers intend to farrow 81,000 sows during the March-May 2007 quarter; 1,000 head below a year earlier. Farrowing intentions for the summer quarter, June-August 2007, is 82,000 sows, 2,000 head below the same quarter of 2006.

U.S. inventory of all hogs and pigs on March 1, 2007 was 61.1million 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.

### HOG AND PIG INVENTORY-MARCH 1, 2006 AND 2007 - SELECTED STATES

Selected States	Hogs and pigs for breeding		Hogs and pigs for market		All hogs and pigs	
	2006	2007	2006	2007	2006	2007
Thousand Head						
Illinois	420	440	3,730	3,610	4,150	4,050
Indiana	310	320	2,790	2,830	3,100	3,150
Iowa	1,100	1,080	15,300	15,520	16,400	16,600
N. Carolina	1,020	1,020	8,480	8,380	9,500	9,400
Ohio	160	165	1,380	1,535	1,540	1,700
<b>UNITED STATES</b>	6,025	6,081	54,301	55,022	60,326	61,103

### MARKET HOGS - MARCH 1, 2006 AND 2007 - SELECTED STATES

Selected States	Under 60 lbs.		60-119 lbs.		120-179 lbs.		180 lbs. and over	
	2006	2007	2006	2007	2006	2007	2006	2007
Thousand Head								
Illinois	1,310	1,300	870	860	840	790	710	660
Indiana	1,030	1,040	700	700	560	570	500	520
Iowa	4,680	4,690	4,140	4,090	3,520	3,570	2,960	3,170
N. Carolina	3,400	3,430	1,940	1,850	1,690	1,680	1,450	1,420
Ohio	570	600	315	380	305	320	190	235
<b>UNITED STATES</b>	19,988	20,265	13,006	13,086	11,434	11,423	9,874	10,248

**SOWS FARROWING AND PIG CROP - SELECTED STATES**

Selected States	September-November				December-February <sup>1/</sup>			
	Sows farrowing		Pig crop		Sows farrowing		Pig crop	
	2005	2006	2005	2006	2006	2007	2006	2007
Thousand Head								
Illinois	200	210	1,770	1,911	195	205	1,755	1,855
Indiana	135	140	1,215	1,246	130	140	1,157	1,232
Iowa	455	465	4,095	4,208	455	445	4,095	4,005
N. Carolina	550	550	4,950	5,033	540	540	4,914	4,914
Ohio	81	83	737	764	77	83	701	759
<b>UNITED STATES</b>	2,900	2,910	26,187	26,501	2,840	2,874	25,661	26,084

**FARROWING INTENTIONS - SELECTED STATES**

Selected States	March-May Sows			June-August Sows		
	2006 <sup>2/</sup>	2007 <sup>3/</sup>	07/06	2006 <sup>2/</sup>	2007 <sup>3/</sup>	07/06
Thousand Head			Pct.	Thousand Head		Pct.
Illinois	210	210	100	200	210	105
Indiana	135	140	104	140	145	104
Iowa	465	470	101	455	470	103
N. Carolina	550	540	98	560	550	98
Ohio	82	81	99	84	82	98
<b>UNITED STATES</b>	2,927	2,913	100	2,912	2,917	100

1/ December of the preceding year. 2/ Actual number of sows farrowed. 3/ Intentions to farrow.

**OHIO RED MEAT PRODUCTION**

Commercial red meat production in Ohio during February 2007 totaled 21.5 million pounds, down 1 percent from a year earlier. Total live weight production in Ohio by species, compared with a year earlier was: cattle, 9.7 million pounds, up 8 percent; calves, 23 thousand pounds, up 15 percent; hogs, 22.1 million pounds, down 4 percent; sheep & lambs, 77 thousand pounds, up 45 percent.

Commercial red meat production for the United States totaled 3.62 billion pounds in February, up 4 percent from the 3.49 billion pounds produced in February 2006.

Beef production, at 1.95 billion pounds, was 7 percent above the previous year. Cattle slaughter totaled 2.56 million head, up 9 percent from February 2006. The average live weight was down 10 pounds from the previous year, at 1,274 pounds.

Veal production totaled 12.2 million pounds, 7 percent above February a year ago. Calf slaughter totaled 66,900 head, up 27 percent from February 2006. The average live weight was down 50 pounds from last year, at 307 pounds.

Pork production totaled 1.64 billion pounds, down slightly from the previous year. Hog kill totaled 8.12 million head, down slightly February 2006. The average live weight was down 2 pounds from the previous year, at 269 pounds.

Lamb and mutton production, at 14.4 million pounds, was down 2 percent from February 2006. Sheep slaughter totaled 204,400 head, 1 percent above last year. The average live weight was 140 pounds, down 4 pounds from February a year ago. February 2007 contained 20 weekdays (including one holiday) and 4 Saturdays.

**FEBRUARY COMMERCIAL LIVESTOCK SLAUGHTER**

Item	Ohio			United States		
	2006	2007	06/05	2006	2007	06/05
Number of Head (000)						
Cattle	7.7	8.3	108	2,346.6	2,561.7	109
Calves	.1	.1	100	52.7	63.9	121
Hogs	83.4	80.9	97	8,055.6	8,117.0	101
Sheep & Lambs	.5	.7	140	202.2	204.4	101
Average live weight (lbs.)						
Cattle	1,186	1,178	99	1,284	1,274	99
Calves	350	350	100	357	307	86
Hogs	276	274	99	271	269	99
Sheep & Lambs	108	111	103	144	140	97
Total live weight (000 lbs.)						
Cattle	9,041	9,739	108	3,000,905	3,250,650	108
Calves	20	23	115	18,693	20,401	109
Hogs	22,931	22,097	96	2,183,590	2,183,691	100
Sheep & Lambs	53	77	145	29,162	28,631	98

## FEBRUARY MILK PRODUCTION

The total milk production in Ohio during February 2007 was 388 million pounds, 9 million pounds more than a year earlier. The average number of cows on Ohio farms during February 2007 was 275 thousand. The yield per cow, at 1,410 pounds, was up 1 percent.

Milk production in the 23 major States during February totaled 13.1 billion pounds, up 0.9 percent from February 2006. January revised production, at 14.3 billion pounds, was

up 1.8 percent from January 2006. The January revision represented an increase of 48 million pounds or 0.3 percent from last month's preliminary production estimate. Production per cow in the 23 major States averaged 1,586 pounds for February, no change from February 2006. The number of milk cows on farms in the 23 major States was 8.28 million head, 71,000 head more than February 2006, but 3,000 head less than January 2007.

### JANUARY MANUFACTURED DAIRY PRODUCTS

	Ohio			United States		
	2006	2007	07/06	2006	2007	07/06
	1,000 Gallons			1,000 Gallons		
	Percent			Percent		
Ice Cream, Hard	1,742	1,951	112	61,826	62,004	100

### FEBRUARY MILK COWS AND MILK PRODUCTION

	Milk cows on farm <sup>1/</sup>			Milk per cow <sup>2/</sup>			Milk Production <sup>2/</sup>			
	Feb. 2006	Jan. 2007	Feb. 2007	Feb. 2006	Jan. 2007	Feb. 2007	Feb. 2006	Jan. 2007	Feb. 2007	07/06
	Thousand			Pounds			Million Pounds			
							Percent			
California	1,779	1,791	1,793	1,710	1,880	1,755	3,042	3,367	3,147	104
<b>Ohio</b>	<b>273</b>	<b>275</b>	<b>275</b>	<b>1,390</b>	<b>1,520</b>	<b>1,410</b>	<b>379</b>	<b>418</b>	<b>388</b>	<b>102</b>
Wisconsin	1,240	1,245	1,246	1,455	1,630	1,490	1,804	2,029	1,857	103
23 State Total	8,206	8,280	8,277	1,586	1,724	1,586	13,018	14,276	13,129	101

1/ Includes dry cows, excludes heifers not yet fresh. 2/ Excludes milk sucked by calves.

### COLD STORAGE HIGHLIGHTS

Frozen food stocks in refrigerated warehouses on February 28, 2007 were greater than year earlier levels for butter, cheese, and beef.

Butter stocks were up 25 percent from last month and up 10 percent from a year ago.

Total red meat supplies in freezers were down 2 percent from last month and down 3 percent from the previous year. Frozen pork supplies were down slightly from last month and

down 8 percent from last year. Stocks of pork bellies were down slightly from last month and down 22 percent from last year.

Total frozen poultry supplies on February 28, 2007 were down 3 percent from the previous month and down 24 percent from a year ago. Total stocks of chicken were down 7 percent from the previous month and down 32 percent from last year. Total pounds of turkey in freezers were up 8 percent from last month and up 1 percent from February 28, 2006.

### U.S. STOCKS IN COLD STORAGE FEBRUARY 28, 2007 WITH COMPARISONS

	Feb 28, 2006	Jan 31, 2007	Feb 28, 2007	February 28, 2007 as percent of	
				2/28/06	1/31/07
	1,000 Pounds			Percent	
Butter	169,136	148,703	186,560	110	125
Cheese, Total Natural	782,778	832,755	852,761	109	102
Eggs, Frozen	24,468	17,207	15,706	64	91
Fruits, Frozen	863,494	1,010,777	940,754	109	93
Fruit Juices, Frozen	1,363,483	1,085,587	1,085,682	80	100
Meats, Total Red	987,344	976,077	956,138	97	98
Beef, Total Frozen	440,564	469,345	451,271	102	96
Pork, Total Frozen	528,251	484,302	483,558	92	100
Poultry, Total Frozen	1,243,996	974,684	949,199	76	97
Chicken	923,718	676,562	626,408	68	93
Turkeys	315,679	293,352	318,021	101	108
Vegetables, Total Frozen	1,869,722	1,963,929	1,762,231	94	90
Potatoes, Total Frozen	1,147,016	1,041,333	1,067,755	93	103

Data for this report are collected from public and private refrigerated warehouses storing commodities from 30 days or more. Stocks in space owned or leased by the armed forces are excluded. Food stocks held under bond are included in the storage data.

## OHIO EGG PRODUCTION

Egg production in Ohio during February, 2007, totaled 559 million eggs; down 11 percent from last month and down 6 percent compared with a year earlier when production for February, 2006 totaled 592 million eggs. During February there were 27.2 million layers on Ohio farms. The rate of lay during the month was 2,059 eggs per 100 layers, or 73.5 percent. There were 2.0 percent of the layers in Ohio being force molted on March 1, 2007. Twenty-five-percent of the layers in Ohio have completed a forced molt compared with 21.0 percent a year ago. In all egg-producing states on March 1, 2007, 2.9 percent of the layers on hand were in a molt and 24.3 percent had completed a molt.

U.S. egg production totaled 6.91 billion during February 2007, down 1 percent from last year. Production included 5.92 billion table eggs, and 998 million hatching eggs, of which 937 million were broiler-type and 61 million were egg-type. The total number of layers during February 2007 averaged 347 million, down 1 percent from last year. February egg production per 100 layers was 1,992 eggs, down slightly from February 2006.

All layers in the U.S. on March 1, 2007 totaled 347 million, down 1 percent from last year. The 347 million layers consisted of 288 million layers producing table or market type eggs, 56.5 million layers producing broiler-type hatching eggs, and 2.82 million layers producing egg-type hatching eggs. Rate of lay per day on March 1, 2007, averaged 71.6 eggs per 100 layers, unchanged from March 1, 2006. Egg-type chicks hatched during February 2007 totaled 36.8 million, up 9 percent from February 2006. Eggs in incubators totaled 38.5 million on March 1, 2007, up 5 percent from a year ago. Broiler-type chicks hatched during February 2007 totaled 724 million, down 1 percent from February 2006. Eggs in incubators totaled 664 million on March 1, 2007, down slightly from a year earlier.

Turkey eggs in incubators on March 1, 2007, in the United States totaled 31.2 million, up 4 percent from March 1, 2006. Eggs in incubators were down slightly from the February 1, 2007 total of 31.3 million eggs. The 24.0 million poults placed during February 2007 in the United States were up 3 percent from the number placed during the same month a year earlier.

### FEBRUARY EGG PRODUCTION

	Layers on hand during month		Eggs per 100 layers	Total production			
				Monthly		Accumulated <sup>1/</sup>	
	2006	2007	2007	2006	2007	2006	2007
	Thousands		Number	Million			
Ohio	29,570	27,152	2,059	592	559	1,937	1,821
U.S.	350,018	347,005	1,992	6,980	6,914	22,500	22,328

<sup>1/</sup> Accumulated period began December of previous year.

### CHICKS HATCHED BY COMMERCIAL HATCHERIES, UNITED STATES

	Egg-type			Broiler-type			Turkeys placed <sup>1/</sup>		
	2006	2007	2007/2006	2006	2007	2007/2006	2006	2007	2007/2006
	Thousands		Percent	Thousands		Percent	Thousands		Percent
Feb.	33,665	36,766	109	733,145	723,753	99	23,296	23,987	103
Jan. Feb.	69,087	73,692	107	1,537,218	1,520,819	99	137,330	144,731	105

<sup>1/</sup> Accumulated period for turkeys begins September.

### EGGS IN INCUBATORS - MARCH 1, 2007

	Egg-Type eggs			Broiler-type Chicks			Turkey Eggs		
	2006	2007	2007/2006	2006	2007	2007/2006	2006	2007	2007/2006
	Thousands		Percent	Thousands		Percent	Thousands		Percent
E. North Central <sup>1/</sup>	6,291	8,078	128	9,116	9,721	107	4,663	4,908	105
United States	36,514	38,468	105	665,624	663,815	100	29,914	31,218	104

<sup>1/</sup> Not available by States.

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