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HOG NUMBERS UP FROM LAST YEAR

SIOUX FALLS, December 27, 2007 -- The state's **December 1 inventory of all hogs and pigs** was 1.37 million head, up 8 percent from one year ago and up 2 percent from last quarter, according to the South Dakota office of USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service.

Breeding stock totaled 165,000 head, up 18 percent from December 2006 and up 6 percent from September. **Market hogs** totaled 1,205,000 head, up 7 percent from last year and up 2 percent from September.

The **September through November pig crop** was 821,000 head, up 22 percent from 671,000 head last year. During the quarter 86,000 sows farrowed, up 21 percent from 2006 and up 10 percent from last quarter. Pigs per litter averaged 9.55, up from the previous year's 9.45. Producers intend to farrow 85,000 sows during December through February, 27 percent above the actual farrowings a year ago. Intentions for March through May are for 87,000 farrowings, up from 73,000 actual farrowings one year earlier.

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