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Austin . . . The June 1, 2007 Texas hog and pig inventory, at 980,000 head, was up 1 percent from the June 2006 total of 970,000 head.

The number of breeding hogs totaled 110,000 head, up 5 percent from last year, according to figures released by the Texas Field Office.

The June 1 market hog inventory was up 1 percent from a year ago to 870,000 head, 89 percent of the total hog and pig inventory. The inventory of market hogs weighing less than 60 pounds, at 275,000 head, was unchanged from the previous year. The inventory of hogs weighing 60 to 119 pounds, at 215,000 head, was down 2 percent from the June 2006 inventory. Market hogs weighing 120 to 179 pounds totaled 190,000 head, down 7 percent from last year; hogs weighing 180 pounds or more, at 190,000 head, were up 15 percent.

The March-May 2007 Texas pig crop totaled 423,000 head, down 3 percent from last year. Pigs per litter averaged 9.20, down 1 percent from the previous year. State Director, Dave Abbe, reported that 46,000 sows farrowed in Texas during March through May 2007, down 2 percent from last year.

The U.S. inventory of all hogs and pigs on June 1, 2007, is estimated at 62.8 million head, up 2 percent from both June 1, 2006 and March 1, 2007. The breeding hog inventory, at 6.12 million head, was up 1 percent from last year. Market hog inventory, at 56.6 million head, was up 2 percent from both last year, and last quarter.

The U.S. pig crop for March-May 2007, at 27.1 million head, was up 2 percent from 2006 and up 4 percent from 2005. U.S. producers intend to have 2.96 million sows farrow during the June-August 2007 quarter, up 2 percent from actual farrowings in 2006.