



# Quarterly Hog and Pig Report

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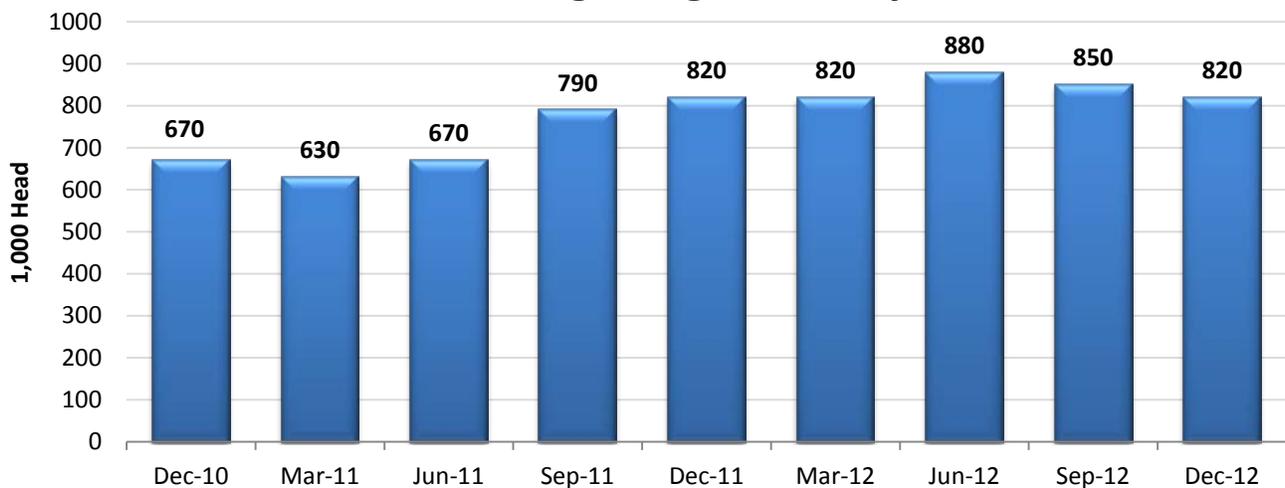
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This report contains the results from the December 2012 Hog and Pig Survey. Completed surveys from a national sample of about 8,000 hog producers provided the foundation for these official estimates. Our thanks to all producers who responded to the survey. Results from the next quarterly survey will be made available March 28, 2013.

**Texas Inventory:** The December 1, 2012 Texas hog and pig inventory, at 820 thousand head, was unchanged from December 2011. The number of **breeding hogs** totaled 85.0 thousand head, down 5 thousand head from last year. The December 1 **market hog** inventory was up 1 percent from a year ago at 735 thousand head, 90 percent of the total hog and pig inventory.

The September 2012-November 2012 Texas **pig crop** totaled 353 thousand head, unchanged from last year. Pigs per litter averaged 8.6, unchanged from the previous year. State Director, Doug Rundle, reported that 41.0 thousand sows farrowed in Texas during September 2012 through November 2012, also unchanged from last year.

## Texas Hog & Pig Inventory



**U.S. Highlights:** The U.S. inventory of all hogs and pigs on December 1, 2012, is estimated at 66.3 million head, down slightly from a year ago and down 2 percent from September 1, 2012. The **breeding hog inventory**, at 5.82 million head, was up slightly from last year and up 1 percent from the previous quarter. **Market hog** inventory, at 60.5 million head, was down slightly from last year and down 2 percent from last quarter.

The U.S. **pig crop** for September 2012-November 2012, at 29.4 million, was up slightly from 2011. U.S. producers intend to have 2.86 million sows farrow during the December 2012-February 2013 period, up slightly from the actual farrowings during the same period in 2012. Intended farrowings for March-May 2013, at 2.93 million sows, are down 2 percent from the same quarter in 2012.

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### Hogs and Pigs: Inventory Number by Class and Weight Group, Texas and United States 2011-12

Date	Total Inventory	Breeding Inventory	Market Inventory	Market Hogs and Pigs by Weight Groups			
				Under 50 Pounds	50-119 Pounds	120-179 Pounds	180 Pounds and Over
	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>
<b>Texas</b>							
Dec. 1, 2011	820	90	730	200	160	145	225
Mar. 1, 2012	820	90	730	225	145	135	225
Jun. 1, 2012	880	100	780	200	180	150	250
Sep. 1, 2012	850	90	760	225	165	150	220
Dec. 1, 2012	820	85	735	190	155	155	235
<b>United States</b>							
Dec. 1, 2011	66,361	5,803	60,558	19,524	16,643	12,473	11,918
Mar. 1, 2012	64,937	5,820	59,117	19,235	16,409	12,780	10,693
Jun. 1, 2012	66,659	5,862	60,797	19,871	18,119	12,203	10,604
Sep. 1, 2012	67,702	5,788	61,914	19,656	17,673	13,090	11,495
Dec. 1, 2012	66,348	5,817	60,531	19,448	16,643	12,479	11,961

### Sows Farrowed, Pigs per Litter, and Pig Crop, 2010-12 <sup>1</sup>

Date	Sows Farrowing			Pigs per Litter			Pig Crop <sup>2</sup>		
	2010	2011	2012	2010	2011	2012	2010	2011	2012
	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>						
<b>Texas</b>									
Dec-Feb <sup>3</sup>	29	32	42	8.70	8.70	8.60	252	278	361
Mar-May	30	36	49	8.50	8.80	8.70	255	317	426
Jun-Aug	32	37	46	8.30	8.60	8.50	266	318	391
Sep-Nov	30	41	41	8.60	8.60	8.60	258	353	353
<b>United States</b>									
Dec-Feb <sup>3</sup>	2,872	2,843	2,864	9.61	9.80	9.97	27,596	27,866	28,550
Mar-May	2,929	2,917	2,982	9.81	10.03	10.09	28,730	29,252	30,077
Jun-Aug	2,944	2,927	2,890	9.81	10.03	10.13	28,871	29,355	29,269
Sep-Nov	2,881	2,929	2,900	9.89	10.02	10.15	28,488	29,365	29,443

<sup>1</sup> Year relates to when quarter ends.

<sup>2</sup> Number of pigs born during the period that were still on hand or had been sold.

<sup>3</sup> December preceding year.

### Sows Farrowed and Litter Rate by Quarter, Texas 2007-12

