



Texas Hog and Pig Report

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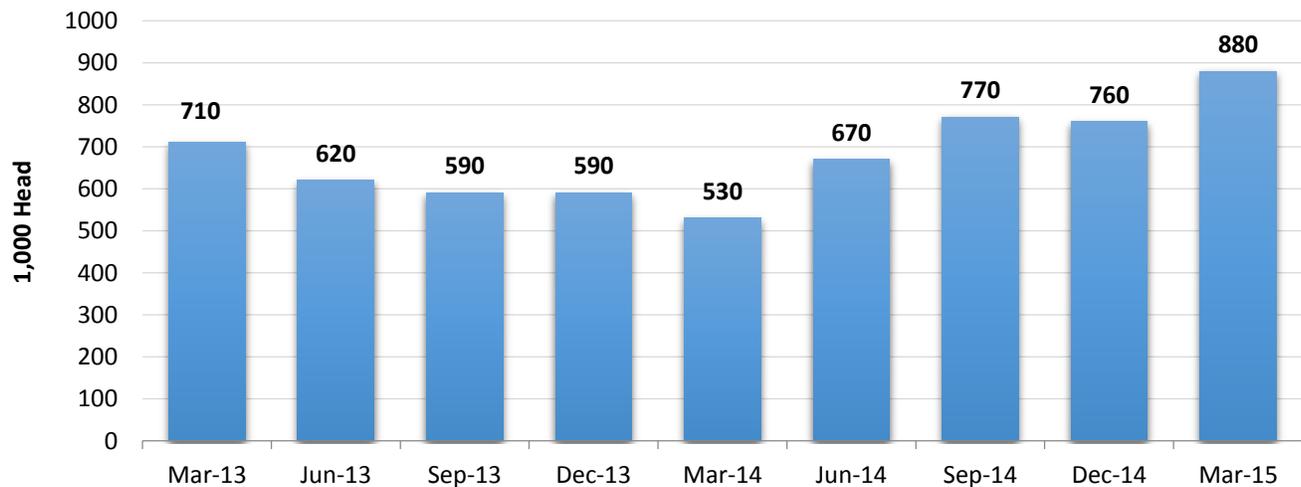
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This report contains the results from the March 2015 Hog and Pig Survey. Completed surveys from a national sample of about 8,100 hog producers provided the foundation for these official estimates. Our thanks to all producers who responded to the survey. Results from the next quarterly survey will be made available June 26, 2015.

Texas Inventory: The March 1, 2015 Texas hog and pig inventory, at 880 thousand head, was 66 percent higher than March 2014. The number of **breeding hogs** totaled 100 thousand head, unchanged from last year. The March 1 **market hog** inventory was up 81 percent from a year ago at 780 thousand head, 89 percent of the total hog and pig inventory.

The December 2014-February 2015 Texas **pig crop** totaled 361 thousand head, 2 percent above last year. Pigs per litter averaged 8.8, up 2 percent from the previous year. Sows farrowed during December 2014 through February 2015 totaled 41.0 thousand head, unchanged from last year.

Texas Hog & Pig Inventory



U.S. Highlights: The U.S. inventory of all hogs and pigs on March 1, 2015, is estimated at 65.9 million head, up 7 percent from a year ago but down slightly from December 1, 2014. The **breeding hog inventory**, at 5.98 million head, was up 2 percent from last year and up 1 percent from the previous quarter. **Market hog** inventory, at 60.0 million head, was up 8 percent from last year but down slightly from last quarter.

The U.S. **pig crop** for December 2014-February 2015, at 28.8 million, was up 9 percent from 2014. U.S. producers intend to have 2.87 million sows farrow during the March 2015-May 2015 period, up 2 percent from the actual farrowings during the same period last year. Intended farrowings for June 2015-August 2015, at 2.93 million sows, are up 2 percent from the same quarter the year prior.

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Hogs and Pigs: Inventory Number by Class and Weight Group, Texas and United States 2014-15

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
Texas	<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>
Mar. 1, 2014	530	100	430	80	105	75	170
Jun. 1, 2014	670	100	570	130	145	140	155
Sep. 1, 2014	770	100	670	210	190	140	130
Dec. 1, 2014	760	100	660	155	150	150	205
Mar. 1, 2015	880	100	780	215	200	190	175
United States							
Mar. 1, 2014	61,494	5,851	55,643	17,336	15,487	12,538	10,281
Jun. 1, 2014	61,568	5,855	55,713	18,254	15,801	11,491	10,166
Sep. 1, 2014	65,979	5,920	60,059	20,390	17,458	12,112	10,098
Dec. 1, 2014	66,145	5,939	60,207	19,026	16,630	12,930	11,621
Mar. 1, 2015	65,934	5,982	59,953	18,959	16,509	13,290	11,195

Sows Farrowed, Pigs per Litter, and Pig Crop, 2013-15 ¹

Date	Sows Farrowing			Pigs per Litter			Pig Crop ²		
	2013	2014	2015	2013	2014	2015	2013	2014	2015
Texas	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>						
Dec-Feb ³	37	41	41	8.60	8.60	8.80	318	353	361
Mar-May	38	43		8.90	9.40		338	404	
Jun-Aug	42	44		8.30	9.90		349	436	
Sep-Nov	38	47		8.55	8.40		325	395	
United States									
Dec-Feb ³	2,788	2,763	2,829	10.08	9.53	10.17	28,099	26,326	28,758
Mar-May	2,806	2,810		10.31	9.78		28,921	27,495	
Jun-Aug	2,890	2,991		10.33	10.16		29,862	30,402	
Sep-Nov	2,780	2,871		10.16	10.23		28,253	29,373	

¹ Year relates to when quarter ends.

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

³ December preceding year.

Sows Farrows and Litter Rate by Quarter, Texas 2010-15

