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## QUARTERLY HOGS AND PIGS – MARCH 1, 2022

### COLORADO

Colorado inventory of **all hogs and pigs** on March 1, 2022 was 590,000 head, down 5 percent from December 1, 2021 and down 11 percent from last year, according to the Mountain Regional Field Office of the National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA. **Breeding inventory**, at 140,000 head, was down 5,000 head from the previous quarter and down 10,000 head from last year. **Market hog inventory**, at 450,000 head, was down 5 percent from last quarter and down 12 percent from last year.

The December 2021-February 2022 **pig crop**, at 653,000 head, was down 15 percent from the previous year. Sows farrowing during this period totaled 66,000 head, down 15 percent from a year ago. The average pigs saved per litter was 9.90 for the December-February period, compared with 9.90 last year.

### UTAH

Utah inventory of **all hogs and pigs** on March 1, 2022 was 930,000 head, down 1 percent from December 1, 2021 and down 4 percent from last year, according to the Mountain Regional Field Office of the National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA. **Breeding inventory**, at 85,000 head, was unchanged from the previous quarter and from last year. **Market hog inventory**, at 845,000 head, was down 1 percent from last quarter and down 5 percent from last year.

The December 2021-February 2022 **pig crop**, at 456,000 head, was up 3 percent from the previous year. Sows farrowing during this period totaled 43,000 head, down 2 percent from a year ago. The average pigs saved per litter was 10.60 for the December-February period, compared with 10.10 last year.

### UNITED STATES

**United States inventory** of all hogs and pigs on March 1, 2022 was 72.2 million head. This was down 2 percent from March 1, 2021, and down 3 percent from December 1, 2021. **Breeding inventory**, at 6.10 million head, was down 2 percent from last year, and down slightly from the previous quarter. **Market hog inventory**, at 66.1 million head, was down 2 percent from last year, and down 3 percent from last quarter.

The **December 2021-February 2022 pig crop**, at 31.7 million head, was down 1 percent from last year. Sows farrowing during this period totaled 2.90 million head, down 1 percent from previous year. The sows farrowed during this quarter represented 47 percent of the breeding herd. The average pigs saved per litter was 10.95 for the December 2021-February 2022 period, compared to 10.94 last year.

**United States hog producers** intend to have 2.99 million sows farrow during the March-May 2022 quarter, down 2 percent from the actual farrowings during the same period one year earlier, and down 5 percent from the same period two years earlier. Intended farrowings for June-August 2022, at 3.03 million sows, are down 1 percent from the same period one year earlier, and down 7 percent from the same period two years earlier. The total number of hogs under contract owned by operations with over 5,000 head, but raised by contractees, accounted for 49 percent of the total United States hog inventory, down 1 percent from the previous year.

All inventory and pig crop estimates for March 2021 through December 2021 were reviewed using final pig crop, official slaughter, death loss, and updated import and export data. The revision made to the December 2021 all hogs and pigs inventory was 0.1 percent. The net revision made to the September 2021 all hogs and pigs inventory was 0.6 percent. A net revision of 0.1 percent was made to the June-August 2021 pig crop.

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