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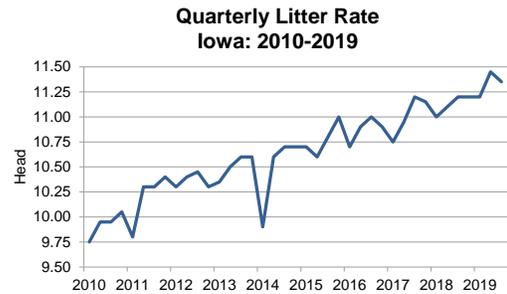
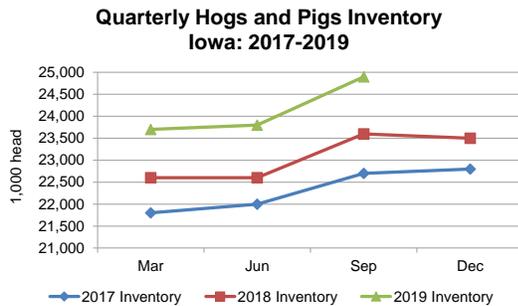
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On September 1, 2019, there were 24.9 million hogs and pigs on Iowa farms, according to the latest USDA, National Agricultural Statistics Service – *Hogs and Pigs* report. This is the highest inventory on record, up 6 percent from the previous year.

The June-August 2019 quarterly pig crop was 6.13 million head, up 3 percent from the previous quarter but 6 percent below last year. A total of 540,000 sows farrowed during this quarter. The average pigs saved per litter was 11.35 for the June-August quarter, down 0.10 head from last quarter.

As of September 1, producers planned to farrow 530,000 sows and gilts in the September-November quarter and 520,000 head during the December 2019-February 2020 quarter.



Hogs and Pigs, Breeding, Market, and Total Inventory – Selected States and United States: September 1, 2018 and 2019 [Data may not add to totals due to rounding.]

State	Breeding			Market			Total		
	2018	2019	2019 as % of 2018	2018	2019	2019 as % of 2018	2018	2019	2019 as % of 2018
	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(percent)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(percent)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(percent)
Illinois	570	590	104	4,880	4,710	97	5,450	5,300	97
Iowa	1,040	1,010	97	22,560	23,890	106	23,600	24,900	106
Minnesota	580	580	100	8,020	8,420	105	8,600	9,000	105
Missouri	465	490	105	3,285	3,110	95	3,750	3,600	96
Nebraska	430	450	105	3,020	3,300	109	3,450	3,750	109
North Carolina	910	900	99	8,390	8,600	103	9,300	9,500	102
United States	6,330	6,431	102	68,806	71,248	104	75,136	77,678	103

Hogs and Pigs, Market Inventory by Weight Group – Selected States and United States: September 1, 2018 and 2019 [Data may not add to totals due to rounding.]

State	Under 50 pounds		50-119 pounds		120-179 pounds		180 pounds and over	
	2018	2019	2018	2019	2018	2019	2018	2019
	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)
Illinois	1,570	1,390	1,580	1,570	890	900	840	850
Iowa	5,900	6,210	7,750	7,930	5,210	5,610	3,700	4,140
Minnesota	2,720	2,830	2,530	2,750	1,700	1,730	1,070	1,110
Missouri	1,605	1,480	640	590	530	545	510	495
Nebraska	1,010	1,140	865	890	570	670	575	600
North Carolina	3,450	3,360	2,000	2,120	1,520	1,590	1,420	1,530
United States	22,192	22,616	20,357	20,849	14,066	14,814	12,190	12,969

United States Hogs and Pigs

United States inventory of all hogs and pigs on September 1, 2019 was 77.7 million head. This was up 3 percent from September 1, 2018, and up 3 percent from June 1, 2019. This is the highest September 1 inventory of all hogs and pigs since the estimates began in 1988.

Breeding inventory, at 6.43 million head, was up 2 percent from last year, and up slightly from the previous quarter.

Market hog inventory, at 71.2 million head, was up 4 percent from last year, and up 3 percent from last quarter. This is the highest September 1 market hog inventory the estimates began in 1988.

The June-August 2019 pig crop, at 35.3 million head, was up 3 percent from 2018. This is the largest June-August pig crop since estimates began in 1970. Sows farrowing during this period totaled 3.18 million head, down 1 percent from 2018. The sows farrowed during this quarter represented 50 percent of the breeding herd. The average pigs saved per litter was a record high of 11.11 for the June-August period, compared to 10.72 last year.

United States hog producers intend to have 3.16 million sows farrow during the September-November 2019 quarter, down 1 percent from the actual farrowings during the same period in 2018, but up 2 percent from 2017. Intended farrowings for December 2019-February 2020, at 3.11 million sows, are down slightly from 2019, but up 2 percent from 2018.

The total number of hogs under contract owned by operations with over 5,000 head, but raised by contractees, accounted for 48 percent of the total United States hog inventory, unchanged from the previous year.

Revisions

All inventory and pig crop estimates for September 2018 through June 2019 were reviewed using final pig crop, official slaughter, death loss, and updated import and export data. The revision made to the June 2019 all hogs and pigs inventory was 0.2 percent. The net revision made to the March 2019 all hogs and pigs inventory was 1.1 percent. A net revision of 1.0 percent was made to the December 2018-February 2019 pig crop.

Quarterly Hogs and Pigs Inventory - United States: September 1

