



News Release

September Hogs and Pigs

Michigan's total hog and pig inventory on September 1 was estimated at 1.24 million head, up 20,000 head from a year ago, according to Marlo Johnson, Director of the USDA, NASS, Great Lakes Regional Field Office. Breeding hog inventory, at 120,000 head, remained unchanged from last September. Market hog inventory, at 1.12 million head, was up 2 percent from last year. The average pigs saved per litter for the June to August quarter was 11.10, up 0.3 from the same period last year.

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 since 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.

Hog Inventory and Farrowings – Michigan and United States: September 1, 2018 and 2019

Hogs and pigs	Michigan			United States		
	2018	2019	Change	2018	2019	Change
	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>percent</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>percent</i>
Breeding	120	120	0	6,330	6,431	2
Market	1,100	1,120	2	68,806	71,248	4
Under 50 pounds	330	300	-9	22,192	22,616	2
50-119 pounds	290	300	3	20,357	20,849	2
120-179 pounds	220	240	9	14,066	14,814	5
180+ pounds	260	280	8	12,190	12,969	6
Total	1,220	1,240	2	75,136	77,678	3
Sows farrowed, Jun-Aug	57	53	-7	3,200	3,179	-1
Pigs/litter, Jun-Aug	10.80	11.10	3	10.72	11.11	4
Pig crop, Jun-Aug	616	588	-5	34,320	35,306	3
Sows farrowing, Sep-Nov ¹	54	54	0	3,174	3,155	-1
Sows farrowing, Dec-Feb ²	56	50	-11	3,114	3,110	0

¹ Intentions.

² February succeeding year.