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On December 1, 2022, there were 8.60 million hogs and pigs on Minnesota farms, according to the latest USDA, National Agricultural Statistics Service – *Hogs and Pigs* report. Inventory was down 2 percent from the previous quarter and down 3 percent from the previous year.

The September-November 2022 quarterly pig crop was 3.31 million head, up 5 percent from the previous quarter but down 3 percent from last year. A total of 275,000 sows farrowed during this quarter. The average pigs saved per litter was 12.05 for the quarter.

As of December 1, producers planned to farrow 240,000 sows and gilts in the December 2022-February 2023 quarter and 240,000 head during the March-May 2023 quarter.





Hogs and Pigs, Breeding, Market, and Total Inventory – Selected States and United States: December 1, 2021 and 2022 [Data may not add to totals due to rounding.]

	Breeding				Market		Total		
State	2021	2022	'22 as % of '21	2021	2022	'22 as % of '21	2021	2022	'22 as % of '21
	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(percent)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(percent)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(percent)
Illinoislowa		660 930	112 101	4,810 22,980	4,640 22,670	96 99	5,400 23,900	5,300 23,600	98 99
Minnesota		490 430	89 102	8,350 3,030	8,110 2,770	97 91	8,900 3,450	8,600 3,200	97 93
Nebraska	430	400	93	3,220	3,100	96	3,650	3,500	96
North Carolina	810	800	99	7,190	7,400	103	8,000	8,200	103
United States	6,125	6,154	100	68,321	66,966	98	74,446	73,119	98

Hogs and Pigs, Market Inventory by Weight Group – Selected States, and United States: December 1. 2021 and 2022 [Data may not add to totals due to rounding.]

State	Under 50 lbs.		50-11	9 lbs.	120-17	79 lbs.	180 lbs. and over	
	2021	2022	2021	2022	2021	2022	2021	2022
	(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	1,400	1,310	1,575	1,540	1,075	915	760	875
lowa	5,970	5,910	7,290	7,040	5,340	5,340	4,380	4,380
Minnesota	2,800	2,730	2,550	2,450	1,590	1,540	1,410	1,390
Missouri	1,430	1,240	550	530	640	590	410	410
Nebraska	1,080	1,060	880	840	695	680	565	520
North Carolina	2,890	2,910	1,460	1,640	1,355	1,430	1,485	1,420
United States	21,594	21,153	19,005	18,620	14,374	14,095	13,348	13,098

United States Hogs and Pigs

United States inventory of all hogs and pigs on December 1, 2022, was 73.1 million head. This was down 2 percent from December 1, 2021, and down 1 percent from September 1, 2022.

Breeding inventory, at 6.15 million head, was up slightly from last year, and up slightly from the previous quarter.

Market hog inventory, at 67.0 million head, was down 2 percent from last year, and down 1 percent from last quarter.

The September-November 2022 pig crop, at 33.7 million head, was down 1 percent from 2021. Sows farrowing during this period totaled 3.00 million head, down 1 percent from 2021. The sows farrowed during this quarter represented 49 percent of the breeding herd. The average pigs saved per litter was 11.22 for the September-November period, compared to 11.19 last year.

United States hog producers intend to have 2.95 million sows farrow during the December 2022-February 2023 quarter, up 1 percent from the actual farrowings during the same period one year earlier, and up 1 percent from the same period two years earlier. Intended farrowings for March-May 2023, at 2.98 million sows, are up slightly from the same period one year earlier, but down 2 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 48 percent of the total United States hog inventory, up 1 percent from the previous year.

Revisions

All inventory and pig crop estimates for December 2020 through September 2022 were reviewed using final pig crop, official slaughter, death loss, and updated import and export data. The revision made to the September 2022 all hogs and pigs inventory was 0.2 percent. A revision of 0.2 percent was made to the June-August 2022 pig crop. The net revision made to the June 2022 all hogs and pigs inventory was 0.3 percent. A net revision of 0.8 percent was made to the March-May 2022 pig crop.

