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ARIZONA

Arizona inventory of **all hogs and pigs** on December 1, 2023, was 109,000 head, down 26 percent from last year. **Breeding inventory**, at 14,000 head, was down 1,000 head from last year. **Market hog inventory**, at 95,000 head, was down 28 percent from last year.

The December 2022-November 2023 **annual pig crop**, at 290,000 head, was down 1,000 head from the previous year. Sows farrowed during this period totaled 26,500 head, unchanged from a year ago. The average pigs saved per litter was 10.94 for the December 2022-November 2023 period, compared with 10.98 the previous year.

COLORADO

Colorado inventory of **all hogs and pigs** on December 1, 2023, was 580,000 head, down 5 percent from September 1, 2023, but up 9 percent from last year. **Breeding inventory**, at 125,000 head, was down 15,000 head from both the previous quarter from last year. **Market hog inventory**, at 455,000 head, was down 3 percent from last quarter but up 18 percent from last year.

The September-November 2023 **quarterly pig crop**, at 651,000 head, was up 7 percent from 2022. Sows farrowed during this period totaled 62,000 head, up 2,000 head from a year ago. The average pigs saved per litter was 10.50 for the September-November 2023 period, compared with 10.10 last year.

The December 2022-November 2023 **annual pig crop**, at 2.55 million head, was up 1 percent from the previous year. Sows farrowed during this period totaled 247,000 head, down 5,000 head from a year ago. The average pigs saved per litter was 10.30 for the December 2022-November 2023 period, compared with 9.98 the previous year.

MONTANA

Montana inventory of **all hogs and pigs** on December 1, 2023, was 240,000 head, up 15,000 head from last year. **Breeding inventory**, at 57,000 head, was up 7,000 head from last year. **Market hog inventory**, at 183,000 head, was up 8,000 head from last year.

The December 2022-November 2023 **annual pig crop**, at 1.31 million head, was up 6 percent from the previous year. Sows farrowed during this period totaled 106,000 head, up 5,000 head from a year ago. The average pigs saved per litter was 12.35 for the December 2022-November 2023 period, compared with 12.23 the previous year.

NEW MEXICO

New Mexico inventory of **all hogs and pigs** on December 1, 2023, was 1,700 head, up 200 head from last year. **Breeding inventory**, at 700 head, was up 200 head from last year. **Market hog inventory**, at 1,000 head, was unchanged from last year.

The December 2022-November 2023 **annual pig crop**, at 2,400 head, was down 1,200 head from the previous year. Sows farrowed during this period totaled 400 head, unchanged from a year ago. The average pigs saved per litter was 6.00 for the December 2022-November 2023 period, compared with 9.00 the previous year.

UTAH

Utah inventory of **all hogs and pigs** on December 1, 2023, was 205,000 head, down 29 percent from September 1, 2023, and down 60 percent from last year. **Breeding inventory**, at 30,000 head, was unchanged from the previous quarter, but down 5,000 head from last year. **Market hog inventory**, at 175,000 head, was down 33 percent from last quarter and down 63 percent from last year.

The September-November 2023 **quarterly pig crop**, at 143,000 head, was down 17 percent from 2022. Sows farrowed during this period totaled 13,000 head, down 2,000 head from a year ago. The average pigs saved per litter was 11.00 for the September-November 2023 period, compared with 11.50 last year.

The December 2022-November 2023 **annual pig crop**, at 616,000 head, was down 60 percent from the previous year. Sows farrowed during this period totaled 58,000 head, down 77,000 head from a year ago. The average pigs saved per litter was 10.62 for the December 2022-November 2023 period, compared with 11.50 the previous year.

WYOMING

Wyoming inventory of **all hogs and pigs** on December 1, 2023, was 96,000 head, down 11 percent from last year. **Breeding inventory**, at 33,000 head, was down 16,000 head from last year. **Market hog inventory**, at 63,000 head, was up 4,000 head from last year.

The December 2022-November 2023 **annual pig crop**, at 874,000 head, was up 2 percent from the previous year. Sows farrowed during this period totaled 93,000 head, up 1,000 head from a year ago. The average pigs saved per litter was 9.40 for the December 2022November 2023 period, compared with 9.36 the previous year.

UNITED STATES

United States inventory of **all hogs and pigs** on December 1, 2023 was 75.0 million head. This was up slightly from December 1, 2022, but down slightly from September 1, 2023. **Breeding inventory**, at 6.00 million head, was down 3 percent from last year, and down 3 percent from the previous quarter. **Market hog inventory**, at 69.0 million head, was up slightly from last year, but down slightly from last quarter.

The **September-November 2023 pig crop**, at 34.6 million head, was down slightly from 2022. Sows farrowing during this period totaled 2.97 million head, down 4 percent from 2022. The sows farrowed during this quarter represented 48 percent of the breeding herd. The average pigs saved per litter was 11.66 for the September-November period, compared to 11.22 last year.

United States hog producers intend to have 2.90 million sows farrow during the December 2023-February 2024 quarter, down 2 percent from the actual farrowings during the same period one year earlier, and down 1 percent from the same period two years earlier. Intended farrowings for March-May 2024, at 2.91 million sows, are down 1 percent from the same period one year earlier, and 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 51 percent of the total United States hog inventory, up 3 percent from the previous year.

All inventory and pig crop estimates for December 2021 through September 2023 were reviewed using final pig crop, official slaughter, death loss, and updated import and export data. The revision made to the September 2023 all hogs and pigs inventory was 1.4 percent. A revision of 1.1 percent was made to the June-August 2023 pig crop. The net revision made to the June 2023 all hogs and pigs inventory was 1.6 percent. A net revision of 1.6 percent was made to the March-May 2023 pig crop. The net revision made to the March 2023 all hogs and pigs inventory was 1.7 percent. The net revision made to the December 2022 all hogs and pigs inventory was 2.5 percent. The revision made to the September 2022 all hogs and pigs inventory was 1.0 percent. A revision of 2.2 percent was made to the June-August 2022 pig crop. The net revision made to the June 2022 all hogs and pigs inventory was 0.2 percent. The net revision made to the March 2022 all hogs and pigs inventory was 1.4 percent.

For a full copy of the *Quarterly Hogs and Pigs* report, please visit <u>www.nass.usda.gov</u>. For state specific questions, please feel free to contact your USDA NASS State Statistician at 1-800-392-3202:

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