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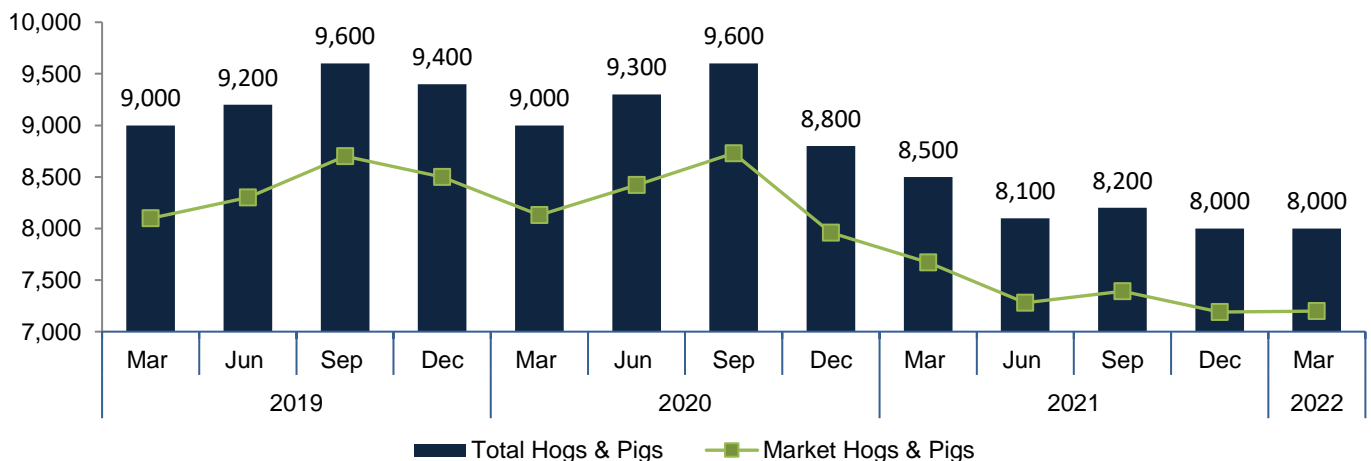
MARCH 2022 HOG REPORT

All hogs and pigs on **North Carolina** farms on March 1, 2022 totaled 8.0 million head, same as December 1, 2021. Market hogs, at 7.2 million head, were down 6% from same quarter last year and down slightly from last quarter. Breeding stock totaled 800,000 head, down 4% from last year and down 1% from last quarter. The State's pig crop during the December 2021 – February 2022 period totaled 4.25 million head, down 4% from the same period last year. These pigs were produced by 405,000 sows. Pigs saved per litter averaged 10.5 down slightly from the same quarter last year. North Carolina producers intend to farrow 410,000 sows during the March–May 2022 quarter and 415,000 sows during the June–August 2022 quarter. North Carolina ranks 3rd nationally in the total number of hogs and pigs produced.

HOG & PIG INVENTORY

Item	March 1 Inventory			December 1 Inventory		
	2021	2022	Percent Change	2020	2021	Percent Change
	<i>Thousand Head</i>		<i>+/-</i>	<i>Thousand Head</i>		<i>+/-</i>
North Carolina						
All Hogs and Pigs	8,500	8,000	-6	8,800	8,000	-9
Breeding Hogs	830	800	-4	840	810	-4
Market Hogs	7,670	7,200	-6	7,960	7,190	-10
Under 50 Lbs.	2,990	2,760	-8	2,955	2,825	-4
50-119 Lbs.	1,660	1,560	-6	1,845	1,500	-19
120-179 Lbs.	1,570	1,520	-3	1,620	1,380	-15
180 Lbs. and Over	1,450	1,360	-6	1,540	1,485	-4
United States						
All Hogs and Pigs	73,933	72,209	-2	77,312	74,146	-4
Breeding Hogs	6,215	6,098	-2	6,176	6,125	-1
Market Hogs	67,718	66,111	-2	71,136	68,021	-4

NORTH CAROLINA INVENTORY (Thousand Head)



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