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SOUTH DAKOTA HOG INVENTORY UP 9 PERCENT

SIOUX FALLS, SD, September 26, 2014 -- **South Dakota inventory** of all hogs and pigs on September 1, 2014, was 1.25 million head, according to the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. This was up 9 percent from September 1, 2013, and up 3 percent from June 1, 2014.

Breeding hog inventory, at 175,000 head, was up 3 percent from September 1, 2013, but unchanged from last quarter. **Market hog inventory**, at 1.08 million head, was up 10 percent from last year, and up 4 percent from last quarter.

The June – August 2014 South Dakota pig crop, at 937,000 head, was unchanged from 2013. Sows farrowed during the period totaled 88,000 head, up 2 percent from last year. The average pigs saved per litter was 10.65 for the June – August period, compared to 10.90 last year.

South Dakota hog producers intend to farrow 87,000 sows during the September – November 2014 quarter, up 6 percent from the actual farrowings during the same period a year ago. Intended farrowings for December 2014 – February 2015 are 87,000 sows, up 6 percent from the actual farrowings during the same period the previous year.

Access the National publication for this release at:

<http://usda.mannlib.cornell.edu/usda/nass/HogsPigs//2010s/2014/HogsPigs-09-26-2014.pdf>

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