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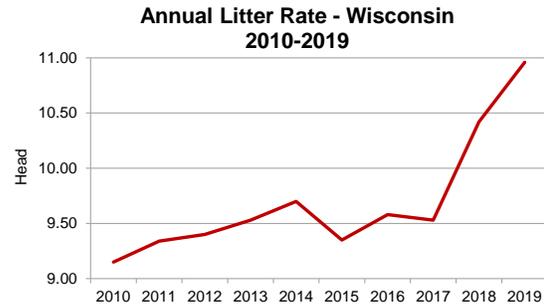
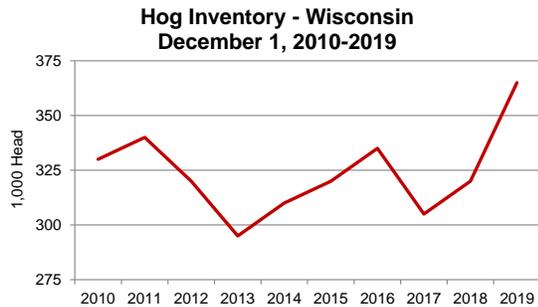
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On December 1, 2019, there were 365,000 hogs and pigs on Wisconsin farms, according to the latest USDA National Agricultural Statistics Service *Hogs and Pigs* report. The December 1 inventory was up 14 percent from last December's 320,000 head. Breeding hogs accounted for 60,000 head of the total inventory, while market hogs totaled 305,000 head.

The annual pig crop was 1,085,000 head, up 29 percent from last year, resulting from 99,000 sows farrowed during the December 2018–November 2019 period. The average pigs saved per litter was a record high 10.96 for the year, up 5 percent from last year.



Hogs and Pigs, Breeding, Market, and Total Inventory – Selected States and United States: December 1, 2018-2019 [Data may not add to totals due to rounding.]

State	Breeding			Market			Total		
	2018	2019	'19 as % of '18	2018	2019	'19 as % of '18	2018	2019	'19 as % of '18
	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(percent)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(percent)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(percent)
Illinois	560	590	105	4,840	4,760	98	5,400	5,350	99
Iowa	1,020	1,010	99	22,580	23,790	105	23,600	24,800	105
Minnesota	570	570	100	8,530	8,630	101	9,100	9,200	101
Missouri	470	490	104	3,180	2,760	87	3,650	3,250	89
Nebraska	440	440	100	3,110	3,310	106	3,550	3,750	106
North Carolina	900	900	100	8,300	8,300	100	9,200	9,200	100
Wisconsin	44	60	136	276	305	111	320	365	114
United States	6,326	6,461	102	68,745	70,877	103	75,070	77,338	103

Market Hogs and Pigs, Inventory Number by Weight Group – Selected States, and United States: December 1, 2018-2019 [Data may not add to totals due to rounding.]

State	Under 50 pounds		50-119 pounds		120-179 pounds		180 pounds and over	
	2018	2019	2018	2019	2018	2019	2018	2019
	(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	1,555	1,445	1,525	1,550	910	925	850	840
Iowa	5,650	5,960	7,450	7,550	5,260	5,680	4,220	4,600
Minnesota	2,880	2,780	2,510	2,580	1,830	1,800	1,310	1,470
Missouri	1,625	1,250	575	500	510	520	470	490
Nebraska	1,065	1,160	805	825	610	640	630	685
North Carolina	3,290	3,300	1,780	1,830	1,600	1,590	1,630	1,580
Wisconsin	83	110	59	68	69	72	65	55
United States	21,858	22,128	19,369	19,696	14,323	14,976	13,195	14,076

United States Hogs and Pigs

United States inventory of all hogs and pigs on December 1, 2019 was 77.3 million head. This was up 3 percent from December 1, 2018, but down slightly from September 1, 2019.

Breeding inventory, at 6.46 million head, was up 2 percent from last year, and up slightly from the previous quarter.

Market hog inventory, at 70.9 million head, was up 3 percent from last year, but down slightly from last quarter.

The September-November 2019 pig crop, at 35.1 million head, was up 2 percent from 2018. Sows farrowing during this period totaled 3.17 million head, down 1 percent from 2018. The sows farrowed during this quarter represented 49 percent of the breeding herd. The average pigs saved per litter was a record high of 11.09 for the September-November period, compared to 10.76 last year.

United States hog producers intend to have 3.13 million sows farrow during the December 2019-February 2020 quarter, up 1 percent from the actual farrowings during the same period one year earlier, and up 5 percent from the same period two years earlier. Intended farrowings for March-May 2020, at 3.15 million sows, are up slightly from the same period one year earlier, and up 3 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, unchanged from the previous year.

Revisions

All inventory and pig crop estimates for March 2018 through September 2019 were reviewed using final pig crop, official slaughter, death loss, and updated import and export data. The revision made to the September 2019 all hogs and pigs inventory was 0.1 percent. The net revision made to the June 2019 all hogs and pigs inventory was 0.3 percent. A net revision of 0.8 percent was made to the March-May 2019 pig crop. The net revision to the March 2019 all hogs and pigs inventory was 0.5 percent and 0.5 to the December 2018-February 2019 pig crop. The net revision to the December 2018 all hogs and pigs inventory was 0.7 percent and 1.5 percent to the September-November 2018 pig crop. The net revision to the September 2018 all hogs and pigs inventory was 1.2 percent and 0.4 percent to the June-August 2018 pig crop. The net revision to the June 2018 all hogs and pigs inventory was 1.7 percent and 1.8 percent to the March-May 2018 pig crop. The net revision to the March 2018 all hogs and pigs inventory was 1.2 percent and 2.6 percent to the December 2017-February 2018 pig crop.

Quarterly Hogs and Pigs Inventory - United States: December 1

