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On March 1, 2023, there were 8.90 million hogs and pigs on Minnesota farms, according to the latest USDA, National Agricultural Statistics Service – *Hogs and Pigs* report. Inventory was up 1 percent from the previous quarter and up 3 percent from the previous year.

The December 2022-February 2023 quarterly pig crop was 2.99 million head, down 11 percent from the previous quarter and down 2 percent from last year. A total of 250,000 sows farrowed during this quarter. The average pigs saved per litter was 11.95 for the quarter.

As of March 1, producers planned to farrow 260,000 sows and gilts in the March-May 2023 quarter and 260,000 head during the June-August 2023 quarter.





Hogs and Pigs, Breeding, Market, and Total Inventory – Selected States and United States: March 1, 2022 and 2023 [Data may not add to totals due to rounding.]

	Breeding			Market			Total		
State	2022	2023	'23 as % of '22	2022	2023	'23 as % of '22	2022	2023	'23 as % of '22
	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(percent)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(percent)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(percent)
Illinois	590	660	112	4,710	4,690	100	5,300	5,350	101
lowa	900	900	100	22,200	22,500	101	23,100	23,400	101
Minnesota	530	500	94	8,070	8,400	104	8,600	8,900	103
Missouri	420	450	107	2,930	2,800	96	3,350	3,250	97
Nebraska	430	385	90	3,170	3,165	100	3,600	3,550	99
North Carolina	800	790	99	7,200	7,210	100	8,000	8,000	100
United States	6,098	6,127	100	66,591	66,734	100	72,689	72,860	100

Hogs and Pigs, Market Inventory by Weight Group – Selected States, and United States: March 1, 2022 and 2023 [Data may not add to totals due to rounding.]

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State	Under 50 lbs.		50-11	9 lbs.	120-1	79 lbs.	180 lbs. and over	
	2022	2023	2022	2023	2022	2023	2022	2023
	(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	1,305 5,440 2,420 1,240 1,050 2,760	1,315 5,320 2,510 1,260 1,010 2,730	1,605 7,150 2,570 640 890 1,560	1,550 7,240 2,660 530 910 1,580	1,075 5,490 1,780 670 700 1,520	1,075 5,630 1,870 620 720 1,470	725 4,120 1,300 380 530 1,360	750 4,310 1,360 390 525 1,430
United States	20,105	20,059	19,030	18,975	14,988	14,973	12,468	12,727

United States Hogs and Pigs

United States inventory of all hogs and pigs on March 1, 2023, was 72.9 million head. This was up slightly from March 1, 2022, but down 2 percent from December 1, 2022.

Breeding inventory, at 6.13 million head, was up slightly from last year, but down slightly from the previous quarter.

Market hog inventory, at 66.7 million head, was up slightly from last year, but down 2 percent from last quarter.

The December 2022-February 2023 pig crop, at 32.1 million head, was up slightly from last year. Sows farrowing during this period totaled 2.91 million head, down slightly from previous year. The sows farrowed during this quarter represented 47 percent of the breeding herd. The average pigs saved per litter was 11.02 for the December 2022-February 2023 period, compared to 10.95 last year.

United States hog producers intend to have 2.93 million sows farrow during the March-May 2023 quarter, down 1 percent from the actual farrowings during the same period one year earlier, and down 3 percent from the same period two years earlier. Intended farrowings for June-August 2023, at 2.97 million sows, are down 3 percent from the same period one year earlier, and down 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 51 percent of the total United States hog inventory, up 2 percent from the previous year.

Revisions

All inventory and pig crop estimates for March 2022 through December 2022 were reviewed using final pig crop, official slaughter, death loss, and updated import and export data. The revision made to the December 2022 all hogs and pigs inventory was 1.8 percent. A revision of 1.6 percent was made to the September 2022-November 2023 pig crop. The net revision made to the September 2022 all hogs and pigs inventory was 0.4 percent. A net revision of 1.5 percent was made to the June-August 2022 pig crop.

The complete report can be found on the USDA NASS website at www.nass.usda.gov/Publications.

Quarterly Hogs and Pigs Inventory - United States: March 1

