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QUARTERLY HOGS AND PIGS – SEPTEMBER 1, 2024

COLORADO

Colorado inventory of **all hogs and pigs** on September 1, 2024, was 630,000 head, down 3 percent from June 1, 2024, but up 3 percent from a year ago, according to the September 1 Hog Report conducted by the Mountain Regional Field Office of the National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA. **Breeding inventory**, at 140,000 head, was down 25,000 head, or 15 percent, from the previous quarter but was unchanged from last year. **Market hog inventory**, at 490,000 head, was up 5,000 head, or 1 percent, from last quarter and up 20,000 head, or 4 percent, from last year.

The June 2024-August 2024 **pig crop**, at 710,000 head, was up 8 percent from the previous year. Sows farrowed during this period totaled 64,000 head, up 1,000 head from a year ago. The average pigs saved per litter was 11.10 for the June-August period, compared with 10.40 last year.

UTAH

Utah inventory of **all hogs and pigs** on September 1, 2024, was 105,000 head, down 5 percent from June 1, 2024, and down 64 percent from a year ago, according to the September 1 Hog Report conducted by the Mountain Regional Field Office of the National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA. **Breeding inventory**, at 35,000 head, was unchanged from the previous quarter but was up 5,000 head, or 17 percent, from last year. **Market hog inventory**, at 70,000 head, was down 5,000 head, or 7 percent, from last quarter and down 190,000 head, or 73 percent, from last year.

The June 2024-August 2024 **pig crop**, at 181,000 head, was up 10 percent from the previous year. Sows farrowing during this period totaled 16,000 head, down 1,000 head from a year ago. The average pigs saved per litter was 11.30 for the June-August period, compared with 11.00 last year.

UNITED STATES

United States inventory of **all hogs and pigs** on September 1, 2024 was 76.5 million head. This was up slightly from September 1, 2023, and up 2 percent from June 1, 2024. **Breeding inventory**, at 6.04 million head, was down 2 percent from last year, but up 1 percent from the previous quarter. **Market hog inventory**, at 70.4 million head, was up 1 percent from last year, and up 2 percent from last quarter.

The June-August 2024 pig crop, at 35.0 million head, was down 1 percent from 2023. Sows farrowing during this period totaled 2.99 million head, down 2 percent from 2023. The sows farrowed during this quarter represented 50 percent of the breeding herd. The average pigs saved per litter was 11.72 for the June-August period, compared to 11.61 last year.

United States hog producers intend to have 2.96 million sows farrow during the September-November 2024 quarter, down slightly from the actual farrowings during the same period one year earlier, and down 4 percent from the same period two years earlier. Intended farrowings for December 2024-February 2025, at 2.93 million sows, are up slightly from the same period one year earlier, but down 1 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 53 percent of the total United States hog inventory, up 1 percent from the previous year.

All inventory and pig crop estimates for September 2023 through June 2024 were reviewed using final pig crop, official slaughter, death loss, and updated import and export data. The revision made to the June 2024 all hogs and pigs inventory was 1.0 percent. A revision of 0.3 percent was made to the March 2024-May 2024 pig crop. A net revision of 0.2 percent was made to the March 2024 all hogs and pigs inventory. The net revision made to the December 2023-February 2024 pig crop was 1.8 percent.

For a full copy of the *Quarterly Hogs and Pigs* report, please visit www.nass.usda.gov. For state specific questions, please contact the following State Statisticians at 1-800-392-3202.

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