



# News Release

## December Hogs and Pigs

Ohio's total hog and pig inventory on December 1 was estimated at 2.65 million head, down 150,000 head from a year ago, according to Cheryl Turner, State Statistician of the USDA, NASS, Ohio Field Office. Breeding hog inventory, at 190,000 head, had no change from last December. Market hog inventory, at 2.46 million head, was down 6 percent from last year. The average pigs saved per litter for the September to November quarter was 11.30, compared to 11.50 from the same period last year.

United States inventory of all hogs and pigs on December 1, 2022 was 73.1 million head. This was down 2 percent from December 1, 2021, and down 1 percent from September 1, 2022.

Breeding inventory, at 6.15 million head, was up slightly from last year, and up slightly from the previous quarter. Market hog inventory, at 67.0 million head, was down 2 percent from last year, and down 1 percent from last quarter.

The September-November 2022 pig crop, at 33.7 million head, was down 1 percent from 2021. Sows farrowing during this period totaled 3.00 million head, down 1 percent from 2021. The sows farrowed during this quarter represented 49 percent of the breeding herd. The average pigs saved per litter was 11.22 for the September-November period, compared to 11.19 last year.

United States hog producers intend to have 2.95 million sows farrow during the December 2022-February 2023 quarter, up 1 percent from the actual farrowings during the same period one year earlier, and up 1 percent from the same period two years earlier. Intended farrowings for March-May 2023, at 2.98 million sows, are up slightly from the same period one year earlier, but down 2 percent from the same period two years earlier.

### Hog inventory and farrowings: Ohio and United States, December 1, 2022

Hogs and pigs	Ohio			United States		
	2021	2022	Change	2021	2022	Change
	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>Percent</i>
Breeding .....	190	190	0	6,125	6,154	0
Market .....	2,610	2,460	-6	68,321	66,966	-2
Under 50 pounds .....	730	720	-1	21,594	21,153	-2
50-119 pounds .....	640	630	-2	19,005	18,620	-2
120-179 pounds .....	585	510	-13	14,374	14,095	-2
180+ pounds .....	655	600	-8	13,348	13,098	-2
Total .....	2,800	2,650	-5	74,446	73,119	-2
Sows farrowed, Sep-Nov .....	106	90	-15	3,049	3,004	-1
Pigs/litter, Sep-Nov .....	11.50	11.30	-2	11.19	11.22	0
Pig crop, Sep-Nov .....	1,219	1,017	-17	34,123	33,691	-1
Sows farrowing, Dec-Feb <sup>1 2</sup> .....	95	97	2	2,919	2,947	1
Sows farrowing, Mar-May <sup>1 2</sup> .....	90	94	4	2,967	2,981	0

<sup>1</sup> Intentions.

<sup>2</sup> Upcoming year.

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