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March Hogs and Pigs

Ohio's total hog and pig inventory on March 1 was estimated at 2.60 million head, up 100,000 head from a year ago, according to Ben Torrance, State Statistician, USDA NASS, Ohio Field Office. Breeding hog inventory, at 190,000 head, was up 6 percent from last March. Market hog inventory, at 2.41 million head, was up 4 percent from last year. The average pigs saved per litter for the December to February quarter was 11.20, compared to 11.45 from the same period last year.

United States inventory of all hogs and pigs on March 1, 2025 was 74.5 million head. This was down slightly from March 1, 2024, and down 1 percent from December 1, 2024. Breeding inventory, at 5.98 million head, was down 1 percent from last year, and down slightly from the previous quarter. Market hog inventory, at 68.5 million head, was down slightly from last year, and down 1 percent from last quarter.

The December 2024-February 2025 pig crop, at 33.7 million head, was down slightly from last year. Sows farrowing during this period totaled 2.89 million head, down 1 percent from previous year. The sows farrowed during this quarter represented 48 percent of the breeding herd. The average pigs saved per litter was 11.65 for the December 2024-February 2025 period, compared to 11.53 last year.

United States hog producers intend to have 2.91 million sows farrow during the March-May 2025 quarter, down slightly from the actual farrowings during the same period one year earlier, and down 1 percent from the same period two years earlier. Intended farrowings for June-August 2025, at 2.96 million sows, are down 1 percent from the same period one year earlier, and down 2 percent from the same period two years earlier.

Hog Inventory and Farrowings: Ohio and United States, March 1, 2025

Hogs and pigs	Ohio			United States		
	2024	2025	Change	2024	2025	Change
	1,000 head	1,000 head	Percent	1,000 head	1,000 head	Percent
Breeding	180	190	6	6,016	5,980	-1
Market	2,320	2,410	4	68,676	68,532	0
Under 50 pounds	680	690	1	21,369	21,301	0
50-119 pounds		610	2	19,113	19,032	0
120-179 pounds	520	540	4	15,754	15,700	0
180+ pounds	520	570	10	12,440	12,499	0
Total	2,500	2,600	4	74,691	74,512	0
Sows farrowed, Dec-Feb ¹	91	100	10	2,929	2,892	-1
Pigs/litter, Dec-Feb ¹	11.45	11.20	-2	11.53	11.65	1
Pig crop, Dec-Feb ¹	1,042	1,120	7	33,756	33,701	0
Sows farrowing, Mar-May ²	92	91	-1	2,920	2,913	0
Sows farrowing, Jun-Aug ²	99	96	-3	2,985	2,961	-1

¹ December previous year.

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² Intentions.