

Hawaii Hogs

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Hog Inventory Down 13 Percent

The Hawaii inventory of total hogs and pigs on December 1, 2008 was 13,000 head, down 13 percent or 2,000 head from 2007. A breakdown of the inventory shows that breeding hogs totaled 2,800 head, down 22 percent from the 2007 inventory. The 2008 market hog herd at 10,200 head was down 11 percent from 2007.

The 2008 pig crop totaled 20,000 head, down 17 percent or 4,000 head from 2007. Farmers project farrowing 1,400 sows during the period covering December 1, 2008 to May 31, 2009. This is the same amount of sows that farrowed during the previous six-month period and the same period a year earlier.

HOGS AND PIGS: December 1 inventory by classes and weight, State of Hawaii, 2004-2008

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	All hogs and pigs				Market				
Year		Breeding	Total	Under 60 lbs.	60 - 119 lbs.	120 - 179 lbs.	180 lbs. and over		
		1,000 head							
2004	22	5.2	16.8	7.6	4.4	3.2	1.6		
2005	19	5.0	14.0	6.0	3.9	2.4	1.7		
2006	16	4.1	11.9	5.5	3.0	2.0	1.4		
2007	15	3.6	11.4	5.8	2.7	1.8	1.1		
2008	13	2.8	10.2	4.3	2.8	1.9	1.2		

FARROWINGS: Number of sows, pig crop, and pigs per litter, State of Hawaii, 2004-2009

	Sows farrowing		Pig crop		Pigs per litter	
Year	December – May ¹	June – November	December – May ¹	June – November	December – May ¹	June – November
		1,000	Average number			
2004	2.1	2.2	15	16	7.1	7.2
2005	2.0	2.0	14	14	7.0	7.1
2006	1.8	1.6	13	12	7.4	7.4
2007	1.6	1.6	12	12	7.5	7.4
2008	1.4	1.4	10	10	7.2	7.5
2009 ²	1.4					

¹ December preceding year. ² Expected farrowings December 2008 - May 2009.

U.S. Hog Inventory Down 2 Percent

U.S. inventory of all hogs and pigs on December 1, 2008 was 66.7 million head. This was down 2 percent from both December 1, 2007 and September 1, 2008.

Breeding inventory, at 6.08 million head, was down 2 percent from last year and up slightly from the previous quarter. **Market hog inventory**, at 60.6 million head, was down 2 percent from both last year and last quarter.

The September-November 2008 pig crop, at 28.4 million head, was down 4 percent from 2007 but up 6 percent from 2006. Sows farrowing during this period totaled 2.99 million head, down 6 percent from 2007 but up 1 percent from 2006.

U.S. hog producers intend to have 2.97 million sows farrow during the December 2008-February 2009 quarter, down 3 percent from the actual farrowings during the same period in 2008 but up 2 percent from 2007. Intended farrowings for March-May 2009, at 3.01 million sows, are down 2 percent from 2008 and down 1 percent from 2007.

HOGS AND PIGS: December 1 inventory by classes and weight, United States, 2006-2008

Year	All hogs and pigs	Breeding	Market						
			Total	Under 60 lbs.	60 - 119 lbs.	120 - 179 lbs.	180 lbs. and over		
		1,000 head							
2006	62,490	6,087	56,402	20,462	13,928	11,275	10,738		
2007	68,177	6,233	61,944	22,545	15,173	12,658	11,569		
2008	66,708	6,081	60,627	21,297	15,096	12,716	11,518		

FARROWINGS: Number of sows, pig crop, and pigs per litter, United States, 2006-2009

Year	Sows farrowing		Pig crop		Pigs per litter	
	December – May ¹	June – November	December – May ¹	June – November	December – May ¹	June – November
		Average number				
2006	5,768	5,862	52,242	53,376	9.06	9.11
2007	5,935	6,312	54,266	58,608	9.14	9.28
2008	6,126	6,065	57,044	57,660	9.31	9.51
2009 ²	5,978					

December preceding year. ² Expected farrowings December 2006 - May 2007.