



News Release

September Hogs and Pigs

Indiana's total hog and pig inventory on September 1 was estimated at 4.45 million head, up 100,000 head from a year ago, according to Nathaniel Warenski, State Statistician of the USDA, NASS, Indiana Field Office. Breeding hog inventory, at 260,000 head, was up 10,000 from last September. Market hog inventory, at 4.19 million head, was up 2 percent from last year. The average pigs saved per litter for the June to August quarter was 11.50, compared to 10.85 from the same period last year.

United States inventory of all hogs and pigs on September 1, 2023 was 74.3 million head. This was up slightly from September 1, 2022, and up 2 percent from June 1, 2023. Breeding inventory, at 6.08 million head, was down 1 percent from last year, and down 1 percent from the previous quarter. Market hog inventory, at 68.2 million head, was up slightly from last year, and up 2 percent from last quarter.

The June-August 2023 pig crop, at 34.2 million head, was up slightly from 2022. Sows farrowing during this period totaled 2.95 million head, down 4 percent from 2022. The sows farrowed during this quarter represented 48 percent of the breeding herd. The average pigs saved per litter was 11.61 for the June-August period, compared to 11.13 last year.

United States hog producers intend to have 2.93 million sows farrow during the September-November 2023 quarter, down 5 percent 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 2023-February 2024, at 2.91 million sows, are down 1 percent from the same period one year earlier, and down slightly from the same period two years earlier.

Hog Inventory and Farrowings – Indiana and United States: September 1, 2022 and 2023

Hogs and pigs	Indiana			United States		
	2022	2023	Change	2022	2023	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	250	260	4	6,152	6,079	-1
Market	4,100	4,190	2	67,973	68,241	0
Under 50 pounds	1,090	1,090	0	21,893	21,913	0
50-119 pounds	1,230	1,290	5	19,677	19,756	0
120-179 pounds	890	930	4	14,013	14,110	1
180+ pounds	890	880	-1	12,390	12,463	1
Total	4,350	4,450	2	74,125	74,319	0
Sows farrowed, Jun-Aug	125	125	0	3,062	2,949	-4
Pigs/litter, Jun-Aug	10.85	11.50	6	11.13	11.61	4
Pig crop, Jun-Aug	1,356	1,438	6	34,096	34,229	0
Sows farrowing, Sept-Nov ¹	130	130	0	3,092	2,930	-5
Sows farrowing, Dec-Feb ^{1 2}	125	130	4	2,952	2,912	-1

¹ Intentions.

² February succeeding year.

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