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September Hogs and Pigs

Michigan's total hog and pig inventory on September 1 was estimated at 1.17 million head, down 110,000 head from a year ago, according to Marlo D. Johnson, Regional Director, USDA NASS, Great Lakes Regional Office. Breeding hog inventory, at 110,000 head, was down 4 percent from last September. Market hog inventory, at 1.06 million head, was down 9 percent from last year. The average pigs saved per litter for the June to August quarter was 11.20, compared to 11.10 from the same period last year.

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.

Hog Inventory and Farrowings - Michigan and United States: September 1, 2023 and 2024

Hogs and pigs	Michigan			United States		
	2023	2024	Change	2023	2024	Change
	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(percent)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(percent)
Breeding	115	110	-4	6,179	6,044	-2
Market	1,165	1,060	-9	69,954	70,437	1
Under 50 pounds	355	310	-13	22,542	22,194	-2
50-119 pounds	320	295	-8	20,505	20,232	-1
120-179 pounds	240	225	-6	14,492	14,997	3
180+ pounds	250	230	-8	12,415	13,014	5
Total	1,280	1,170	-9	76,133	76,480	0
Sows farrowed, Jun-Aug	55	52	-5	3,040	2,989	-2
Pigs/litter, Jun-Aug	11.10	11.20	1	11.61	11.72	1
Pig crop, Jun-Aug	611	582	-5	35,295	35,030	-1
Sows farrowing, Sept-Nov ¹	57	53	-7	2,962	2,959	0
Sows farrowing, Dec-Feb ^{1 2}	52	52	0	2,928	2,933	0

¹ Intentions.

² February succeeding year.