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SOUTH DAKOTA HOG INVENTORY UP 9%

SIoux FALLS, S.D. March 28, 2024 - South Dakota inventory of all hogs and pigs on March 1, 2024, was 2.31 million head, according to the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. This was up 9% from March 1, 2023, but unchanged from December 1, 2023.

Breeding hog inventory, at 325,000 head, was up 7% from March 1, 2023, but down 6% from last quarter. **Market hog inventory**, at 1.99 million head, was up 10% from last year, and up 1% from last quarter.

The December 2023 - February 2024 South Dakota pig crop, at 2.01 million head, was up 11% from 2023. Sows farrowed during the period totaled 157,000 head, up 11% from last year. The average pigs saved per litter was 12.80 for the December - February period, unchanged from last year.

South Dakota hog producers intend to farrow 150,000 sows during the March - May 2024 quarter, up 6% from the actual farrowings during the same period a year ago. Intended farrowings for June - August 2024 are 155,000 sows, up 5% from the actual farrowings during the same period a year ago.

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