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## SOUTH DAKOTA HOG INVENTORY down 3%

**SIOUX FALLS, S.D. December 23, 2024** - South Dakota inventory of all hogs and pigs on December 1, 2024, was 2.24 million head, according to the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. This was down 3% from December 1, 2023, and down 1% from September 1, 2024.

**Breeding hog inventory**, at 320,000 head, was down 7% from December 1, 2023, but unchanged from last quarter. **Market hog inventory**, at 1.92 million head, was down 2% from last year, and down 1% from last quarter.

**The September - November 2024 South Dakota pig crop**, at 2.09 million head, was up 7% from 2023. Sows farrowed during the period totaled 158,000 head, up 3% from last year. The average pigs saved per litter was 13.20 for the September - November period, compared to 12.70 last year.

**South Dakota hog producers** intend to farrow 156,000 sows during the December 2024 - February 2025 quarter, down 3% from the actual farrowings during the same period a year ago. Intended farrowings for March - May 2025 are 155,000 sows, down 5% from the actual farrowings during the same period a year ago.

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