

Quarterly Hogs and Pigs

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U.S. Hog Inventory down 3 Percent

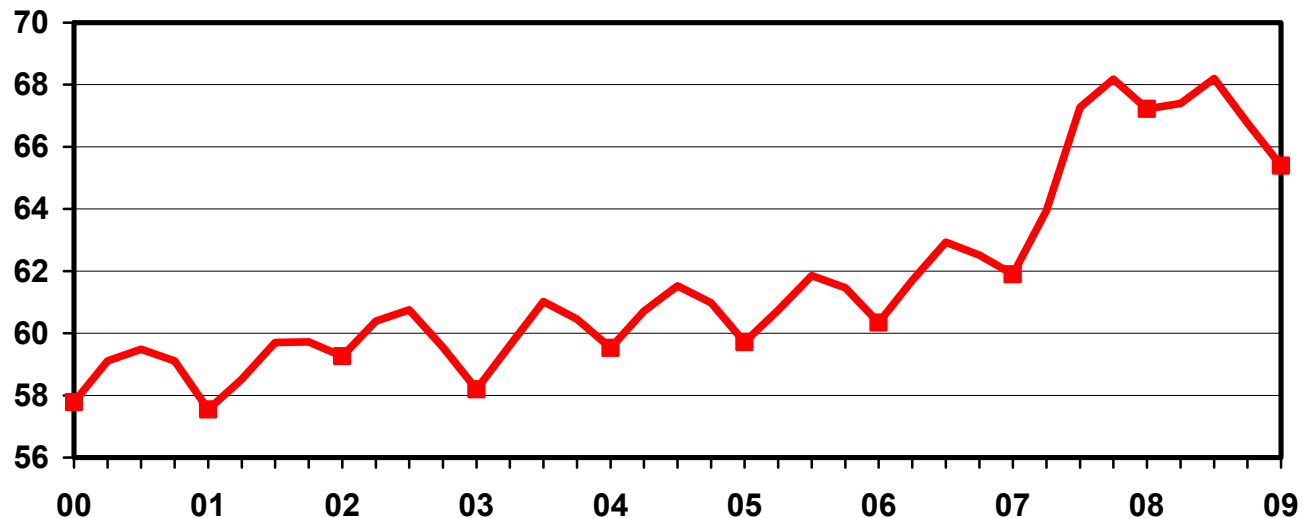
U.S. inventory of all hogs and pigs on March 1, 2009 was 65.4 million head. This was down 3 percent from March 1, 2008 and down 2 percent from December 1, 2008.

Breeding inventory, at 6.01 million head, was down 3 percent from last year and down 1 percent from the previous quarter. **Market hog inventory**, at 59.4 million head, was down 3 percent from last year and down 2 percent from last quarter.

The December 2008-February 2009 pig crop, at 28.2 million head, was down 1 percent from 2008 but up 7 percent from 2007. Sows farrowing during this period totaled 2.98 million head, down 3 percent from 2008 but up 3 percent from 2007. The sows farrowed during this quarter represented 50 percent of the breeding herd. The average pigs saved per litter was 9.48 for the December 2008-February 2009 period, compared to 9.24 last year. Pigs saved per litter by size of operation ranged from 7.30 for operations with 1-99 hogs and pigs to 9.50 for operations with more than 5,000 hogs and pigs.

U.S. Quarterly Hogs and Pigs Inventory March 1

Million Head



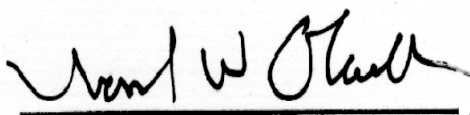
U.S. hog producers intend to have 2.96 million sows farrow during the March-May 2009 quarter, down 3 percent from the actual farrowings during the same period in 2008 and down 2 percent from 2007. Intended farrowings for June-August 2009, at 2.95 million sows, are down 4 percent from 2008 and down 6 percent from 2007.

The total number of hogs under contract owned by operations with over 5,000 head, but raised by contractees, accounted for 45 percent of the total U.S. hog inventory, up from 40 percent last year.

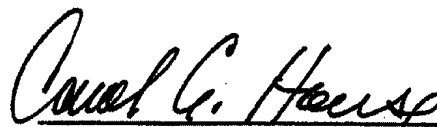
Revisions

All inventory and pig crop estimates for March 2008 through December 2008 were reviewed using slaughter, death loss and current import and export data. Based on this review, adjustments of less than one half of one percent were made to the December 2008 total inventory, March-May 2008 pig crop, and June-August 2008 pig crop.

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**Hogs and Pigs: Inventory Number by Class, Weight Group,
and Quarter, United States, 2008-2009¹**

Item	2008	2009	2009 as a % 2008
	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>Percent</i>
March 1 Inventory			
All Hogs and Pigs	67,218	65,389	97
Kept for Breeding	6,200	6,011	97
Market	61,018	59,378	97
Market Hogs and Pigs by Weight Groups			
Under 60 Pounds	22,137	21,458	97
60-119 Pounds	14,490	14,126	97
120-179 Pounds	13,193	12,862	97
180 Pounds and Over	11,199	10,932	98
June 1 Inventory			
All Hogs and Pigs	67,400		
Kept for Breeding	6,131		
Market	61,269		
Market Hogs and Pigs by Weight Groups			
Under 60 Pounds	22,197		
60-119 Pounds	15,321		
120-179 Pounds	12,892		
180 Pounds and Over	10,860		
September 1 Inventory			
All Hogs and Pigs	68,196		
Kept for Breeding	6,061		
Market	62,135		
Market Hogs and Pigs by Weight Groups			
Under 60 Pounds	22,683		
60-119 Pounds	15,397		
120-179 Pounds	12,855		
180 Pounds and Over	11,201		
December 1 Inventory			
All Hogs and Pigs	66,768		
Kept for Breeding	6,081		
Market	60,687		
Market Hogs and Pigs by Weight Groups			
Under 60 Pounds	21,297		
60-119 Pounds	15,126		
120-179 Pounds	12,731		
180 Pounds and Over	11,533		

¹ May not add due to rounding.

**Farrowings: Number of Sows, Pig Crop, and Pigs per Litter,
United States, 2007-2009¹**

Item	2007	2008	2009	2009 as % of	
				2007	2008
	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
Sows Farrowing					
Dec-Feb ²	2,905	3,071	2,978	103	97
Mar-May ³	3,030	3,052	2,962	98	97
Dec-May ^{2 4}	5,935	6,123	5,940	100	97
Jun-Aug ³	3,133	3,075	2,952	94	96
Sep-Nov	3,180	2,990			
Jun-Nov	6,312	6,065			
Pig Crop					
Dec-Feb ²	26,395	28,387	28,230	107	99
Mar-May	27,870	28,630			
Dec-May ²	54,266	57,017			
Jun-Aug	29,095	29,240			
Sep-Nov	29,513	28,410			
Jun-Nov	58,608	57,650			
	<i>Number</i>	<i>Number</i>	<i>Number</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
Pigs per Litter					
Dec-Feb ²	9.09	9.24	9.48	104	103
Mar-May	9.20	9.38			
Dec-May ²	9.14	9.31			
Jun-Aug	9.29	9.51			
Sep-Nov	9.28	9.50			
Jun-Nov	9.28	9.51			

¹ May not add due to rounding.

² December preceding year.

³ Intentions for 2009.

⁴ Actual farrowings for December 2008-February 2009 plus intentions for March-May 2009.

Pigs per Litter: By Size of Operation, United States, 2008-2009¹

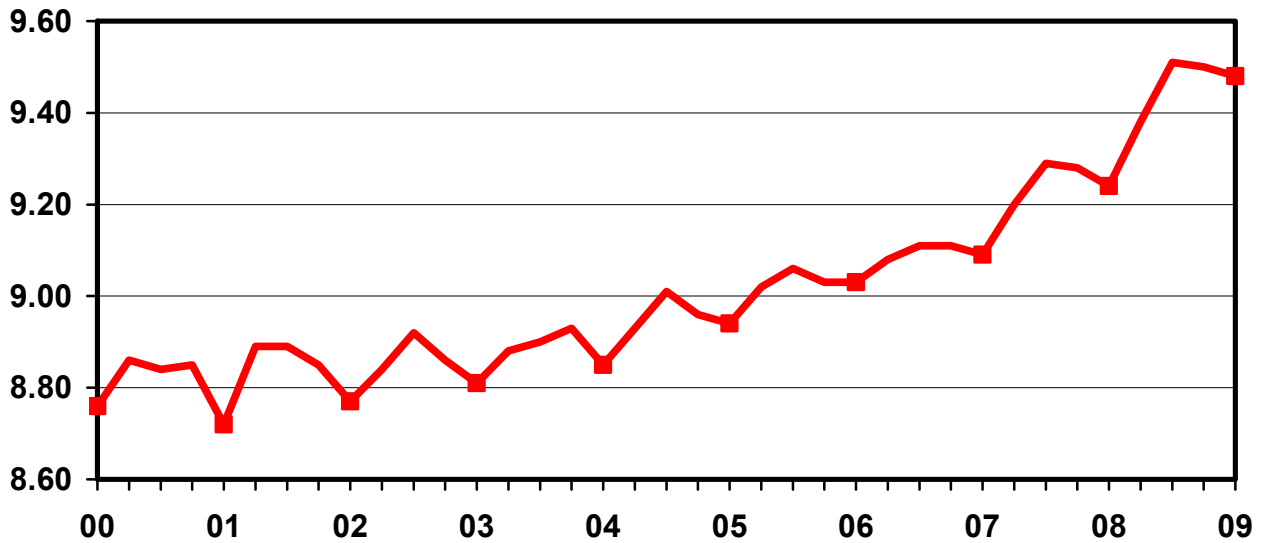
Pig Crop	Pigs per Litter on Operations Having					
	1-99 Head	100-499 Head	500-999 Head	1,000-1,999 Head	2,000-4,999 Head	5,000+ Head
	<i>Number</i>	<i>Number</i>	<i>Number</i>	<i>Number</i>	<i>Number</i>	<i>Number</i>
2008						
Dec-Feb ²	7.50	8.20	8.40	8.80	9.20	9.30
Mar-May	7.70	8.20	8.40	9.00	9.40	9.40
Jun-Aug	7.80	8.30	8.40	9.00	9.50	9.60
Sep-Nov	7.50	8.20	8.30	9.00	9.40	9.60
2009						
Dec-Feb ²	7.30	8.10	8.40	9.00	9.40	9.50
Mar-May						
Jun-Aug						
Sep-Nov						

¹ Pigs per litter rounded to the nearest tenth.

² December preceding year.

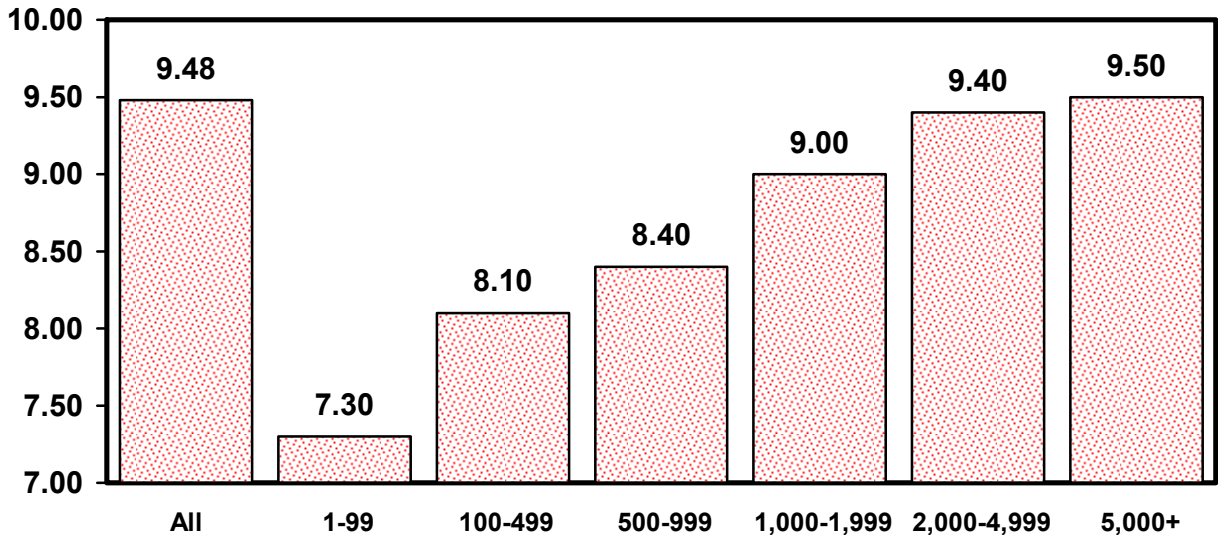
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Number Head



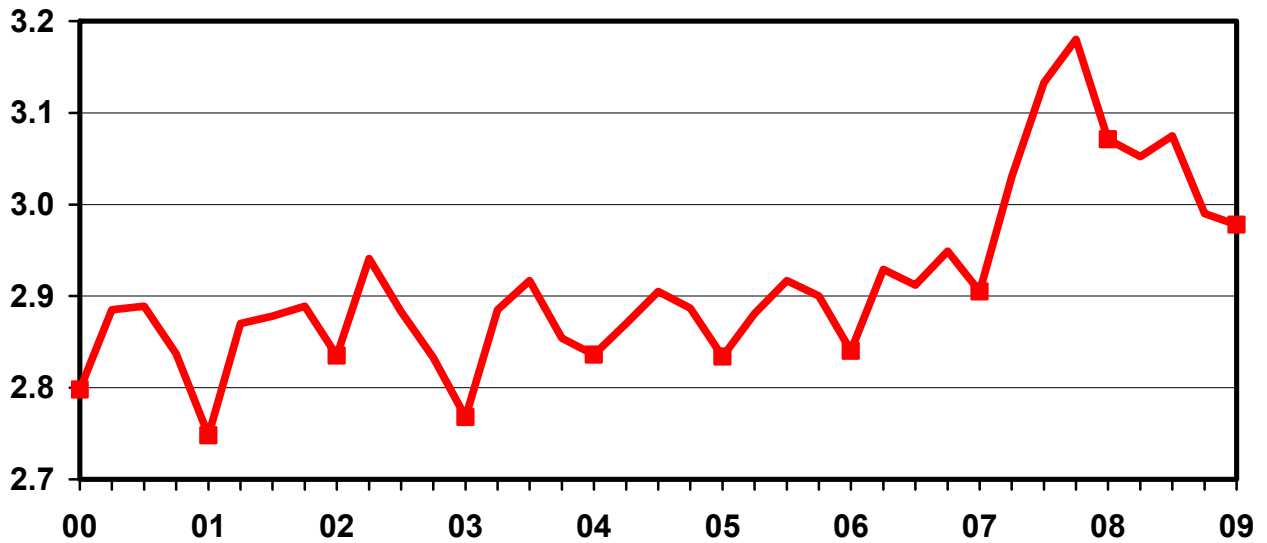
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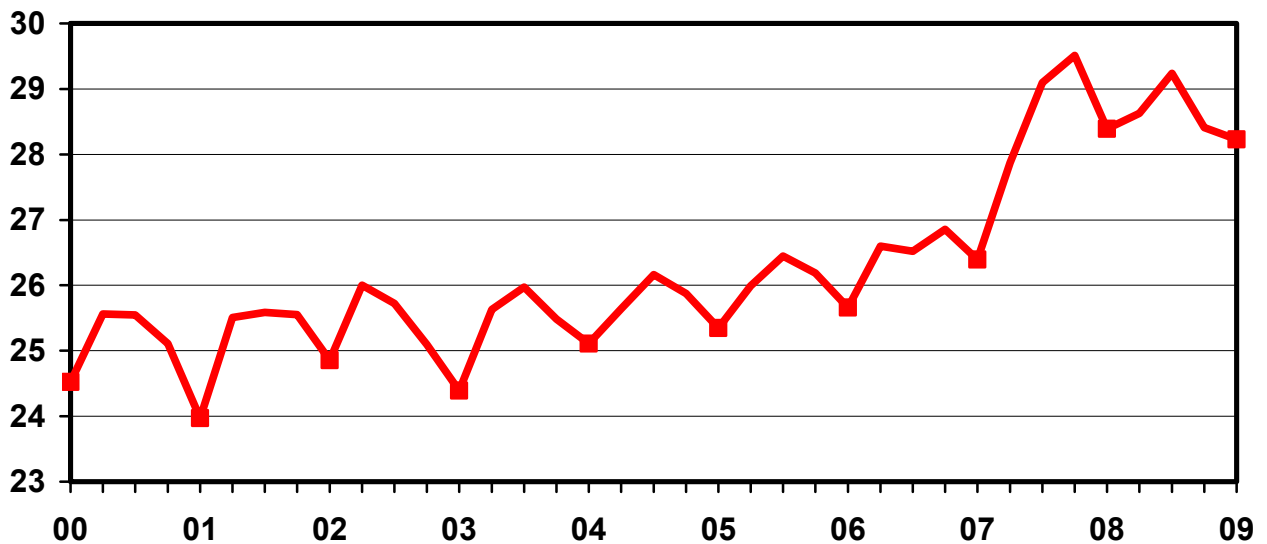
U.S. Quarterly Sows Farrowed December-February

Million Head



U.S. Quarterly Pig Crop December-February

Million Head



**Hogs and Pigs: Breeding, Market, and Total Inventory
by State and United States, March 1, 2008-2009¹**

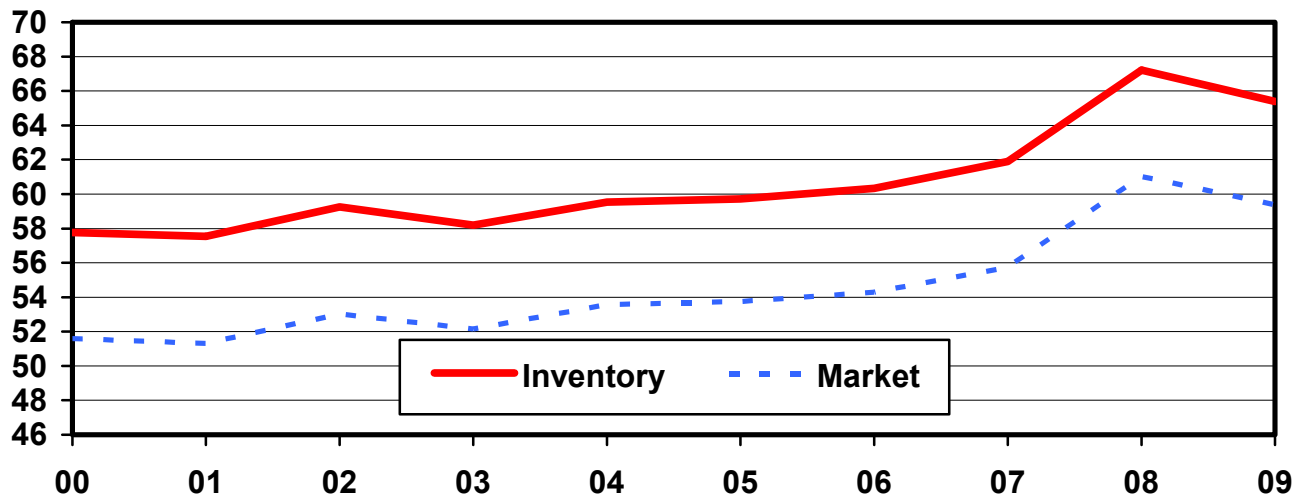
State	Breeding			Market			Total		
	2008	2009		2008	2009		2008	2009	
		Number	as % of 2008		Number	as % of 2008		Number	as % of 2008
	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AR	90	85	94	210	190	90	300	275	92
CO	155	155	100	625	575	92	780	730	94
IL	490	480	98	3,960	3,770	95	4,450	4,250	96
IN	310	270	87	3,340	3,230	97	3,650	3,500	96
IA	1,080	1,040	96	18,020	18,260	101	19,100	19,300	101
KS	170	165	97	1,710	1,645	96	1,880	1,810	96
MI	100	110	110	880	920	105	980	1,030	105
MN	590	580	98	6,910	6,720	97	7,500	7,300	97
MO	380	365	96	2,720	2,585	95	3,100	2,950	95
NE	370	375	101	2,930	2,775	95	3,300	3,150	95
NC	1,010	980	97	9,090	8,420	93	10,100	9,400	93
OH	165	170	103	1,685	1,800	107	1,850	1,970	106
OK	400	400	100	1,950	1,940	99	2,350	2,340	100
PA	100	90	90	1,050	1,020	97	1,150	1,110	97
SD	160	150	94	1,310	1,230	94	1,470	1,380	94
TX	105	95	90	985	995	101	1,090	1,090	100
WI	45	45	100	365	325	89	410	370	90
Oth Sts ²	480	456	95	3,278	2,978	91	3,758	3,434	91
US	6,200	6,011	97	61,018	59,378	97	67,218	65,389	97

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U.S. Hog Inventory & Market Hogs March 1

Million Head



**Market Hogs and Pigs: Inventory Number by Weight Group,
State, and United States, March 1, 2008-2009¹**

State	Under 60 Lbs.		60-119 Lbs.		120-179 Lbs.		180 Lbs. and Over	
	2008	2009	2008	2009	2008	2009	2008	2009
	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>
AR	160	145	15	15	10	15	25	15
CO	320	315	85	70	80	70	140	120
IL	1,440	1,440	900	930	900	790	720	610
IN	1,200	1,230	840	780	680	630	620	590
IA	5,450	5,150	4,680	5,030	4,440	4,690	3,450	3,390
KS	575	570	370	260	295	290	470	525
MI	315	350	220	225	170	155	175	190
MN	2,690	2,620	1,650	1,620	1,460	1,430	1,110	1,050
MO	1,245	1,250	520	460	530	475	425	400
NE	1,080	1,030	760	700	660	610	430	435
NC	3,580	3,400	2,100	1,800	1,890	1,750	1,520	1,470
OH	635	705	410	425	390	395	250	275
OK	960	890	300	340	220	210	470	500
PA	320	350	300	275	230	200	200	195
SD	480	480	285	260	280	255	265	235
TX	330	310	200	195	210	200	245	290
WI	150	145	85	70	60	55	70	55
Oth Sts ²	1,207	1,078	770	671	688	642	614	587
US	22,137	21,458	14,490	14,126	13,193	12,862	11,199	10,932

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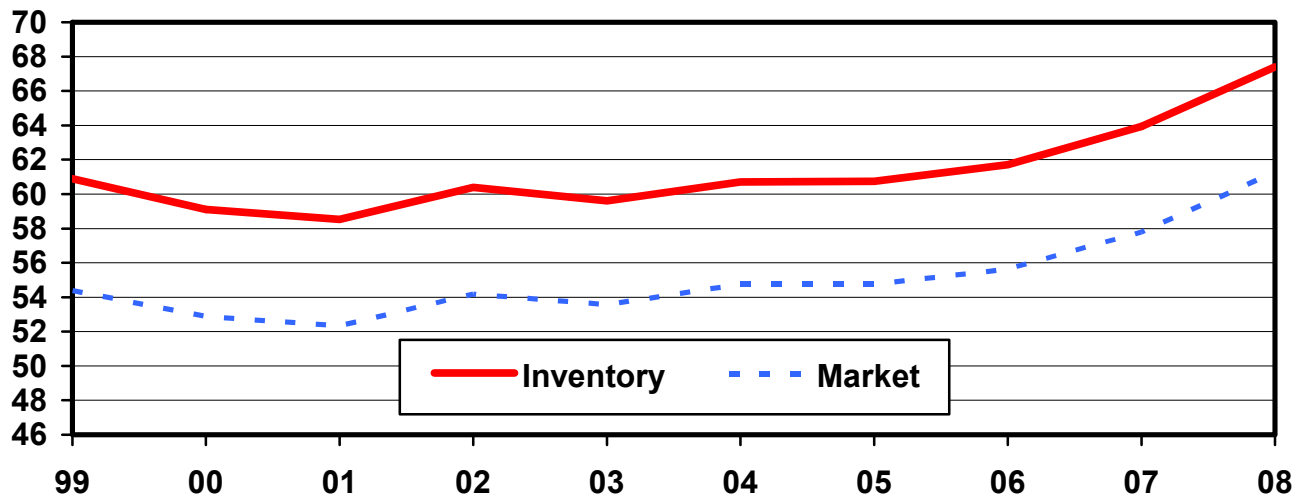
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	2007	2008		2007	2008		2007	2008	
		Number	as % of 2007		Number	as % of 2007		Number	as % of 2007
	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AR	85	95	112	205	215	105	290	310	107
CO	150	150	100	690	610	88	840	760	90
IL	480	460	96	3,520	3,890	111	4,000	4,350	109
IN	300	290	97	3,050	3,360	110	3,350	3,650	109
IA	1,060	1,080	102	17,140	18,320	107	18,200	19,400	107
KS	175	170	97	1,725	1,610	93	1,900	1,780	94
MI	110	100	91	910	930	102	1,020	1,030	101
MN	600	580	97	6,400	6,920	108	7,000	7,500	107
MO	375	380	101	2,675	2,720	102	3,050	3,100	102
NE	365	370	101	2,785	3,030	109	3,150	3,400	108
NC	1,020	1,020	100	8,680	9,080	105	9,700	10,100	104
OH	165	165	100	1,495	1,725	115	1,660	1,890	114
OK	400	400	100	1,920	1,960	102	2,320	2,360	102
PA	100	95	95	1,020	1,085	106	1,120	1,180	105
SD	145	150	103	1,145	1,280	112	1,290	1,430	111
TX	105	105	100	895	965	108	1,000	1,070	107
WI	50	45	90	360	345	96	410	390	95
Oth Sts ²	484	476	98	3,162	3,224	102	3,647	3,700	101
US	6,169	6,131	99	57,777	61,269	106	63,947	67,400	105

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U.S. Hog Inventory & Market Hogs June 1

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State	Under 60 Lbs.		60-119 Lbs.		120-179 Lbs.		180 Lbs. and Over	
	2007	2008	2007	2008	2007	2008	2007	2008
	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>
AR	150	160	20	20	15	15	20	20
CO	375	310	100	115	85	70	130	115
IL	1,300	1,400	910	990	750	850	560	650
IN	1,120	1,180	780	900	590	670	560	610
IA	5,460	5,430	4,770	5,060	3,860	4,450	3,050	3,380
KS	610	540	340	330	335	260	440	480
MI	325	325	215	230	190	185	180	190
MN	2,570	2,660	1,620	1,760	1,300	1,470	910	1,030
MO	1,300	1,295	545	545	505	475	325	405
NE	1,020	1,120	730	810	590	650	445	450
NC	3,600	3,700	2,000	2,150	1,670	1,760	1,410	1,470
OH	600	630	370	435	310	400	215	260
OK	930	990	310	300	220	220	460	450
PA	300	320	305	320	225	235	190	210
SD	425	480	270	305	240	255	210	240
TX	290	315	215	225	200	205	190	220
WI	155	130	85	90	65	60	55	65
Oth Sts ²	1,218	1,212	735	736	639	662	570	615
US	21,748	22,197	14,320	15,321	11,789	12,892	9,920	10,860

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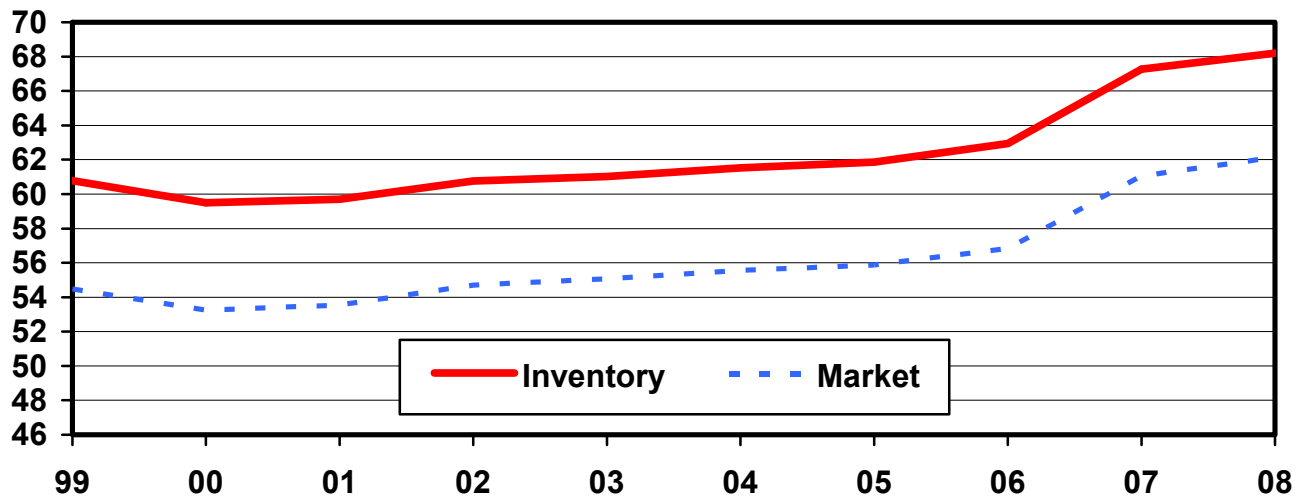
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AR	85	95	112	205	220	107	290	315	109
CO	160	150	94	700	590	84	860	740	86
IL	490	470	96	3,710	3,880	105	4,200	4,350	104
IN	300	280	93	3,200	3,320	104	3,500	3,600	103
IA	1,050	1,070	102	17,850	18,730	105	18,900	19,800	105
KS	180	170	94	1,790	1,640	92	1,970	1,810	92
MI	100	100	100	980	950	97	1,080	1,050	97
MN	610	570	93	6,690	7,030	105	7,300	7,600	104
MO	385	375	97	2,765	2,775	100	3,150	3,150	100
NE	370	360	97	2,980	2,940	99	3,350	3,300	99
NC	1,020	1,000	98	9,380	9,300	99	10,400	10,300	99
OH	165	165	100	1,595	1,755	110	1,760	1,920	109
OK	400	400	100	2,050	2,060	100	2,450	2,460	100
PA	100	85	85	1,090	1,035	95	1,190	1,120	94
SD	155	150	97	1,225	1,270	104	1,380	1,420	103
TX	100	105	105	1,020	1,015	100	1,120	1,120	100
WI	50	45	90	370	335	91	420	380	90
Oth Sts ²	488	471	96	3,466	3,290	95	3,955	3,761	95
US	6,208	6,061	98	61,066	62,135	102	67,275	68,196	101

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AR	150	170	20	20	15	15	20	15
CO	365	305	120	100	75	70	140	115
IL	1,400	1,410	910	1,000	780	820	620	650
IN	1,120	1,200	840	890	640	620	600	610
IA	5,790	5,620	4,920	5,170	4,040	4,460	3,100	3,480
KS	550	570	380	300	375	275	485	495
MI	335	355	230	240	230	185	185	170
MN	2,680	2,820	1,710	1,820	1,300	1,400	1,000	990
MO	1,300	1,350	545	565	530	495	390	365
NE	1,150	1,100	810	780	590	610	430	450
NC	3,700	3,700	2,310	2,050	1,820	1,860	1,550	1,690
OH	630	655	385	455	350	400	230	245
OK	950	980	340	320	250	240	510	520
PA	350	320	310	305	240	215	190	195
SD	425	470	290	300	270	260	240	240
TX	355	325	215	250	220	205	230	235
WI	150	125	105	90	60	55	55	65
Oth Sts ²	1,248	1,208	821	742	745	670	652	671
US	22,648	22,683	15,261	15,397	12,530	12,855	10,627	11,201

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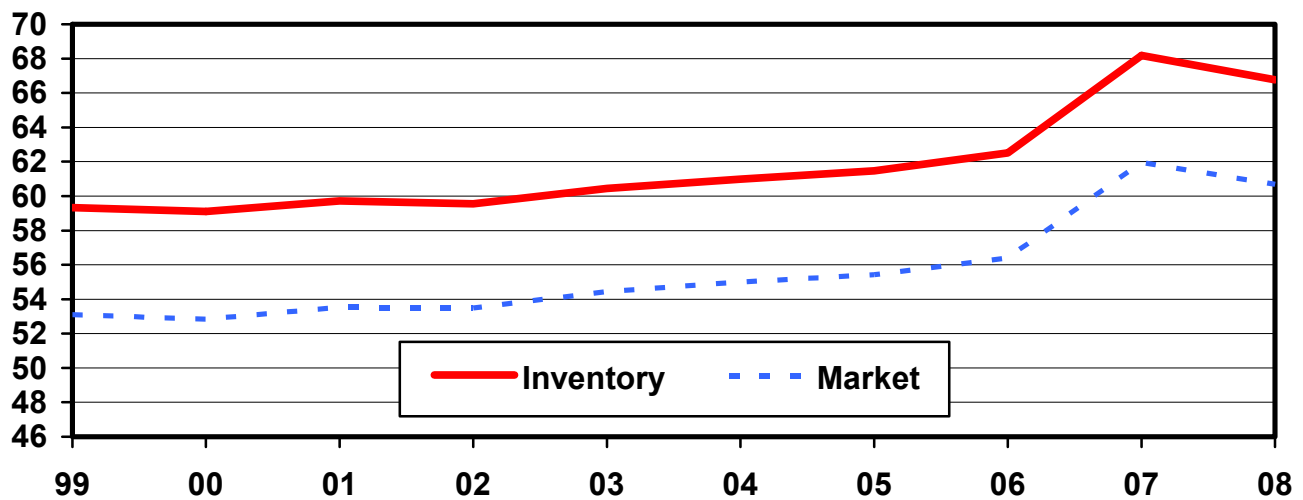
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AR	85	90	106	205	190	93	290	280	97
CO	160	155	97	700	565	81	860	720	84
IL	480	490	102	3,870	3,860	100	4,350	4,350	100
IN	320	280	88	3,380	3,220	95	3,700	3,500	95
IA	1,080	1,070	99	18,320	18,730	102	19,400	19,800	102
KS	180	165	92	1,700	1,565	92	1,880	1,730	92
MI	100	110	110	930	910	98	1,030	1,020	99
MN	600	580	97	7,100	6,920	97	7,700	7,500	97
MO	375	370	99	2,775	2,730	98	3,150	3,100	98
NE	365	370	101	2,985	2,930	98	3,350	3,300	99
NC	1,020	980	96	9,180	8,620	94	10,200	9,600	94
OH	160	170	106	1,670	1,760	105	1,830	1,930	105
OK	400	400	100	1,950	1,990	102	2,350	2,390	102
PA	105	90	86	1,065	1,020	96	1,170	1,110	95
SD	165	155	94	1,295	1,175	91	1,460	1,330	91
TX	105	100	95	1,055	1,020	97	1,160	1,120	97
WI	50	40	80	390	320	82	440	360	82
Oth Sts ²	483	466	97	3,374	3,162	94	3,857	3,628	94
US	6,233	6,081	98	61,944	60,687	98	68,177	66,768	98

¹ May not add due to rounding.

² Individual State estimates not available for the 33 Other States.

U.S. Hog Inventory & Market Hogs December 1

Million Head



**Market Hogs and Pigs: Inventory Number by Weight Group,
State, and United States, December 1, 2007-2008 ¹**

State	Under 60 Lbs.		60-119 Lbs.		120-179 Lbs.		180 Lbs. and Over	
	2007	2008	2007	2008	2007	2008	2007	2008
	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>
AR	150	145	20	15	15	15	20	15
CO	360	300	90	70	90	70	160	125
IL	1,420	1,400	980	1,010	800	800	670	650
IN	1,260	1,170	850	830	680	610	590	610
IA	5,810	5,190	4,880	5,320	4,060	4,500	3,570	3,720
KS	580	520	365	305	295	245	460	495
MI	315	310	235	240	200	175	180	185
MN	2,750	2,670	1,730	1,770	1,450	1,390	1,170	1,090
MO	1,300	1,310	570	550	485	480	420	390
NE	1,140	1,080	805	760	590	630	450	460
NC	3,430	3,300	2,220	1,930	1,890	1,750	1,640	1,640
OH	650	660	405	445	360	400	255	255
OK	910	920	300	320	220	260	520	490
PA	345	310	300	300	220	215	200	195
SD	465	450	285	245	295	245	250	235
TX	315	320	230	200	230	205	280	295
WI	150	120	100	85	70	55	70	60
Oth Sts ²	1,195	1,122	808	731	708	686	664	623
US	22,545	21,297	15,173	15,126	12,658	12,731	11,569	11,533

¹ Weight groups may not add to Market Hogs and Pigs due to rounding.

² Individual State estimates not available for the 33 Other States.

**Farrowings: Number of Sows, Pigs per Litter, and Pig Crop
by State and United States, December-February 2008-2009^{1 2}**

State	Sows Farrowing			Pigs per Litter		Pig Crop ³		
	2008	2009		2008	2009	2008	2009	
		Number	as % of 2008				Number	as % of 2008
	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Number</i>	<i>Number</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AR	44	44	100	9.60	9.85	422	433	103
CO	84	74	88	9.05	8.60	760	636	84
IL	240	250	104	9.25	9.50	2,220	2,375	107
IN	150	140	93	9.00	9.30	1,350	1,302	96
IA	510	490	96	9.20	9.60	4,692	4,704	100
KS	86	80	93	9.10	9.10	783	728	93
MI	52	53	102	9.45	9.70	491	514	105
MN	285	280	98	9.25	9.75	2,636	2,730	104
MO	190	190	100	9.20	9.35	1,748	1,777	102
NE	190	180	95	9.50	9.75	1,805	1,755	97
NC	550	520	95	9.20	9.55	5,060	4,966	98
OH	89	86	97	9.15	9.40	814	808	99
OK	180	190	106	9.35	8.90	1,683	1,691	100
PA	43	40	93	9.50	9.75	409	390	95
SD	88	82	93	9.60	9.85	845	808	96
TX	54	45	83	9.00	9.65	486	434	89
WI	26	24	92	8.95	8.80	233	211	91
Oth Sts ⁴	210	210	100	9.29	9.37	1,950	1,968	101
US	3,071	2,978	97	9.24	9.48	28,387	28,230	99

¹ May not add due to rounding.

² December preceding year.

³ Number of pigs born December-February that were still on hand March 1, or had been sold.

⁴ Individual State estimates not available for the 33 Other States.

**Farrowings: Number of Sows, Pigs per Litter, and Pig Crop
by State and United States, March-May 2007-2009 ¹**

State	Sows Farrowing				Pigs per Litter		Pig Crop ²		
	2007	2008	2009 ³		2007	2008	2007	2008	
			Number	as % of 2008				Number	as % of 2007
	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Number</i>	<i>Number</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AR	42	45	41	91	9.80	9.80	412	441	107
CO	80	81	79	98	8.90	8.85	712	717	101
IL	240	230	240	104	9.05	9.35	2,172	2,151	99
IN	145	145	135	93	8.95	9.10	1,298	1,320	102
IA	465	520	490	94	9.20	9.35	4,278	4,862	114
KS	87	80	87	109	8.95	9.10	779	728	93
MI	53	53	56	106	9.00	9.70	477	514	108
MN	290	285	280	98	9.35	9.50	2,712	2,708	100
MO	195	190	185	97	9.15	9.40	1,784	1,786	100
NE	185	185	180	97	9.45	9.60	1,748	1,776	102
NC	560	550	520	95	9.05	9.35	5,068	5,143	101
OH	82	89	85	96	9.30	9.40	763	837	110
OK	195	185	190	103	9.40	9.45	1,833	1,748	95
PA	45	41	39	95	9.10	9.45	410	387	94
SD	73	85	79	93	9.55	9.70	697	825	118
TX	48	51	46	90	9.30	8.60	446	439	98
WI	26	26	22	85	8.90	9.10	231	237	103
Oth Sts ⁴	219	211	208	99	9.36	9.54	2,050	2,011	98
US	3,030	3,052	2,962	97	9.20	9.38	27,870	28,630	103

¹ May not add due to rounding.

² Number of pigs born March-May that were still on hand June 1, or had been sold.

³ Intentions.

⁴ Individual State estimates not available for the 33 Other States.

**Farrowings: Number of Sows, Pigs per Litter, and Pig Crop
by State and United States, June-August 2007-2009 ¹**

State	Sows Farrowing				Pigs per Litter		Pig Crop ²		
	2007	2008	2009 ³		2007	2008	2007	2008	
			Number	as % of 2008				Number	as % of 2007
	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Number</i>	<i>Number</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AR	46	50	41	82	9.70	9.70	446	485	109
CO	83	76	77	101	9.15	8.90	759	676	89
IL	245	240	245	102	9.15	9.45	2,242	2,268	101
IN	150	145	140	97	9.10	9.25	1,365	1,341	98
IA	480	510	480	94	9.30	9.40	4,464	4,794	107
KS	90	81	86	106	9.00	9.15	810	741	91
MI	55	53	55	104	9.20	9.25	506	490	97
MN	295	285	280	98	9.50	9.80	2,803	2,793	100
MO	195	195	185	95	9.30	9.70	1,814	1,892	104
NE	200	185	180	97	9.50	9.70	1,900	1,795	94
NC	580	560	520	93	9.10	9.65	5,278	5,404	102
OH	86	89	85	96	9.40	9.50	808	846	105
OK	195	195	185	95	9.35	9.35	1,823	1,823	100
PA	48	38	39	103	9.60	9.60	461	365	79
SD	83	82	78	95	9.60	9.80	797	804	101
TX	58	52	50	96	9.05	8.55	525	445	85
WI	26	24	23	96	8.90	9.10	231	218	94
Oth Sts ⁴	218	215	203	94	9.49	9.58	2,063	2,060	100
US	3,133	3,075	2,952	96	9.29	9.51	29,095	29,240	100

¹ May not add due to rounding.

² Number of pigs born June-August that were still on hand September 1, or had been sold.

³ Intentions.

⁴ Individual State estimates not available for the 33 Other States.

**Farrowings: Number of Sows, Pigs per Litter, and Pig Crop
by State and United States, September-November 2007-2008¹**

State	Sows Farrowing			Pigs per Litter		Pig Crop ²		
	2007	2008		2007	2008	2007	2008	
		Number	as % of 2007				Number	as % of 2007
	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Number</i>	<i>Number</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AR	44	46	105	9.80	9.80	431	451	105
CO	83	71	86	9.05	8.80	751	625	83
IL	245	250	102	9.25	9.40	2,266	2,350	104
IN	155	140	90	9.00	9.20	1,395	1,288	92
IA	540	500	93	9.30	9.50	5,022	4,750	95
KS	89	76	85	9.15	9.40	814	714	88
MI	53	53	100	9.45	9.65	501	511	102
MN	295	280	95	9.30	9.85	2,744	2,758	101
MO	195	200	103	9.30	9.65	1,814	1,930	106
NE	195	185	95	9.55	9.80	1,862	1,813	97
NC	570	510	89	9.20	9.55	5,244	4,871	93
OH	86	88	102	9.45	9.00	813	792	97
OK	190	180	95	9.20	9.20	1,748	1,656	95
PA	51	40	78	9.10	9.35	464	374	81
SD	90	84	93	9.55	9.80	860	823	96
TX	58	49	84	9.35	9.55	542	468	86
WI	26	23	88	8.90	8.95	231	206	89
Oth Sts ³	215	215	100	9.37	9.44	2,011	2,030	101
US	3,180	2,990	94	9.28	9.50	29,513	28,410	96

¹ May not add due to rounding.

² Number of pigs born September-November that were still on hand December 1, or had been sold.

³ Individual State estimates not available for the 33 Other States.

**Monthly Farrowings: Number of Sows, Pigs per Litter, and Pig Crop,
United States, December-November 2008-2009^{1 2}**

Month	Sows Farrowing		Pigs per Litter		Pig Crop	
	2008	2009	2008	2009	2008	2009
	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>Number</i>	<i>Number</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>
Dec ¹	1,017	987	9.22	9.50	9,381	9,380
Jan	1,028	1,003	9.24	9.45	9,501	9,478
Feb	1,026	988	9.26	9.49	9,505	9,372
Mar	1,049		9.35		9,811	
Apr	998		9.38		9,370	
May	1,004		9.41		9,449	
Jun	1,046		9.48		9,917	
Jul	1,020		9.52		9,712	
Aug	1,009		9.53		9,611	
Sep	1,034		9.50		9,826	
Oct	992		9.48		9,404	
Nov	964		9.52		9,180	
Total	12,187		9.41		114,667	

¹ December preceding year.

² Monthly values may not add to quarterly or annual totals due to rounding.

Reliability of March 1 Hogs and Pigs Estimates

Survey Procedures: A random sample of roughly 9,100 U.S. producers was surveyed to provide data for these estimates. Survey procedures ensured that all hog and pig producers, regardless of size, had a chance to be included in the survey. Large producers were sampled more heavily than small operations. During the first half of March 2009, data were collected from about 7,500 operations, 82 percent of the total sample. The data collected were received by electronic data reporting (EDR), mail, telephone, and face-to-face personal interviews. Regardless of when operations responded, they were asked to report inventories as of March 1, 2009.

Estimation Procedures: Hogs and pigs estimates were prepared by the Agricultural Statistics Board after reviewing recommendations and analysis submitted by each field office. National and State survey data were reviewed for reasonableness with each other and with estimates from past years using a balance sheet. The balance sheet begins with the previous inventory estimate, adds the estimates of births and imports, and subtracts the estimates of slaughter, exports, and deaths. This indicated ending inventory level is compared to the Agricultural Statistics Board estimate for reasonableness.

Revision Policy: Revisions to previous estimates are made to improve quarter to quarter relationships. Estimates for the previous four quarters are subject to revision when current estimates are made. In December, estimates for all quarters of the current and previous year are reviewed. The reviews are primarily based on hog check-off receipts and slaughter. Estimates will also be reviewed after data from the Department of Agriculture five-year Census of Agriculture are available. No revisions will be made after that date.

Reliability: Since all operations raising hogs are not included in the sample, survey estimates are subject to sampling variability. Survey results are also subject to non-sampling errors such as omissions, duplication, and mistakes in reporting, recording, and processing the data. The affects of these errors cannot be measured directly. They are minimized through rigid quality controls in the data collection process and through a careful review of all reported data for consistency and reasonableness.

To assist users in evaluating the reliability of the estimates in this report, the "**Root Mean Square Error**" is shown for selected items in the following table. The "Root Mean Square Error" is a statistical measure based on past performance and is computed using the difference between first and final estimates. The "Root Mean Square Error" for hog inventory estimates over the past 20 quarters is 1.6 percent. This means that chances are 2 out of 3 that the final estimate will not be above or below the current estimate of 65.4 million head by more than 1.6 percent. Chances are 9 out of 10 that the difference will not exceed 2.7 percent.

Reliability of March 1 Hog Estimates ¹

Item	Root Mean Square Error	90% Confidence Level		Difference Between First and Latest Estimates			Quarters	
				Average	Smallest	Largest	First Above Latest	First Below Latest
				<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>		
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>Number</i>	<i>Number</i>
All Hogs & Pigs	1.6	2.7	1,801	684	60	3,067	4	16
Pig Crop	2.0	3.4	966	351	0	1,644	4	15
Expected Farrowings								
Next Quarter	2.4	4.1	122	45	3	216	4	16
Following Quarter	2.7	4.7	141	59	3	220	4	16

¹ Based on quarterly records for the past 20 quarters.

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