

# PIG CROP REPORT

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The number of hogs and pigs on farms in the 10 Corn Belt States on March 1, 1964 totaled 39,561,000 head, according to the Crop Reporting Board. This is a decrease of 5 percent from the 41,794,000 head on farms a year earlier and is 4 percent less than the 41,040,000 head on farms March 1, 1962. The 10 States in this report are Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Wisconsin, Minnesota, Iowa, Missouri, South Dakota, Nebraska and Kansas.

Inventory numbers on March 1 were less than a year earlier in all States except South Dakota which shows an increase of 1 percent. Indiana and Illinois were each down 4 percent; Iowa and Nebraska, each down 5 percent; Missouri, down 6 percent; Ohio and Kansas, each down 7 percent; Minnesota, down 8 percent; and Wisconsin down 12 percent.

March 1 inventories this year show a seasonal decline of 16 percent from the revised December 1, 1963 level for the 10 States of 47,098,000 head. This may be compared with a decline of 14 percent for this period a year earlier and 13 percent for the December 1, 1961 to March 1, 1962 period.

The number of hogs and pigs on farms March 1, 1964 being kept for breeding in the 10 States totaled 7,245,000 head. This is 12 percent less than the 8,220,000 head of breeding stock on farms a year earlier reflecting in part the reduction in sows farrowing. Hogs and pigs other than those kept for breeding on farms on March 1, 1964 totaled 32,316,000 head, 4 percent less than the 33,574,000 head on farms a year earlier. Classified by weight groups, the number of other hogs and pigs and its percentage change from the previous year are: less than 60 pounds, 11,430,000 head, down 4 percent; 60-119 pounds, 7,322 head, down 3 percent; 120-179 pounds, 7,931,000 head, down 6 percent; 180-219 pounds, 4,619,000 head, no change; and 220 pounds and over, 1,016,000 head, down 6 percent.

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Increases in commercial hog slaughter during the latter part of 1963 and the first 2 months of 1964 has been greater than the level indicated by the estimated pig crop for 1963. This has been the result of a larger portion of breeding stock going to slaughter which would normally have been kept for breeding, a sharp reduction in death losses, and a continued decline in farm slaughter as compared with the previous year. If farm slaughter and death losses continue below year earlier levels during 1964, the number of hogs available for slaughter will be greater than indicated by the comparison of the pig crops.

#### DECEMBER-FEBRUARY PIG CROP

The December 1963-February 1964 pig crop in the 10 States totaled 12,182,000 head, 5 percent less than the 12,825,000 head for this period a year earlier. This is the result of a decline of 8 percent in the number of sows farrowing, which more than offset a 3 percent increase in the number of pigs saved per litter. The number of sows farrowed at 1,685,000 head compared with 1,836,000 head the same quarter of the previous year. All of the States except South Dakota showed decreases in the pig crop compared with a year earlier, ranging from 2 percent in Ohio and Illinois to 14 percent in Wisconsin. On December 1, 1963 farmers in these same 10 States reported intentions to decrease December-February farrowings by 4 percent. During December 1963 the number of sows farrowing at 383,000 head, was 4 percent less than the number farrowed during December 1962. Sows farrowed during January 1964 at 557,000 head were 8 percent below a year earlier, and sows farrowing in February 1964 at 745,000 head were 11 percent less than February 1963.

#### MARCH-MAY FARROWINGS

Sows bred and intended for farrowing in the March, April, and May period in 1964 totaled 3,413,000 head, 7 percent less than a year earlier. All States indicated fewer farrowings than a year earlier, with percentage decreases ranging from 3 percent in Illinois to 13 percent in Minnesota. Expected farrowings by months are: 1,203,000 sows in March, 7 percent less than farrowed during March 1963; 1,314,000 head indicated for April, down 10 percent; and 896,000 head for May 1964, about the same as a year earlier. The March 1 intentions for the March-May quarter is 1 percentage point less than the intentions reported for this period on December 1, 1963.

#### JUNE-AUGUST INTENTIONS

Reported breeding intentions indicate 2,073,000 sows to farrow during the June-August 1964 quarter in the 10 States. This would be 13 percent less than a year earlier. All States indicated decreases from a year earlier as follows: 6 percent in Kansas, 10 percent in each South Dakota and Iowa; 13 percent in each Indiana, Illinois and Minnesota; 15 percent in each Ohio, Wisconsin and Missouri; and 20 percent in Nebraska.

All hogs and pigs on farms, sows farrowing and pig crop, 10 States

Item	Average 1958-62	1963	1964	1964 percent of 1963
	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head	Percent
<u>ALL HOGS ON FARMS</u>				
March 1 .....	1/	41,794	39,561	95
<u>DECEMBER-FEBRUARY PIG CROP</u>				
Sows farrowing .....	1,857	1,836	1,685	92
Pigs per litter .....	1/	6.99 2/	7.23 2/	--
Pig crop .....	1/	12,825	12,182	95
<u>SOWS FARROWING</u>				
March-May .....	3,654	3,653	3,413 3/	93
June-August .....	2,340	2,374	2,073 3/	87

- 1/ Not available.
- 2/ Actual number.
- 3/ Number indicated by breeding intentions report.

Hogs and pigs: Total number of hogs and pigs on farms December 1, 1962 and 1963, Total breeding and other (by weight groups) December 1, 1963, 10 States

State	Total		As % Per-	For breed- ing	Hogs and pigs December 1, 1963					Total
	hogs and pigs: Dec. 1, 1962	Total 1962			Under 60 lbs.	60-119 lbs.	120-179 lbs.	180-219 lbs.	220 lbs. and over	
	1,000 head	1,000 head	cent	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head
Ohio ..	2,981	2,802	94	392	2,410	928	711	482	241	48
Ind. ..	5,445	5,336	98	720	4,616	1,477	1,431	1,062	540	106
Ill. ..	8,518	8,430	99	1,264	7,166	2,508	1,935	1,598	881	244
Wis. ..	2,089	2,005	96	361	1,644	707	395	317	181	44
Minn. ..	4,003	3,803	95	647	3,156	1,165	833	568	448	142
Iowa ..	14,413	14,125	98	2,189	11,936	3,700	3,104	2,745	1,850	537
Mo. ....	4,568	4,385	96	592	3,793	1,403	948	778	436	228
S. Dak ..	1,815	1,797	99	323	1,474	464	302	339	273	96
Nebr. ..	3,055	2,994	98	449	2,545	942	585	509	382	127
Kans. ..	1,496	1,421	95	213	1,208	435	302	221	199	51
Total	48,383		97	7,150	39,948	13,729	10,546	8,619	5,431	1,623
10 States		47,098								

Hogs and pigs: Number of hogs and pigs on farms, breeding, and others, March 1, 1963 and 1964, 10 States

State	For breeding			Others			All hogs and pigs		
	1963	1964	As % of 1963	1963	1964	As % of 1963	1963	1964	As % of 1963
	Number	Number	Percent	Number	Number	Percent	Number	Number	Percent
	1,000 head	1,000 head		1,000 head	1,000 head		1,000 head	1,000 head	
Ohio .....	440	361	82	2,147	2,045	95	2,587	2,406	93
Ind. ....	859	775	90	4,349	4,225	97	5,208	5,000	96
Ill. ....	1,337	1,207	90	5,929	5,768	97	7,266	6,975	96
Wis. ....	435	359	83	1,339	1,202	90	1,774	1,561	88
Minn. ....	726	620	85	2,730	2,560	94	3,456	3,180	92
Iowa ....	2,514	2,271	90	9,747	9,377	96	12,261	11,648	95
Mo. ....	789	628	80	3,258	3,176	97	4,047	3,804	94
S.Dak. ....	342	325	95	973	1,003	103	1,315	1,328	101
Nebr. ....	552	482	87	1,957	1,902	97	2,509	2,384	95
Kans. ....	226	217	96	1,145	1,058	92	1,371	1,275	93
Total 10 States	8,220	7,245	88	33,574	32,316	96	41,794	39,561	95

Number of other hogs and pigs on farms by weight groups March 1, 1963 and 1964, 10 States

State	Under 60 lbs.	60-119 lbs.	120-179 lbs.	180-219 lbs.	220 lbs. and over					
	1963	1964	1963	1964	1963	1964				
	1,000 head									
Ohio .....	805	748	483	489	558	511	247	241	54	56
Ind. ....	1,827	1,817	913	908	1,000	930	500	486	109	84
Ill. ....	2,075	1,950	1,275	1,205	1,512	1,569	860	871	207	173
Wis. ....	522	475	214	246	348	275	208	166	47	40
Minn. ....	1,032	901	546	530	655	617	410	422	87	90
Iowa ....	3,071	3,057	2,339	2,157	2,573	2,344	1,462	1,500	302	319
Mo. ....	1,156	1,111	782	842	766	715	407	381	147	127
S.Dak. ....	302	316	204	236	292	256	136	155	39	40
Nebr. ....	656	633	509	460	479	497	254	257	59	55
Kans. ....	435	422	263	249	263	217	149	138	35	32
Total 10 States	11,881	11,430	7,528	7,322	8,446	7,931	4,633	4,617	1,086	1,016
1964 as % of 1963	96	97	94	100	94	94	100	94	94	94

Sows farrowing, pigs per litter and pig crop  
September through November, 10 States

State	Sows farrowing		1963	
	1962	1963	Pigs per litter	Pig crop 1/
	1,000	1,000		1,000
	head	head	Number	head
Ohio .....	164	145	7.35	1,066
Ind. ....	229	208	7.37	1,533
Ill. ....	431	414	7.25	3,002
Wis. ....	119	112	7.41	830
Minn. ....	189	176	7.39	1,301
Iowa ....	616	591	7.14	4,220
Mo. ....	239	222	7.30	1,621
S.Dak. ....	70	71	7.10	504
Nebr. ....	155	140	7.17	1,004
Kans. ....	73	64	7.60	486

Total 10

States 2,285 2,143 7.26 15,567

1/ Number of pigs farrowed September through November which are still on hand December 1 or have been sold.

Sows farrowing September through November, by months, 10 States

State	1962			1963					
				Number			Percent of 1962		
	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.
	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000			
	head	head	head	head	head	head	Percent	Percent	Percent
Ohio .....	83	53	28	72	48	25	87	91	89
Ind. ....	119	72	38	104	67	37	87	93	97
Ill. ....	238	126	67	224	120	70	94	95	104
Wis. ....	67	30	22	60	36	16	90	120	73
Minn. ....	111	53	25	98	53	25	88	100	100
Iowa ....	353	181	82	331	177	83	94	98	101
Mo. ....	117	84	38	111	73	38	95	87	100
S.Dak. ....	40	22	8	38	25	8	95	114	100
Nebr. ....	82	49	24	75	48	17	91	98	71
Kans. ....	37	23	13	31	22	11	84	96	85
Total 10									
States	1,247	693	345	1,144	669	330	92	97	96

Sows farrowing, pigs per litter and pig crop  
December 1/ through February, 10 States

State	Sows farrowing			Pigs per litter		Pig crop 2/			
	Average : 1963 : 1958-62	: 1964 : Number: 1963	: As % of : 1963	: 1963 : Number	: 1964 : Number	: 1963 : Number	: 1964 : Number	: As % of : 1963	
	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head	Percent	Number	Number	1,000 head	1,000 head	Percent
Ohio .....	135	122	112	92	6.55	6.97	799	781	98
Ind. ....	295	283	258	91	6.84	7.29	1,936	1,881	97
Ill. ....	337	342	321	94	6.75	7.05	2,308	2,263	98
Wis. ....	96	96	77	85	7.40	7.49	673	577	86
Minn. ....	152	156	137	88	7.40	7.43	1,154	1,018	88
Iowa ....	459	451	415	92	7.10	7.30	3,202	3,030	95
Mo. ....	184	190	171	90	6.90	7.22	1,311	1,235	94
S.Dak. ....	42	42	46	110	7.45	7.26	313	334	107
Nebr. ....	97	94	88	94	7.10	7.27	667	640	96
Kans. ....	59	65	60	92	7.10	7.05	462	423	92
Total 10 States	1,857	1,836	1,685	92	6.99	7.23	12,825	12,182	95

1/ December preceding year.

2/ Number of pigs farrowed December through February which are still on hand March 1 or have been sold.

Sows farrowing December through February, by months, 10 States

State	1963			1964			Percent of 1963		
	Dec. 1/	Jan.	Feb.	Dec. 1/	Jan.	Feb.	Dec. 1/	Jan.	Feb.
	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.
Ohio .....	25	46	51	24	38	50	96	83	98
Ind. ....	62	102	119	59	93	106	95	91	89
Ill. ....	79	109	154	77	103	141	97	94	92
Wis. ....	21	32	38	20	23	34	95	72	89
Minn. ....	35	48	73	27	44	66	77	92	90
Iowa ....	95	140	216	91	137	187	96	98	87
Mo. ....	44	63	83	43	55	73	98	87	88
S.Dak. ....	5	12	25	8	14	24	160	117	96
Nebr. ....	16	31	47	18	28	42	112	90	89
Kans. ....	16	22	27	16	22	22	100	100	81
Total 10 States	398	605	833	383	557	745	96	92	89

1/ December preceding year.

Sows farrowing March through May and June through August, 10 States

State	March through May				June through August			
	Average 1958-62	1963	Number 1964 1/2	As % of 1963	Average 1958-62	1963	Number 1964 1/2	As % of 1963
	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head	Percent	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head	Percent
Ohio.....	192	178	160	90	160	155	132	85
Ind.....	266	280	266	95	333	335	291	87
Ill.....	583	615	597	97	422	434	378	87
Wis.....	191	178	166	93	129	120	102	85
Minn.....	376	340	296	87	219	202	176	87
Iowa.....	1,161	1,140	1,072	94	616	640	576	90
Mo.....	294	286	269	94	229	241	205	85
S. Dak.....	233	235	221	94	63	63	57	90
Nebr.....	269	292	266	91	112	119	95	80
Kans.....	89	109	100	92	58	65	61	94
Total 10:								
States	3,654	3,653	3,413	93	2,340	2,374	2,073	87

1/ Number indicated by breeding intentions report.

Sows farrowing, March through May, by months, 10 States

State	1963			1964 1/2			Percent of 1963		
	Mar.	Apr.	May	Mar.	Apr.	May	Mar.	Apr.	May
	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head	Percent	Percent	Percent
Ohio.....	73	62	43	70	51	39	96	82	91
Ind.....	126	92	62	117	85	64	93	92	103
Ill.....	234	240	141	215	233	149	92	97	106
Wis.....	62	71	45	60	60	46	97	85	102
Minn.....	126	133	81	112	107	77	89	80	95
Iowa.....	354	490	296	322	450	300	91	92	101
Mo.....	117	106	63	113	94	62	97	89	98
S. Dak.....	64	103	68	64	91	66	100	88	97
Nebr.....	93	123	76	91	106	69	98	86	91
Kans.....	38	46	25	39	37	24	103	80	96
Total 10:									
States	1,287	1,466	900	1,203	1,314	896	93	90	100

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Hawaii: Number of hogs and pigs on farms, sows farrowing,  
 pig crop and farrowing intentions, March 1, 1964

Item	Number		Item	Number	
	1962	1963		1963	1964
	1,000 head			1,000 head	
All hogs and pigs Dec. 1..	60	:60	Sows farrowed Dec.1/-Feb.:	2.5	: 2.7
Sows farrowed Sept.-Nov...	2.3	: 2.3	Pigs per litter .....	6.84	: 6.95
Pigs per litter .....	7.61	: 7.00	Pig crop .....	17	: 19
Pig crop .....	17	: 16	Sows, by months .....		
Sows, by months .....			December .....	.8	: 1.2
September .....	.7	: .9	January .....	.9	: .6
October .....	.8	: .8	February .....	.8	: .9
November .....	.8	: .6	Sows to farrow .....		
	1963	: 1964	March .....	.9	: .7
All hogs and pigs March 1..	59	: 61	April .....	1.0	: .9
Kept for breeding .....	10	: 10	May .....	.8	: 1.1
Other hogs and pigs .....	49	: 51	Total March-May .....	2.7	: 2.7
Under 60 lbs .....	25	: 25	Sows to farrow .....		
60-119 lbs. ....	13	: 15	June to August .....	2.5	: 2.7
120-179 lbs. ....	10	: 10			
180-219 lbs. ....	1	: 1			
220 lbs. and over .....	---	: ---			

1/ December preceding year.