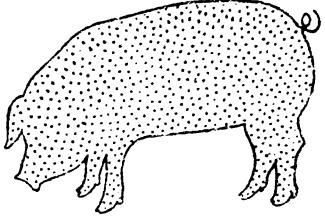


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The Crop Reporting Board of the Bureau of Agricultural Economics makes the following report of sows farrowing, pigs per litter, and pigs saved. This report is based upon returns from some 114,000 farmers obtained in cooperation with the Post Office Department through the rural mail carriers.

	SPRING PIG CROP				FALL PIG CROP			
	(December 1 - June 1)				(June 1 - December 1)			
SOWS FARROWING								
United States	8,398	8,109	8,709	107	5,268	4,725	1/5,152	109
N. Cent. States (Corn Belt)	6,121	6,045	6,638	110	3,280	2,972	1/3,331	112
PIGS SAVED								
United States	51,871	52,392	53,151	101	33,332	30,627	2/32,500	106
N. Cent. States (Corn Belt)	38,429	39,883	40,667	102	21,159	19,840	2/21,500	108
PIGS PER LITTER								
United States	6.18	6.46	6.10		6.32	6.48		
N. Cent. States (Corn Belt)	6.29	6.60	6.13		6.45	6.68		

	PIGS SAVED ANNUALLY				HOGS OVER 6 MONTHS ON FARMS			
	(Year ended Dec. 1)				June 1			
United States	85,203	83,019	85,651	103	26,241	22,959	2/22,220	105
N. Cent. States (Corn Belt)	59,588	59,723	62,167	104	15,508	14,107	15,527	110

1/ 1947 fall farrowings are indicated from breeding intentions reports.
2/ Average number of pigs per litter (1936-45) used to compute indicated number of fall pigs.

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The 1947 spring pig crop totaled 53,151,000 head, an increase of about 1½ percent over last year, the Bureau of Agricultural Economics reported today. The number of sows farrowing this spring was 7 percent above the number last spring. However, the number of pigs saved per litter was below the 1936-45 average. Breeding intentions reports indicate an increase of 9 percent from a year ago in the number of sows to farrow this fall. The combined 1947 spring and fall pig crop is expected to be about 85.7 million head -- 3 percent above 1946 and about 1 percent above the average. The number of hogs over 6 months old on farms and ranches June 1 was 5 percent above last year, but otherwise was the smallest since 1938.

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Spring Pig Crop: The number of pigs saved in the spring season of 1947 (December 1, 1946-June 1, 1947) is estimated at 53,151,000 head. This is 759,000 head or 1½ percent larger than the 1946 spring pig crop, and 1,280,000 head or 2 percent larger than the 1936-45 average. The 1947 spring pig crop exceeded the 1945 number by 2 percent but was about 5 percent below the 1944 crop and 28 percent smaller than the record number in the spring of 1943. Compared with 1946, the North Atlantic region, the West North Central and the South Atlantic were all up 4 percent. The East North Central States showed a decrease of 1 percent, the South Central States 2 percent, and the Western States 6 percent.

The number of sows farrowing in the 1947 spring season was 8,709,000, an increase of 600,000 head or 7 percent from 1946. This number is 4 percent above average and about 1 percent larger than indicated by farmers' reports on breeding intentions as shown in the December 1946 Pig Crop Report. The percentage changes shown in that report and as now estimated are as follows: North Atlantic 102 and 108, East North Central 106 and 108, West North Central 109 and 111, South Atlantic 106 and 105, South Central 98 and 98, and Western 98 and 96.

A rather sharp drop from last spring in the number of pigs saved per litter offsets to a large extent the increase in the number of sows farrowing. The average of 6.10 is below the record spring average of 6.46 last year, and below the 6.29 pigs per litter in 1945. However, it was a little higher than in 1944 and the same as in 1943. Unseasonably cold, wet weather reduced the average number of pigs saved, especially in the Corn Belt States. In the East North Central States the number saved per litter was the smallest since 1940.

The monthly distribution of farrowings this spring shows a fairly sharp drop in the percentage of farrowings in May compared with last spring. It is the smallest percentage for May since 1940. This decrease was more than offset by increases in the percentages for February and March, each of which was the largest since 1940. May was the only month in the spring season where the number of sows farrowing was below the corresponding month last spring.

Fall Intentions: Farmers' reports on breeding intentions show a total of 5,152,000 cows being kept for fall farrowing, an increase of 9 percent over last year. This is about 32 percent below the 1943 record number, and 2 percent below the 10-year average. Compared with last fall, the numbers are up in all regions. Only 8 States showed a decrease while 8 were unchanged. The largest relative increases are indicated in the West North Central and Western States where farrowings were sharply reduced in 1946. The increase is slight in the South Atlantic and only moderate in the South Central States. By regions the increases are:

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SOWS FARROWING, PIGS PER LITTER, AND PIGS SAVED, 1924-47, FOR THE UNITED STATES

Year	<u>Sows Farrowing</u>		<u>Pigs per Litter</u>		<u>Pigs Saved</u>		Year (Dec. 1- : June 1) : Dec. 1)
	Spring	Fall	Spring	Fall	Spring	Fall	
	(Dec. 1- : June 1)	(June 1- : Dec. 1)	(Dec. 1- : June 1)	(June 1- : Dec. 1)	(Dec. 1- : June 1)	(June 1- : Dec. 1)	
1924	9,799	4,344	5.12	5.49	50,218	23,847	74,065
1925	8,334	3,939	5.74	5.70	47,859	22,451	70,310
1926	9,048	4,330	5.59	5.74	50,579	24,865	75,444
1927	9,754	4,609	5.59	5.80	54,502	26,744	81,246
1928	9,301	4,429	5.63	5.94	52,390	26,292	78,682
1929	8,854	4,264	5.70	6.01	50,479	25,646	76,125
1930	8,278	4,073	5.96	6.09	49,332	24,803	74,135
1931	8,969	4,797	6.02	6.09	53,984	29,192	83,176
1932	8,810	5,179	5.79	6.08	51,031	31,494	82,525
1933	9,122	5,207	5.86	5.90	53,460	30,740	84,200
1934	6,825	2,936	5.82	5.81	39,698	17,068	56,766
1935	5,467	3,857	6.01	6.03	32,884	23,260	56,144
1936	6,954	3,957	5.96	6.14	41,422	24,303	65,725
1937	6,177	3,845	6.23	6.24	38,525	23,994	62,519
1938	6,795	4,517	6.36	6.32	43,289	28,566	71,855
1939	8,692	5,352	6.12	6.30	53,238	33,714	86,952
1940	8,247	4,763	6.01	6.36	49,584	30,282	79,866
1941	7,760	5,535	6.36	6.43	49,368	35,584	84,952
1942	9,684	6,840	6.31	6.41	61,093	43,810	104,903
1943	12,174	7,565	6.10	6.29	74,223	47,584	121,807
1944	9,246	4,882	6.03	6.33	55,754	30,905	86,659
1945	8,298	5,426	6.29	6.38	52,189	34,593	86,782
1946	8,109	4,725	6.46	6.48	52,392	30,627	83,019
1947	8,709	1/5,152	6.10	2/ 6.32	53,151	2/32,500 1/2/85,651	

1/ Fall farrowings indicated from breeding intentions reports.

2/ Ten-year (1936-45) average pigs per litter used to compute number of pigs saved fall 1947.

U.S. SOWS FARROWING, BY MONTHS, SPRING

Year	Dec. 1/	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	April	May	Total
	Thousand head						
1936-45 Av.	330	436	836	2,131	2,942	1,678	8,403
1945	310	378	700	2,022	3,003	1,885	8,298
1946	296	358	703	2,136	2,962	1,654	8,109
1947	301	392	917	2,493	3,087	1,519	8,709

Percent of total spring sows farrowed							
1936-45 Av.	3.9	5.2	9.9	26.0	35.0	20.0	100.0
1945	3.7	4.6	8.4	24.4	36.2	22.7	100.0
1946	3.7	4.4	8.7	26.3	36.5	20.4	100.0
1947	3.5	4.5	10.5	28.6	35.5	17.4	100.0

1/ December of preceding year.

SOWS FARROWING

	Spring (Dec. 1 - June 1)			Fall (June 1 - Dec. 1)			
State	10-yr. av.	1946	1947	10-yr. av.	1946	1947 1/	1947 as % of 1936-45
and Div.				% of 1946			
	(000)	(000)	(000)		(000)	(000)	
Maine	7	5	6	110	6	4	4
N. H.	2	2	2	95	2	2	112
Vt.	3	3	4	109	3	2	86
Mass.	14	13	13	100	11	8	93
R. I.	1	1	1	100	1	1	88
Conn.	4	5	4	85	3	4	77
N. Y.	32	27	32	119	26	20	24
N. J.	14	12	14	117	10	8	8
Pa.	77	76	81	107	79	71	76
N. A.	154	144	157	108	141	120	128
Ohio	410	400	428	107	363	335	362
Ind.	528	528	581	110	469	464	510
Ill.	798	834	909	109	502	499	549
Mich.	123	117	110	94	103	84	80
Wis.	320	290	310	107	170	144	144
N.C.E.	2,179	2,169	2,358	108	1,607	1,526	1,645
Minn.	690	609	694	114	245	192	204
Iowa	1,766	1,768	1,962	111	656	622	715
Mo.	434	418	481	115	380	357	439
N. Dak.	136	120	108	90	22	15	17
S. Dak.	291	337	381	113	57	43	49
Nebr.	431	459	496	108	158	118	148
Kans.	194	165	178	108	135	99	114
N.C.W.	3,942	3,876	4,300	111	1,673	1,446	1,686
N.C.	6,121	6,045	6,638	110	3,280	2,972	3,331
Del.	3	3	3	100	4	4	4
Md.	27	27	30	112	29	26	27
Va.	83	82	84	102	82	84	100
W. Va.	24	23	25	109	27	26	26
N.C.	123	126	134	106	103	100	105
S. C.	74	80	90	112	66	81	85
Ga.	202	195	197	101	170	182	178
Fla.	92	103	105	102	72	87	87
S.A.	628	639	668	105	553	590	596
Ky.	152	134	155	116	137	120	137
Tenn.	150	129	133	103	136	126	126
Ala.	124	120	115	96	113	114	111
Miss.	113	111	103	93	95	95	88
Ark.	137	116	109	94	116	98	99
La.	129	122	112	92	102	89	89
Oklahoma.	126	99	90	91	130	81	89
Tex.	230	198	186	95	210	160	179
S.C.	1,161	1,027	1,003	98	1,029	883	918
Mont.	32	29	25	86	21	17	19
Idaho	54	28	26	93	39	15	16
Wyo.	12	11	12	105	9	7	8
Colo.	47	40	37	93	36	21	26
N. Mex.	12	11	9	82	10	5	5
Ariz.	5	3	3	100	4	2	2
Utah	16	13	12	95	12	8	8
Nev.	3	3	3	100	2	2	2
Wash.	36	24	21	88	27	14	15
Oreg.	36	26	25	95	26	15	19
Calif.	81	66	70	106	79	54	59
West.	334	254	243	96	265	160	179
U. S.	8,398	8,109	8,709	107	5,268	4,725	5,152

1/ Number indicated to farrow from breeding intentions reports.

PIGS SAVED

State and Div.	10-yr. av. 1936-45 :(000)	Spring (Dec. 1 - June 1) 1947 as % of 1946 (000)			Pigs per litter 10-yr. av. 1946 1936-45			Fall (June 1 - Dec. 1) 10-yr. av. 1946 (000)		
		1946	1947	% of 1946	1946	1947	1936-45	1946	1947	1936-45
Maine	43	35	39	111	6.4	6.6	6.7	41	30	
N.H.	16	13	14	108	6.6	6.1	6.8	12	11	
Vt.	23	23	23	100	6.6	7.1	6.6	21	15	
Mass.	79	74	65	88	5.5	5.7	5.0	63	46	
R. I.	7	6	6	100	6.0	6.0	5.6	5	5	
Conn.	22	33	27	82	5.8	6.3	5.9	20	23	
N.Y.	216	200	227	114	6.8	7.4	7.1	185	144	
N.J.	84	83	92	111	6.1	6.9	6.6	65	51	
Pa.	498	517	526	102	6.3	6.8	6.5	524	483	
N.A.	977	984	1,019	104	6.31	6.79	6.49	936	808	
Ohio	2,679	2,760	2,731	99	6.56	6.90	6.38	2,446	2,325	
Ind.	3,396	3,596	3,567	99	6.44	6.81	6.14	3,078	3,072	
Ill.	4,955	5,438	5,436	100	6.21	6.52	5.98	3,214	3,303	
Mich.	808	807	705	87	6.62	6.90	6.41	624	581	
Wis.	2,121	1,958	1,996	102	6.63	6.75	6.44	1,139	985	
N.C.E.	13,959	14,559	14,435	99	6.42	6.71	6.17	10,571	10,265	
Minn.	4,316	3,958	4,213	106	6.26	6.50	6.07	1,544	1,250	
Iowa	10,924	11,633	12,027	103	6.19	6.58	6.13	4,137	4,111	
Mo.	2,755	2,922	3,045	104	6.36	6.99	6.33	2,487	2,438	
N.Dak.	870	798	687	86	6.40	6.65	6.36	141	97	
S.Dak.	1,790	2,116	2,214	105	6.17	6.28	5.81	342	271	
Nebr.	2,604	2,823	2,916	103	6.08	6.15	5.88	955	740	
Kans.	1,211	1,074	1,130	105	5.31	6.51	6.35	982	667	
N.C.W.	24,470	25,324	26,232	104	6.22	6.53	6.10	10,588	9,574	
N.C.	38,429	33,883	40,667	102	6.29	6.60	6.13	21,159	19,840	
Del.	21	19	20	105	6.1	6.3	6.5	25	23	
Md.	170	181	198	109	6.2	6.7	6.6	187	172	
Va.	519	525	538	102	6.3	6.4	6.4	542	580	
W.Va.	165	163	170	104	6.8	7.1	6.8	185	185	
N.C.	749	781	831	106	6.1	6.2	6.2	646	640	
S.C.	410	464	513	111	5.5	5.8	5.7	390	486	
Ga.	1,156	1,131	1,162	103	5.7	5.8	5.9	978	1,092	
Fla.	467	515	514	100	5.1	5.0	4.9	378	426	
S.A.	3,657	3,779	3,946	104	5.81	5.91	5.91	3,331	3,604	
Ky.	973	884	976	110	6.4	6.6	6.3	909	816	
Tenn.	927	813	838	103	6.2	6.3	6.3	875	832	
Ala.	694	720	702	98	5.6	6.0	6.1	646	673	
Miss.	600	588	566	96	5.3	5.3	5.5	532	522	
Ark.	739	661	654	99	5.8	5.7	6.0	712	608	
La.	649	634	582	92	5.0	5.2	5.2	525	445	
Oklahoma	764	634	558	88	6.1	6.4	6.2	754	510	
Tex.	1,336	1,126	1,116	93	5.8	6.1	6.0	1,272	976	
S.C.	6,742	6,130	5,992	98	5.79	5.97	5.97	6,225	5,362	
Mont.	206	194	160	82	6.5	6.7	6.4	138	107	
Idaho	341	182	172	95	6.3	6.5	6.6	255	99	
Wyo.	68	69	78	113	5.8	6.3	6.5	54	44	
Colo.	274	248	226	91	5.9	6.2	6.1	222	124	
N.Mex.	66	65	50	77	5.6	5.9	5.5	59	29	
Ariz.	32	20	20	100	5.8	6.0	5.8	25	12	
Utah	98	83	78	94	6.2	6.4	6.5	80	49	
Nev.	20	17	19	112	6.0	5.5	6.2	12	10	
Wash.	244	168	143	85	6.8	7.0	6.8	192	101	
Oreg.	245	174	175	101	6.8	6.7	7.0	179	105	
Calif.	469	396	406	103	5.8	6.0	5.8	465	313	
West.	2,066	1,616	1,527	94	6.17	6.35	6.27	1,681	993	
U.S.	51,871	52,392	53,151	101	6.18	6.46	6.10	33,332	30,527	

SPRING - SOWS FARROWING - 1947

State	Sows Farrowing by Months					Percent of Total								
	Total	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	
	Thousands													
N.Y.	32	1	1	2	8	12	8	3.0	2.8	4.7	25.2	39.1	25.2	
Pa.	81	5	5	11	25	23	12	6.2	5.8	14.3	30.5	27.9	15.3	
Other														
N.Atl. 1/	44	2	2	4	8	18	10	4.5	4.6	9.1	18.2	40.9	22.7	
N.Atl.	157	8	8	17	41	53	30	5.1	5.1	10.8	26.1	33.8	19.1	
Ohio	428	11	16	66	166	131	38	2.5	3.8	15.4	38.8	30.5	9.0	
Ind.	581	9	21	106	237	147	61	1.6	3.7	18.2	40.7	25.3	10.5	
Ill.	909	12	24	86	318	324	135	1.3	2.6	9.5	35.0	36.7	14.9	
Mich.	110	2	2	6	29	43	28	1.7	2.3	5.6	26.4	38.9	25.1	
Wis.	310	4	4	16	88	123	75	1.2	1.4	5.2	28.5	39.7	24.0	
E.N.Cent.	2,328	38	67	280	828	728	337	1.6	2.9	12.0	35.8	33.3	14.4	
Minn.	694	1	4	19	152	305	213	9.2	6	2.7	21.9	43.9	30.7	
Iowa	1,962	8	14	103	567	920	345	9.4	7	5.5	28.9	46.9	17.6	
Mo.	481	23	30	81	161	128	58	4.8	6.2	16.8	33.4	26.6	12.2	
N.Dak.	108	1	—	3	16	51	37	9.4	9.4	2.5	14.9	47.7	34.1	
S.Dak.	381	1	2	8	78	186	106	9.2	9.5	2.2	20.5	48.8	27.8	
Nebr.	496	2	4	29	128	226	107	9.5	9.8	5.8	25.8	45.5	21.6	
Kans.	178	5	7	20	58	62	26	2.9	3.9	11.5	32.7	34.6	14.4	
W.N.Cent.	4,300	41	61	268	1,160	1,878	892	1.0	1.4	6.2	27.0	43.7	20.7	
N.Cent.	6,628	72	128	548	1,998	2,656	1,229	1.2	1.9	8.3	30.1	40.0	18.5	
Del. &														
Md.	33	3	3	6	10	8	3	9.1	9.1	18.2	30.3	24.2	9.1	
Va.	84	5	8	21	25	15	10	5.4	10.1	25.0	29.9	17.9	11.7	
W.Va.	25	1	1	3	8	8	4	3.9	3.9	12.2	34.5	30.5	15.0	
N.C.	134	15	19	27	29	25	19	11.2	14.3	20.0	21.5	18.6	14.4	
S.C.	90	12	13	19	22	14	10	13.9	14.6	21.3	24.1	15.3	10.8	
Ga.	197	27	33	40	40	36	21	13.8	16.6	20.2	20.2	18.4	10.8	
Fla.	105	21	21	21	15	16	11	19.7	19.7	19.9	14.2	15.3	11.2	
S.Atl.	668	84	98	137	149	122	78	12.6	14.7	20.5	22.3	18.2	11.7	
Ky.	155	11	17	25	51	37	14	6.9	10.9	16.3	32.9	23.6	9.4	
Tenn.	133	13	16	26	33	25	20	9.5	11.6	19.9	24.9	18.9	15.2	
Ala.	115	14	19	21	23	21	17	12.1	16.4	18.4	19.6	18.4	15.1	
Miss.	103	12	14	20	22	20	15	11.6	13.2	19.8	21.1	19.5	14.8	
Ark.	109	16	17	20	25	19	12	14.9	15.7	18.5	23.1	17.4	10.4	
La.	112	16	18	26	24	15	13	14.6	15.9	23.7	21.3	13.0	11.5	
Okla.	90	9	10	13	24	19	15	10.5	11.3	14.6	26.6	20.6	16.4	
Tex.	186	25	28	31	42	31	29	13.8	15.0	16.5	22.4	16.6	15.6	
S.Cent.	1,003	116	139	182	244	187	135	11.6	13.9	18.1	24.3	18.6	13.5	
Colo.	37	1	3	4	8	13	8	3.3	6.1	11.2	21.9	35.2	22.3	
Wash.	21	1	1	2	7	7	3	4.1	4.5	11.2	32.2	34.3	13.7	
Ore.	25	1	1	5	8	6	4	4.9	5.2	18.0	32.5	25.2	14.2	
Calif.	70	8	10	14	16	12	10	11.6	14.8	19.1	22.3	17.5	14.7	
Other														
Western 2/	90	3	4	8	22	31	22	3.3	4.4	8.9	24.4	34.5	24.5	
Western	243	14	19	33	61	69	47	5.8	7.8	13.6	25.1	28.4	19.3	
U.S.	8,709	301	392	917	2,493	3,087	1,519	3.5	4.5	10.5	28.6	35.5	17.4	

1/ 2/ See footnotes on page 7.

SPRING - SOWS FARROWING - 1946

State	Sows Farrowing by Months										Percent of Total			
	Total	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	
	Thousands													
N.Y.	27	2	1	2	5	11	6	5.6	3.1	7.6	20.4	40.7	22.6	
Pa.	76	6	5	10	22	20	13	7.6	6.1	12.8	29.6	26.5	17.4	
Other														
N.Atl. ^{1/}	41	1	1	3	10	16	10	2.4	2.5	7.3	24.4	39.0	24.4	
N.Atl.	144	9	7	15	37	47	29	6.3	4.9	10.4	25.7	32.6	20.1	
Ohio	400	10	18	52	159	118	43	2.4	4.5	13.1	39.6	29.6	10.8	
Ind.	528	7	16	78	224	139	64	1.3	3.1	14.8	42.4	26.3	12.1	
Ill.	834	11	14	55	280	325	149	1.3	1.7	6.6	33.6	39.0	17.8	
Mich.	117	2	2	6	28	45	34	1.8	1.3	4.9	24.1	38.2	29.7	
Wis.	290	2	4	13	72	129	70	0.8	1.5	4.4	24.8	44.3	24.2	
E.N.Cent. ^{2/}	169	32	54	204	763	756	360	1.5	2.5	9.4	35.2	34.8	16.6	
Minn.	609	4	4	15	109	266	211	.7	.7	2.5	17.9	43.6	34.6	
Iowa	1,768	5	7	44	403	881	428	.3	.4	2.5	22.8	49.8	24.2	
Mo.	418	16	19	45	137	119	82	3.7	4.5	10.8	32.7	28.5	19.7	
N.Dak.	120	--	--	2	15	61	42	.2	.3	1.9	12.9	49.6	35.1	
S.Dak.	337	1	2	6	57	176	95	.3	.5	1.8	17.0	52.2	28.2	
Nebr.	459	3	5	17	112	219	103	.6	1.0	3.7	24.5	47.7	22.5	
Kans.	165	8	6	14	54	55	28	4.4	3.7	8.7	32.6	33.4	17.2	
W.N.Cent.	3,876	37	43	143	887	1,777	989	1.0	1.1	3.7	22.9	45.8	25.5	
N.Cent.	6,045	69	97	347	1,650	2,533	1,342	1.1	1.6	5.8	27.3	41.9	22.3	
Del. &														
Md.	30	2	2	5	9	6	6	6.6	6.7	16.7	30.0	20.0	20.0	
Va.	82	6	8	15	25	17	11	8.1	9.7	18.0	30.1	20.7	13.4	
W.Va.	23	2	1	2	8	6	4	5.8	5.5	9.9	33.9	27.3	17.6	
N.C.	126	13	16	21	28	26	22	10.2	12.9	16.9	22.2	20.6	17.2	
S.C.	80	11	12	13	15	15	14	14.1	14.5	16.0	18.5	18.9	18.0	
Ga.	195	23	34	40	37	38	23	11.8	17.6	20.3	19.3	19.6	11.4	
Fla.	103	14	22	22	19	15	11	13.4	21.3	21.0	18.2	14.2	11.2	
S.Atl.	639	71	95	118	141	123	91	11.1	14.9	18.4	22.1	19.3	14.2	
Ky.	134	8	13	22	46	27	18	6.1	9.9	16.7	34.3	19.7	13.3	
Tenn.	129	13	17	24	29	25	21	10.3	13.1	18.5	22.6	19.2	16.3	
Ala.	120	15	15	23	25	21	21	12.5	12.1	19.5	21.2	17.3	17.4	
Miss.	111	15	15	20	23	20	18	13.1	13.9	18.1	21.1	18.1	15.7	
Ark.	116	18	20	21	27	19	11	15.9	16.9	18.2	23.4	16.2	9.4	
La.	122	19	22	25	23	20	13	15.9	17.8	20.9	19.0	16.0	10.4	
Okla.	99	12	12	19	24	20	12	12.6	12.0	19.2	24.1	19.9	12.2	
Tex.	196	31	26	36	47	36	20	15.7	13.2	18.2	23.8	18.4	10.7	
S.Cent.	1,027	131	140	190	244	188	134	12.8	13.6	18.5	23.8	18.3	13.0	
Colo.	40	2	2	5	9	12	10	4.1	5.1	14.0	22.0	30.4	24.4	
Wash.	24	1	1	3	9	8	2	2.2	3.4	14.0	37.7	31.3	11.4	
Ore.	26	2	2	4	10	5	3	8.3	8.7	16.5	36.8	20.1	9.6	
Calif.	66	8	10	12	15	12	9	12.4	14.5	18.5	22.4	18.3	13.9	
Other														
Western ^{2/}	98	3	4	9	21	34	27	3.0	4.0	9.0	21.0	35.0	28.0	
Western	254	16	19	33	64	71	51	6.3	7.5	13.0	25.2	27.9	20.1	
U.S.	8,109	296	358	703	2,136	2,962	1,654	3.7	4.4	8.7	26.3	36.5	20.4	

^{1/} Includes Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont, Massachusetts, Rhode Island, Connecticut, and New Jersey.

^{2/} Includes Montana, Idaho, Wyoming, New Mexico, Arizona, Utah, and Nevada.

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North Atlantic 7 percent; East North Central, 8 percent; West North Central, 17 percent; South Atlantic, 1 percent; South Central, 4 percent; and Western, 12 percent.

These indicated changes from last year are based on breeding intentions as reported about June 1 and the relationship between intentions and actual farrowings in other years when hog prices were high and the hog-corn ratio was above average. However, the indicated increase is less than has occurred in other years when these factors were no more favorable than this year. An important influence this year, however, is the uncertain June outlook for the 1947 corn crop. The intentions do not meet the goals set for the 1947 fall pig crop which called for an increase of 15 percent in fall farrowings for the United States. If these intentions materialize and the number of pigs saved per litter is the same as the 10-year average, the 1947 fall pig crop would be about 32.5 million head - an increase of 6 percent from last year. The combined spring and fall pig crop would be about 85.7 million head - 3 percent above 1946 and 1 percent above the 10-year average.

Hogs on Farms: The estimated number of hogs over 6 months old, including brood sows, on June 1 this year was 24,220,000 head, an increase of 1,261,000 head or 5 percent over a year ago. The number is about 8 percent below the 10-year average. For the North Central States the number of hogs over 6 months old is estimated at 15,527,000 head, -- 10 percent larger than last year. An increase in the number of hogs over 6 months old on farms June 1 usually results in an increase from the previous year in hogs slaughtered during the four months, June through September. Slaughter was small during these months in 1946 (especially in September) in relation to the June 1, 1946 number. In view of this, slaughter during the 4-month period this year may be expected to exceed that of last year by more than the percentage increase in the number of hogs six months old and over.

The accompanying tables show in detail sows, pigs saved, and average number per litter by States and groups of States.

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