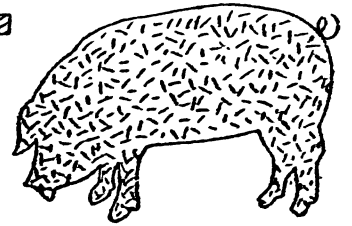


PIG CROP REPORT



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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 about 113,000 farmers obtained in cooperation with the Post Office Department through the rural mail carriers.

	SPRING PIG CROP (December 1 - June 1)				FALL PIG CROP (June 1 - December 1)			
	Average: 1937-46:	1947:	1948:	1948 % of 1947:	Average: 1937-46:	1947:	1948:	1948 % of 1947:
	Thousand head				Thousand head			
SOWS FARROWING								
United States	8,517	8,652	7,988	92	5,344	4,908	1/4,910	100
N.Cent.States(Corn Belt)	6,224	6,579	5,892	90	3,345	3,100	1/3,125	101
PIGS SAVED								
United States	52,968	52,802	51,421	97	33,954	31,352	2/31,000	99
N.Cent.States(Corn Belt)	39,380	40,309	38,530	96	21,691	20,018	2/20,000	100
	Number				Number			
PIGS PER LITTER								
United States	6.23	6.10	6.44		6.35	6.39		
N.Cent.States(Corn Belt)	6.34	6.13	6.54		6.49	6.46		
	PIGS SAVED ANNUALLY (Year ended Dec. 1)				HOGS OVER 6 MONTHS ON FARMS June 1			
	Average: 1937-46:	1947:	1948:	1948 % of 1947:	Average: 1937-46:	1947:	1948:	1948 % of 1947:
	Thousand head				Thousand head			
United States	86,922	84,154	82,421	98	26,460	24,220	23,746	98
N.Cent.States(Corn Belt)	61,071	60,327	58,530	97	15,722	15,527	14,650	94

- 1/ 1948 fall farrowings are indicated from breeding intentions reports.
- 2/ Average number of pigs per litter (1937-46) used to compute indicated number of fall pigs. Number rounded to nearest 500,000 head.
- 3/ Spring pig crop plus indicated number of fall pigs based on breeding intentions and 10-year average pigs per litter.

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The 1948 spring pig crop totaled 51,421,000 head, a decrease of 3 percent from last spring, the Bureau of Agricultural Economics reported today. The number of sows farrowing this spring was 8 percent below last spring. The number of pigs saved per litter was about 6 percent higher than last spring and about 3 percent higher than the 1937-46 average. Reports on breeding intentions for the coming fall indicate about the same number of sows to farrow as last fall. The combined 1948 spring and fall pig crop is now expected to be 82.4 million head. A combined pig crop this size would be 2 percent below 1947 and 5 percent below the 10-year average. The number of hogs 6 months old and over on farms and ranches June 1 was 2 percent less than last year and, except for the low number on June 1, 1946, was the smallest since June 1, 1938.

This report is based upon a survey of some 113,000 farms and ranches. These returns were obtained largely in cooperation with the Post Office Department through the rural mail carriers.

Spring Pig Crop: The number of pigs saved in the spring season of 1948 (December 1, 1947 to June 1, 1948) is estimated to be 51,421,000 head. This is 1,381,000 head or about 3 percent less than the spring crop last year. It is also 3 percent less than the 10-year average. The 1948 spring crop is the smallest since 1941 and 31 percent less than the record crop produced in the spring of 1943. Compared with 1947 the spring pig crop is down 6 percent in the West North Central States while in the East North Central States it is down 1 percent and the North Atlantic States, down 3 percent. On the other hand, the 1948 spring pig crop is greater than last year in the South Atlantic, South Central, and Western States by 1 percent, 4 percent, and 11 percent respectively.

The number of sows farrowing in the 1948 spring season is estimated at 7,988,000 head. This is 664,000 head, or 8 percent, less than last year and 529,000 head, or 6 percent, less than the 10-year average. The 1948 spring farrowings are 3 percent or 256,000 head greater than farmers' reports last December indicated. The percentages in the intended farrowing shown in the December 1947 pig crop report and as now estimated are as follows: North Atlantic States 91 percent of last year indicated in December and 95 estimated now, East North Central 90 and 92 percent, West North Central 84 and 88 percent, South Atlantic 99 and 98 percent, South Central 99 and 102 percent, and the West 107 and 112 percent.

The very sharp increase in pigs saved per litter compared with last spring offset to a large extent the decrease in the number of sows farrowing. Pigs saved per litter of 6.44 -- the second largest on record -- resulted in a spring pig crop only about 3 percent less than last year although there were 8 percent fewer sows farrowing. The average litter in the spring of 1946 at 6.46 was the highest of record starting in 1924. Generally favorable weather during the peak farrowing months increased the number of pigs saved in all regions of the United States except the West. In the West, the reduction from last spring was very small. The Corn Belt States showed an increase of 0.41 pigs per litter over 1947. Increases in the other regions were as follows: North Atlantic States 0.14, South Atlantic States 0.18, and South Central States 0.13.

Compared with last year, the monthly distribution of sows farrowing in the spring of 1948 shows some shift from the first four months of the season into the last two months, April represented 36.1 percent of the total spring farrowing while last year the figure was 35.4 percent. In May, 19.4 percent of the spring litters were farrowed compared with 17.4 percent in May 1947. The percentage for April was the fifth highest of record while the percentage for December was the lowest since 1932.

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SOWS FARROWING, PIGS PER LITTER, AND PIGS SAVED, 1924-48, FOR THE UNITED STATES

Year	Sows Farrowing		Pigs per Litter		Pigs Saved		Year
	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)	
	Thousand head				Thousand head		
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	6.40	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	4,713	6.46	6.48	52,392	30,548	82,940
1947	8,652	4,908	6.10	6.39	52,302	31,352	84,154
1948	7,988	<u>1/</u> 4,910	6.44	<u>2/</u> 6.35	51,421	<u>2/</u> 31,000	<u>3/</u> 82,421

1/ Fall farrowings indicated from breeding intentions reports.

2/ Ten-year (1937-46) average pigs per litter used to compute number of pigs saved fall 1948.

3/ Spring pig crop plus indicated number of fall pigs based on breeding intentions and 10-year average pigs per litter.

U.S. SOWS FARROWING, BY MONTHS, SPRING

Year	Dec. <u>1/</u>	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	April	May	Total
Thousand head							
1937-46 Av.	331	431	834	2,226	2,997	1,699	8,518
1946	296	358	703	2,136	2,962	1,654	8,109
1947	301	393	914	2,475	3,063	1,506	8,652
1948	264	370	766	2,155	2,882	1,551	7,988

Percent of total spring sows farrowing

1937-46 Av.	3.9	5.1	9.8	26.1	35.2	19.9	100.0
1946	3.7	4.4	8.7	26.3	36.5	20.4	100.0
1947	3.5	4.5	10.6	28.6	35.4	17.4	100.0
1948	3.3	4.6	9.6	27.0	36.1	19.4	100.0

1/ December of preceding year.

SOWS FARROWING

State and Div.	Spring (Dec. 1 - June 1)				Fall (June 1 - Dec. 1)			
	10-yr. av.		1948 as % of 1947		10-yr. av.		1948 as % of 1947	
	1937-46	1947	1948	% of 1947	1937-46	1947	1948	% of 1947
	(000)	(000)	(000)		(000)	(000)	(000)	
Maine	7	6	4	74	6	4	4	91
N.H.	2	2	1	67	2	1	1	85
Vt.	3	4	3	94	3	2	2	90
Mass.	14	13	11	85	11	8	8	96
R.I.	1	1	1	90	1	1	1	100
Conn.	4	4	5	102	3	4	4	108
N.Y.	32	32	31	97	26	21	22	105
N.J.	14	14	13	93	10	8	8	100
Pa.	79	81	79	97	79	70	68	97
N.A.	156	157	148	95	141	119	118	98
Ohio	417	428	381	89	366	342	332	97
Ind.	539	570	513	90	479	473	492	104
Ill.	818	909	836	92	516	527	506	96
Mich.	125	110	98	89	103	77	79	102
Wis.	321	296	296	100	171	147	147	100
N.C.E.	2,220	2,313	2,124	92	1,635	1,566	1,556	99
Minn.	698	694	611	88	246	209	201	96
Iowa	1,800	1,962	1,707	87	678	659	725	110
Mo.	443	481	457	95	393	375	375	100
N.Dak.	137	108	103	95	22	14	14	100
S.Dak.	301	364	320	88	57	46	46	100
Nebr.	432	487	424	87	159	130	114	88
Kans.	194	170	146	86	155	101	94	93
N.C.W.	4,005	4,266	3,768	88	1,710	1,534	1,569	102
N.C.	6,225	6,579	5,892	90	3,345	3,100	3,125	101
Del.	4	3	4	117	4	4	4	102
Md.	28	30	30	100	29	27	27	100
Va.	84	84	88	105	83	85	85	100
W.Va.	24	24	25	104	26	26	25	95
N.C.	126	134	130	97	103	109	104	95
S.C.	75	93	90	97	69	86	81	94
Ga.	205	197	187	95	174	178	176	99
Fla.	95	105	102	97	75	84	80	95
S.A.	641	670	656	98	563	599	582	97
Ky.	154	155	166	107	139	140	154	110
Tenn.	151	133	134	101	137	134	127	95
Ala.	125	115	109	95	115	103	100	97
Miss.	114	103	106	103	96	86	83	96
Ark.	137	109	106	97	116	89	83	93
La.	128	112	108	96	102	92	90	98
Okla.	124	90	92	102	120	85	85	100
Tex.	229	186	199	107	209	179	166	93
S.C.	1,162	1,003	1,020	102	1,034	908	888	98
Mont.	33	25	27	108	22	16	16	100
Idaho	53	27	30	111	37	20	22	110
Wyo.	12	12	13	110	9	9	8	89
Colo.	47	37	43	116	36	26	30	115
N.Mex.	12	9	11	120	10	6	7	110
Ariz.	5	3	3	97	4	3	3	108
Utah	16	12	16	133	12	9	11	125
Nev.	3	3	4	113	2	2	2	108
Wash.	36	20	21	105	26	15	16	108
Oreg.	36	25	27	108	25	17	17	100
Calif.	81	70	77	110	78	59	65	110
West.	334	243	272	112	261	182	197	108
U.S.	8,518	8,652	7,988	92	5,344	4,908	4,910	100

1/ Number indicated to farrow from breeding intentions reports.

PIGS SAVED

State	Spring (Dec. 1 - June 1)				Fall (June 1 - Dec. 1)				
	10-yr. av.	1947	1948	% of 1947	10-yr. av.	1947	1948	1947	
Div.	1937-46	1937-46	1937-46	1937-46	1937-46	1937-46	1937-46	1937-46	
	(000)	(000)	(000)	(000)	(000)	(000)	(000)	(000)	
Maine	43	39	28	72	6.5	6.7	6.4	40	31
N.H.	16	14	10	71	6.5	6.8	6.9	12	9
Vt.	22	23	23	100	6.6	6.6	7.0	21	15
Mass.	78	65	59	91	5.5	5.0	5.4	60	47
R.I.	7	6	5	83	6.0	5.6	5.7	5	5
Conn.	24	27	28	104	5.8	5.9	6.0	21	24
N.Y.	221	227	217	96	6.9	7.1	7.0	183	153
N.J.	86	92	86	93	6.2	6.6	6.6	64	55
Pa.	503	526	529	101	6.4	6.5	6.7	528	483
N.A.	1,000	1,019	985	97	6.39	6.49	6.63	934	822
Ohio	2,748	2,731	2,617	96	6.62	6.38	6.87	2,480	2,302
Ind.	3,506	3,500	3,447	98	6.52	6.14	6.72	3,159	3,084
Ill.	5,118	5,436	5,409	100	6.27	5.98	6.47	3,314	3,373
Mich.	826	705	678	96	6.66	6.41	6.92	694	520
Wis.	2,139	1,906	1,989	104	6.67	6.44	6.72	1,150	979
N.C.E.	14,337	14,278	14,140	99	6.47	6.17	6.66	10,797	10,258
Minn.	4,390	4,213	3,880	92	6.30	6.07	6.35	1,554	1,294
Iowa	11,241	12,027	11,334	94	6.26	6.13	6.64	4,308	4,132
Mo.	2,835	3,045	3,066	101	6.43	6.33	6.71	2,586	2,520
N.Dak.	883	687	664	97	6.48	6.36	6.45	139	89
S.Dak.	1,860	2,115	1,898	90	6.19	5.81	5.93	345	276
Nebr.	2,618	2,864	2,599	91	6.10	5.88	6.13	971	788
Kans.	1,216	1,080	949	88	6.32	6.35	6.50	991	661
N.C.W.	25,043	26,031	24,390	94	6.27	6.10	6.47	10,894	9,760
N.C.	39,380	40,309	38,530	96	6.34	6.13	6.54	21,691	20,018
Del.	22	20	23	115	6.2	6.5	6.5	25	27
Md.	176	198	198	100	6.3	6.6	6.6	189	184
Va.	530	538	572	106	6.3	6.4	6.5	553	561
W.Va.	168	163	182	112	6.9	6.8	7.3	185	185
N.C.	770	831	819	99	6.1	6.2	6.3	652	698
S.C.	418	530	540	102	5.6	5.7	6.0	409	507
Ga.	1,176	1,162	1,103	95	5.7	5.9	5.9	1,004	1,068
Fla.	482	514	551	107	5.1	4.9	5.4	396	445
S.A.	3,742	3,956	3,988	101	5.84	5.90	6.08	3,413	3,675
Ky.	989	976	1,112	114	6.4	6.3	6.7	921	938
Penn.	937	838	858	102	6.2	6.3	6.4	890	898
Ala.	702	702	654	93	5.6	6.1	6.0	665	639
Miss.	605	566	572	101	5.3	5.5	5.4	535	464
Ark.	794	654	647	99	5.8	6.0	6.1	713	552
La.	649	582	562	97	5.1	5.2	5.2	523	488
Okla.	762	558	580	104	6.1	6.2	6.3	755	561
Tex.	1,338	1,116	1,234	111	5.8	6.0	6.2	1,268	1,128
S.C.	6,776	5,992	6,219	104	5.82	5.97	6.10	6,270	5,668
Mont.	213	160	167	104	6.5	6.4	6.2	140	107
Idaho	336	178	195	110	6.4	6.6	6.5	244	128
Wyo.	69	78	78	100	5.8	6.5	6.0	54	55
Colo.	277	226	245	108	5.9	6.1	5.7	218	169
N.Mex.	67	50	66	132	5.6	5.5	6.0	58	37
Ariz.	32	20	20	100	5.9	5.8	6.0	25	15
Utah	100	78	106	136	6.2	6.5	6.6	81	60
Nev.	21	19	21	111	5.9	6.2	6.0	11	11
Wash.	241	136	145	107	6.8	6.8	6.9	186	110
Oreg.	242	175	186	106	6.3	7.0	6.9	173	117
Calif.	472	406	470	116	5.8	5.8	6.1	456	360
West.	2,070	1,526	1,699	111	6.21	6.27	6.25	1,646	1,169
U.S.	52,968	52,802	51,421	97	6.23	6.10	6.44	33,954	31,352

SPRING - SOWS FARROWING - 1947 REVISED

State	Total	Sows Farrowing by Months					Percent of 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.	570	9	21	104	232	144	60	1.6	3.7	18.2	40.7	25.3	10.5
Ill.	909	12	24	86	318	334	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.	296	4	4	15	84	118	71	1.2	1.4	5.2	28.5	39.7	24.0
E.N.Cent.2/	313	38	67	277	829	770	332	1.6	2.9	12.0	35.8	33.3	14.4
Minn.	694	1	4	19	152	305	213	.2	.6	2.7	21.9	43.9	30.7
Iowa	1,962	8	14	108	567	920	345	.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	.4	.4	2.5	14.9	47.7	34.1
S.Dak.	364	1	2	8	75	177	101	.2	.5	2.2	20.5	48.8	27.8
Nebr.	487	2	4	28	126	222	105	.5	.8	5.8	25.8	45.5	21.6
Kans.	170	5	7	19	56	59	24	2.9	3.9	11.5	32.7	34.6	14.4
W.N.Cent.4/	266	41	61	266	1,153	1,862	883	1.0	1.4	6.2	27.0	43.7	20.7
N.Cent.	6,579	79	128	543	1,982	2,632	1,215	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.	24	1	1	3	8	7	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.	93	13	14	20	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.	670	85	99	138	149	121	78	12.7	14.8	20.6	22.2	18.1	11.6
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	16.6	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.	20	1	1	2	6	7	3	4.1	4.5	11.2	32.2	34.3	13.7
Oreg.	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/	91	2	4	9	21	32	23	2.2	4.4	9.9	23.1	35.2	25.2
Western	243	13	19	34	59	70	48	5.3	7.8	14.0	24.3	28.8	19.8
U.S.	8,652	301	393	914	2,475	3,063	1,506	3.5	4.5	10.6	28.6	35.4	17.4

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SPRING - SOWS FARROWING - 1948

State	Sows Farrowing by Months					Percent of Total							
	Total	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May
		Thousands											
N.Y.	31	1	1	2	8	13	6	3.2	4.1	7.6	26.3	41.0	17.8
Pa.	79	4	5	12	26	22	10	4.9	6.0	15.3	32.8	27.9	13.1
Other													
N. Atl. 1/	38	2	2	4	10	13	7	5.3	5.3	10.5	26.3	34.2	18.4
N. Atl.	148	7	8	18	44	48	23	4.7	5.4	12.2	29.7	32.4	15.6
Ohio	381	11	15	47	147	123	38	2.8	4.0	12.4	38.6	32.2	10.0
Ind.	513	9	20	93	204	135	52	1.8	3.8	18.2	39.8	26.2	10.2
Ill.	836	8	13	60	276	332	147	1.0	1.5	7.2	33.0	39.7	17.6
Mich.	98	2	2	5	21	41	27	2.4	2.5	4.8	21.1	42.0	27.2
Wis.	296	2	6	22	83	131	52	.8	1.9	7.5	28.1	44.1	17.6
E. N. Cent.	2,124	32	56	227	731	762	316	1.5	2.6	10.7	34.4	35.9	14.9
Minn.	611	1	3	18	136	267	186	.2	.5	3.0	22.3	43.6	30.4
Iowa	1,707	7	10	60	401	768	461	.4	.6	3.5	23.5	45.0	27.0
Mo.	457	13	23	54	145	150	72	2.9	5.1	11.8	31.6	32.8	15.8
N. Dak.	103	--	1	2	15	55	30	.2	.6	1.9	14.5	53.3	29.5
S. Dak.	320	1	1	7	60	168	83	.2	.2	2.3	18.8	52.6	25.9
Nebr.	424	2	3	18	102	204	95	.5	.8	4.3	24.1	48.0	22.3
Kans.	146	5	5	15	48	50	23	3.3	3.3	10.2	33.3	34.1	15.8
W. N. Cent.	3,768	29	46	174	907	1,662	950	.8	1.2	4.6	24.1	44.1	25.2
N. Cent.	5,892	61	102	401	1,638	2,424	1,266	1.0	1.7	6.8	27.8	41.2	21.5
Del. &													
Md.	34	2	3	6	9	9	5	5.9	8.8	17.6	26.5	26.5	14.7
Va.	88	8	10	17	25	18	10	8.7	10.8	19.8	28.9	20.8	11.0
W. Va.	25	1	1	2	9	9	3	3.6	4.0	9.9	34.6	34.4	13.5
N. C.	130	14	19	27	27	25	18	10.7	14.1	20.7	21.0	19.4	14.1
S. C.	90	11	11	17	21	19	11	12.0	12.0	18.5	23.4	21.2	12.9
Ga.	187	24	35	39	34	30	25	13.0	18.4	20.7	18.4	16.2	13.3
Fla.	102	18	17	19	19	18	11	17.3	17.0	19.1	18.7	17.3	10.6
S. Atl.	656	78	96	127	144	128	83	11.9	14.6	19.4	22.0	19.5	12.6
Ky.	166	7	15	27	56	41	20	4.2	8.9	16.6	33.7	24.6	12.0
Penn.	134	13	18	24	37	25	17	9.7	13.5	17.7	27.6	19.0	12.5
Ala.	109	14	18	23	21	21	12	12.9	16.8	20.7	19.4	19.3	10.9
Miss.	106	14	15	20	23	19	15	13.6	14.0	18.9	21.6	17.8	14.1
Ark.	106	12	17	20	22	21	14	11.7	15.6	18.4	20.5	20.1	13.7
La.	108	12	16	25	25	17	13	11.4	14.9	23.5	23.0	15.3	11.9
Okla.	92	9	11	16	23	19	14	10.0	12.3	17.2	24.6	20.6	15.3
Tex.	199	22	31	33	46	45	22	11.3	15.6	16.6	22.7	22.5	11.3
S. Cent.	1,020	103	141	188	253	208	127	10.1	13.8	18.4	24.8	20.4	12.5
Colo.	43	2	3	3	11	12	12	3.9	6.2	8.1	26.8	27.5	27.5
Wash.	21	1	1	3	6	5	5	4.2	4.0	13.2	30.3	26.3	22.0
Oreg.	27	2	3	5	8	6	3	6.3	12.1	18.3	29.9	21.7	11.7
Calif.	77	7	9	12	26	16	7	9.3	11.1	16.2	33.5	20.6	9.3
Other													
Western 2/	104	3	7	9	25	35	25	2.9	6.7	8.7	24.0	33.7	24.0
Western	272	15	23	32	76	74	52	5.5	8.5	11.8	27.9	27.2	19.1
U.S.	7,988	264	370	766	2,155	2,882	1,551	3.3	4.6	9.6	27.0	36.1	19.4

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Fall 1948 Intentions: Reports on breeding intentions show 4,910,000 sows being kept for fall farrowing. This is about the same as the number farrowing last fall but 434,000 head or 8 percent less than the 10-year average. Compared with last year, the West North Central States and the Western States show increases of 2 percent and 8 percent respectively. All other regions show decreases as follows: East North Central States down 1 percent, North Atlantic and South Central States down 2 percent, and the South Atlantic States down 3 percent.

These changes from farrowings in the fall season last year are based on breeding intentions reported about June 1st. These indicated intentions fall short of the goal set for 1948 fall farrowings which called for a 10-percent increase for the United States. In most years when hog prices have been low relative to those of corn and when a decrease occurred in number of sows farrowing in the spring, there has also been a decrease in fall sows. However, generally favorable outlook for the 1948 corn crop, reduced livestock and poultry numbers, and a continued strong demand for meat all are factors that are encouraging producers to maintain hog production at about the same level as last year.

If the intended number of sows to farrow materializes and the number of pigs saved per litter is about equal to the 10-year average, the 1948 fall crop will be about 31.0 million head. This would be 1 percent smaller than the 1947 fall pig crop. The combined pig crop for 1948 would then be 82.4 million head -- 2 percent less than 1947 and 5 percent less than the 10-year average.

Hogs on Farms June 1: The estimated number of hogs 6 months old and over, including brood sows, on June 1 was 23,746,000 head, 474,000 head or 2 percent less than on June 1 last year. This over-all decrease is due to a 6 percent reduction in the Corn Belt. Elsewhere in the United States the number of hogs over 6 months old on June 1 was above last year. It is evident that in the Corn Belt the marketing of hogs from the fall pig crop has been at a faster rate than last year -- especially since the 1947 fall pig crop was 1 percent larger than in the previous year. Because of the smaller number of hogs on June 1, the slaughter of hogs during the months of June through September probably will be smaller than last year.

The accompanying tables show in detail sows farrowing, pigs saved, and pigs per litter by States and regions.

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