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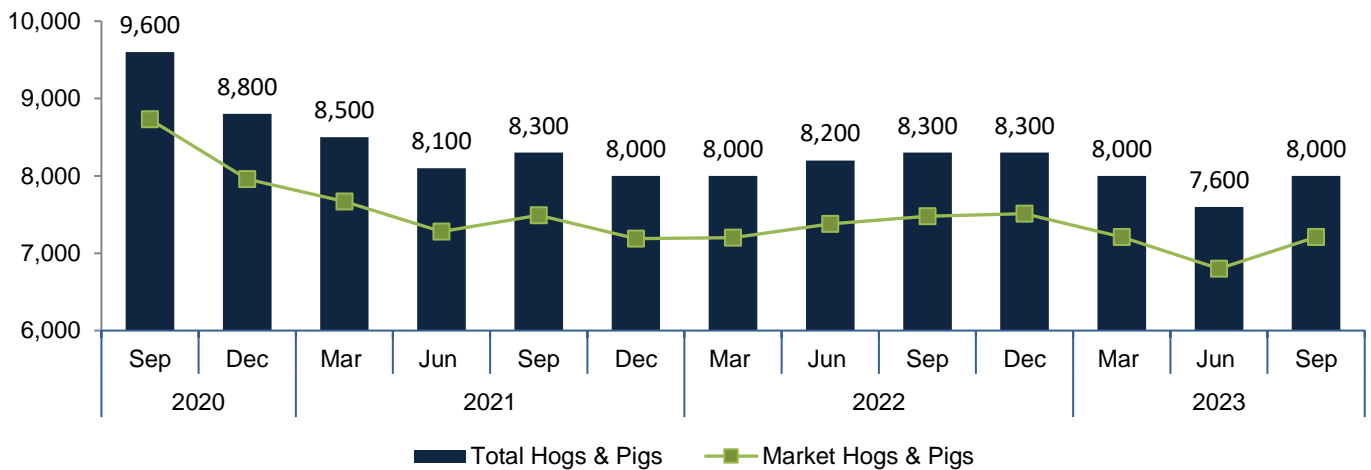
SEPTEMBER 2023 HOG REPORT

All hogs and pigs on **North Carolina** farms on September 1, 2023, totaled 8.0 million head, up 5% from last quarter and down 4% from last year. Market hogs, at 7.21 million head, is down 4% from last year. Breeding stock totaled 790,000 head, down 4% from last year. The State's pig crop during the June-August 2023 period totaled 4.633 million head, down 1% from the same period last year. These pigs were produced by 410,000 sows. Pigs saved per litter averaged 11.30, which is up from the 10.85 pigs saved during the same quarter last year. North Carolina producers intend to farrow 405,000 sows during the September–November 2023 quarter and 400,000 sows during the December 2023–February 2024 quarter. NC currently ranks 3rd nationally, behind Iowa and Minnesota, in the total number of hogs and pigs produced.

HOG & PIG INVENTORY

Item	September 1 Inventory			June 1 Inventory		
	2022	2023	Percent Change	2022	2023	Percent Change
	<i>Thousand Head</i>		<i>+/-</i>	<i>Thousand Head</i>		<i>+/-</i>
	North Carolina					
All Hogs and Pigs	8,300	8,000	-4	8,200	7,600	-7
Breeding Hogs	820	790	-4	820	800	-2
Market Hogs	7,480	7,210	-4	7,380	6,800	-8
Under 50 Lbs.	3,030	2,950	-3	2,920	2,670	-9
50-119 Lbs.	1,630	1,550	-5	1,600	1,450	-9
120-179 Lbs.	1,410	1,360	-4	1,420	1,350	-5
180 Lbs. and Over	1,410	1,350	-4	1,440	1,330	-8
	United States					
All Hogs and Pigs	74,125	74,319	0	72,314	72,744	+1
Breeding Hogs	6,152	6,079	-1	6,168	6,146	0
Market Hogs	67,973	68,241	0	66,146	66,599	+1

NORTH CAROLINA INVENTORY (Thousand Head)



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