

U. S. Fall Pig Crop Down, But Pa. Numbers Up

LARGER FALL PIG CROP IN PA.

Pennsylvania had a fall pig crop of 312,000, according to the Pennsylvania Crop Reporting Service. This was about 1 percent more than the fall 1964 crop of 308,000 but 18 percent below the 5-year (1959-63) average. There were only 40,000 sows farrowed, smallest number of record for a fall crop. This was more than offset by a record high 7.8 pigs saved per litter.

Total pigs saved from the combined spring and fall 1965 crops was 627,000 — smallest annual pig crop since 1934. This was down 3 percent from the 1964 total of 646,000 and 22 percent below the 5-year average. Sow farrowings by months this fall were: June, 5,000; July, 6,000; August, 9,000; September, 10,000; October, 6,000 and November, 4,000.

Intended farrowings for the spring of 1966 with 44,000 sows compares with 42,000 in the spring of 1965 and a 5-year (1959-63) average of 59,000.

U.S. 1965 PIG CROP DOWN

The June-November 1965 pig crop is estimated at 38,558,000 head, 5 percent less than the 1964 crop. The South Atlantic States showed an increase of 5 percent and the South Central States were up 4 percent. However, these increases were not enough to offset declines of 9 percent in the East North Central region and 5 percent in each of the North Atlantic, West North Central and Western regions.

The 5,299,000 sows farrowed during the June-November 1965 period was 6 percent less than a year earlier. These farrowings compare with the 7 percent decline indicated by the June 1, 1965 report on breeding intentions. Generally, the re-

port as of June 1, 1965 indicated fewer sows to farrow during the June-November period in all areas of the Nation. However, the South Atlantic and South Central regions each show a 3 percent increase in actual farrowings as of December 1. June-November actual farrowings and June-November intentions reported last June as a percentage of a year earlier by regions are: North Atlantic, 94 percent now and 94 percent in June; East North Central 90 and 89; West North Central 94 and 94; South Atlantic 103 and 100; South Central 103 and 96; West 93 and 100.

There was a record average litter size of 7.23 pigs from the June-November 1965 farrowings. The previous record was 7.23 pigs per litter in 1963. Weather conditions for farrowings were favorable during the June-November 1965 period and there was no serious outbreak of disease. These factors contributed to the increase in the average litter size.

The number of sows farrowing was less than a year earlier during all months of

the June-November 1965 period except for a 5 percent increase in November. The declines are as follows: June 7 percent; July, 8 percent; August, 9 percent; September, 6 percent, and October, 2 percent.

PIGS DOWN 8% 1965

The total pig crop for the December 1964 — November 1965 period in the U. S. was 81,638,000 head, 8% less than the preceding annual total. The annual pig crop in the 10 Corn Belt States totaled 62,806,000 head, 9 percent less than a year earlier.

1966 SOW INTENTIONS - IN U. S.

U. S. Hog farmers reported intentions to farrow 6,342,000 sows during the December 1965-May 1966 period, 6 percent more than a year earlier but 12 percent less than the average. Increases in sow farrowings from December-May last year are indicated in all regions as follows: South Atlantic and South Central each up 13 percent; West, 7 percent; East North Central, 6 percent; West North Central, 5 percent; and North Atlantic region, up 2 percent.

If these intentions are realized and the number of

pigs saved per litter follows the trend of recent years, the December-May 1966 pig crop would approximate 46.0 million head. This would be 7 percent more than in the December 1964-May 1965 pig crop.

Sows bred and intended for farrowing in the 10 Corn Belt States during December 1965, January and February 1966, total 1,657,000 head, 5 percent more than a year earlier. All States except Wisconsin show increases compared with a year earlier. Expected farrowings by months in these 10 States are: December, 420,000 sows, up 8 percent; January, 528,000 sows, up 4 percent; and February, 709,000 sows, up 3 percent.

Reported breeding intentions indicate 3,244,000 sows to farrow in the March-May quarter in the 10 States. This would be 5 percent more than a year earlier. All 10 States show increases

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