

PIGS

My school is running a "kiss-a-pig" challenge. If the students in my school read **3,000** books by March 1st, our principal will have to pucker-up and kiss a pig! So, I thought it would be a good idea to learn some facts about pigs.

There are nearly **800,000,000** pigs in the world! China has more pigs than any other country. There are 8 different breeds of domestic pigs raised in the United States. A pig can live to be 9 or 10 years old. But when they are 6 months old, they are taken to market. By then, they would weigh about **250** pounds! Pigs are often thought of lazy, but they are one of the most intelligent domestic animals. They learn routines quickly and have good memories.

Sources:

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