

Can the sow manage one more litter?

Examine each sow systematically after each round of farrowing. For instance, use the below criteria when assessing whether a sow can manage having one more litter. The sow does not necessarily have to meet all criteria, and you weight the individual criteria yourself according to your experiences/desires.

ASSESS WHETHER THE SOW MEETS THE CRITERIA	☹️	😐	😊
Check the sow card			
Litter no.			
Number of liveborn in this litter and the previous			
The sow is not aggressive or nervous			
Look at the piglets			
Large uniform piglets			
Look at the sow			
Medium body condition			
No shoulder ulcers or scars			
Minimum 13 well-functioning teats			
No indications of udder diseases			
Short, uniform hooves			
Let the sow loose			
No wavering, stiff or tender movement			



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Check the sow card for remarks concerning the sow's behaviour.



Are the piglets large and uniform? Take into account whether the sow has functioned as a nurse sow.



Sow in medium condition. Check the feed box to see whether the sow has had a large appetite.



Count the number of well-functioning teats on the sow.

