

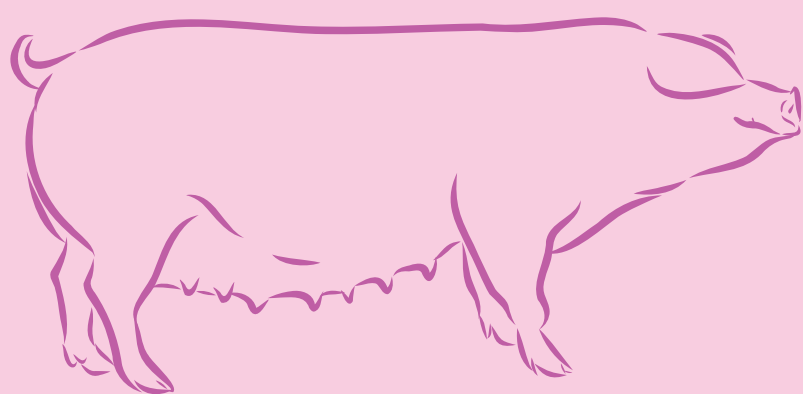


Pork

THE PIG'S JOURNEY

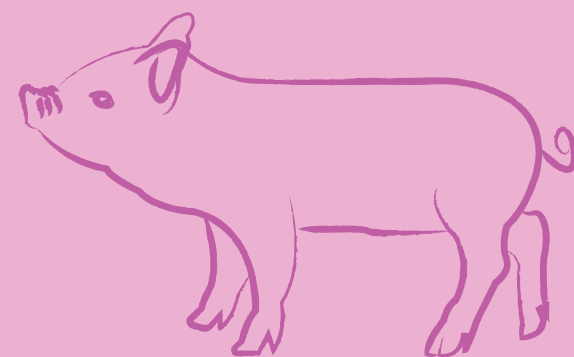
GESTATION

- Duration of pregnancy.
- Lasts 114 days.



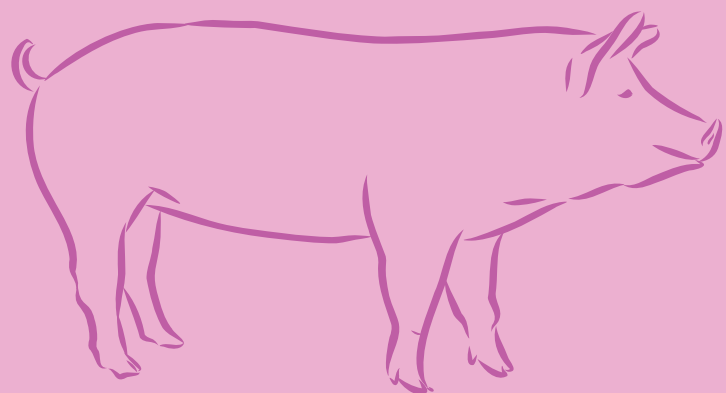
FARROWING

- Piglets weigh 2-3 lbs. at birth.
- They are weaned at 21 days old.



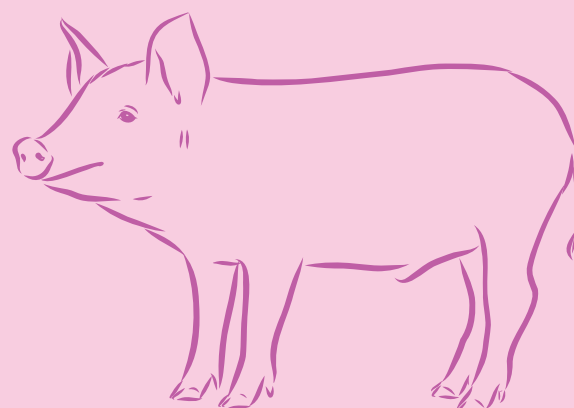
GROWING/FINISHING

- Pigs are fed 6-10 lbs. a day.
- At 6 months of age, they will reach market weight (280 lbs.).



NURSERY

- Piglets weigh 13-15 lbs. at weaning.
- They are fed 1.5-4 lbs. a day.



TERMS TO KNOW

Sow:

Adult female pig that has had piglets

Gilt:

Young female pig that has not had piglets

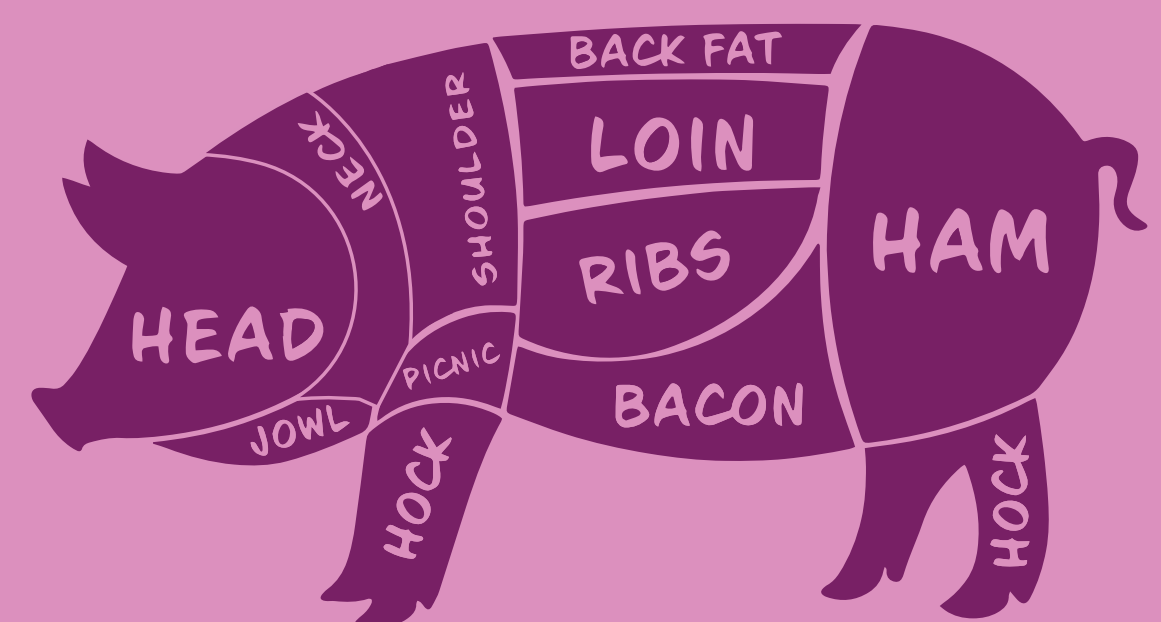
Boar:

Male pig that can reproduce

Barrow:

Male pig that cannot reproduce

KNOW YOUR CUTS

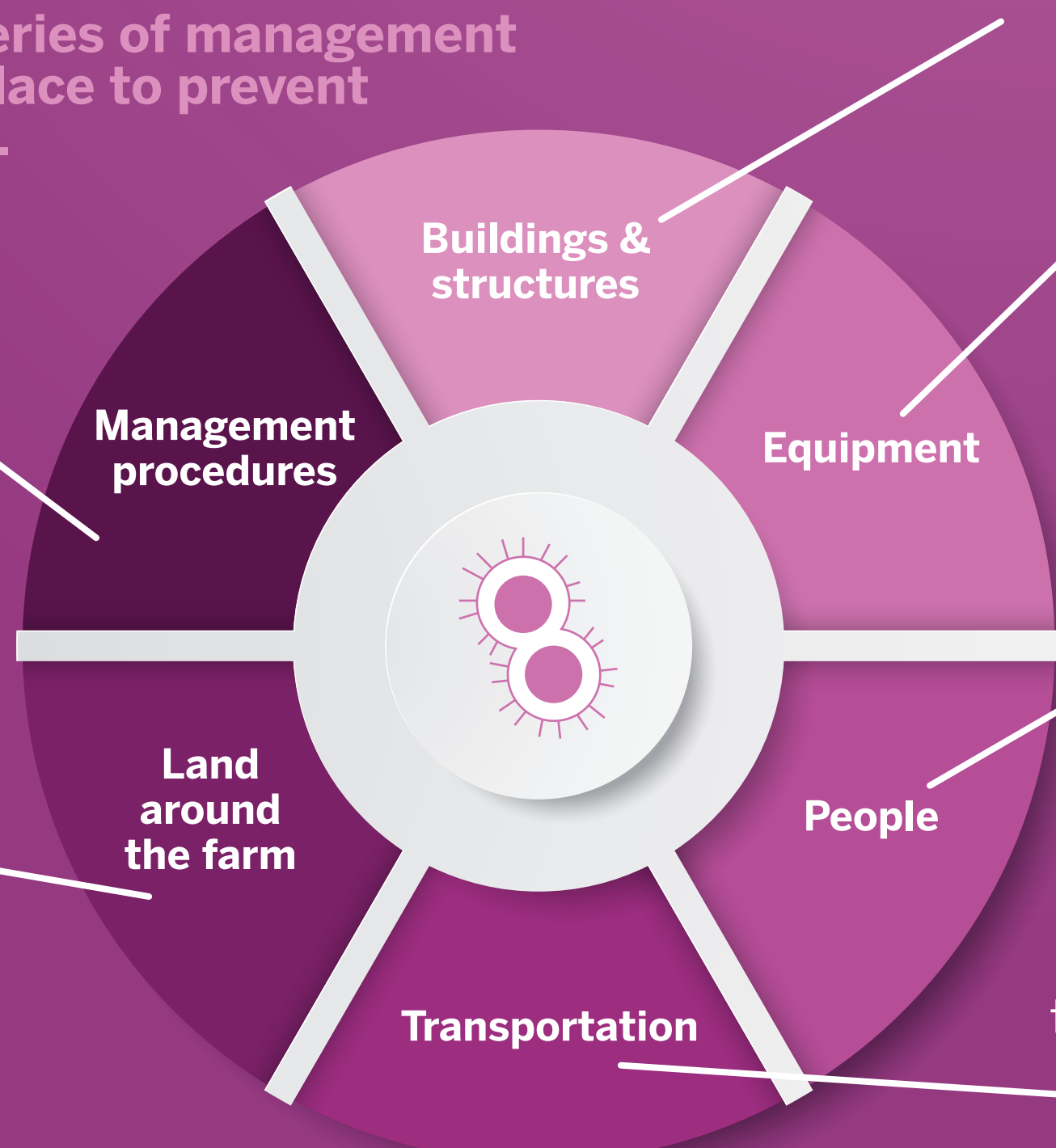


MAINTAINING BIOSECURITY

Biosecurity is a series of management practices put in place to prevent disease on a farm.

All practices and procedures must be done in a sterile manner.

There must be a large distance between the farm and other structures. The land must be well kept.



Buildings & structures

Equipment

People

Transportation

Management procedures

Land around the farm

Must be well kept, cleaned, and washed.

All equipment must arrive clean and undamaged.

All individuals who enter must wear clean and sterile clothing and shoes.

Pigs entering a new barn must be quarantined. Drivers are treated as visitors, and trucks must be sterile.

PIGS ARE A POWERFUL MEDICINE

Heart valves from pigs can be used in valve replacement surgery on the human heart.

Pig skin can be used to treat massive burn injuries.

Gelatin is derived from skin that can be used to make capsules and pills.

