



Market Report

2018 Week 41

How can we describe this week's pig marketing – the main concern is the amount of pigs coming forward now and lack of demand. The EU Spec this week SPP fell - 0.47p to 147.21p/kg; this is 13.23p below last year's price. Estimated slaughterings this week were up around 4,000 head on the previous week to total 176,000+ head. Part of this is pigs growing very well when the weather has cooled down with all the hot weather we had in the summer and there seems to be a glut of pigs when demand is rock bottom.

Most abattoirs this week are in a roll position, some worse than others, this situation has not been helped by cheap imports from Belgium into the catering/food service sector at a lot less than our UK published price which has done very well to stand up again this week, we have two large processors drop a penny out but other than that prices have stood firm.

On the fresh meat front, surprisingly most pigs entered found a home at a stand on price with one small abattoir actually taking quite a few more pigs. On the weaner front, plenty of stores about again with very few spot market buyers for biggish loads, everybody seems to be having a lot more weaners around them with numbers born. Sows are back a penny.

In the EU ASF continues to be the headline topic in Belgium but the EU commission has agreed to part fund Belgium disease control measures and pigs slaughterings.

From a producer front, please bear with the Scotlean team over these next few weeks in pig trading until we get through this glut of pigs, it is extremely difficult and we will try to be fair and hopefully any pigs rolled will be the first to go in the following week.

	This week	Change on week	This wk 2017	Change on Year
GB(SPP)EU	1.4721	-0.0047	1.6044	-0.1323
GB(SPP)UK	1.4458	-0.0046	1.5757	-0.1299
Tribune	GB Spot Bacon		GB Spot Cutter	
01/10/18	1.4781	0.0000	1.5528	-0.0067
24/09/18	1.4781		1.5595	
Pork	1.5625	0.0000	1.6525	-0.0900
Cutter	1.5736	-0.0013	1.6646	-0.0910
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GB(SPP) Sample	This wk	Last wk	Chg
Number	84,680	82,752	1,928
Ave Weight kg	83.34	82.89	0.45
Ave Probe mm	11.2	11.1	0.1



	07/10/18	Change on week	30/09/18	Diff UK
Denmark	117.92	0.00	117.92	-29.10
Germany	130.71	0.00	130.71	-16.31
France	123.82	0.00	123.82	-23.20
Holland	112.50	0.00	112.50	-34.52
Spain	130.78	0.00	130.78	-16.24
EU28	127.90	0.00	127.90	-19.12
UK	147.02	0.00	147.02	0.00

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