



Market Report

2018 Week 21

A quiet week in pig marketing this week with none or hardly any change to any processor price. However, our UK pig prices continue to climb with the EU spec SPP rising 0.59p on the week at 147.21p/kg, the current price is 11.24p lower than equivalent week last year. Slaughtering similar to the week earlier at 161.9k head.

The Bank Holiday period and warm weather could have resulted in strong demand in the week and allowing processors to clear stocks. There is a similar picture on the fresh meat front all pig offered were taken, and with another Bank Holiday approaching a week on Monday some smaller plants looking at extra Friday kill, again with no movement on price.

There are a fair number of spot weaner pigs on offer with some producers finding it difficult to house all pigs coming through but with a little bit of slip in price of 30kg and 7kg; 7kg pigs were nearly £5 lower than same week a year earlier.

Across the water, the European price hasn't declined too much in the week but alarmingly for us in the future, the Danish pig herd continues to grow, according to AHDB standing at 12.7 million head, a 4% increase on year earlier levels across all categories of pigs, and also, which could have a direct effect here, in the Netherlands, the Dutch breeders and finishing herd is still expanding. The average sow herd numbers stands at 800 sows, 700 last year and 600 in 2016 and the average finisher has 2200 pigs on their finishing unit compared to 1800 in 2016.

	This week	Change on week	This wk 2017	Change on Year
GB(SPP)EU	1.4721	0.0059	1.5845	-0.1124
GB(SPP)UK	1.4456	0.0058	1.5560	-0.1104
Tribune				
14/05/18	1.4940	0.0036	1.5666	0.0067
07/05/18	1.4904		1.5599	
Pork	1.5825	0.0000	1.6800	-0.0975
Cutter	1.5969	0.0008	1.6906	-0.0937



GB(SPP) Sample	This wk	Last wk	Chg
Number	80,994	81,028	-34
Ave Weight kg	83.09	83.08	0.01
Ave Probe mm	10.9	10.9	0.0

	20/05/18	Change on week	13/05/18	Diff UK
Denmark	111.76	0.50	111.26	-34.25
Germany	124.62	-3.48	128.10	-21.39
France	114.29	0.52	113.77	-31.72
Holland	109.89	-1.33	111.22	-36.12
Spain	124.30	1.52	122.78	-21.71
EU28	122.81	-2.40	125.21	-23.20
UK	146.01	1.74	144.27	0.00

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