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Market Report
2019 Week 28

SPP had a rise of 1.10p for w/e 29th June to reach 150.86p/kg. This price is now actually half a penny higher than year earlier levels. The APP increased by 0.71p to 152.29p/kg in the week ended 22nd June. This was a slightly smaller increase than the SPP in the same week, so the gap between the two narrowed to just over 2.5p.

Supplies were higher than in recent weeks, with slaughter estimated at 168,000 head, up 2% on the previous year. Average carcase weights also increased to 83.82kg, over a kilo heavier than the same week in 2018 when hot weather led to challenging production conditions.

Despite seasonally low numbers demand continues to be very lack lustre with one major producer reducing kills on already smaller kill numbers. Bacon pigs were generally up a penny mainly due to the higher SPP rise, factory inputs were very meagre with most processors stand on with the matrix element. Good demand for lighter pigs with all pigs placed. Sow trade was a firm stand on.

After a shortage over the last few months plenty of store pigs were available this week which saw averages prices drop £2.90 for 30kg pigs and £0.42 for 7kg weaners on the previous week.

European saw another 0.7p increase taking the EU average to 159.7p, with Spain trading at 160p and Germany up to 168p.

The overall number of pigs in Germany fell between May 2018 and 2019 by 3.7% to 25.9 million head. The majority of this reduction came from fattening pigs, down 566,900 to 11.3 million head, which will likely continue to limit production in the coming months. Breeding herd numbers reduced by around 3%.

Denmark's pig prices are the highest since 2013, but Danish Crown has revealed that it has significantly fewer pigs for slaughter than it needs.

China claims the number of fresh outbreaks of African swine fever in the country has dropped this year and pig production is slowly returning to normal, amid suspicions that the full extent of the disease is not being reported. Stocks of pig meat are decreasing and following deaths, culls to prevent ASF spreading and liquidation of pigs that farmers in restricted struggled to sell. Expect to see shortages and increased demand later in the summer when an estimated 20% of sows lost to ASF don't produce another litter 10 months + down the line from when ASF culling began in September 2018.

	This week	Change on week	*This wk 2018*	*Change on Year*
GB(SPP)EU	1.5086	0.0110	*1.5031*	*0.0055*
GB(SPP)UK	1.4815	0.0109	*1.4761*	*0.0054*
Tribune	**GB Spot Bacon**		**GB Spot Cutter**	
01/07/19	1.5365	0.0066	1.6171	0.0071
24/06/19	1.5299		1.6100	
Pork	1.6000	0.0075	*1.6025*	*-0.0025*
Cutter	1.6171	0.0075	*1.6160*	*0.0012*

GB(SPP) Sample	This wk	Last wk	Chg
Number	82,379	78,655	3,724
Ave Weight kg	83.82	83.22	0.60
Ave Probe mm	11.0	10.9	0.1

	07/07/19	Change on week	30/06/19	Diff UK
Denmark	156.49	1.85	154.64	5.40
Germany	168.17	3.74	164.43	17.08
France	145.91	0.46	145.45	-5.18
Holland	148.31	0.62	147.69	-2.78
Spain	160.84	1.25	159.59	9.75
EU28	159.70	1.74	157.96	8.61
UK	151.09	1.40	149.69	0.00

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