



Market Report

2019 Week 38

The EU Spec SPP surprising this week fell by 0.43p to stand at 152.90p/kg, we had a small increase last week, there is no rhyme or reason as to why the SPP should have fallen but then there hasn't been many spot options for pigs to help raise it either. Last weeks estimated weekly slaughter stands at 183,300k head which is about 5k head higher than previous week. At this time of year, the major processors will be looking for product to lay down for Christmas and a couple of abattoirs this week intimated they could do with extra pigs. They are certainly looking to fill contract volumes now which will help to raise the price with a bit of competition for pigs and export demand should give us a further boost.

This week we have seen QPP/QPL's plant at Brechin have a Chinese audit and in the next two weeks that should be granted to take a further plant for China export approval. However, this week we have seen a mixed bag and a couple of processors add a penny to their price and that might be a statement to say they are looking for pigs in the coming weeks and some have chosen to stand on.

On the fresh meat front, we had a large entry of pork cutter pigs with not all finding a home due to a fairly sluggish week in retail demand from the smaller plants and there are a few pigs left on the shelf. It is reported that lamb sales particularly buoyant in north east and beef sales throughout the country remained fairly steady. Sow market stand on all round and 30kg stores and 7kg weaner pigs, ample spot supplies again this week with finishers having very little room to get large batches in but these 30kg pigs should finish fairly well in the Autumn and come out prior to Christmas.

According to AHDB pig meat production has fell in the EU in June and the number pigs slaughtered fell by 6% to total 20million head, so looking to the future for the UK should look fairly well set for the export market for pigmeat, fairly buoyant for the UK if pig supplies continue to fall in mainland Europe. Last week we mentioned the sale of Tulip UK Ltd to JBS owned Pilgrim's Pride by Danish Crown, and it was according to Danish Crown, the right decision in the marketplace for Tulip UK.

	This week	Change on week	This wk 2018	Change on Year
GB(SPP)EU	1.5290	-0.0043	1.4805	0.0485
GB(SPP)UK	1.5019	-0.0042	1.4539	0.0480
Tribune				
	GB Spot Bacon		GB Spot Cutter	
09/09/19	1.5546	0.0181	1.6375	0.0204
02/09/19	1.5365		1.6171	
Pork	1.6075	0.0050	1.5725	0.0350
Cutter	1.6259	0.0034	1.5854	0.0405



GB(SPP) Sample	This wk	Last wk	Chg
Number	83,899	77,081	6,818
Ave Weight kg	83.66	83.58	0.08
Ave Probe mm	10.9	10.9	0.0

	15/09/19	Change on week	08/09/19	Diff UK
Denmark	159.39	-0.86	160.25	6.12
Germany	171.72	-1.54	173.26	18.45
France	156.94	1.11	155.83	3.67
Holland	155.07	-0.68	155.75	1.80
Spain	162.46	-2.23	164.69	9.19
EU28	163.28	-0.50	163.78	10.01
UK	153.27	-0.10	153.37	0.00

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