



# Market Report

## 2018 Week 34

The breaking news in the Pig Industry this week is an outbreak of African swine flu in China. This is the first time ASF has been detected in the Chinese Pig Industry and has had a massive effect on their stock market. They are now trying to contain all pig movements and look at where it has come from, especially when China has the world's largest pig population.

This week has seen another small drop in GB pig prices, the EU spec SPP has fallen by 0.55p to 149.26p/kg, this price currently stands at 15.27p year earlier levels. Slaughterings stand at 168,000+ head for the week representing a fall of 4% on previous week. This week all processors are struggling to find a home for pig numbers entered and nobody certainly wanted anything extra; even some contract numbers haven't been fulfilled due to lack of demand but we are in August. The highlight of the week is the cull sow price which has risen by another 4p, a total of 11p in a fortnight again due to European situation in Germany and European bacon pigs rising.

Fresh meat market: again most pigs entered were taken but with a penny coming out across the board from fresh meat prices. The weaner market for both 7kg pigs and 30kg store pigs remains sluggish with finishers looking very closely at rising feed prices as I stated last week. Confidence not high in finishers at the moment and ample supplies of both 30kg and 7kg pigs on the market.

One piece of news this week is quite worrying is the change in the Danish pig herd, according to AHDB reports the Danish pig herd is the largest seen since 2007. It is reported that the Danish pig herd stands at 12.9million head, an increase of 3% on year earlier with slaughter pigs being almost 5% higher than last year at 3million head.

	This week	Change on week	This wk 2017	Change on Year
<b>GB(SPP)EU</b>	1.4926	-0.0055	1.6453	-0.1527
<b>GB(SPP)UK</b>	1.4658	-0.0054	1.6157	-0.1499
<b>Tribune</b>	GB Spot Bacon		GB Spot Cutter	
13/08/18	1.4835	-0.0084	1.5638	-0.0020
06/08/18	1.4919		1.5658	
Pork	1.5750	-0.0100	1.7275	-0.1525
Cutter	1.5897	-0.0094	1.7394	-0.1497



GB(SPP) Sample	This wk	Last wk	Chg
Number	82,487	85,857	-3,370
Ave Weight kg	82.62	82.11	0.51
Ave Probe mm	11.0	10.9	0.1



	19/08/18	Change on week	12/08/18	Diff UK
<b>Denmark</b>	113.55	0.40	113.15	-35.05
<b>Germany</b>	128.70	-0.09	128.79	-19.90
<b>France</b>	117.56	0.05	117.51	-31.04
<b>Holland</b>	111.31	-1.21	112.52	-37.29
<b>Spain</b>	135.47	1.18	134.29	-13.13
<b>EU28</b>	127.67	-0.32	127.99	-20.93
<b>UK</b>	148.60	-0.46	149.06	0.00

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