



# Market Report

## 2020 Week 7

Breakdowns have caused issues with pigs having to be rolled, one processor already working on reduced kills has not included the rolled pigs in their kill plan for the coming week, causing some pigs to remain on farm for a further week. There are plenty of pigs in the system at present with disease issues and colder weather causing problems with growth and producers holding on to pigs to increase weight which will potentially produce a bottle neck for the next few weeks. Trade on the UK market is quiet thus leading to the rollover of pigs.

Prices is the main were stand on with SPP increasing by 0.08p to 162.61p and APP increasing 0.35p to 164.74p. Cutter prices remained stand on as were sow's price with an odd penny extra for larger loads.

7kg weaners dropped 0.28p on the week – no prices were recorded on 30kg pigs.

According to AHDB estimates, the number of pigs slaughtered during the week totalled 181,800 head. This was 4% more than the same week a year earlier, continuing the high throughputs apparent this year so far. The total for the first six weeks of 2020 is also 4% higher than in 2019. The average carcass weight was a little lower than last week at 85.57kg, but slightly up on the year.

In China, the price for Pork normally rises and is greatest during the month prior to the Chinese New Year. However, there was no sharp rise in pork prices this year due to the Central Government's policy of increasing pork imports and strategically releasing frozen pork from its central reserve system.

To stabilize pork prices, frozen pork from the central reserve was released seven times beginning in September, totaling 170,000 tons. In 2019, China imported 2.108 million tons of pork, an increase of 75%. Imports of beef were 1.659 million tons, up 59.7 percent. The trend is expected to continue through 2020.

The number of outbreaks of African swine fever (ASF) confirmed in domestic pig herds in Europe is falling, but cases in wild boar continue to rise, there were 163 cases in domestic pigs during December and January, continuing the declining trend. This compares with more than 100 cases in each of October and November and more than 600 per month in July and August

	This week	Change on week	This wk 2019	Change on Year
<b>GB(SPP)EU</b>	1.6261	0.0007	1.3871	0.2390
<b>GB(SPP)UK</b>	1.5974	0.0007	1.3624	0.2350
<b>Tribune</b>				
<b>GB Spot Bacon</b>				
03/02/20	1.6646	0.0013	1.7384	0.0000
27/01/20	1.6633		1.7384	
<b>Pork</b>	1.7175	0.0000	1.4775	0.2400
<b>Cutter</b>	1.7355	0.0001	1.4889	0.2465



GB(SPP) Sample	This wk	Last wk	Chg
<b>Number</b>	82,230	83,241	-1,011
<b>Ave Weight kg</b>	85.57	85.75	-0.18
<b>Ave Probe mm</b>	11.1	11.2	-0.1

	09/02/20	Change on week	02/02/20	Diff UK
<b>Denmark</b>	168.50	0.28	168.22	6.53
<b>Germany</b>	159.25	0.31	158.94	-2.72
<b>France</b>	134.75	-5.02	139.77	-27.22
<b>Holland</b>	141.63	0.14	141.49	-20.34
<b>Spain</b>	148.63	-0.65	149.28	-13.34
<b>EU28</b>	153.96	-0.44	154.40	-8.01
<b>UK</b>	161.97	0.55	161.42	0.00

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