



# Market Report

## 2020 Week 29

All clean pigs entered for sale this week found a home, but processors are reporting trade is very sluggish after the continual wet weather not fuelling any BBQ trade. There was no appetite for any extra pigs both from the major processors and small wholesalers. With the number of pigs of not getting pigs slaughtered and backing up on the continent there are cheap pigs on offer from European sellers with Belgian carcasses quoted at just over 160p/kg delivered less head and feet.

The EU-spec SPP continues to rise, up 0.2p rise on the week, to average 165.50p/kg. Prices continue to track above the previous year, although the annual increase is dropping off. The EU-spec APP averaged 167.61p/kg, 0.24p more than in the previous week.

Unfortunately, more dire news on the sow front with prices down 14 - 15p on the previous week, with still very limited sales capacity. The Tonnies plant in North- Western Germany which processes between 25-30000 sows and kills over 100000 clean pigs per week does not look like it is likely to open for at least another week. The plant has more work to do to convince the authorities it is safe to re-open and reportedly accounts for 12 to 14% of German pork production. It also reported another German plant has been forced to close due to Covid which will add further pressure on moving sows'

Estimated UK slaughter recorded a considerable uplift for the second consecutive week. Throughputs totalled 170,280 head, 3% (4,900 head) more than the previous week. Furthermore, slaughter was higher than the same time last year, the first time since late April.

Carcase weights were on average 230g heavier than in the previous week, at 84.65kg. After a dip last week, this was back to being over a kilo above year earlier levels.

In the week ending July 4, prices for 7kg weaners recorded a large uplift (+£1.71) on the week, to average £43.14/head. Prices for 30kg weaners averaged £59.36/head.

	This week	Change on week	This wk 2019	Change on Year
<b>GB(SPP)EU</b>	1.6550	0.0020	1.5164	0.1386
<b>GB(SPP)UK</b>	1.6258	0.0022	1.4891	0.1367
<b>Tribune</b>				
<b>GB Spot Bacon</b>				
06/07/20	1.6819	0.0000	1.7563	0.0013
29/06/20	1.6819		1.7550	
<b>Pork</b>				
<b>Cutter</b>	1.7625	0.0050	1.6000	0.1625
	1.7773	0.0043	1.6182	0.1591



GB(SPP) Sample	This wk	Last wk	Chg
<b>Number</b>	80,002	77,703	2,299
<b>Ave Weight kg</b>	84.65	84.42	0.23
<b>Ave Probe mm</b>	11.0	10.9	0.1

### EU Pig Prices

P/KG	12/07/20	Change on week	05/07/20	Diff UK
<b>Denmark</b>	148.70	-0.91	149.61	-16.55
<b>Germany</b>	152.23	-3.33	155.56	-13.02
<b>France</b>	133.19	0.24	132.95	-32.06
<b>Holland</b>	120.01	18.63	101.38	-45.24
<b>Spain</b>	146.60	0.69	145.91	-18.65
<b>EU28</b>	144.00	-0.30	144.30	-21.25
<b>UK</b>	165.25	-0.13	165.38	0.00

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