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Market Report
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What a difference 3 weeks can make, a few weeks ago we were scraping the bottom of the barrel for all the pigs we could find and suddenly now we have an abundance of pigs and not enough places at processors to take them. This week we have seen our GB pig prices continue to fall, EU spec SPP stands at 163.84p/kg which is 0.84p down on the week. The price is still 10.83p above the same time last year which is worrying because that price is being eroded week by week now, and all the indicators point to more pigs coming forward for these next few weeks and retail demand is static or down in most areas.

The marketplace continues to be well supplied and we have rolled pigs a) due to processing issues and b) the appetite to kill them is just not there; the worry is, according to AHDB, the same week last year carcass weights were 2.2kg heavier. It looks like most of the major processors have taken money out of their weekly elements this week and will continue to do so as long as there is a glut of pigs going forward.

On the fresh meat front this week, there is a similar pattern, a good number of pigs entered, limited homes, and again money came out of all fresh meat abattoirs. Surprisingly, all reported an upswing in sale of beef and demand of beef product going forward. This could be on the back of the Chancellor's announcement on the 3 August for the 'Eat Out to Help Out' Scheme where you get 50% off up to £10 Monday thru Wednesday at participating restaurants during the month and there is a shortfall of beef cattle coming forward.

On the cull sow front, we think that the cull sow prices have bottomed out and certainly the sow processors will have done all they can to move sow meat to any outlet to keep the job rolling. It looks like the problems we had in Germany are becoming less but there is still a huge backlog of pigs in the Netherlands and Germany waiting to be processed which in turn will not do anything to help in the rise of pig prices. Throughout mainland Europe we have seen prices depressed for a number of weeks even with holidays in full swing, pork products are not selling on the continent. The warm weather we have experienced as of late will have an effect on pigs growth rate and if we got a chink of daylight in processor demand this could go a long way to move all pigs coming forward.

	This week	Change on week	*This wk 2019*	*Change on Year*
GB(SPP)EU	1.6384	-0.0084	*1.5301*	*0.1083*
GB(SPP)UK	1.6096	-0.0082	*1.5026*	*0.1070*

Tribune	**GB Spot Bacon**		**GB Spot Cutter**	
10/08/20	1.6450	-0.0131	1.7463	-0.0100
03/08/20	1.6581		1.7563	

Pork	1.7375	-0.0150	*1.6025*	*0.1350*
Cutter	1.7498	-0.0131	*1.6220*	*0.1278*

GB(SPP) Sample	**This wk**	**Last wk**	**Chg**
Number	77,088	78,717	-1,629
Ave Weight kg	85.7	85.78	-0.08
Ave Probe mm	11.1	11.1	0.0

EU Pig Prices P/KG	**16/08/20**	**Change on week**	**09/08/20**	**Diff UK**
Denmark	143.04	-0.07	143.11	-21.20
Germany	137.18	-0.54	137.72	-27.06
France	128.09	-1.44	129.53	-36.15
Holland	116.50	-0.27	116.77	-47.74
Spain	142.39	3.07	139.32	-21.85
EU27	136.23	-0.30	136.53	-28.01
UK	164.24	-0.90	165.14	0.00

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