



Market Report

2020 Week 39

The SPP unfortunately continues its downward trend this week; the EU Spec SPP stands at 160.94p/kg which is down by 0.17p/kg on the previous week, however this is still nearly 8p above the same week last year. This is attributed to the weakening prices across Europe and it is likely to continue in the coming weeks with the loss of the Chinese export market for Germany. As we all know, we are totally dependent on the German export market for sows for the UK and the sow price this week has been eroded by 10p/kg. Fortunately, they are still going to Germany but in the weeks to come that remains to be seen.

The major processors this week, all but one, have taken a penny out of their weekly elements, probably the processors could kill more pigs but physically can't cope with the butchering side of the equation. Again, some major processors have suffered major breakdowns this week which results in pigs being rolled into the following week.

At Scotlean this week we are in a far more fortunate situation than last week and even the week before with rolled pigs, we have managed to get more pigs away this week than previous. We must take our hats off to our processor customers as they have managed in the face of coronavirus to continue to provide a service to the pig industry and process pigs.

On the fresh meat front this week, most pigs have found a home and one or two smaller abattoirs have taken a few more. The biggest threat to us is the German market in the coming weeks and what it does; remember there will be thousands of weaned pigs in Denmark and Netherlands which move every week into Germany and the German outlook on those pigs will be varied in the coming weeks.

On a different note, China has approved 6,200 new pig farms this year, according to the EuroMeat News, volume imports into China for 2020 talks about pork at 3.9 million tonnes which is almost double to that imported in 2019. Restocking these farms won't be easy, gilt supply will be a major headache for the Chinese Government, but we should enjoy the fruits of exporting pork and pork products to China for some time yet.

	This week	Change on week	This wk 2019	Change on Year
GB(SPP)EU	1.6094	-0.0017	1.5307	0.0787
GB(SPP)UK	1.5812	-0.0016	1.5036	0.0776
Tribune				
14/09/20	1.6250	-0.0072	1.7183	-0.0083
07/09/20	1.6322		1.7266	
Pork	1.7025	-0.0050	1.6075	0.0950
Cutter	1.7159	-0.0042	1.6259	0.0901



GB(SPP) Sample	This wk	Last wk	Chg
Number	81,537	82,556	-1,019
Ave Weight kg	85.88	85.91	-0.03
Ave Probe mm	11.1	11.1	0.0

<u>EU Pig Prices</u>		Change on		
<u>P/KG</u>	20/09/20	week	13/09/20	Diff UK
Denmark	146.70	4.12	142.58	-15.07
Germany	134.64	-1.40	136.04	-27.13
France	135.64	3.57	132.07	-26.13
Holland	121.77	5.36	116.41	-40.00
Spain	143.91	2.57	141.34	-17.86
EU27	136.40	1.82	134.58	-25.37
UK	161.77	0.41	161.36	0.00

REMINDER		
	Quarter Period	<u>Q3</u> July-September 2020
	Quarter End	30/09/20
	Deadline Entry/Upload date	15/11/20

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