



# Market Report 2020 Week 40

Plenty of pigs to meet demand with processors still working on reduced kills and catching up from various breakdowns, thus leaving a few pigs unsold albeit slightly less than recent weeks as the late summer peak in numbers has been reached. Recent cooler weather may have an effect of growth rates in the weeks to come but we do not need keep an eye on back fat as we see probes increase throughout the late autumn months.

All but one of the major processors took at least a penny out of the input prices and a 1.14p fall in the SPP didn't help matters. SPP calculations saw pigs lighter than 70 kg did not drop in price, but those over 105 kg losing the most – 4.8p/kg on the week. Cutter plants demand was also lack lustre and saw price drops of 1-2p/kg. With pigs having to be continuously rolled in recent weeks pigs are backing up on farm with average carcass for last week averaging 86.29 kg – 400 g more than the previous week, adding to short-term domestic supplies. The GB EU-spec APP fell to 164.35p/kg in the week ended 12 September. The gap between the APP and the SPP narrowed to 3.41p.

Weaner and store pigs are still in plentiful supply with very few homes available at present. Unfortunately, the sample size this week was not statistically robust enough to publish weaner prices in either the 7kg or 30kg categories.

Also bearing in mind weekly estimated slaughter totalled 198,000 head – slightly higher than the previous week, and more than 20,000 head higher than the same week last year.

The ASF outbreak in Germany has created an oversupply of pork and low priced German pig meat is undercutting other suppliers within Europe, following the export bans put in place and may have an effect on the UK market in the weeks to come. Sow prices after the drop in recent weeks stood on despite the very poor demand in the German market.

	This week	Change on week	This wk 2019	Change on Year
<b>GB(SPP)EU</b>	1.5980	-0.0114	1.5375	0.0605
<b>GB(SPP)UK</b>	1.5700	-0.0112	1.5103	0.0597
<b>Tribune</b>	<b>GB Spot Bacon</b>		<b>GB Spot Cutter</b>	
21/09/20	1.6188	-0.0062	1.7017	-0.0166
14/09/20	1.6250		1.7183	
<b>Pork</b>	1.6900	-0.0125	1.6225	0.0675
<b>Cutter</b>	1.7031	-0.0129	1.6410	0.0621



GB(SPP) Sample	This wk	Last wk	Chg
<b>Number</b>	82,104	81,537	567
<b>Ave Weight kg</b>	86.29	85.88	0.41
<b>Ave Probe mm</b>	11.2	11.1	0.1

<u>EU Pig Prices</u>		Change on		
<u>P/KG</u>	27/09/20	week	20/09/20	Diff UK
<b>Denmark</b>	145.53	-1.17	146.70	-15.22
<b>Germany</b>	121.94	-12.70	134.64	-38.81
<b>France</b>	137.63	1.99	135.64	-23.12
<b>Holland</b>	116.43	-5.34	121.77	-44.32
<b>Spain</b>	145.17	1.26	143.91	-15.58
<b>EU27</b>	130.82	-5.58	136.40	-29.93
<b>UK</b>	160.75	-1.02	161.77	0.00



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