

# Market Report

## 2020 Week 45

The SPP EU Spec has continued to decline this week and it has dropped back by 1.03p on the previous week to 156.61p/kg, this apparently according to AHDB puts prices at 0.18p below the same week in the previous year.

As you are all aware from reading the press, television news and the industry in general, that coronavirus is having an impact on the slaughtering capacity from our processor customers which in turn is having an adverse effect on the amount of pigs they can kill and process on a weekly basis and therefore we are in a situation where we have a large number of rolled pigs staying on farm longer than we would like and certainly you as pig producers would like. Carcass weights will continue to rise in line with movement to the processors and all I can say is that we will continue to try and move the heaviest pigs on a weekly basis.

There has been some money come out of some processor's weekly elements this week but by large the SPP has done very well to stay where it is with the amount of pigmeat that is on offer. There is some light at the end of the tunnel in that some processors where we are now with coronavirus will put on Saturday kills to try and work with the backlog of pigs on the run up to Christmas.

Fresh meat market maybe has fared better this week with swathes of the country in lockdown but people still having to eat meat, pork sales in the smaller processors remain good but at a price. Trade isn't as brisk as it has been, but a good number of pigs have moved. In the run up to Christmas the sales of fresh meat pigs greatly help with the reduction in bacon weight pigs in January and beyond.

Cull sow prices have stood on again this week which is very surprising with what is happening in Germany with the amount of pigs backed up due to ASF disruption to their export business. There are ample supplies of both 7kg weaners and 30kg store pigs offered for sale on the market but with some finishers being a little reluctant to buy these due to feed cost rises, straw shortages and mainly the lack of finishing space available some will be wanting to find a home.

	This week	Change on week	This wk 2019	Change on Year
<b>GB(SPP)EU</b>	1.5661	-0.0103	1.5679	-0.0018
<b>GB(SPP)UK</b>	1.5387	-0.0101	1.5402	-0.0015
<b>Tribune</b>	GB Spot Bacon		GB Spot Cutter	
26/10/20	1.5913	-0.0046	1.6500	-0.0183
19/10/20	1.5959		1.6683	
<b>Pork Cutter</b>	1.6450	-0.0025	1.6475	-0.0025
	1.6608	-0.0040	1.6677	-0.0069



<b>GB(SPP) Sample</b>	<b>This wk</b>	<b>Last wk</b>	<b>Chg</b>
<b>Number</b>	84,055	83,075	980
<b>Ave Weight kg</b>	86.78	86.62	0.16
<b>Ave Probe mm</b>	11.3	11.4	-0.1



<b>EU Pig Prices</b>				
<b>P/KG</b>	<b>01/11/20</b>	<b>Change on week</b>	<b>25/10/20</b>	<b>Diff UK</b>
<b>Denmark</b>	140.48	-0.95	141.43	-15.74
<b>Germany</b>	119.28	-0.62	119.90	-36.94
<b>France</b>	135.21	-1.36	136.57	-21.01
<b>Holland</b>	116.90	-0.39	117.29	-39.32
<b>Spain</b>	142.60	0.46	142.14	-13.62
<b>EU27</b>	126.70	-1.30	128.00	-29.52
<b>UK</b>	156.22	-1.64	157.86	0.00

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