



# Market Report 2020 Week 3

It has been another desperate week in the pig industry as far as pig marketing goes. The EU SPP has come back to 144.74p/kg this week, a reduction of 1.99p/kg. Most of the major processors are suffering greatly with Covid-19 related absenteeism and are struggling with not the kill, but the further processing.

One large processor has much reduced its kill and rolled several thousand from this week into next with no extras on the horizon. They have promised to put on Saturday kills as and when staff return to work and there are enough staff to permit that to happen. Other factories have taken numbers but aren't or can't take extra pigs to help the backlog in the system.

In Scotland one reasonable sized abattoir has experienced an absolute downward trend in sales; 200-250 sales equivalent on the week with the total lockdown in Scotland and the impact that is doing to the consumers out there.

The light at the end of the tunnel this week is that we have got a small sow kill up and running again, again with much reduced number of sows going to kill. We will try and work on the backlog next week and the week after but there are an awful lot of sows throughout the country waiting to be culled. The ferry situation has eased somewhat due to the red tape I spoke about earlier in the week.

The fresh meat cutter plants, they are in an absolute mess with sales falling away dramatically and the number of pigs they have required this week at an all-time low. So, it is only the, as far as the general public are concerned, the vaccine that is going to help us out of the mess we are in and we will do all we can to move the backlog of pigs that we have found ourselves with through various factors.

	This week	Change on week	This wk 2019	Change on Year
<b>GB(SPP)EU</b>	1.4474	-0.0199	1.6240	-0.1766
<b>GB(SPP)UK</b>	1.4227	-0.0195	1.5955	-0.1728
<b>Tribune</b>				
11/01/21	1.4588	-0.0249	1.5267	-0.0133
04/01/21	1.4837		1.5400	
<b>Pork</b>	1.5400	-0.0150	1.7175	-0.1775
<b>Cutter</b>	1.5503	-0.0147	1.7352	-0.1849



GB(SPP) Sample	This wk	Last wk	Chg
Number	79,815	62,065	17,750
Ave Weight kg	90.42	89.86	0.56
Ave Probe mm	11.6	11.4	0.2

EU Pig Prices		Change on		
P/KG	17/01/21	week	10/01/21	Diff UK
<b>Denmark</b>	130.01	0.79	129.22	-14.79
<b>Germany</b>	111.51	-0.28	111.79	-33.29
<b>France</b>	119.98	0.07	119.91	-24.82
<b>Holland</b>	103.80	0.12	103.68	-41.00
<b>Spain</b>	122.60	-0.01	122.61	-22.20
<b>EU27</b>	115.14	-0.23	115.37	-29.66
<b>UK</b>	144.80	-2.53	147.33	0.00



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