



Market Report

2021 Week 28

Plenty of doom and gloom for the week ahead caused by various breakdowns / staffing issues / possible Co2 shortages and demand reported to be very lack lustre on the back of cheap meat on offer from Europe and lack of chiller space.

The good news is that we saw the GB pig prices rise again in the week ending 3 July. The EU-spec SPP was 158.96p/kg, 1.39p higher than in the previous week. All but the heaviest pricing band showed pricing increases. The EU-spec APP rose by 1.31p in the week ending 26 July, to 161.98p/kg, the gap between it and the SPP widening to 4.41p.

Contribution prices from processors saw a 1p drop from one of the major processors with the in the main stand on. With industry inputs the price overall would up by 0.75p on average. Fresh meat demand was also reported to be quiet, but prices remained stand on. Sow prices also remained stand on.

On the weaner / store pig front no 30kg weaner price was available in the week ending July 3, although the price of 7kg weaners was £38.93/head, 17p higher than the week before. Spot demand for weaners remains poor with little appetite from buyers.

Estimated slaughter in the week was 173,500 head, 7,000 lower than in the previous week but comparable with the same week a year ago. Carcase weights fell further, by just over 200g to 86.04kg.

The cost of pig production was the highest in a decade in Q1 this year, at 174p/kg, according to an AHDB report on the physical performance in the GB pig herd. Rearing and finishing Feed Conversion Ratios (FCRs) saw no improvement in the 12 months to March 2021, compared to the 12 months ending December 2020.

In the first quarter of this year, carcase weights in the APP sample averaged 90kg. The cost of production was estimated at 174p/kg, on average. If pigs had been finished at 85.8kg instead (the 2020 average), keeping all other physical performance statistics the same, the cost of production would have been closer to 177p/kg.

	This week	Change on week	This wk 2020	Change on Year
GB(SPP)EU	1.5896	0.0139	1.6550	-0.0654
GB(SPP)UK	1.5617	0.0136	1.6258	-0.0641
Tribune	GB Spot Bacon		GB Spot Cutter	
05/07/21	1.6070	0.0100	1.6870	-0.0020
28/06/21	1.5970		1.6890	
Pork	1.6850	0.0000	1.7625	-0.0775
Cutter	1.7046	0.0019	1.7773	-0.0727



GB(SPP) Sample	This wk	Last wk	Chg
Number	77,327	80,479	-3,152
Ave Weight kg	86.04	86.25	-0.21
Ave Probe mm	11.1	11.1	0.0

<u>EU Pig Prices</u>		Change on		
<u>P/KG</u>	11/07/21	week	04/07/21	Diff UK
Denmark	145.24	-0.97	146.21	-14.56
Germany	132.11	-2.52	134.63	-27.69
France	139.13	-3.21	142.34	-20.67
Holland	120.38	-3.56	123.94	-39.42
Spain	158.79	-4.35	163.14	-1.01
EU27	135.23	-2.51	137.74	-24.57
UK	159.80	17.29	142.51	0.00



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