Pig Marketing

Summary

w/c 17.09.23

European Prices (p/kg.dwt)	17/09/2023	Movement on week
European Av	189.88	-0.28
Belgium	180.69	0.30
Denmark	146.25	-1.99
France	210.83	0.35
Germany	197.52	0.33
Ireland	205.25	0.34
Holland	181.29	0.47
Spain	207.48	-1.88



Weaner Pig Marketing Summary

Weaner and store markets – a few additional pigs are being exchanged between regular buyers and the odd load of spot weaners although some sellers are choosing to keep any additions in house, prices are reflecting the finishing market just easing back slightly.

Spot Weaner Prices	w/c	Previous
(£/pig ex. farm)	18.09.23	week
7kg Pig	£50.00- £55.00	£50.00-£55.00

Autumn seems to be truly upon us, and although some farmers had reported a check in growths reflecting in this weeks sales as a direct consequence of the recent hot spell, this might well have kept a little subtle balance of available stock, as breakdowns have caused a few minor disruptions this last week. On balance pigs moving within our market do feel quite stable with all pigs finding a willing home in the end, as week on week slaughtering are reported to have increased versus the previous week by around 1k, something we need to maintain heading towards the final quarter of the year! Prices, however, are continuing to come under slight downward pressure, not helped as the current gap between our market prices and European product has widened, as reported last week a gap of just under 25p/kg behind our market.

However, you can sense an air of caution amongst most buyers here keeping one eye on maintaining regular future suppliers in the knowledge of the fact many farm businesses are still looking hard at the future! That said some buyers did feel the need to squeeze the odd penny more out of prices for this week! SPP fell 0.73p back for the last 4 out of 5 weeks also reflected by the Tribune drops! However, the German market stood on again this week, now for the forth consecutive week, which is really positive given the period ahead!

	This week	Change on week	Last week	Last year
GB SPP	224.03	-0.73	224.76	199.93
SPP Sample	61,039	514	60,525	71,966
Tribune Spot Bacon	225.71	-0.7	226.41	205.33
GB SPP Weight	89.89	0.25	89.64	88.61
GB SPP Probe	11.4	-0.20	11.6	11.3
Euro / £ (p)	85.78	0.05	85.73	87.4
Cull Sows	118-129	n/c	118-129	62-77

There was no GB Clean Pig Slaughtering Data supplied for this week.