



# Hog Margin Outlook

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Hog Prices: ↓  
Soymeal: ↓  
Corn: ↓  
Cdn Dollar: ↑

<b>US Slaughter</b>
429,000—Wednesday's
430,000—Wednesday's (Year Ago)
US Iowa/Southern MN \$57.15
Western Corn Belt \$57.00
Daily Sig #3 Est. (M.Leaf) \$116.18
<b>B of C Ex. Rate (Noon)</b> \$1.1120 CAD / \$0.8993 US
<b>Cash Price (\$/cwt/ckg)</b> Cash prices for week ending May 22nd, 2009
57.77 / 127.35 Signature #3
56.40 / 124.35 MPMC Cash
53.98 / 119.00 Springhill

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**Manitoba Pork Marketing's forward contract prices opened lower this morning.** US cash hog markets are trading firmer today, as packers are trying for a large Saturday slaughter to offset the early week holiday. Producers are still behind on their deliveries as their hog weights are still about 5 pounds heavier than last year's levels. The production cut-backs corresponding to the initial reaction to the H1N1 outbreak caused producers to delay their marketings, and have yet to return to more normal marketing weights. Lean Hog futures are expected to trade steady to slightly higher this morning, as traders have more optimism in light of yesterday's cash market gains. The Canadian Dollar touched 90 cents US yesterday, resulting in lower hog prices by the equivalent of \$9.00/ckg compared to levels seen a month ago.

**Canadian delivered soymeal prices opened lower this morning.** Soybeans continue to show overall strength but are being tested by a higher US Dollar, which carried into the overnight session—resulting in soybeans trading slightly lower. Truck availability is still lower than expected for this season and producers should allow for increased lead time.

**Canadian delivered corn prices opened lower this morning.** Farmer selling remained moderate for the first half of the week as farmers look to increase cash flow. An increase of those willing to sell and the stronger US Dollar are helping curtail the bullish influence of higher crude oil pricing—which has pushed to almost \$64US overnight.

	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan
Fixed Forward Range (Maple Leaf Sig. #3)		124.53	125.96 -	131.88 -	127.19 -	121.98 -	115.35 -	110.75 -	121.96 -
Estimated Hog Margin	-14.79	-11.29	-11.23	-8.72	-10.36	-9.16	-7.54	-3.21	5.42
Soymeal Delivered	530	530	529	533	537	427	427	427	412
Corn Delivered	188	190	192	194	196				



## Rothsay Animal Vegetable Feed Fat

\$625/tonne ↑ (2 – 19 mt)

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