

Monday, July 06, 2009

**Hog Prices:** ↓

**Soymeal:** ↓

**Corn:** ↔

**Cdn Dollar:** ↓

<b>US Slaughter</b>
417,000—Tuesday's
435,000—Tuesday's (Year Ago)
US Iowa/Southern MN \$57.95
Western Corn Belt \$57.92
Daily Sig #3 Est. (M.Leaf) \$121.64
<b>B of C Ex. Rate (Noon)</b> \$1.1583 CAD / \$0.8633 US
<b>Cash Price (\$/cwt/ckg)</b> Cash prices for week ending June 26th, 2009
54.65 / 120.49 Signature #3
52.95 / 116.74 MPMC Cash
50.24 / 110.77 Springhill

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**Forward contracting will be closed tomorrow as the US-markets are closed due to Independence Day that falls on (Saturday July 4).** Cash hog prices are finishing the week lower as the reduced slaughter schedule has tipped the balance of supply and demand in favour of packers as live hog supplies are ample enough to meet their kill requirements. Lean Hog futures regained some support yesterday, as the gains seen in the cash market over the week were viewed a possible near term "bottom" to the market. Traders are taking back some of yesterday's gains this morning, as there are few willing to speculate on the timing of a recovery given the uncertainty surrounding current red meat supply and demand. The Canadian Dollar is down sharply this morning, with global investors feeling more pessimistic about a near term recovery in the US economy after the results of a US employment survey came in worse than expected.

**Canadian delivered soymeal prices opened lower this morning.** Soymeal markets are trading lower this morning as the stronger US Dollar has traders questioning export sales over the next several months. In addition, Brazilian soybean exports surpassed a record for June sales, helping to move the whole soy complex lower.

**Canadian delivered corn prices opened steady this morning.** US Corn futures are weaker on the news of drier weather throughout most of the mid-west that could trigger a rally before the end of the day. Traders are speculating on the likelihood of rain over the extended weekend, so buying interest may increase as the day progresses.

	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar
Fixed Forward Range		118.61	112.29	109.60	102.78	101.42	112.98	123.59	121.93
(Maple Leaf Sig. #3)	119.68	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
		122.72	117.56	113.38	108.03	111.93	121.70	127.27	127.27
Estimated Hog Margin	-22.98	-23.41	-25.25	-22.58	-20.29	-13.46	-3.27	2.23	2.93
Soymeal Delivered	566	576	586	425	425	425	429	418	
Corn Delivered	172	178	178	176	178	180	182		

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