

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

Tuesday, November 17, 2009

Manitoba Pork Marketing's forward contract prices opened mixed this morning. US cash market bids were slightly lower yesterday, but are expected to rally over the next several days as hog supplies have leveled off and demand appears to be strong. Wholesale pork prices are mixed as loins are still trading well under last year's levels while hams and butts are trading well over year ago levels. Lean Hog futures are trading steady this morning but could see some strength as optimism grows about a counter seasonal cash market rally. Deferred month contracts are seeing marginal gains as there is still little evidence that US producers have cut back their breeding herd enough to reduce slaughter ready supplies next summer. The Canadian Dollar rallied yesterday, but is seeing weakness today based on comments from the US Federal Reserve Chairman suggesting that the institution would develop policy that would limit further weakness to the US Dollar.

Canadian delivered soymeal prices opened higher this morning. Yesterday's USDA Crop Progress Report showed harvest at 89% complete as of Sunday. This harvest progress along with a higher US Dollar helped soybeans trade moderately lower overnight after rallying sharply yesterday. A 12-month average for soymeal is now sitting at roughly \$375/MT.

Canadian delivered corn prices opened higher this morning. Corn saw sizeable gains yesterday and went on to trade lower overnight. The US corn harvest made substantial progress over the past week, with 54% now completed—slightly exceeding most analysts expectations. The Chicago Board of Trade will be announcing changes to the corn futures contract today to include vomitoxin specifications, similar to wheat.

US Slaughter	
431,000—Monday's	
437,000—Monday's (Year Ago)	
US Iowa/Sthrn MN	\$51.45
Western Corn Belt	\$51.66
Daily National Price	\$56.66
Daily Sig3(M.Leaf)	\$99.05
Daily Sig4(M.Leaf)	\$105.20
4-Month Fwd Avg	\$111.51
#1 Export Sows (+500lbs) \$37.50/cwt	
B of C Ex. Rate (Noon)	
\$1.0460 CAD / \$0.9560 US	
Cash Price (\$/cwt/ckg)	
Cash prices for week ending November 13th, 2009	
47.02 / 103.67 Signature #3	
48.48 / 106.87 Signature #4	
45.77 / 100.90 MPMC Cash	
43.25 / 95.34 Springhill	

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	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul
Fixed Forward Range (Maple Leaf Sig. #3)		93.54	102.27	112.21	113.02	118.78	130.68	135.47	137.40
		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
		97.90	111.95	116.08	116.02	126.86	136.43	139.79	138.07
Estimated Hog Margin	-13.01	-15.64	-6.97	-1.57	-0.15	5.38	13.66	14.89	13.80
Soymeal Delivered	403	397	377	372	372	368	368	371	371
Corn Delivered	176	178	180	182	184	186	188	190	192

Rothsay Animal Vegetable Feed Fat

\$518/tonne ↓ (2 – 19 mt)

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