

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

Hog Margin Outlook

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Manitoba Pork Marketing's forward contract prices opened higher this morning. US cash markets are starting this week with firm bids after last week's gains pushed packer bids to the highest level seen since August. Wholesale pork prices continue to drive packers to compete for supplies as the ham primal is now trading well above year ago and five year average levels for this time of year. Lean Hog futures are seeing heavy influence from the cash market gains, with nearby contracts trading close to \$2.00/cwt higher on Friday. The stronger cash market fundamentals are further adding fuel to the chart based traders that have seen a solid bullish trend over the last several weeks. The Canadian Dollar is seeing strength this morning, from commodity prices rebounding from last week's losses.

Canadian delivered soymeal prices opened steady this morning. The soymeal complex erased it's losses from Friday's close overnight—despite a relatively steady US Dollar. Scattered showers are expected throughout Argentina, with some areas still drier than average—though temperatures have been cool, minimizing crop stress. Brazil is forecasted to see drier weather for the start of the week, with most soybean-growing areas already seeing ample moisture.

Canadian delivered corn prices opened lower this morning. Sharp losses from Friday continued into the overnight session for corn futures. Steady farmer selling, decreased fund buying and weakness in crude oil pricing has created a bearish tone. The US Midwest is expected to see a storm system mid-week, which will likely halt harvesting.

US Slaughter	
2.267 Mill—Last Week's	
2.368 Mill—Last Week's (Year Ago)	
US Iowa/Sthrn MN	\$59.76
Western Corn Belt	\$59.92
Daily National Price	\$60.28
Daily Sig3(M.Leaf)	\$115.51
Daily Sig4(M.Leaf)	\$112.54
4-Month Fwd Avg	\$126.82
#1 Export Sows (+500lbs) \$32.75/cwt	
B of C Ex. Rate (Noon)	
\$1.0517 CAD / \$0.9508 US	
Cash Price (\$/cwt/ckg)	
Cash prices for week ending December 4th, 2009	
50.35 / 111.00 Signature #3	
50.14 / 110.53 Signature #4	
48.90 / 107.80 MPMC Cash	
46.96 / 103.53 Springhill	

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	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug
Fixed Forward Range (Maple Leaf Sig. #3)		117.07	123.24	124.47	129.33	140.20	142.06	141.58	136.91
		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
		121.89	127.10	127.10	135.35	144.08	147.48	143.52	141.58
Estimated Hog Margin	-7.31	-1.97	3.02	3.86	7.84	14.76	16.27	14.99	12.55
Soymeal Delivered	405	394	389	389	387	387	389	389	389
Corn Delivered	163	165	167	169	171	173	175	177	179



Rothsay Animal Vegetable Feed Fat

\$513/tonne ↓ (2 – 19 mt)

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