



Hog Margin Outlook

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Hog Prices: ↓↑

Soymeal: ↓

Corn: ↓

Cdn Dollar: ↑

US Slaughter
402,000—Monday's
405,000—Monday's (Year Ago)
US Iowa/Southern MN \$51.83
Western Corn Belt \$51.97
Daily Sig #3 Est. (M.Leaf) \$112.23
B of C Ex. Rate (Noon) \$1.1781 CAD / \$0.8488 US
Cash Price (\$/cwt/ckg) Cash prices for week ending May 1st, 2009
58.75 / 129.51 Signature #3
57.61 / 127.01 MPMC Cash
55.25 / 121.81 Springhill

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Manitoba Pork Marketing's forward contract prices opened mixed this morning. US cash markets started the week lower and are expected to continue this trend as packers attempt to mitigate their risk by cutting their production and reducing inventory. The pork cut-out is also under pressure, reflecting unwillingness among wholesalers and processors to do anything but fill existing orders. Lean Hog futures were burdened by the weekend's developments of a possible transmission of H1N1 Influenza to a swine herd in Alberta. However, this morning's trade opened with slightly more support with some of the deferred month contracts seeing firm gains. The Canadian Dollar also negatively impacted our hog prices by climbing to over US\$0.85, its highest level in 6 months.

Canadian delivered soymeal prices opened lower this morning. Yesterday's USDA Crop Progress Report showed plantings have reached 6%, in line with last year's progress—but roughly half of the 5-year average for this timeframe. Funds started yesterday off as buyers but later in the session selling accelerated and quickly deflated the strong gains for the soy complex, helping cash start the day lower.

Canadian delivered corn prices opened lower this morning. Corn plantings reached 33% completion as of Sunday—up 11% from last week, but well behind the 5-year average of 50%. Corn futures have been receiving support recently from crude oil, which over the course of the past week has rallied slowly—reaching just below \$55 US early this morning.

	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan
Fixed Forward Range		130.89	134.68	140.82	133.17	127.75	121.29	113.80	125.63
(Maple Leaf Sig. #3)		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Estimated Hog Margin	-9.84	-5.27	-3.15	-0.57	-2.70	-2.90	-2.68	-0.27	2.22
Soymeal Delivered	486	482	490	498	503	390	390	390	400
Corn Delivered	185	187	189	191	193				



Rothsay Animal Vegetable Feed Fat

\$625/tonne ↑ (2 – 19 mt)

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