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

US Slaughter							
423,000 — Tuesday's							
433,000 — Tuesday's							
(year ago)							
US Iowa/Sthrn MN \$70.58							
Western Corn Belt \$70.50							
Daily National Price \$75.65							
Daily Sig3(M.Leaf) \$130.65							
Daily Sig4(M.Leaf) \$135.76							
4-Month Fwd Avg \$129.32							
#1 Export Sows (+500lbs) \$47.00 cwt							
B of C Ex. Rate (Noon) \$1.0110CAD / \$0.9891US							
Cash Prices: Week Ending October 8th, 2010							
63.45/139.89 Signature #3							
65.60/144.63 Signature #4							
62.97/138.82 MPMC Cash							
60.50/133.38 Springhill							

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Forward contract prices opened lower this morning. U.S. cash markets are trading steady to lower at mid-week, despite packers adding hours to the weekday and a weekend slaughter schedule. Producers are current with their marketing's as carcass weights are hovering near 205 lbs, but cooler weather combined with improved feed quality is reducing the days-to-market. Lean hog futures have been resisting any downside coming from the cash market trend, but the nearby contracts are laden with huge long positions by the funds that could trigger a sell-off. The Canadian Dollar remains just shy of the U.S.\$0.99, the highest level since May.

	FALL MARKETIN	NG MEETINGS						
Brandon	Nov. 3 @ 12pm	Royal Oak Inn & Suites	Swift Current	Nov. 9 @ 12pm	Wong's Kitchen			
Starbuck	Nov. 4 @ 1:30pm	Starbuck Community Hall	Saskatoon	Nov. 10 @ 12pm	Travelodge Hotel			
Steinbach	Nov. 5 @ 12pm	Smitty's Restaurant	*** Lunch will be served at all meetings					

Canadian delivered soymeal prices opened higher this morning. Ongoing fears of tightening global supplies are the driving force behind the increase in soybean meal prices this morning. Lower ending supply forecasts in the U.S. are placing higher importance on South American production, where drought-like conditions are currently affecting planting progress.

Canadian delivered corn prices opened higher this morning. A U.S. government report released yesterday, which allows for increased use of ethanol in gasoline is seen to be driving the already surging corn market higher. With corn prices reaching \$6 a bushel, ethanol plants, livestock producers, and other users of corn are increasing their buying significantly.

	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul
Fixed Forward Range		121.57	121.71	123.55	134.16	136.75	140.12	153.14	153.14	
(Maple Leaf Sig. #3)		122.03	126.18	132.78	136.01	140.44	149.82	154.99	156.84	
(Maple Leaf Sig. #4)		121.38	122.27	125.27	132.24	135.64	137.92	147.94	149.91	
(Maple Leaf Sig. #4)		124.23	127.44	130.28	134.39	138.50	143.65	150.44	152.41	
Estimated Hog Margin		6.61	7.21	9.97	15.18	16.39	18.62	25.12	25.84	
Soymeal Delivered	387	391	391	393	392	392	390	390	397	397
Corn Delivered	224	224	224	226	228	230	232			



Rothsay Animal Vegetable Feed Fat $$673/tonne \downarrow (2 - 19 mt)$



