

Tuesday, July 19, 2011

Hog Prices: ↔ Soymeal: ↑

Corn: ↑ Cdn Dollar: ↑

US Slaughter	
404,000 – Monday's	
382,000 – Monday's (year ago)	
US Iowa/Sthrn MN	\$93.35
Western Corn Belt	\$93.16
Daily National Price	\$94.79
Daily Sig3(M.Leaf)	\$164.19
Daily Sig4(M.Leaf)	\$161.77
4-Month Fwd Avg	\$151.82
#1 Export Sows (+500lbs) \$43.50cwt	
B of C Ex. Rate (Noon) \$0.9615CAD / \$1.0400US	
Cash Prices: Week Ending July 15th, 2011	
73.36/161.74 Signature #3	
74.21/163.60 Signature #4	
72.78/160.45 H@ms Cash	
72.88/160.68 Hylife	

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Forward contract prices opened steady this morning. U.S. cash markets are expected to follow yesterday's trade by moving higher amid tight supplies. Some producers are holding off on delivering hogs to market as they wait for a break in the heat wave which is contributing to higher packer bids. The pork carcass cut-out has seen a slow trend higher, reflecting the tight supplies and impressive export sales. Lean hog futures declined more than \$1.00/cwt in the October contract, but the contract recovered most of those losses this morning. Traders are optimistic that strong export sales will be maintained through the fall months, but have been hesitant to add significant value to the fall months due the uncertainty that comes with business from China. The Canadian Dollar is trading near the high end of its recent range, despite the fact that global investors are growing more concerned about the debt crisis in Europe and the political standoff in the U.S.

Canadian delivered soymeal prices opened higher this morning. The soybean complex is trading higher after the USDA reported that 64% of the crop was in good to excellent condition, which is down 2% from last week. As well, development seems to be lagging with only 40% of the crop in bloom stage, compared to the five-year average of 52%.

Canadian delivered corn prices opened higher this morning. Corn prices are moving higher after Monday's Report where the USDA stated that 66% of corn has been rated as good to excellent, which is down from 72% last week. The decline was a reflection of heat damage, and was surprising to analysts, who were predicting only a 2% decrease. Increases in the U.S. Dollar are also providing support for prices.

	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr
Fixed Forward Range (Maple Leaf Sig. #3)		160.56	157.07	151.67	143.46	144.42	143.96	150.53	149.39	152.15
		165.39	159.25	158.65	149.22	148.78	150.96	153.59	151.58	161.46
(Maple Leaf Sig. #4)		162.99	156.41	150.93	141.79	144.50	143.14	148.64	147.12	150.17
		165.39	157.93	155.15	146.87	146.36	146.78	150.42	150.17	157.64
Soymeal Delivered	400	402	410	401	407	407	405			
Corn Delivered	290	292	292							



Rothsay Animal Vegetable Feed Fat

\$1,020/tonne ↑ (2 – 19 mt)

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