

Tuesday, September 13, 2011

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

US Slaughter	
425,000	—Monday's
411,000	—Monday's (year ago)
Western Corn Belt	\$84.62
Daily National Price	\$87.06
Daily Sig3(M.Leaf)	\$154.44
Daily Sig4(M.Leaf)	\$153.87
4-Month Fwd Avg	\$146.84
#1 Export Sows (+500lbs)	\$52.50 cwt
B of C Ex. Rate (Noon)	
\$0.9957 CAD / \$1.0043 US	
Cash Prices: Week Ending September 9th, 2011	
67.99/149.88	Signature #3
71.55/157.73	Signature #4
67.97/149.85	h@ms Cash
69.48/153.18	Hylife
ISO Weans \$15-44US	
Feeder Pigs \$29-40US	

Forward contract prices opened higher this morning. U.S. cash markets opened slightly higher this week, with strong packer margins providing the incentive for packers to compete for live hog supplies. With recent pork carcass cut-out values still hovering near \$95/cwt, estimated gross margins are near \$20 per hog. Ham values are the primal cut that typically keep prices firm at this time of year, as processors and wholesalers attempt to build inventory from now into the holidays. Lean Hog futures came under pressure late in yesterday's trade, but current values for the October contract have maintained a premium to the cash market. Traders remain optimistic about the near term trend in cash hog values, in part due to confirmation of excellent export sales activity so far this year. The Canadian Dollar remains relatively weak against its U.S. counterpart, as risk aversion caused by the ongoing European debt crisis is driving investors to the U.S. currency.

Canadian delivered soymeal prices opened lower this morning. The chill in the air is forecast into the Midwest, leading to light frost concerns. Weekly USDA report showed only 15% of the crop dropping leaves, indicating maturity. This is behind the yearly average of 27%, which is worrisome because crops are more robust to frost when they are mature.

Canadian delivered corn prices opened lower this morning. Harvest results are looking good, illustrated by USDA's weekly crop report which raised its good to excellent rating by one percentage point to 53%. USDA has decreased the output forecast for corn by 3.2% to 12.5 billion bushels, but this would still be the third largest crop in history.

	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May
Fixed Forward Range (Maple Leaf Sig. #3)		149.37	140.10	141.10	143.52	153.99	156.99	158.21	171.71
		149.82	146.10	145.64	153.08	157.17	158.35	167.79	175.81
(Maple Leaf Sig. #4)		150.72	141.12	143.76	145.33	153.61	155.55	157.09	168.13
		151.60	146.23	145.88	150.44	156.61	157.84	164.69	174.93
Soymeal Delivered	392	395	402	402	413				
Corn Delivered	307	307							

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\$945 tonne ↓ (2 – 19 mt)

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