

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

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Forward contract prices opened mixed this morning. U.S. cash markets are finishing the week higher as packer demand is exceeding the available supply. U.S. Thanksgiving tends to provide the largest shock to the weekly supply when compared to other holidays as it occurs at the peak of fall supply increase and cuts the weekly slaughter schedule by 20%. December Lean Hog futures have held their ground while the cash market has declined in the last several weeks with traders betting on a strong rally ahead of the Christmas holidays. Volume and price changes are moderated by a lack of participants today, with many traders taking the day off. The Canadian Dollar has come under further pressure over the last week, as events in Europe have led to a further erosion of sovereign debt markets.

Canadian delivered soymeal prices opened higher this morning. USDA weekly sales report showed sales of 921,600 metric tons for the week ending Nov 17th, with China being the primary buyer. This is above analysts' expectation of sales, which range from 500,000 to 900,000 tons.

Canadian delivered corn prices opened higher this morning. Corn production last week was estimated at 97.68 million bushels, which is higher than the 96.183 million bushels needed to reach the USDA estimate each week. Ethanol production is 0.11% this week averaging 917,000 barrels/day. The International Grains Council cut their 2011/12 forecast of global corn production by 2 million tonnes to 853 million tonnes.

US Slaughter	
427,000–	Wednesday's
424,000 –	Wednesday's (year ago)
Western Corn Belt	\$81.45
Daily National Price	\$84.00
Daily Sig3(M.Leaf)	\$156.46
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4-Month Fwd Avg	\$165.25
#1 Export Sows (+500lbs)	\$50.50cwt
B of C Ex. Rate (Noon)	
\$1.0480CAD / \$0.9542US	
Cash Prices: Week Ending November 18th, 2011	
68.71/151.48	Signature #3
70.33/155.06	Signature #4
68.04/150.00	h@ms Cash
68.35/150.68	Hylife
ISO Weans \$24-50US	
Feeder Pigs \$47-62.50US	

	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June	July	Aug
Fixed Forward Range (Maple Leaf Sig. #3)		157.63	157.85	166.74	167.70	170.72	182.58	181.13	183.23	165.46
		157.63	166.49	170.81	169.14	179.88	185.95	187.88	184.20	182.56
(Maple Leaf Sig. #4)		159.24	158.99	164.98	164.83	168.12	177.92	181.37	180.05	166.86
		159.24	163.17	167.26	167.51	175.22	182.12	183.80	180.99	178.18
Soymeal Delivered	329	329	333	340	343	356	356	361	361	368
Corn Delivered	—	257	260	265						

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