

Friday, June 14, 2013

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

US Slaughter	
396,000	Thursday
395,000	Thursday (year ago)
W. Corn Belt	\$102.89
National Price	\$100.00
Daily Sig 3	\$191.80
Daily Sig 4	\$180.53
Thunder Creek	\$192.16
4-Month Fwd.	\$163.88
#1 Export Sows (+500lbs)	\$ 51.00 cwt.
<b>B of C Ex. Rate (Noon)</b>	
\$1.0170 CAD/\$0.9832 USD	
<b>Cash Prices: Week Ending June 14, 2013</b>	
Signature 3	84.23/185.70
Signature 4	80.61/177.72
h@ms Cash	79.93/176.22
Hylife	n/a
Thunder Creek	81.33/179.30
ISO Weans	\$26.54 US Avg.
Feeder Pigs	\$46.97 US Avg.

## Forward contract prices opened lower this morning.

US cash markets rallied throughout the week to reach the highest level in almost one year. While packers were aggressive buyers in the live hog market, wholesale pork prices declined, moving operating margins deeper into negative territory. Packers are sacrificing short-term profitability in order to build meat inventory ahead of the July 4 long weekend. Lean Hog futures have been slow to match cash market gains as traders remain cautious about the medium-term trend, largely due to poor export sales. Currently, fall month forward contracts are discounted at a rate nearly double what the average level is for this time of year. Producers looking for protection should consider pricing summer month contracts at current levels but set targets for the fall and winter timeframe.

## Canadian delivered soymeal prices opened lower this morning.

US soybean futures are trading higher. Markets are reacting in part to a surging interior basis that has occurred as a result of tight supplies and strong demand for meal amid healthy crush margins. As well, meal export sales have been strong suggesting crush demand will be maintained. Cumulative sales are at 98.5% compared to an 84% 5-year average. Planting progress is expected to come in near 90% next week; the USDA Crop Progress report will be released Monday afternoon.

## Canadian delivered corn prices opened higher this morning.

US corn futures are trading mixed. There is talk that the 'bearish' WASDE report has pressured the trade over the past two sessions but strong cash markets are offering support. Weather forecasts remain a prominent focus as estimated acreage was not revised by the USDA. If/when a revision is to occur, it will likely follow the release of the NASS Acreage report on July 28. Forecasted light showers and moderate heat in critical growing areas are helping planted acres already in the ground.

Fixed Forward Range	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar
(Maple Leaf Sig. #3)		175.81 178.14	161.22 174.42	153.29 155.16	146.90 154.37	138.78 144.85	141.58 144.38	142.42 148.06	148.53 151.82	147.02 149.37
(Maple Leaf Sig. #4)		174.22 175.49	163.97 173.23	154.22 160.90	149.84 154.36	140.18 148.13	142.16 145.78	142.65 145.74	148.29 151.38	148.02 150.02
Soymeal Delivered	558	560	565	565	455	453	453			
Corn Delivered	288	290	292							

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