

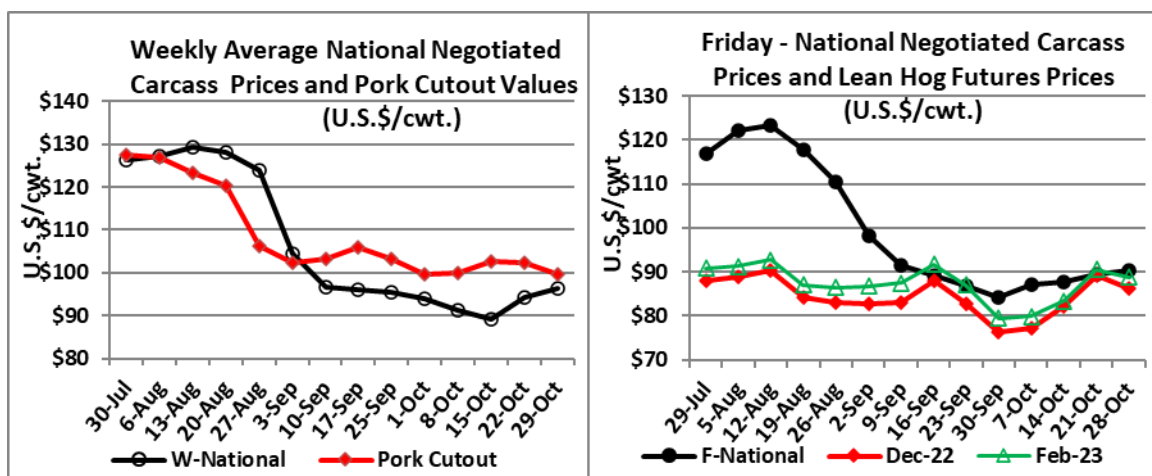
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Bi-Weekly Hog Report

October 31, 2022

Cash Slaughter Weight Hog Prices

United States daily average slaughter weight cash hog prices (National Negotiated) were noticeably higher Tuesday and Wednesday before pulling back but still managed to edge higher, week-over-week. Cash hog prices on Friday October 28, averaged US\$90.44 per cwt, a price increase of US\$0.92 per cwt from US\$89.52 per cwt the previous Friday. The negotiated weekly average National base price averaged US\$96.35 per cwt last week, a price increase of US\$2.05 per cwt or 2.2 per cent from US\$94.30 per cwt the previous week.



Source: LMIC

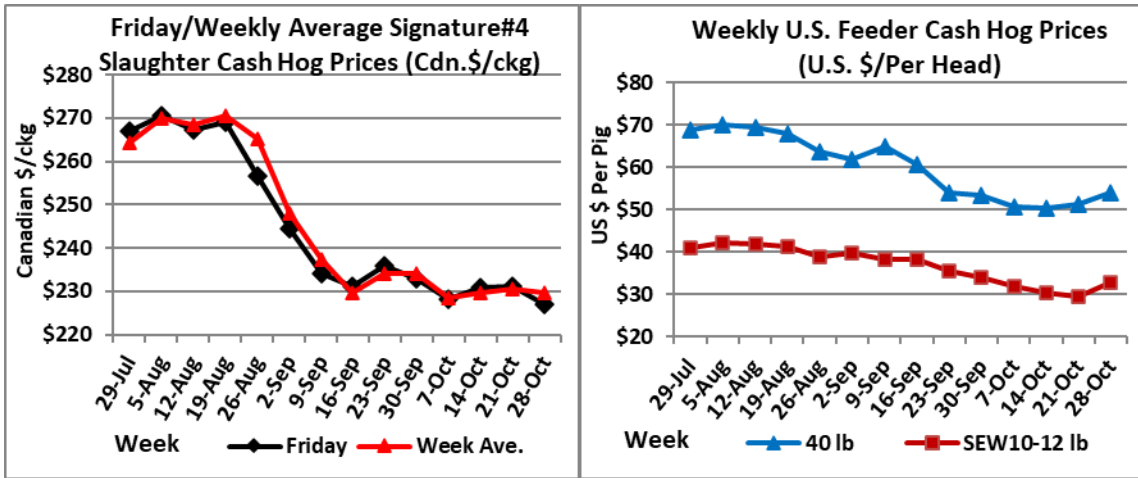
Source: LMIC, CME

Futures Markets

United States lean hog futures daily prices were mixed but overall lower last week. The nearby December 2022 contract settled Friday at US\$86.100 per cwt, a price decline of US\$3.025 per cwt from the previous Friday's close of US\$89.125 per cwt. The February 2023 contract declined US\$1.675 per cwt or 1.85 per cent last week to settle Friday at US\$88.850 per cwt.

Cash Feeder Hog Prices

North American (Iowa) iso-wean (10-12lb) cash hog prices and feeder (40lb) prices were higher last week. Weighted average cash prices for U.S. based iso-weans (12lb) were US\$32.92 per head last week, a price increase of US\$3.30 per pig from US\$29.62 per head the previous week. Feeder (40lb) cash prices averaged US\$53.99 per head last week, a price increase of US\$2.61 per head from US\$51.38 per head the previous week.



Source: HAMS Marketing

Source: LMIC, USDA

Canadian Hog Markets

In Canada, the Signature#4 (Maple Leaf) Index 100 daily price for Friday Oct. 28, 2022, was \$227.14 per ckg, a price decline of \$3.88 per ckg or 1.7 per cent from \$231.02 per ckg from the previous Friday. The Signature#4 (Maple Leaf) Index 100 weekly price (Friday to Thursday) averaged \$229.57 per ckg last week; a price decline of \$1.10 per ckg from the previous weeks' average price of \$230.67 per ckg. The Bank of Canada raised interest rates a half per cent last week helping the Canadian dollar to rebound against the U.S. dollar. The Canadian dollar peaked on Thursday before pulling back to settle Friday at 73.45 cents, a price increase of 0.53 cents from 72.92 cents the previous Friday.

United States Hogs Slaughtered

U.S. hogs slaughtered under federal inspection for the U.S. week ending October 29, 2022, were estimated at 2.557 million head, down 0.5 per cent from the previous week's estimate of 2.571 million head, but up slightly (0.2 per cent) from 2.552 million head the same week a year ago. Weekly U.S. hog slaughter numbers over the last four weeks averaged 2.563 million head, down 1.3 per cent from 2.597 million head over the same period in 2021. U.S hog slaughter numbers over the last eight weeks averaged 2.504 million head, down 1.2 per cent from 2.535 million head over the same period a year ago.

Meat Production

U.S. pork production for the week ending October 29, 2022, was estimated at 545.7 million lb., down 0.2 per cent from 547.0 million lb. the previous week, and down 0.6 per cent from 549.0 million lb. the same week a year ago. Pork production over the last four weeks ending October 29, 2022, was estimated to average 547.1 million lb., down 1.7 per cent from 556.3 million lb. over the same period a year ago. Pork production over the last eight weeks ending October 29, 2022, averaged 533.0 million lb., down 1.1 per cent from 539.1 million lb. the same period a year ago.

U.S. beef production for the week ending October 29, 2022, was estimated at 554.0 million lb., down 0.6 per cent from 557.4 million lb. the previous week, and down 0.3 per cent from 555.4 million lb. the same week a year ago.

Combined production of U.S. beef, pork, chicken, and turkey over the four weeks ending October 23, 2022, were estimated to average 2.378 billion lb., up 3.0 percent from the 2.308 billion lb. over the same four weeks a year ago. Based on the weekly production numbers, U.S. meat production year-to-date for the first 42-weeks of 2022 was 0.8 per cent higher compared to the same period a year ago. Pork production over the last four weeks was 1.8 per cent lower compared to the same period a year ago, while pork production year-to-date is down about 2.1 per cent.

United States Weekly Meat Production

(Oct. 23) Four Week Average - Million Lb.	Percent Change			
	2021	2022	4 Week	2022
Pork	552.6	542.7	-1.78%	-2.13%
Beef	540.6	553.8	2.43%	1.74%
Chicken	1,084.8	1,155.6	6.53%	2.38%
Turkey	129.7	126.0	-2.87%	-4.68%
Total	2,307.7	2,378.1	3.051%	0.766%

Source: LMIC

Cutout Values

Pork cutout values for the week ending October 29, 2022, averaged US\$99.59 per cwt, a price decline of US\$2.87 per cwt or 2.8 per cent from US\$102.46 per cwt the previous week; but up 5.3 per cent from US\$94.58 per cwt from the same week a year ago. Ham, loin, and belly prices were lower over the week with loins having the biggest percentage decline over the week of 4.6 per cent to average US\$87.43 per cwt.

Choice beef cutout prices (600-900 lb.) for the week ending October 29, 2022, averaged US\$261.19 per cwt over the week, a price increase of US\$9.26 per cwt or 3.7 per cent from US\$251.93 per cwt from the previous week; but 8.2 per cent lower from US\$284.41 per cwt the same week a year ago.

Average chicken cutout values (breast) for the week ending October 29, averaged US\$105.55 per cwt, a noticeable price decline of US\$9.07 per cwt or 7.9 per cent from US\$114.62 per cwt from the previous week. Chicken prices have declined significantly over the last few weeks.

Meat In U.S. Cold Storage

USDA released the latest U.S. cold storage numbers on October 24 for the September 30, 2022, inventory numbers. The United States' pork stocks in cold storage totaled 537.9 million lb. on September 30, 2022, down slightly (0.13 per cent) from 538.6 million lb. on August 31, 2022, but up 14.5 per cent from 469.9 million lb. on September 30, 2021. U.S. pork stocks in cold storage for September 30, 2022, were slightly above the monthly 15-year average but below the monthly 15-year highs for September.

The U.S. beef stocks in cold storage totaled 522.9 million lb. on September 30, 2022, up 1.8 per cent from 513.8 million lb. the previous month (August 31, 2022), and up 18.9 per cent from 439.6 million lb. on September 30, 2021 (Year ago). **Beef stocks in cold**

storage for September 30, 2022, reached a new monthly 15-year high for September, but still was below many other monthly highs.

Total pork, beef, chicken and turkey in cold storage on September 30, 2022, was estimated to be 2.328 billion lb., up 0.5 per cent from 2.318 billion lb. the previous month, and up 13.0 per cent from 2.061 billion lb. a year ago on September 30, 2021. U.S. meat in cold storage for September 30, 2022, was above the monthly 15-year average for September, but well below the monthly 15-year highs for September.

United States Stocks in Cold Storage (Frozen)

1,000 Pounds			
Commodity	30-Sep-2021	31-Aug-2022	30-Sep-2022
Pork	469,917	538,596	537,879
Beef	439,621	513,810	522,862
Chicken	737,033	832,493	873,016
Turkey	414,128	432,860	394,455
Total Combined	2,060,699	2,317,759	2,328,212

Source: NASS

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