



Sterling Pork Profit Tracker

"Monitoring Free Market Pork Industry Profits"

Sterling Marketing, Inc.

	Week Ending	Week Ago	Month Ago	Year Ago
	May 3, 2025			
Farrow to Finish Margin (\$/head)	\$51.37	\$51.09	\$45.71	\$40.80
Lean Carcass (W. Cornbelt. Negotiated)	\$92.45	\$91.40	\$88.37	\$91.72
Feed Cost				
This Week's Hogs Placed for Finishing	72.66	77.94	75.27	85.08
This Week's Marketed Hogs	76.49	74.57	73.40	90.34
Total Cost				
This Week's Hogs Placed for Finishing	141.45	146.82	144.10	154.39
This Week's Marketed Hogs	145.34	143.39	142.27	154.56
Calculated Breakeven Price				
This Week's Hogs Placed for Finishing	66.72	69.25	67.97	73.52
This Week's Marketed Hogs	68.56	67.63	67.11	72.56
Packer Margin (\$/head)	(\$6.41)	(\$6.05)	(\$0.92)	(\$1.71)
Lean Carcass (W. Cornbelt. Negotiated)	92.45	91.40	88.37	91.72
Pork Cutout (\$/cwt)	97.13	96.03	95.35	98.35
Drop Credit (\$/head)	11.78	12.24	12.33	12.41
	May 3, 2025	Week Ago	Month Ago	Year Ago
Hog Slaughter	2,486,000	2,430,000	2,509,486	2,402,816
Market Hogs	2,421,364	2,366,820	2,444,239	2,337,940
Plant Capacity Utilization	93.5%	91.4%	94.4%	89.2%
Sows	59,664	58,320	62,737	60,070
Pork Production	539.5	527.5	544.9	517.0
(federally inspected, mil. lbs.)				
Carcass Weight - average - all hogs (lbs.)	217	217	217	215
Feed Cost Relative to Total Cost				
For this Week's Finishing Placement	51.4%	53.1%	52.2%	55.1%
Against this Week's Marketing	52.6%	52.0%	51.6%	58.4%
Annual Projections - April 4, 2025				
	2025*	2024	2023	2022
Farrow-to- Finish Margin (\$/head)	\$38.09	\$15.24	(\$16.87)	\$43.75
Packer Margin (\$ / head)	\$9.37	\$18.55	\$12.71	(\$7.00)



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