



Sterling Pork Profit Tracker

"Monitoring Free Market Pork Industry Profits"

Sterling Marketing, Inc.

	Week Ending	Week Ago	Month Ago	Year Ago
	August 9, 2025			
Farrow to Finish Margin (\$/head)	\$92.95	\$93.66	\$90.24	\$28.37
Lean Carcass (W. Cornbelt. Negotiated)	\$111.71	\$111.93	\$110.84	\$85.16
Feed Cost				
This Week's Hogs Placed for Finishing	62.21	63.51	69.78	75.35
This Week's Marketed Hogs	75.27	75.01	75.52	80.96
Total Cost				
This Week's Hogs Placed for Finishing	130.82	132.15	138.52	144.48
This Week's Marketed Hogs	144.10	143.84	144.36	150.20
Calculated Breakeven Price				
This Week's Hogs Placed for Finishing	62.90	63.53	66.60	68.15
This Week's Marketed Hogs	67.02	66.90	67.46	71.52
Packer Margin (\$/head)	(\$0.81)	(\$2.82)	(\$7.14)	\$20.61
Lean Carcass (W. Cornbelt. Negotiated)	111.71	111.93	110.84	85.16
Pork Cutout (\$/cwt)	116.97	116.22	113.04	100.49
Drop Credit (\$/head)	12.20	12.20	12.23	12.67
	August 9, 2025	Week Ago	Month Ago	Year Ago
Hog Slaughter	2,350,000	2,336,000	2,339,747	2,379,420
Market Hogs	2,288,900	2,275,264	2,276,574	2,315,176
Plant Capacity Utilization	88.4%	87.9%	87.9%	89.4%
Sows	56,400	56,064	58,494	57,106
Pork Production	495.1	492.3	494.1	499.9
(federally inspected, mil. lbs.)				
Carcass Weight - average - all hogs (lbs.)	211	211	211	210
Feed Cost Relative to Total Cost				
For this Week's Finishing Placement	47.6%	48.1%	50.4%	52.2%
Against this Week's Marketing	52.2%	52.1%	52.3%	53.9%
Annual Projections - August 11, 2025				
	2025*	2024	2023	2022
Farrow-to- Finish Margin (\$/head)	\$54.78	\$15.24	(\$16.87)	\$43.75
Packer Margin (\$ / head)	\$11.40	\$22.80	\$16.93	(\$2.73)



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