



Sterling Pork Profit Tracker

"Monitoring Free Market Pork Industry Profits"

Sterling Marketing, Inc.

	Week Ending	Week Ago	Month Ago	Year Ago
	May 24, 2025			
Farrow to Finish Margin (\$/head)	\$59.43	\$57.95	\$52.45	\$33.97
Lean Carcass (W. Cornbelt. Negotiated)	\$95.71	\$94.44	\$91.40	\$87.42
Feed Cost				
This Week's Hogs Placed for Finishing	74.69	74.69	77.94	87.35
This Week's Marketed Hogs	78.55	76.64	74.57	82.96
Total Cost				
This Week's Hogs Placed for Finishing	143.51	143.51	146.82	156.70
This Week's Marketed Hogs	147.43	145.49	143.39	152.23
Calculated Breakeven Price				
This Week's Hogs Placed for Finishing	67.06	67.06	68.29	73.91
This Week's Marketed Hogs	67.94	67.36	67.00	71.47
Packer Margin (\$/head)	(\$1.02)	(\$3.82)	(\$1.75)	\$15.29
Lean Carcass (W. Cornbelt. Negotiated)	95.71	94.44	91.40	87.42
Pork Cutout (\$/cwt)	100.68	98.10	96.03	100.07
Drop Credit (\$/head)	12.30	12.30	12.24	12.30
	May 24, 2025	Week Ago	Month Ago	Year Ago
Hog Slaughter	2,362,000	2,400,000	2,415,943	2,371,081
Market Hogs	2,300,588	2,337,600	2,350,713	2,302,320
Plant Capacity Utilization	88.8%	90.3%	90.8%	87.8%
Sows	54,326	55,200	60,399	61,648
Pork Production	511.2	520.4	524.7	509.3
(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	52.0%	52.0%	53.1%	55.7%
Against this Week's Marketing	53.3%	52.7%	52.0%	54.5%
Annual Projections - May 13, 2025				
	2025*	2024	2023	2022
Farrow-to- Finish Margin (\$/head)	\$37.00	\$15.24	(\$16.87)	\$43.75
Packer Margin (\$ / head)	\$8.00	\$18.55	\$12.71	(\$7.00)



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