



Sterling Pork Profit Tracker

"Monitoring Free Market Pork Industry Profits"

Sterling Marketing, Inc.

	Week Ending	Week Ago	Month Ago	Year Ago
	February 7, 2026			
Farrow to Finish Margin (\$/head)	\$46.75	\$41.22	\$12.44	\$31.91
Lean Carcass (W. Cornbelt. Negotiated)	\$86.66	\$85.50	\$72.26	\$85.78
Feed Cost				
This Week's Hogs Placed for Finishing	73.45	72.12	74.66	80.99
This Week's Marketed Hogs	70.44	71.99	71.05	80.75
Total Cost				
This Week's Hogs Placed for Finishing	142.02	140.68	143.26	149.91
This Week's Marketed Hogs	139.12	140.69	139.82	149.82
Calculated Breakeven Price				
This Week's Hogs Placed for Finishing	64.85	64.24	65.41	69.40
This Week's Marketed Hogs	65.31	66.68	66.58	71.01
Packer Margin (\$/head)	\$6.86	\$9.64	\$32.08	\$8.03
Lean Carcass (W. Cornbelt. Negotiated)	86.66	85.50	72.26	85.78
Pork Cutout (\$/cwt)	95.02	95.13	92.10	95.01
Drop Credit (\$/head)	12.50	12.50	12.59	12.04
	February 7, 2026	Week Ago	Month Ago	Year Ago
Hog Slaughter	2,493,000	2,501,000	2,676,247	2,520,906
Market Hogs	2,430,675	2,438,475	2,609,341	2,455,362
Plant Capacity Utilization	93.9%	94.2%	100.8%	94.8%
Sows	57,339	57,523	61,554	60,502
Pork Production	570.3	551.0	591.1	548.3
(federally inspected, mil. lbs.)				
Carcass Weight - average - all hogs (lbs.)	220	220	220	218
Feed Cost Relative to Total Cost				
For this Week's Finishing Placement	51.7%	51.3%	52.1%	54.0%
Against this Week's Marketing	50.6%	51.2%	50.8%	53.9%
Annual Projections - January 13, 2026				
	2026*	2025	2024	2023
Farrow-to- Finish Margin (\$/head)	\$48.77	\$53.55	\$15.24	(\$16.87)
Packer Margin (\$ / head)	\$16.19	\$9.26	\$22.80	\$16.93



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