

Hog Markets

Indianapolis Hogs

Tuesday, Dec. 22
 HOGS: 900 - Barrows & gilts moderately active, 1.50-2.00 lower. US 1-2 220-245 lbs. 40.75-41.00.
 SOWS: Not well tested. (6%). US 1-3 Lot 510 lbs. 35.50.
 BOARS: Scarce.

St. Louis Hogs

Tuesday, Dec. 22
 Report supplied by USDA
 HOGS: 6000 - Barrows & gilts very slow, 1.00-1.50 lower. Limited early sales US 1-2 200-240 lbs. 40.50-41.00, late 40.00-40.50; US 1-3 230-260 lbs. 39.50-40.00.
 SOWS: 2.00-2.50 lower. (About 10%). US 1-3 300-500 lbs. 32.50-34.00; Over 500 lbs. 36.00-38.00.
 BOARS: Over 250 lbs. 30.50.

Peoria Hogs

Tuesday, Dec. 22
 Report supplied by USDA
 HOGS: 5000 - Barrows & gilts slow, early 1.00-1.50 lower, some volume 40.00-40.50, late sales mostly 39.50. US 1-2 200-240 lbs. 40.00-41.00, US 1-3 200-240 lbs. 39.00-40.00.
 SOWS: 1.50-2.00 lower. (20%). US 1-3 350-425 lbs. 32.50-33.00, few 33.50; 425-500 lbs. 33.50-35.00; 500-650 lbs. 35.00-36.00, some 36.50.
 BOARS: Over 350 lbs. 30.50; under 350 lbs. 32.00-34.00.

Lancaster Hogs

Monday, Dec. 21
 Report supplied by auction
 HOGS: Barrows and gilts 1.00-2.00 higher; sows 3.00-4.00 higher.
 BARROWS AND GILTS: US 1-2 200-245 lbs. 44.25-45.00; US 1 205-250 lbs. 45.00-46.00, few Selected 36.50-47.00; US 1-3 210-260 lbs. 43.75-44.25; US 2-3 215-260 lbs. 42.50-43.75.
 SOWS: US 1-3 300-450 lbs. 32.00-34.00; 450-500 lbs. 33.50-35.00; 500-650 lbs. 34.50-36.50, few 37.00.

Special Feeder Pig Sale

Farmville, Va.
 Friday, Dec. 18
 Report supplied by VDA
 There were 1500 head sold.
 US 1-2 30-40 lbs. 58.50; 40-50 lbs. 59.75; 50-60 lbs. 54.00; 60-70 lbs. 49.25; 70-84 lbs. 45.00; 85-100 lbs. 40.50.
 US 3: 30-40 lbs. 57.00; 40-50 lbs. 50.00; 50-60 lbs. 50.00; 60-70 lbs. 45.00; 70-84 lbs. 42.50.
 UT & US 4: 30-40 lbs. 40.50; 40-50 lbs. 43.50; 50-60 lbs. 40.00; 85-100 lbs. 38.00.

New Holland Hogs

Monday, Dec. 21
 Report supplied by USDA
 Today 1478
 Last Monday 1266
 Last Year 1468
 TREND: Compared to last Monday barrows and gilts firm to 25 higher, instances 50 higher.
 BARROWS AND GILTS: US 1-2 200-245 lbs. 43.75-44.85, Mainly 44.35-44.60. US 1 210-260 lbs. 44.50-45.25, Few 45.50-46.85.

Lancaster Hog Auction

Tuesday, Dec. 22
 Report supplied by auction
 TODAY 459
 LAST TUESDAY 203
 TREND: Compared to Monday barrows and gilts 1.00-1.50 lower.
 BARROWS AND GILTS: US 1-2 200-240 lbs. 43.00-43.50. US 1 210-250 lbs. 43.75-44.50, Few 45.00-45.50.

East Coast Carlot

Monday, Dec. 21
 Report supplied by USDA
 Compared to Friday's close: Prime special fed veal 7.00 to 10.00 lower in limited trading. Good and Choice boning veal steady in narrow test.

VEAL CARCASS

Prime (Special Fed)
 HIDE-ON
 125 Head
 180-240 lbs. 158.00-160.00 LTD 7.00 to 10.00 lower, few 155.00.
 BONING TYPE
 HIDE-ON
 Good & Choice
 Northeastern Suppliers: All steady, 65-75 lbs. LTD 79.00-80.00, few 78.00; 55-64 lbs. LTD 77.00-78.00, few 76.00; 45-54 lbs. 75.00-76.00, few 74.00; 35-44 lbs. 73.00-

U.S. Inspected Livestock Slaughter

Estimated Daily Livestock Slaughter — Wednesday, Dec. 22
 Report supplied by USDA Estimated Daily Livestock Slaughter Under Federal Inspection

	CATTLE	CALVES	HOGS	SHEEP
This Week	247,000	23,000	684,000	48,000
Last Week	241,000	21,000	711,000	48,000
Last Year	232,000	18,000	699,000	43,000

Market courtesy of USDA.

Chicago Grain Futures

(Closing Bids as of Tuesday Dec. 22)

	Corn	Wheat	Soybeans	Soybean Meal
Jan.	-	-	6.09%	182.50
Mar.	2.66%	3.83%	-	184.50
May	2.75%	3.91%	6.38%	187.40
July	2.80%	3.93%	6.51	-

Trend - Corn is higher, Wheat is higher, Soybeans are higher, Soybean Meal is higher.

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Futures Trading

(Closing Bids as of Tuesday, Dec. 22)

	Chicago Cattle	Chicago Hogs	New York Maine Potatoes
Feb.	55.87	40.30	-
Apr.	54.84	38.90	7.84
June	55.60	-	-
July	-	42.65	-

Trend - Cattle are lower, Hogs are higher. Potatoes are lower.

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USDA reduces Medfly spray areas

WASHINGTON, D.C. — The number of square miles in California under aerial pesticide treatment for Mediterranean fruit fly has been reduced to reflect progress made in eradicating the pest, U.S. Department of Agriculture officials said.
 "We've dropped the areas with no recent fly finds from our treatment blocks," said Harvey L. Ford, deputy administrator of USDA's Animal and Plant Health

Inspection Service, which manages the program with California's Department of Food and Agriculture.

According to Ford, about 210 square miles will still be sprayed over the winter months, but on a 2-week schedule, rather than weekly. About 1,300 square miles were under treatment in California at the height of the infestation last summer.

"In addition, some other program elements will be scaled down to reflect the seasonal decrease in fly activity," he said. According to Ford, close to 100,000 Medfly traps remain in the state. Those in areas of recent fly finds will be serviced weekly, as before, while others will go on a 2-week schedule.

"Barring unexpected finds, we will remain on these treatment and trapping schedules until warmer temperatures trigger increased fly activity in the spring," he said. "At that time, we may pick up flies in scattered locations, and if conditions dictate we will adjust program operations accordingly."

Ford said people still need to comply with regulations on movement of Medfly hosts.

"Public cooperation has been much improved lately," he said. "One reason may be that less host fruit is available, but I hope it also means people have a better understanding of why they mustn't carry the fruit out."



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