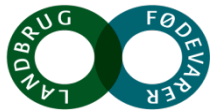


MARKET NEWS for pig meat



Market analysis

9 January, 2024

Week 2

MARKET SITUATION

Europe: Trading is at unchanged price levels. This applies to both legs and other cuts.

UK: Sales are stable.

China: Very quiet trading continues. **Japan and other Asian markets:** subdued demand.

Slaughtering in Denmark

Weekly slaughtering figures for pigs and sows as reported to the Danish Classification Control Service. The figures exclude culled pigs.

	Week 50	Week 51	Week 52	Weeks 1-52 2023:22
Carcass weight >110 kg	11,500	11,362	8,346	-29.9%
Carcass weight <110 kg	291,156	248,823	155,356	-18.1%
Total	302,656	260,185	163,702	-18.6%



USA

Futures

Chicago (\$ per 100 lbs carcass weight)	Lean Hog			Pork Cutout		
	5/1	29/12	Change	5/1	29/12	Change
2024						
Feb	70.00	67.98	2.02	82.90	81.73	1.17
Apr	76.38	74.85	1.53	85.13	83.95	1.18
May	83.15	81.50	1.65	90.95	89.88	1.07
Jun	91.35	89.93	1.42	98.15	96.48	1.67
Jul	93.13	91.95	1.18	100.73	99.05	1.68
Aug	93.18	92.53	0.65	101.15	99.48	1.67
Oct	81.80	81.08	0.72	92.95	91.28	1.67
Dec	75.18	74.20	0.98	89.08	87.40	1.68
2025						
Feb	78.50	77.45	1.05	91.90	90.23	1.67
Apr	82.15	80.95	1.20	97.75	96.08	1.67
May	89.03	87.83	1.20	104.35	102.68	1.67
Jun	94.25	95.20	-0.95	110.68	109.00	1.68

Conversion factors:

1 lb = 0.4536 kg

1 \$ = DKK

6.8294

 **CHINA**
Futures

Dalian (yuan per kg)	Pigs					
	27/11	4/12	11/12	18/12	26/12	Change 18/12- 26/12
January 2024	15.55	13.91	14.13	14.80	14.06	-0.74
March 2024	14.59	13.52	14.22	14.42	14.05	-0.37
May 2024	15.18	14.60	15.25	15.36	15.28	-0.08
July 2024	16.21	15.72	16.23	16.33	16.15	-0.18
September 2024	17.31	16.94	17.29	17.33	17.06	-0.27
November 2024		17.30	17.39	17.33	17.21	-0.12
Conversion factors: 1 Y = DKK 0.9481: 1 Y = EUR 0.13						

 **EU**
African Swine Fever

According to the EU Commission's reporting system for the outbreak of disease, outbreaks of ASF have been reported for the following countries, plus Serbia, Ukraine, Moldova, Bosnia-Herzegovina, Kosovo and North Macedonia.

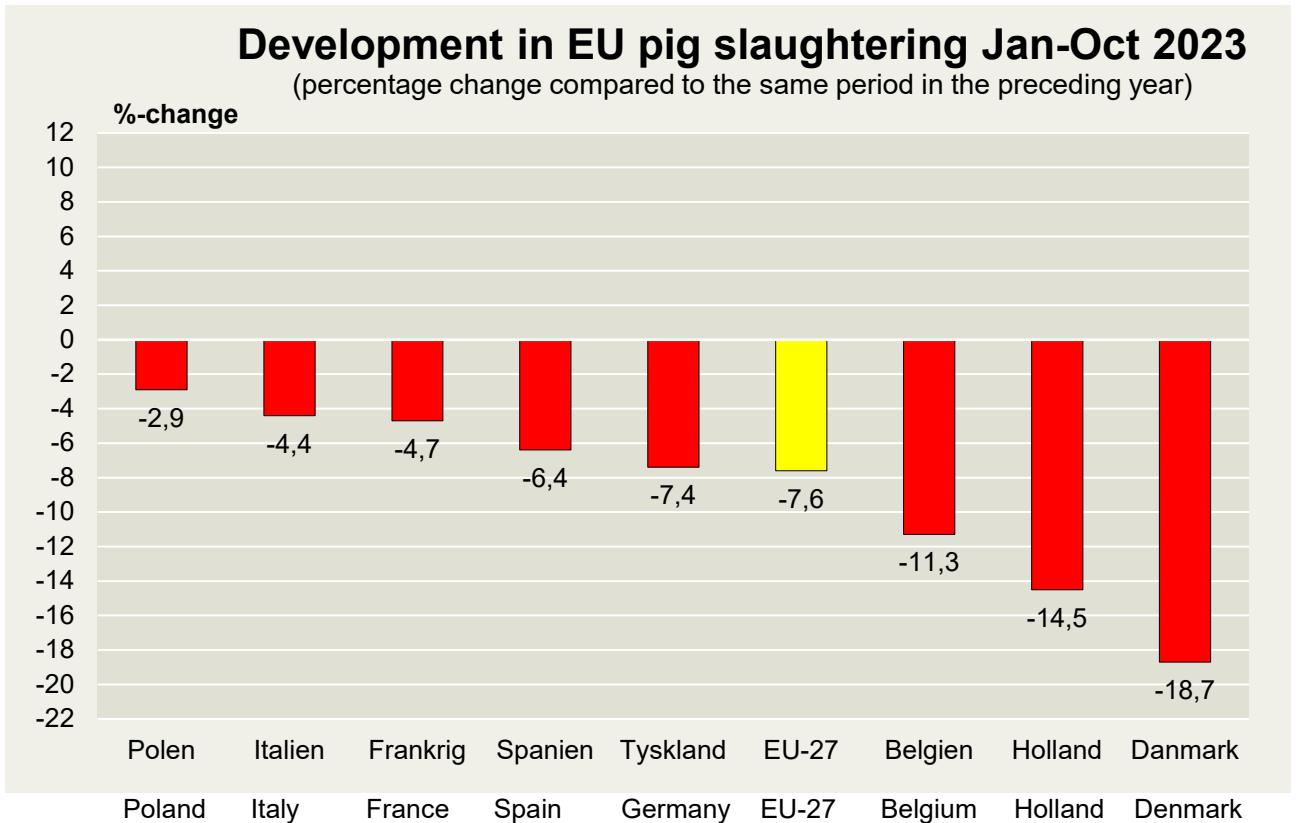
Countries	Period 9 Dec-16 Dec		Year to date 1 Jan - 16 Dec		2022		2021	
	Pigs	Wild boar	Pigs	Wild boar	Pigs	Wild boar	Pigs	Wild boar
Estonia		3	2	52		57	1	67
Latvia		23	8	713	6	913	2	338
Lithuania		24	3	424	16	302		238
Poland		42	30	2,659	14	2,152	124	3,023
Italy		22	17	964	4	277	1	14
Ukraine		1	35	8	7	2	13	3
Czech Republic				55		1		
Romania	4	8	737	283	329	465	1,648	1,019
Hungary				395		550		2,568
Bulgaria		27	3	303	2	387	6	318
Slovakia		2		537	5	550	11	1,622
Serbia			977	204	107	146	33	71
Moldova			19	6	14	3	1	
Bosnia-Herzegovina	22	6	1,508	22				
Croatia			1,124	10				
North Macedonia			15	36	30	9		
Kosovo			9	4				
Belgium								
Germany		6	1	891	3	1,628	4	2,431
Sweden				60				
Greece			6	2				
Total	26	164	4,494	7,628	537	7,442	1,844	11,712



Pig slaughtering down by 7.6 per cent for January-October 2023

The chart below shows slaughtering development across the EU and the 8 largest pig producing countries in the EU for the period January-October 2023 compared to the same period last year.

The figures are based on the respective countries' reporting to Eurostat.



9 per cent fall in slaughtering in 2023

Figures from the trade organisation, AHDB, show that at 9.28 million, British slaughtering of finishers for the period Jan-November 2023 was 9 per cent – 930,000 head – lower than the same period in the previous year.

In the first half year 2023, British slaughtering was 11 per cent lower than the previous year. The figures for the most recently calculated month, i.e. November, show that slaughtering was 4.8 per cent lower than the previous year. Slaughtering figures are therefore stabilising.

AHDB has announced that they expect the British breeding herd to increase slightly.



GERMANY

Pig meat storage increases but remains lower compared to one year ago

The latest calculation from AMI for German storage of frozen pig meat for November 2023 shows total storage of 84,000 tonnes. This is a rise of 73,000 tonnes in October, but remains lower compared to one year ago, when storage stood at 101,000 tonnes.

Pig meat storage in Germany stood at a high level in 2021 and at the start of 2022 – often at more than 200,000 tonnes. But from May 2022 to the end of the year, storage fell from 212,000 tonnes to 96,000 tonnes in December.

In 2023, only in January and April was storage above 100,000 tonnes.

 **JAPAN**

Pig meat imports

The tables below show Japan's total pig meat imports, including fresh/frozen pig meat, for the period January-November 2023 compared to the same period last year.

Total pig meat			
Tonnes	2023 Jan-Nov	2022 Jan-Nov	% change 2023:22
USA	305,377	330,181	-7.5
Canada	215,084	209,383	2.7
Spain	163,534	177,259	-7.7
Mexico	123,238	126,789	-2.8
Denmark	71,955	100,441	-28.4
Chile	40,098	34,767	15.3
Brazil	36,461	26,224	39.0
Holland	28,398	39,872	-28.8
France	17,126	16,066	6.6
China	13,346	13,588	-1.8
Ireland	11,883	16,304	-27.1
Thailand	8,058	9,350	-13.8
Austria	1,603	3,297	-51.4
Finland	1,355	1,047	29.4
South Korea	557	556	0.2
Portugal	355	1,408	-74.8
UK	331	866	-61.8
Belgium	172	437	-60.6
Taiwan	146	152	-3.9
Australia	129	363	-64.5
Italy	72	5,511	-98.7
Others	116	72	61.1
Total	1,039,394	1,113,933	-6.7

0203 Fresh/frozen pig meat			
Tonnes	2023 Jan-Nov	2022 Jan-Nov	% change 2023:22
USA	208,766	219,342	-4.8
Canada	201,359	199,266	1.1
Spain	159,819	172,667	-7.4
Mexico	112,987	117,923	-4.2
Denmark	54,042	81,852	-34.0
Chile	33,006	27,427	20.3
Brazil	32,142	20,398	57.6
Holland	23,661	30,532	-22.5
France	16,724	15,721	6.4
Ireland	6,169	11,597	-46.8
Austria	1,245	2,925	-57.4
Finland	1,037	744	39.4
UK	331	866	-61.8
Portugal	253	1,375	-81.6
Belgium	126	398	-68.3
Australia	107	358	-70.1
Italy	45	4,767	-99.1

Others	48	0	
Total	851,867	908,158	-6.2

BRAZIL

Marfrig now owns more than 50 per cent of the shares in BRF

After acquiring a shareholding of slightly more than 5 per cent, Marfrig now holds the majority share of the shares in Brazil Foods (BRF) with more than 50 per cent.

Marfrig is one of Brazil's largest beef companies. The meat company, BRF, is one of the world's largest exporters of poultry and a major exporter of pig meat.

In 2019, the two companies negotiated an actual merger, which was subsequently abandoned.

Marfrig has been buying shares in BRF since 2021. This has led to speculation about a merger of the two companies. Marfrig, however, has so far claimed that they will only be a passive investor in BRF. According to Marfrig, the reason for the share acquisition is solely to spread the company's investments in different proteins.