

MARKET NEWS for pigmeat

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MARKET SITUATION

This week too, a large supply of pigmeat is putting pressure on prices on the European market. Fresh hams and other cuts are therefore trading at unchanged or slightly declining prices on the European market.

Continued subdued demand is reported from the UK bacon market.

Demand in Asia is reported to be stable.

Please note that Market News for pigmeat will not be published in week 43. The next issue of Market News for pigmeat is scheduled for Monday, 26 October 2026.

Slaughterings in Denmark

Weekly slaughter figures from slaughterhouses reporting to L&F's slaughter database.
Condemned pigs/sows are not included in the slaughter figures.

	Week 37	Week 38	Week 39	Week 40	Week 1-40 2026:25
Total receipts	320,489	336,247	327,302	315,044	+7.5 %

EU

African Swine Fever (ASF)

Below is the latest update from the European Commission's reporting system on cases of African swine fever in EU countries, as well as Serbia, Ukraine, Moldova, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Kosovo, Albania, Montenegro, Kosovo and North Macedonia.

	Period 1. Oct. - 7. Oct.		YTD 1. jan. - 7. Oct.		2025		2024	
	Pigs	Wild boar	Pigs	Wild boar	Pigs	Wild boar	Pigs	Wild boar
Estonia				83	11	259		36
Latvia		18	1	611	12	1,266	7	961
Lithuania		2		861	9	788	8	561
Poland		6	10	1,727	18	3,351	44	2,311
Italy		4	3	1,100	1	667	31	1,205
Ukraine			9	7	19	34	70	15
Czech Republic						1		27
Romania	2	2	319	299	472	281	220	186
Hungary		11	6	636		823		474
Bulgaria		1	1	284		939	1	717
Slovakia			3	134	1	185	1	165
Serbia	478		695	65	233	62	310	101
Moldova	1		26	23	52	26	13	6
Montenegro								1
Bosnia and Herzegovina			13	10	52	27	33	38
Croatia			130	106	53	255	6	39
North Macedonia						8	4	51
Finland		3		46				
Belgium								
Spain*		9		382		27		
Germany		3		722		1,992	10	966
Sweden								8
Greece				1	4	77	5	21
Albania							1	3
Total	481	59	1,216	7,097	937	11,068	764	7,892

* World Organisation for Animal Health.

Foot-and-Mouth Disease

Below is the latest update from the European Commission's reporting system on cases of foot-and-mouth disease (FMD) in EU Member States and Turkey.

	Period 1. Oct. - 7. Oct.	YTD 1. jan. - 7. Oct.	2025	2024
Slovakia			6	
Cyprus		121		
Greece	1	203		
Turkey		54	1,712	97
Germany			1	
Hungary			5	
Total		378	1,724	97

Netherlands

The Dutch government has adopted a plan to improve animal welfare in livestock production

According to Pig333, the Dutch government has adopted a plan to gradually improve animal welfare in livestock production towards 2040.

The measures form part of a new legislative package covering cattle, calves, pigs and poultry. For the pig sector, the phase-out of tail docking is one of the most significant measures. The rules are to be introduced gradually, and the precise timetable for phasing out tail docking has not yet been established.

The authorities emphasise that implementation must take account of both practical feasibility and the economic consequences for producers. Farmers will have flexibility to decide how to meet the new requirements on their farms.

At the same time, the requirements will differ for existing housing and new buildings. New facilities must be able to comply with both environmental and animal-welfare requirements from the outset, while older facilities will in several cases be given longer transition periods.

The Dutch government wants to avoid stricter welfare requirements causing production to move to countries with lower standards. The practical and economic consequences of the requirements will therefore be assessed on an ongoing basis.

The government will also involve supermarkets, food companies and other actors in the value chain. The aim is to create better marketing opportunities for products produced to higher animal-welfare standards and to explore new export opportunities.

The first rules are expected to enter into force in 2028, while the various measures will be implemented gradually towards 2040.

EU

May/June 2026 pig census

Eurostat has published the preliminary results of the May/June 2026 pig census for 14 of the 15 participating EU countries. Results have now also been published for Romania, while Italy is the only country for which results are still pending. Unlike the December census, which covers all EU countries, this census includes only the largest pig-producing Member States.

The results for May/June 2026 are shown below compared with the same census the previous year.

The results continue to indicate broadly stable developments in the EU pig population. This applies to both the total pig population and the breeding herd. Romania has reported a sharp increase in both the total pig population and the breeding herd, pulling the overall result for the 14 countries in a more positive direction.

As expected, the census does not yet reflect the economic challenges affecting the sector in the recent period. These are not expected to become visible until the results of the forthcoming December pig census.

As always, the results of pig censuses should be interpreted with caution. They are sample-based estimates and therefore subject to some uncertainty. In addition, several countries have so far published only preliminary figures, which may be revised in the final results.

1.000 head	Total pig population			Breeding sows			Pregnant sows		
	2026	2025	% ændr.	2026	2025	% ændr.	2026	2025	% ændr.
Spain*	33,104	33,751	-1.9	2,683	2,616	2.6	1,721	1,714	0.4
Germany*	21,044	20,913	0.6	1,407	1,394	0.9	1,003	1,011	-0.8
France	11,503	11,896	-3.3	836	853	-2.0	585	583	0.3
Denmark	12,190	11,887	2.5	1,138	1,148	-0.9	703	707	-0.6
Netherlands	9,188	9,848	-6.7	748	793	-5.7	484	513	-5.7
Poland*	9,206	9,124	0.9	614	614	0.0	433	423	2.4
Italy		7,977			617			484	
Belgium*	5,132	5,262	-2.5	334	340	-1.8	271	275	-1.5
Romania	3,261	2,923	11.6	263	221	19.0	164	134	22.4
Hungary	2,808	2,848	-1.4	253	257	-1.6	152	169	-10.1
Austria	2,470	2,486	-0.7	202	208	-2.8	137	141	-2.8
Portugal*	2,305	2,199	4.8	225	222	1.4	153	150	2.0
Ireland	1,636	1,556	5.1	139	136	2.2	87	86	1.2
Czech Republic	1,433	1,441	-0.6	119	123	-3.3	74	77	-3.9
Sweden*	1,253	1,333	-6.0	110	113	-2.7	78	79	-1.3
EU-14*	116,533	117,467	-0.8	9,071	9,038	0.4	6,045	6,062	-0.3
Serbia*	2,223	2,606	-14.7	340	397	-14.4	127	210	-39.5

*=preliminary figures

Denmark

Denmark's pigmeat exports January-July 2026

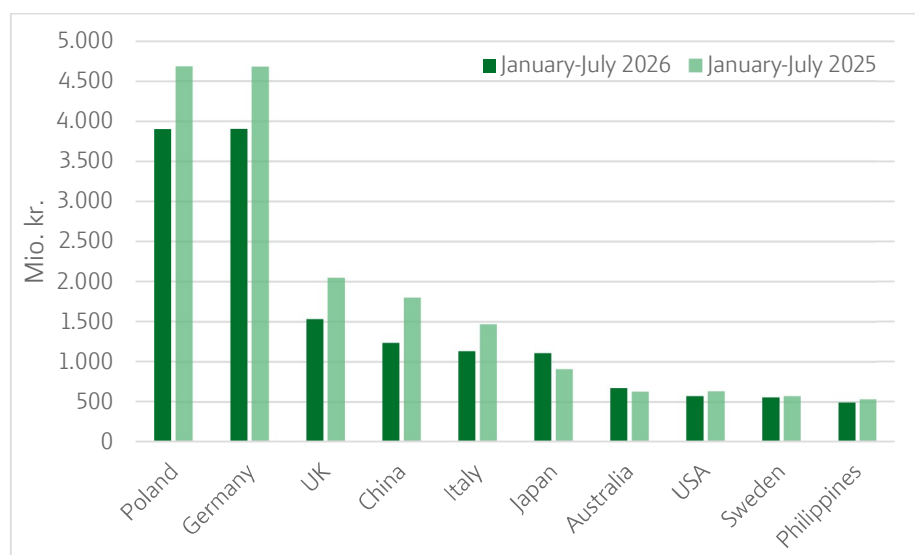
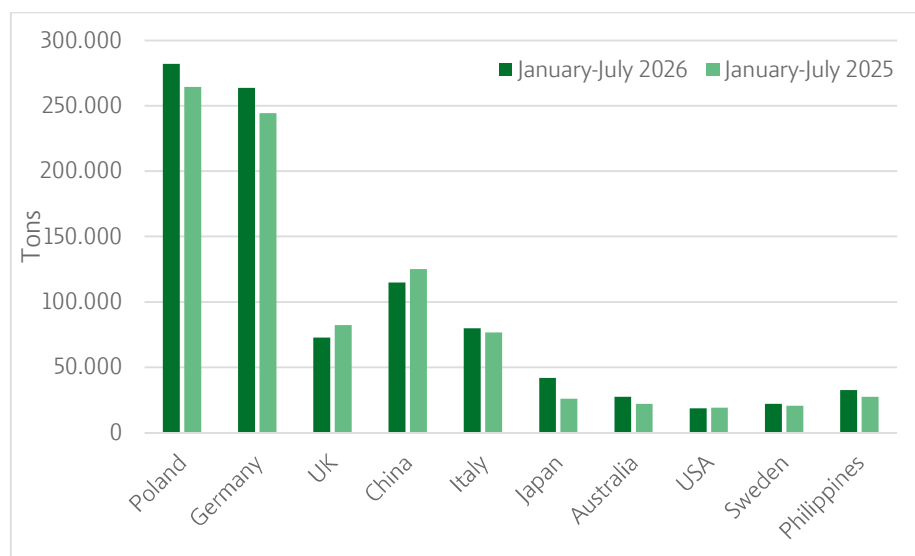
Tonnes	Cuts	By-products	Processed preserved	Bacon	Whole and half carcasses (pigs/sows)	Sausages	Total (excl. live pigs)	Pct.	Live pigs	Total (incl. live pigs)	Pct.
Poland	135,612	1.518	4	1	168	137	137,439	15.9	144,534	281,973	24.0
Germany	46,580	17.659	7.036	266	56.158	6,915	134,613	15.6	128,865	263,479	22.5
Italy	64,471	2.073	143	258	655	183	67,782	7.9	11,937	79,719	6.8
Netherlands	8,563	8.271	239	12	57	258	17,401	2.0	7,427	24,828	2.1
Sweden	9,732	6.972	1.163	1.740	3	2,357	21,965	2.5	63	22,029	1.9
Greece	12,318	1	254	0	0	16	12,589	1.5	259	12,848	1.1
Spain	4,206	307	530	0	1	1,506	6,550	0.8	5,297	11,847	1.0
Austria	9,654	55	106	1	0	186	10,002	1.2	50	10,052	0.9
Other EU countries	43,172	9.349	2.606	648	297	2,347	58,419	6.8	7,811	66,231	5.6
EU total	334,308	46.205	12.080	2.926	57.339	13,905	466,762	54.1	306,243	773,005	65.9
China	28,963	85.783	29	0	0	54	114,829	13.3	33	114,862	9.8
UK	34,761	1.468	5.894	21.307	2.163	7,176	72,769	8.4	31	72,801	6.2
Japan	38,775	776	2.024	0	0	414	41,990	4.9	4	41,995	3.6
Philippines	15,665	16.198	808	0	0	17	32,687	3.8	0	32,687	2.8
Australia	25,872	1.535	100	0	0	51	27,558	3.2	0	27,558	2.3
USA	12,038	1.658	4.300	25	0	640	18,660	2.2	0	18,660	1.6
Taiwan	14,619	1.104	21	0	0	32	15,776	1.8	10	15,786	1.3
Ukraine	12,409	20	0	0	0	4	12,433	1.4	409	12,842	1.1
Malaysia	10,569	841	499	0	0	0	11,908	1.4	10	11,918	1.0
Other third countries	29,880	8.709	5.757	682	5	2,164	47,198	5.5	4,026	51,223	4.4
Third countries total	223,551	118.092	19.432	22.014	2.168	10,551	395,809	45.9	4,523	400,332	34.1
Total exports	557,859	164.297	31.512	24.940	59.507	24,456	862,571	100	310,766	1,173,338	100

2025

Tonnes	Cuts	By-products	Processed preserved	Bacon	Whole and half carcasses (pigs/sows)	Sausages	Total (excl. live pigs)	Pct.	Live pigs	Total (incl. live pigs)	Pct.
Poland	111,179	1.152	21	43	554	46	112,995	14.5	151,415	264,411	24.2
Germany	46,921	14.099	5.108	231	50.743	1,946	119,049	15.2	125,277	244,326	22.3
Italy	62,712	2.070	219	86	144	367	65,599	8.4	11,093	76,693	7.0
Netherlands	5,521	3.884	246	44	0	950	10,645	1.4	10,194	20,838	1.9
Sweden	9,299	5.968	1.050	1.634	5	2,595	20,551	2.6	10	20,561	1.9
France	12,649	565	711	120	0	332	14,378	1.8	115	14,493	1.3
Greece	12,385	5	256	0	0	5	12,651	1.6	331	12,982	1.2
Spain	3,482	310	796	0	0	1,336	5,924	0.8	4,771	10,694	1.0
Other EU countries	40,712	10.576	2.011	383	382	2,259	56,323	7.2	7,911	64,234	5.9
EU total	304,861	38.630	10.419	2.541	51.828	9,835	418,115	53.5	311,117	729,232	66.6
China	39,280	84.870	852	0	0	113	125,115	16.0	85	125,200	11.4
UK	38,765	1.607	5.695	25.761	3.501	7,004	82,333	10.5	13	82,347	7.5
Philippines	13,148	13.435	606	0	42	11	27,243	3.5	96	27,338	2.5
Japan	23,626	168	1.925	0	0	251	25,971	3.3	4	25,975	2.4
Australia	20,702	1.093	163	0	0	15	21,973	2.8	0	21,973	2.0
USA	13,197	1.694	3.668	48	0	595	19,203	2.5	0	19,203	1.8
Malaysia	9,997	544	136	4	0	191	10,873	1.4	17	10,890	1.0
Taiwan	9,828	349	23	0	0	32	10,231	1.3	6	10,237	0.9
South Korea	6,118	336	738	0	0	97	7,289	0.9	30	7,319	0.7
Other third countries	18,652	4.257	5.651	1.130	5	3,410	33,104	4.2	1,935	35,039	3.2
Third countries total	193,313	108.354	19.456	26.943	3.548	11,719	363,333	46.5	2,187	365,520	33.4
Total exports	498,174	146.984	29.875	29.484	55.376	21,554	781,448	100	313,305	1,094,752	100

Top 10 importers of Danish pigmeat by value

Country	January-July 2026		January-July 2025	
	Value (DKK million)	Tonnes	Value (DKK million)	Tonnes
Poland	3,903	281.973	4.679	264.411
Germany	3,902	263.479	4.676	244.326
UK	1,529	72.801	2.043	82.347
China	1,236	114.862	1.794	125.200
Italy	1,132	79.719	1.464	76.693
Japan	1,105	41.995	903	25.975
Australia	672	27.558	623	21.973
USA	572	18.660	626	19.203
Sweden	555	22.029	566	20.561
Philippines	489	32.687	527	27.338
Top 10 total	15,097	955.763	17.901	908.026
Other countries	4,371	217.575	4.460	186.727
Total	19,468	1.173.338	22.361	1.094.752



Ukraine

Increase in pigmeat imports

Based on Ukrainian trade statistics, the table below shows Ukraine's imports of fresh/frozen pigmeat (commodity code 0203) from January to September 2026 compared with the same period in the two previous years.

Imports of fresh/frozen pigmeat have increased significantly. Denmark is clearly the largest exporter to Ukraine and accounts for just under half of Ukrainian pigmeat imports from January to September 2026. Germany also increased its exports to Ukraine significantly in the first three quarters of 2026 compared with the same period the previous year.

Ukrainian pigmeat imports nevertheless remain relatively low compared with annual pigmeat production and consumption in Ukraine of more than 600,000 tonnes.

0203 Fresh/frozen pigmeat				
Tonnes	Jan. - Sep. 2024	Jan. - Sep. 2025	Jan. - Sep. 2026	% change 26:25
Denmark	597	11,889	15,112	27.1
Germany	103	844	6,852	711.8
Poland	103	4,554	5,618	23.4
Netherlands	105	1,949	1,517	-22.2
Belgium	20	771	1,513	96.2
Spain	85	564	262	-53.5
Canada	1,103	142	100	-29.6
Lithuania			71	
Finland	1	94	50	-46.8
Sweden			41	
France		101	40	-60.4
Austria		1		
Total	2,117	20,908	31,177	49.1

World

USDA: African swine fever and weak Chinese demand reshape the global pigmeat market

The United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) has published its semi-annual forecast for global pigmeat production, consumption and trade in 2026 and 2027.

The figures cover a number of selected countries and are stated in tonnes carcass weight. Trade covers only fresh, frozen and processed pigmeat, while China's substantial imports of by-products are not included.

Pigmeat production

USDA expects global pigmeat production to fall by 1% in 2027 to 119.9 million tonnes. The expected decline is primarily due to lower production in China and the EU. In China, production is expected to fall by 2% as the authorities seek to reduce the pig population and profitability in the sector remains weak. USDA expects EU production to decline by 1% because of lower producer prices, large stocks and continued pressure from environmental regulation, which is expected to reduce the pig population.

By contrast, production is expected to increase in Brazil, Vietnam and the USA, among others. Brazilian production is forecast to grow by 3%, while US production is expected to increase by 1% as a result of more pigs per litter.

Production, 1.000 tonnes	2023	2024	2025	2026	% change 26:25	Forecast 2027	% change 27:26
China	57,940	57,060	59,380	59,680	1	58,350	-2
EU	20,829	21,278	22,014	22,120	0	22,000	-1
USA	12,391	12,612	12,516	12,536	0	12,628	1
Brazil	4,450	4,500	4,750	5,000	5	5,140	3
Russia	4,012	4,273	4,299	4,025	-6	4,050	1
Vietnam	3,554	3,787	3,935	4,055	3	4,195	3
Canada	2,106	2,090	2,150	2,190	2	2,240	2
South Korea	1,694	1,715	1,690	1,695	0	1,710	1
Mexico	1,481	1,395	1,370	1,440	5	1,485	3
Japan	1,293	1,287	1,275	1,280	0	1,275	0
Philippines	1,050	1,000	975	1,015	4	1,060	4
Others	5,696	5,481	5,450	5,633	3	5,742	2
Selected countries total	116,496	116,478	119,804	120,669	1	119,875	-1

Consumption, 1.000 tonnes	2023	2024	2025	2026	% change 26:25	Forecast 2027	% change 27:26
China	59,741	58,269	60,443	60,355	-0	58,970	-2
EU	17,807	18,365	19,082	19,175	0	19,160	0
USA	9,829	9,916	9,863	9,859	-0	9,949	1
Vietnam	3,648	3,878	4,073	4,194	3	4,337	3
Russia	3,857	4,056	4,031	3,783	-6	3,818	1
Brazil	3,038	2,972	3,040	3,200	5	3,295	3
Mexico	2,577	2,649	2,825	2,920	3	3,005	3
Japan	2,739	2,750	2,708	2,790	3	2,770	-1
South Korea	2,407	2,444	2,366	2,464	4	2,490	1
Philippines	1,505	1,555	1,692	1,704	1	1,823	7
UK	1,490	1,525	1,503	1,485	-1	1,475	-1
Others	7,233	6,908	7,018	7,337	5	7,535	3
Selected countries total	115,871	115,287	118,644	119,266	1	118,627	-1

Pigmeat consumption

Pigmeat consumption in the selected countries is expected to fall by 1% in 2027 after increasing by 1% in 2026. China remains the dominant factor in the global market, and its pigmeat consumption is expected to decline from 60.4 million tonnes in 2026 to 59 million tonnes in 2027.

In addition, consumption in Japan is expected to fall by 1% from 2026 to 2027, following an expected increase of 3% from 2025 to 2026.

USDA expects consumption in the EU to remain unchanged, while increases are expected in other countries. The largest percentage increases are expected in the Philippines, Vietnam, Brazil and Mexico.

Pigmeat imports

USDA expects global imports to increase by 1% in 2027 after a small decline from 2025 to 2026.

Chinese imports remain under pressure. China's pigmeat imports fell by almost 30% through August 2026 compared with the previous year, and USDA expects imports to decline further in 2027 to around 820,000 tonnes.

Japan, South Korea and the Philippines increased their imports in the first half of 2026 as a result of ample supplies and low world-market prices. However, the large purchases have led to growing stocks, and USDA therefore expects more subdued import growth in 2027. Limited import demand in these key markets is expected to intensify competition among exporters.

Imports, 1.000 tonnes	2023	2024	2025	2026	% change 26:25	Forecast 2027	% change 27:26
Mexico	1,354	1,470	1,651	1,700	3	1,760	4
Japan	1,431	1,487	1,430	1,510	6	1,480	-2
China	1,897	1,306	1,186	840	-29	820	-2
South Korea	675	739	723	810	12	785	-3
Philippines	431	575	713	700	-2	750	7
UK	757	753	716	710	-1	700	-1
USA	518	520	506	530	5	535	1
Hong Kong	259	257	270	255	-6	270	6
Australia	195	226	214	210	-2	220	5
Canada	261	243	218	225	3	205	-9
Chile	142	167	164	180	10	190	6
Others	1,236	1,209	1,452	1,524	5	1,563	3
Selected countries total	9,156	8,952	9,243	9,194	-1	9,278	1

Pigmeat exports

USDA expects global pigmeat exports to remain broadly unchanged in 2027 at 10.6 million tonnes. The ASF outbreak in Spain in November 2025 continues to have a major impact on trade flows. Spain has redirected exports to other EU countries and to markets such as South

Korea, Vietnam and the USA, while Denmark and France, among others, have increased supplies to markets that continue to restrict imports of Spanish pigmeat.

EU exports are expected to decline by 3% due to lower production and increased competition in export markets. By contrast, Brazil is expected to increase exports by 2%, while US exports are forecast to rise by 1%. USDA also expects China to increase exports significantly and reach the highest level since 2018.

According to USDA, the large stocks in Japan, South Korea and the Philippines in particular mean that exporters will have to compete harder for market shares in the global pigmeat market in 2027.

Exports, 1.000 tonnes	2023	2024	2025	2026	% change 26:25	Forecast 2027	% change 27:26
USA	3,095	3,232	3,162	3,198	1	3,218	1
EU	3,131	3,012	3,029	3,050	1	2,950	-3
Brazil	1,414	1,531	1,714	1,805	5	1,850	2
Canada	1,150	1,255	1,350	1,300	-4	1,300	0
Mexico	258	216	196	220	12	240	9
Russia	158	221	271	250	-8	240	-4
Chile	263	262	246	230	-7	235	2
UK	192	181	191	230	20	235	2
China	96	97	123	165	34	200	21
Australia	46	48	46	42	-9	40	-5
South Africa	16	17	19	18	-5	20	11
Others	52	47	45	41	-9	44	7
Selected countries total	9,871	10,119	10,392	10,549	2	10,572	0

USA

Futures prices

Chicago (\$ pr. 100 lbs slagtevægt)	Lean Hog			Pork Cutout		
	9/10	2/10	Change	9/10	2/10	Change
Oct. 2026	75.05	77.88	-2.83	103.95	107.28	-3.33
Dec. 2026	67.83	70.13	-2.30	95.13	95.13	0.00
Feb. 2027	69.25	71.33	-2.08	97.73	97.73	0.00
Apr. 2027	74.18	76.35	-2.17	99.83	99.83	0.00
May 2027	79.50	81.00	-1.50	105.20	105.20	0.00
June 2027	88.28	89.90	-1.62	110.55	110.55	0.00
July 2027	90.58	92.03	-1.45	111.90	111.90	0.00
Aug. 2027	90.88	92.23	-1.35	110.75	110.75	0.00
Oct. 2027	78.65	78.63	0.02	103.15	103.15	0.00
Dec. 2027	72.50	71.70	0.80	91.00	91.00	0.00
Feb. 2028	75.68	75.10	0.58	93.60	93.60	0.00
Conversion to DKK/kg:						
1 lbs. = 0.4536 kg						
1 \$ = 6.6706 kr.						

CoBank: Large supplies put pressure on the US pig market

According to The Pig Site, citing the US cooperative bank CoBank, the US pig sector has benefited from lower feed costs, but producers remain dependent on exports to market the growing production.

Ahead of the barbecue season, US retail demand for pigmeat fell to its lowest level since 2020, and USDA expects production to exceed consumption throughout 2026. The large supply meant that prices did not experience the usual seasonal increase over the summer.

According to CoBank, the sector therefore faces challenges in maintaining earnings, while exports continue to play a crucial role in balancing the market.

Court delays Smithfield's billion-dollar investment in US slaughterhouse

According to SwineWeb, Smithfield's plans to build a new high-tech pig slaughterhouse worth USD 1.3 billion in Sioux Falls, South Dakota, have been delayed after a court overturned the local building permit.

The planned facility is to replace the company's current slaughterhouse and was intended as a major investment in modern and more efficient pig slaughtering and processing. However, the court found that the approval process did not comply with requirements concerning, among other things, consultation with neighbours, environmental considerations and documentation.

The decision sends the case back to the city council for reconsideration and creates uncertainty about the project timetable. Smithfield stresses that the existing slaughterhouse will continue

to operate as normal. However, Smithfield believes that a longer delay could postpone the modernisation of regional slaughter infrastructure and the expected benefits for pig producers in the area.

Brazil

Brazil gains access to new pigmeat markets

According to Pig333, citing the Brazilian Ministry of Agriculture, Brazil has expanded access to new export markets following approvals by the authorities in Antigua and Barbuda and China.

Antigua and Barbuda has approved imports of Brazilian meat, meat products and by-products, including products from pigs. At the same time, China has opened its market to imports of offal, skins and bones from Brazilian pigs, enabling Brazilian exporters to market a larger share of the pig in the Chinese market.

The new market openings strengthen export opportunities for Brazil's pig sector at a time when the country continues to work on expanding sales in international markets.

Taiwan

Slight increase in pigmeat imports in the first nine months of 2026

Taiwan's pigmeat imports increased by 2.8% in the first nine months of 2026 compared with the same period the previous year. The figures include imports of fresh and frozen pigmeat (commodity code 0203) and pig by-products (commodity code 020649).

Imports of fresh and frozen pigmeat reached 86,470 tonnes from January to September 2026. Canada remains the largest supplier, but supplies fell by 24.2% compared with the previous year. By contrast, imports from Denmark increased significantly. Taiwan imported 20,448 tonnes of Danish pigmeat during the period, an increase of 83.2% compared with the same period in 2025.

Paraguay and the Netherlands also increased their supplies significantly, while imports from Spain were reduced markedly compared with the previous year.

Imports of pig by-products, however, fell by 33% to 13,299 tonnes in the first nine months of the year. The decline was mainly due to significantly lower imports from the USA, Spain and Austria. Imports from Canada, by contrast, were largely unchanged, maintaining its position as the largest supplier of by-products to the Taiwanese market.

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Fresh and frozen pigmeat				
Tonnes	Jan – Sep. 2024	Jan – Sep. 2025	Jan – Sep. 2026	%-Change 2026:25
Canada	27,985	36,477	27,636	-24.2
Denmark	4,427	11,159	20,448	83.2
Paraguay	5,854	7,428	11,648	56.8
Netherlands	3,080	2,483	9,154	268.7
Spain	11,086	16,276	6,111	-62.5
France	2,377	6,978	5,984	-14.2
USA	3,669	1,213	2,246	85.2
Finland	122	747	1,451	94.2
UK	450	492	1,002	103.7
Austria	315	553	768	38.9
Belgium			21	
Australia	47	274		
Total	59,412	84,080	86,470	2.8

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Pig by-products				
Tonnes	Jan – Sep. 2024	Jan – Sep. 2025	Jan – Sep. 2026	%-Change 2026:25
Canada	3,551	4,968	4,981	0.3
USA	2,238	7,330	3,182	-56.6
Austria	2,177	3,430	2,303	-32.9
France	280	874	1,109	26.9
Netherlands	305	68	693	919.1
Spain	1,665	2,426	619	-74.5
Denmark	196	220	176	-20.0
Australia	23	368	125	-66.0
UK	73	165	110	-33.3
Others	117			
Total	10,624	19,849	13,299	-33.0

Philippines

Philippines to more than double corn imports to protect pig production

According to Expana, the Philippine Department of Agriculture proposes increasing the preferential-tariff import quota for corn from 220,000 to 500,000 tonnes to ensure sufficient feed supplies for the country's pig and poultry production.

The proposal is prompted by fears that a forthcoming El Niño weather event will reduce domestic corn production, while the conflict in the Middle East has contributed to higher fertiliser and transport prices. This has already pushed up corn prices.

As feed accounts for 50-60% of production costs in pig production, the authorities assess that increased imports could curb feed costs and strengthen the competitiveness of the Philippine pig sector. At the same time, the measure is intended to help prevent further increases in pigmeat prices.