MARKET NEWS for pig meat



Market analysis 11 August 2025 Week 33

MARKET SITUATION

Europe: Improved demand for legs and bone-in shoulders. Unchanged prices for other cuts.

UK: Muted demand

Asian markets: Demand is stable

Slaughtering in Denmark

Weekly slaughtering figures from slaughterhouses that report their slaughtering figures to

DAFC's slaughter database. The figures exclude culled pigs.

| | Week 28 | Week 29 | Week 30 | Week 31 | Weeks 1- 31 2025:24 |
|-------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------------------------|
| Total | 284,726 | 277,201 | 284,100 | 284,208 | +2.1% |



Futures

| Chicago (\$ per 100 | | Lean Hog | | | Pork Cutout | | |
|------------------------|--------|----------|--------|--------|-------------|--------|--|
| lbs carcase weight) | 8/8 | 1/8 | Change | 8/8 | 1/8 | Change | |
| 2025 | | | | | | | |
| Aug | 108.90 | 107.35 | 1.55 | 115.00 | 115.00 | 0.00 | |
| Oct | 90.86 | 90.05 | 0.81 | 102.23 | 102.23 | 0.00 | |
| Dec | 83.78 | 82.35 | 1.43 | 90.53 | 90.53 | 0.00 | |
| 2026 | | | | | | | |
| Feb | 86.85 | 84.65 | 2.20 | 93.13 | 91.48 | 1.65 | |
| Apr | 89.68 | 87.93 | 1.75 | 95.23 | 93.35 | 1.88 | |
| May | 92.15 | 90.75 | 1.40 | 101.83 | 99.95 | 1.88 | |
| Jun | 99.05 | 97.78 | 1.27 | 107.18 | 105.30 | 1.88 | |
| Jul | 98.75 | 97.85 | 0.90 | 108.53 | 106.65 | 1.88 | |
| Aug | 97.35 | 96.65 | 0.70 | 107.05 | 105.18 | 1.87 | |
| Oct | 82.05 | 81.00 | 1.05 | 99.45 | 97.58 | 1.87 | |
| Dec | 74.83 | 74.15 | 0.68 | 87.30 | 85.43 | 1.87 | |
| Conversion factors | | | | | | | |

Conversion factors:

1 lb = 0.4536 kg

1 \$ = DKK 6.4074



African Swine Fever

The table below provides an update from the EU Commission's reporting system for outbreaks of African Swine Fever in EU countries plus Serbia, Ukraine, Moldova, Bosnia-Herzegovina, Kosovo, Albania, Montenegro and North Macedonia.

| | Р | eriod | Ye | ar to date | | 2024 | | 2023 | |
|--------------------|-------|------------|-------|------------|------|-----------|-------|-----------|--|
| Countries | 31 Ju | ly - 6 Aug | 1 Jar | n - 6 Aug | | 2024 | | 2020 | |
| | Pigs | Wild boar | Pigs | Wild boar | Pigs | Wild boar | Pigs | Wild boar | |
| Estonia | | 11 | 5 | 68 | | 36 | 2 | 53 | |
| Latvia | | 7 | 3 | 718 | 7 | 961 | 8 | 730 | |
| Lithuania | 1 | 4 | 3 | 497 | 8 | 561 | 3 | 436 | |
| Poland | 1 | 32 | 9 | 2,578 | 44 | 2,311 | 30 | 2,686 | |
| Italy | | 1 | 1 | 519 | 31 | 1,205 | 17 | 1,050 | |
| Ukraine | 1 | | 17 | 27 | 70 | 15 | 38 | 9 | |
| Czech Republic | | | | 1 | | 27 | | 56 | |
| Romania | 12 | 1 | 240 | 144 | 220 | 186 | 737 | 289 | |
| Hungary | | 5 | | 659 | | 474 | | 403 | |
| Bulgaria | | | | 274 | 1 | 717 | 3 | 653 | |
| Slovakia | | | 1 | 159 | 1 | 165 | | 535 | |
| Serbia | 18 | 5 | 91 | 39 | 310 | 101 | 992 | 213 | |
| Moldova | 3 | 1 | 40 | 16 | 13 | 6 | 18 | 6 | |
| Montenegro | | | | | | 1 | | | |
| Bosnia-Herzegovina | | | 13 | 15 | 33 | 38 | 1,511 | 29 | |
| Croatia | 2 | 1 | 16 | 12 | 6 | 39 | 1,124 | 13 | |
| North Macedonia | | | | 7 | 4 | 51 | 16 | 47 | |
| Kosovo | | | | | | | 9 | 4 | |
| Belgium | | | | | | | | | |
| Germany | | 10 | | 1,707 | 10 | 966 | 1 | 887 | |
| Sweden | | | | | | 8 | | 60 | |
| Greece | | | 4 | 74 | 5 | 21 | 6 | 2 | |
| Albania | | | | | 1 | 3 | | | |
| Total | 38 | 78 | 443 | 7,514 | 764 | 7,892 | 4,515 | 8,161 | |

Foot and mouth disease

The table below provides an update from the EU Commission's reporting system for foot & mouth disease in EU countries and Turkey.

| Countries | Period 31 July - 6 Aug | Year to date 1 Jan - 6 Aug | 2024 | 2023 |
|-----------|---------------------------|-------------------------------|------|------|
| Slovakia | | 6 | | |
| Turkey | | 338 | 97 | 350 |
| Germany | | 1 | | |
| Hungary | | 5 | | |
| Total | 0 | 350 | 97 | 350 |

GERMANY

German pig slaughtering increased by 0.7 per cent in H1 2025

According to figures from AMI, German pig slaughtering in H1 2025 was 0.7 per cent higher compared to H1 2024. An increase in carcase weight at the beginning of the year meant that, measured in tonnes, slaughtering rose by 1.8 per cent.

The rise in slaughtering occurred despite the fact that 2025 saw a sharp fall in German slaughtering of finishers of foreign origin, which fell by 45 per cent from 0.7 million in H1 2024 to 0.4 million in H1 2025.

Based on the latest German pig census from May 2025, AMI expects German slaughtering to fall in H2 2025.



A rise in African Swine Fever

The authorities in Vietnam continue to report an increase in African Swine Fever infections in recent months.

"ASF has broken out on a very large scale, spreading across the country, seriously affecting the livestock industry, especially the supply of pork. No province is safe from the disease", says the Chair of the Animal Husbandry Association of Vietnam.

In mid-July, Vietnam's Agriculture Ministry reported 514 outbreaks across the country. At the start of August, the figure had risen to 972 while, according to international media, the number of infected pigs, had risen from 30,000 to more than 100,000.

In February 2023, the authorities embarked on a vaccination programme against African Swine Fever. According to a Vietnamese official, however, the number of vaccinated pigs remains low due to cost and a lack of confidence in the vaccine.

In recent years, Vietnam has seen an increase in pig production following an extensive outbreak of African Swine Fever in 2019.



Increased margins for British pig producers in Q2 2025

The British trade organisation, AHDB, has estimated that British pig producers will average margins of £8.10 per pig in Q2 2025.

The rise in margins is due to the fall in production costs this quarter, with lower feed costs accounting for most of the fall. Finance costs and fuel costs also fell whereas labour costs have increased.

Pig prices increased which have also impacted margins. Margins of £8.10 in Q2 2025 are an improvement from Q1 2025 when margins were estimated at £1 per pig.

Margins have been positive since Q1 2023. Over the period, they have fluctuated between £1 and £26 per pig.



Pig population 1 July 2025

Statistics Denmark has published the results of the pig census carried out on 1 July 2025. The results are shown in the table below.

Compared to the same census one year ago, the July census shows an increase in the total population of 5.6 per cent.

The substantial increase in the total pig population is due to the following categories: Piglets with sows (+2.8%), Weaned sows <50 kg (+5.4%) and Finishers >50 kg" (+11.5%). However, the breeding herd in the form of pregnant sows is unchanged compared to one year ago.

That the number of piglets with sows is increasing despite an unchanged breeding population is due to greater efficiency in sow units.

The slightly larger increase for Weaned pigs <50 kg indicates that more piglets have been exported.

The substantial increase in Finishers > 50 kg can largely be accounted for the many weaned pigs at the time of the census. By contrast, there was a very low number of finishers at the time of last year's census.

| | | July census | | | April census | |
|------------------------------|----------------|----------------|-------------------|-----------------|-----------------|-------------------|
| '000 head | 1 July 2025 | 1 July 2024 | % change 25:24 | 1 April 2025 | 1 April 2024 | % change 25:24 |
| Breeding boars | 9 | 9 | 0.0 | 9 | 9 | 0.0 |
| Pregnant gilts | 176 | 178 | -1.1 | 178 | 181 | -1.7 |
| Other pregnant sows | 531 | 530 | +0.2 | 530 | 524 | +1.1 |
| Total pregnant sows | 707 | 708 | -0.1 | 708 | 705 | +0.4 |
| Nursing sows | 195 | 193 | +1.0 | 194 | 191 | +1.6 |
| Dry sows | 32 | 32 | 0.0 | 33 | 33 | 0.0 |
| Sows and boars for | | | | | | |
| slaughtering | 5 | 5 | 0.0 | 5 | 5 | 0.0 |
| Gilts >50 kg for breeding | 214 | 209 | +2.4 | 223 | 206 | +8.3 |
| Piglets with sows | 2,494 | 2,426 | +2.8 | 2,469 | 2,404 | +2.7 |
| Weaned sows <50 kg | 5,694 | 5,401 | +5.4 | 5,504 | 5,367 | +2.6 |
| Finishers >50 kg | 2,537 | 2,276 | +11.5 | 2,479 | 2,529 | -2.0 |
| Total pigs | 11,887 | 11,259 | +5.6 | 11,624 | 11,449 | +1.5 |
| Total pigs excl. finishers * | 9,350 | 8,983 | +4.1 | 9,145 | 8,920 | +2.5 |



Rise in Canada's pigmeat exports in H1 2025

With Canadian export statistics as the source, the table below shows Canadian exports of fresh/frozen pigmeat and by-products by country for H1 2025 compared to the same half year in 2024 and 2023.

As can be seen from the figures, Canadian exports of fresh/frozen pigmeat increased by 3.8 per cent in H1 2025.

There were increases in exports of fresh/frozen pigmeat to Japan, Mexico and South Korea while exports to the U.S. and China declined.

Exports of by-products increased by 26.3 per cent in H1 2025 compared to the same period in 2024 and 2023. There was a rise in exports to all the largest markets, particularly to China and South Korea, which are Canada's largest and second largest export markets for by-products.

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|-------------|------------------|-----------------------|---------|-------|--|--|--|--|
| | Fi | Fresh/frozen pig meat | | | | | | |
| Tonnes | Jan-June 2023 | | | | | | | |
| Japan | 79,093 | 125,338 | 158,308 | 26.3 | | | | |
| USA | 145,511 | 141,377 | 130,869 | -7.4 | | | | |
| Mexico | 64,264 | 73,522 | 80,749 | 9.8 | | | | |
| China | 92,671 | 53,467 | 51,509 | -3.7 | | | | |
| South Korea | 24,669 | 42,265 | 50,338 | 19.1 | | | | |
| Philippines | 53,450 | 52,149 | 44,740 | -14.2 | | | | |
| Taiwan | 27,750 | 19,147 | 25,558 | 33.5 | | | | |
| Columbia | 7,320 | 10,435 | 12,299 | 17.9 | | | | |
| Malaysia | 2,388 | 7,885 | 4,590 | -41.8 | | | | |
| Vietnam | 2,035 | 7,949 | 4,515 | -43.2 | | | | |
| Australia | 2,371 | 7,113 | 2,787 | -60.8 | | | | |
| New Zealand | 2,228 | 4,845 | 2,543 | -47.5 | | | | |
| Jamaica | 1,044 | 1,471 | 2,160 | 46.8 | | | | |
| Others | 97,805 | 145,956 | 176,933 | 21.2 | | | | |
| Total | 522,462 | 566,110 | 587,430 | 3.8 | | | | |

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|-------------|------------------|---------|--------|-------|--|--|--|--|
| | | By-prod | lucts | | | | | |
| Tonnes | Jan-June 2023 | | | | | | | |
| China | 37,534 | 41,753 | 49,617 | 18.8 | | | | |
| South Korea | 1,117 | 3,346 | 8,192 | 144.8 | | | | |
| Philippines | 5,392 | 7,688 | 7,892 | 2.7 | | | | |
| USA | 5,563 | 3,779 | 4,461 | 18.0 | | | | |
| Japan | 2,240 | 2,158 | 2,844 | 31.8 | | | | |
| Taiwan | 2,040 | 655 | 2,320 | 254.2 | | | | |
| Mexico | 2,477 | 1,516 | 1,706 | 12.5 | | | | |
| Vietnam | 65 | 351 | 897 | 155.6 | | | | |
| Australia | 349 | 624 | 675 | 8.2 | | | | |
| Others | 3,882 | 1,609 | 1,572 | -2.3 | | | | |
| Total | 60,659 | 63,479 | 80,176 | 26.3 | | | | |



Exports of American pigmeat fell slightly in H1 2025

With U.S. export statistics as the source, the table below shows U.S. exports of fresh/frozen pig meat and by-products by country for H1 2025 compared to the same period in 2024 and 2023.

As can be seen from the figures, exports of fresh/frozen pigmeat in H1 2025 fell by 1.8 per cent compared to the same half last year while exports of by-products fell by 19.4 per cent.

Mexico continues to be the U.S.'s main export market for fresh/frozen pig meat, with exports rising by just under 3 per cent in the first six months of 2025. There was also an increase in U.S. exports to a number of Latin American countries, but not enough to represent an overall increase in U.S. exports.

However, there was a decline in exports to Japan, South Korea and China, which in addition to Mexico are among the largest U.S. export markets.

As regards by-products, H1 2025 saw a decline of just under 20 per cent. This is primarily due to a fall of 27.1 per cent in exports to China, which is by far the U.S.'s largest export market for by-products.

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|-------------|------------------|----------------------|-------------------|----------------|--|--|--|
| | F | Fresh/frozen pigmeat | | | | | |
| Tonnes | Jan-June 2023 | Jan-June 2024 | Jan-June. 2025 | % change 25:24 | | | |
| Mexico | 450,251 | 478,419 | 491,644 | 2.8 | | | |
| Japan | 167,077 | 155,813 | 138,158 | -11.3 | | | |
| South Korea | 96,946 | 127,578 | 112,935 | -11.5 | | | |
| Columbia | 38,827 | 52,307 | 62,180 | 18.9 | | | |
| China | 98,257 | 61,946 | 58,793 | -5.1 | | | |
| Australia | 30,176 | 44,059 | 43,248 | -1.8 | | | |
| Canada | 61,962 | 54,632 | 42,481 | -22.2 | | | |
| Dom. Rep. | 52,262 | 46,518 | 42,052 | -9.6 | | | |
| Honduras | 23,361 | 23,960 | 27,871 | 16.3 | | | |
| Guatemala | 12,699 | 12,479 | 17,488 | 40.1 | | | |
| Costa Rica | 4,695 | 9,081 | 10,466 | 15.3 | | | |
| Nicaragua | 5,772 | 7,947 | 9,493 | 19.5 | | | |
| El Salvador | 7,246 | 8,050 | 7,893 | -2.0 | | | |
| Cuba | 535 | 3,465 | 7,710 | 122.5 | | | |
| Philippines | 12,297 | 10,241 | 7,513 | -26.6 | | | |
| New Zealand | 3,081 | 5,998 | 4,131 | -31.1 | | | |
| Panama | 982 | 1,674 | 4,011 | 139.6 | | | |
| Hong Kong | 3,183 | 3,106 | 3,210 | 3.3 | | | |
| Chile | 5,934 | 4,383 | 2,801 | -36.1 | | | |
| Taiwan | 9,293 | 4,200 | 2,784 | -33.7 | | | |
| Others | 2,590 | 3,912 | 2,604 | -33.4 | | | |
| Total | 1,100,446 | 1,133,707 | 1,112,901 | -1.8 | | | |

| | 020649 | | | | | | |
|-------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|----------------|--|--|--|
| | | By-prod | lucts | | | | |
| Tonnes | Jan-June 2023 | Jan-June 2024 | Jan-June 2025 | % change 25:24 | | | |
| China | 156,802 | 143,473 | 104,657 | -27.1 | | | |
| Mexico | 15,876 | 23,280 | 25,486 | 9.5 | | | |
| Philippines | 11,978 | 18,166 | 13,983 | -23.0 | | | |
| Canada | 4,585 | 7,206 | 5,897 | -18.2 | | | |
| Columbia | 3,302 | 2,908 | 3,165 | 8.8 | | | |
| Japan | 2,774 | 3,038 | 2,783 | -8.4 | | | |
| South Korea | 1,530 | 3,119 | 2,743 | -12.1 | | | |
| Panama | 305 | 1,206 | 1,982 | 64.3 | | | |
| Taiwan | 825 | 589 | 1,843 | 212.9 | | | |
| Dom. Rep. | 2,570 | 1,918 | 1,796 | -6.4 | | | |
| Vietnam | 746 | 888 | 1,592 | 79.3 | | | |
| Guatemala | 630 | 1,081 | 1,255 | 16.1 | | | |
| Others | 3,037 | 4,049 | 2,923 | -27.8 | | | |
| Total | 204,960 | 210,921 | 170,105 | -19.4 | | | |

AUSTRALIA

Increase in pigmeat imports continues

The table below shows Australian imports of fresh/frozen pigmeat by country for H1 2025 compared to the same half year in the previous two years.

As can be seen, Australian imports in H1 2025 increased by 4.4 per cent compared to the same period in 2024 and 2023.

Imports from the U.S. account for approximately half of Australian imports and saw a slight increase in H1 2025. Imports from Denmark and Holland also increased compared to the same period in 2024. Danish exports have more or less returned to 2023 levels.

Imports from Canada, UK and Spain fell in H1 2025 compared to the previous year.

| | 0203 Fresh/frozen pig meat | | | | | | | |
|---------|-------------------------------|---------------------|--------|-----|--|--|--|--|
| Tonnes | Jan-June 2023 | % change 2025:24 | | | | | | |
| USA | 23,498 | 45,392 | 46,771 | 3 | | | | |
| Denmark | 20,048 | 16,793 | 18,932 | 13 | | | | |
| Holland | 14,243 | 10,556 | 14,404 | 36 | | | | |
| Ireland | 9,366 | 4,397 | 5,234 | 19 | | | | |
| Canada | 5,413 | 7,611 | 3,411 | -55 | | | | |
| UK | 683 | 635 | 595 | -6 | | | | |
| France | | 125 | 267 | 114 | | | | |
| Spain | 16 | 168 | 9 | -95 | | | | |
| Italy | 6 | | 7 | | | | | |
| Others | 360 | 195 | | | | | | |
| Total | 73,633 | 85,872 | 89,630 | 4.4 | | | | |



Rise in pigmeat imports in Q1 2025

The table below shows New Zealand's imports of fresh/frozen pigmeat by country for H1 2025 compared to H1 2024 and 2023.

As can be seen, imports in the first six months of 2025 increased compared to the same period in the previous two years. Germany and Spain saw the largest increases.

Imports from the U.S. fell, but are above 2023 levels. Imports from both Canada and Denmark also fell, but in both cases, imports in H1 2025 were lower than in the same period in 2023.

| | 0203 Fresh/frozen pig meat | | | | | | | |
|-----------|-------------------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------------|--|--|--|--|
| Tonnes | Jan-June 2023 | Jan-June 2024 | Jan-June 2025 | % change 2025:24 | | | | |
| Germany | 2,529 | 1,773 | 6,627 | 273.8 | | | | |
| Spain | 3,602 | 2,481 | 5,534 | 123.1 | | | | |
| USA | 2,675 | 5,168 | 3,499 | -32.3 | | | | |
| Finland | 2,080 | 1,459 | 2,384 | 63.4 | | | | |
| Canada | 3,001 | 5,298 | 1,952 | -63.2 | | | | |
| Poland | 1,698 | 1,105 | 1,644 | 48.8 | | | | |
| Australia | 1,643 | 1,903 | 1,349 | -29.1 | | | | |
| Denmark | 1,307 | 1,626 | 986 | -39.4 | | | | |
| Sweden | 1,012 | 658 | 833 | 26.6 | | | | |
| Ireland | 462 | 264 | 427 | 61.7 | | | | |
| Holland | 1,132 | 237 | 143 | -39.7 | | | | |
| Belgium | 143 | 168 | | | | | | |
| UK | 165 | | | | | | | |
| Total | 21,448 | 22,139 | 25,376 | 14.6 | | | | |



Development in pigmeat storageThe table below shows the figures for the development in Japan's pigmeat storage until the end of June 2025.

| Tonnage | | wn uction | lmpor volu | ted imes | Total |
|------------------|-------|--------------|---------------|-------------|---------|
| | Fresh | Frozen | Fresh | Frozen | storage |
| End January 22 | 463 | 22,763 | 11,477 | 142,569 | 177,272 |
| End February 22 | 471 | 22,690 | 12,061 | 143,974 | 179,196 |
| End March 22 | 623 | 23,378 | 12,410 | 143,684 | 180,095 |
| End April 22 | 529 | 21,703 | 12,601 | 157,379 | 192,212 |
| End May 22 | 390 | 22,052 | 8,210 | 168,749 | 199,401 |
| End June 22 | 469 | 20,684 | 11,364 | 180,913 | 213,430 |
| End July 22 | 500 | 20,479 | 10,554 | 189,497 | 221,300 |
| End August 22 | 495 | 19,870 | 12,013 | 195,953 | 228,331 |
| End September 22 | 351 | 19,020 | 10,493 | 193,979 | 223,843 |
| End October 22 | 808 | 18,890 | 9,606 | 186,501 | 215,805 |
| End November 22 | 1,015 | 17,736 | 13,653 | 181,903 | 214,307 |
| End December 22 | 1,159 | 18,657 | 10,793 | 174,620 | 205,229 |
| End January 23 | 814 | 17,724 | 11,067 | 177,599 | 207,204 |
| End February 23 | 782 | 19,123 | 11,214 | 177,907 | 209,026 |
| End March 23 | 1,016 | 19,216 | 12,909 | 176,663 | 209,804 |
| End April 23 | 1,070 | 19,503 | 12,096 | 191,949 | 224,618 |
| End May 23 | 1,047 | 19,146 | 14,590 | 209,312 | 244,095 |
| End June 23 | 978 | 18,608 | 13,751 | 211,457 | 244,794 |
| End July 23 | 969 | 19,789 | 11,542 | 208,525 | 240,825 |
| End August 23 | 867 | 29,165 | 13,596 | 204,108 | 238,736 |
| End September 23 | 1,045 | 20,407 | 9,463 | 194,014 | 224,929 |
| End October 23 | 930 | 18,759 | 10,827 | 181,985 | 212,501 |
| End November 23 | 945 | 19,209 | 13,058 | 171,195 | 204,407 |
| End December 23 | 1,437 | 19,944 | 11,764 | 158,356 | 191,501 |
| End January 24 | 549 | 20,287 | 13,292 | 159,880 | 194,008 |
| End February 24 | 578 | 20,861 | 12,454 | 153,232 | 187,125 |
| End March 24 | 614 | 22,503 | 12,269 | 153,850 | 189,236 |
| End April 24 | 496 | 22,174 | 15,011 | 159,048 | 196,729 |
| End May 24 | 455 | 23,784 | 15,137 | 174,788 | 214,164 |
| End June 24 | 747 | 24,003 | 14,575 | 187,581 | 217,906 |
| End July 24 | 497 | 22,730 | 13,510 | 182,019 | 218,756 |
| End August 24 | 289 | 21,819 | 12,959 | 187,331 | 222,398 |
| End September 24 | 527 | 21,053 | 13,729 | 187,468 | 222,777 |
| End October 24 | 505 | 20,879 | 15,087 | 186,835 | 223,306 |
| End November 24 | 456 | 20,933 | 13,070 | 181,727 | 216,186 |
| End December 24 | 814 | 21,644 | 13,763 | 171,973 | 208,194 |
| End January 25 | 455 | 23,081 | 14,607 | 175,901 | 214,044 |
| End February 25 | 518 | 23,603 | 14,300 | 178,519 | 216,940 |
| End March 25 | 560 | 23,864 | 15,256 | 176,859 | 216,539 |
| End April 25 | 685 | 23,833 | 13,952 | 183,304 | 221,774 |
| End May 25 | 499 | 23,592 | 14,157 | 199,992 | 238,240 |
| End June 25 | 510 | 23,599 | 13,035 | 209,239 | 246,383 |