

MARKET NEWS for pig meat



Market analysis

12 June 2023

Week 24

MARKET SITUATION

Europe: Trading in legs is at slightly rising prices this week. Other cuts are being traded at unchanged or slightly rising prices.

UK: Sales are good.

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 20	Week 21	Week 22	Weeks 1-22 2023:22
Carcass weight >110 kg	7,324	11,643	8,221	-41.8%
Carcass weight <110 kg	171,843	281,875	223,588	-17.8%
Total	179,167	293,518	231,809	-18.9%

USA

Futures

Chicago (\$ per 100 lbs carcass weight)	Lean Hog			Pork Cutout		
	9/6	5/6	Change	9/6	5/6	Change
2023						
Jun	87.88	85.33	2.55	88.75	88.00	0.75
Jul	89.63	84.15	5.48	92.08	88.28	3.80
Aug	83.95	81.63	2.32	90.35	88.48	1.87
Oct	75.38	76.33	-0.95	85.83	86.55	-0.72
Dec	73.18	74.28	-1.10	82.58	83.48	-0.90
2024						
Feb	79.05	79.78	-0.73	87.65	87.98	-0.33
Apr	84.35	84.58	-0.23	91.83	91.00	0.83
May	88.68	88.08	0.60	99.05	98.23	0.82
Jun	94.33	93.75	0.58	104.28	103.45	0.83
Jul	94.90	93.83	1.07	107.18	106.35	0.83
Aug	93.13	93.05	0.08	109.25	108.43	0.82
Oct	82.60	81.80	0.80	101.83	102.63	-0.80

Conversion factors:

1 lb = 0.4536 kg

\$ = DKK 6.9114

 **China**
Futures

Dalian (Yuan per kg)	Pigs					
	15/5	22/5	30/5	6/6	12/6	Change 6/6-12/6
July 2023	15.81	15,18	15,26	15,09	14,83	-0,26
September 2023	16.85	16,42	16,30	16,23	16,10	-0,13
November 2023	17.48	17,17	17,09	17,01	17,06	0,05
January 2024	17.87	17,57	17,46	17,64	17,76	0,12
March 2024	16.13	15,78	15,86	15,91	15,90	-0,01
May 2024			16,43	16,51	16,52	0,01

Conversion factors:
1 Y = DKK
0.9696: 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 were reported for the following countries, including Serbia, Ukraine, Moldova and North Macedonia between 27 May-3 June.

Countries	Period 27 May – 3 June		Year to date 1 Jan- 3 June		2022		2021	
	Pigs	Wild boar	Pigs	Wild boar	Pigs	Wild boar	Pigs	Wild boar
Estonia		2		22		57	1	67
Latvia		2		160	6	913	2	338
Lithuania		10		167	16	302		238
Poland		68	1	1,737	14	2,152	124	3,023
Italy		31	3	558	4	277	1	14
Ukraine			3	5	7	2	13	3
Czech Republic		1		19		1		
Romania	3	4	82	210	329	465	1,648	1,019
Hungary		4		294		550		2,568
Bulgaria				120	2	387	6	318
Slovakia		24		430	5	550	11	1,622
Serbia			86	165	107	146	33	71
Moldova			15	6	14	3	1	
North Macedonia				13	30	9		
Belgium								
Germany		6	1	645	3	1,628	4	2,431
Greece			2	2				
Total	3	152	193	4,553	537	7,442	1,844	11,712

 **GERMANY**
Increase in imports of finishers in first four months

After a number of years of declines in both slaughtering and imports of finishers, 2022 and the first four months of 2023 saw increased imports of finishers to German slaughterhouses.

With AMI as the source, the table below shows the development in German pig slaughtering for the period 2015-2023 divided into German and imported finishers.

The rise in finisher imports in the first four months of the year, however, has not been able to prevent a sharp fall of 8.3 per cent in German slaughtering for the first four months of 2023. The fall of 8.3 per cent derives from a fall of 9.2 per cent for German finishers and a rise of 23.1 per cent from imported finishers.

As can be seen, there has been an unbroken downward trend in German slaughtering since 2016.

Year	Total slaughtering	German finishers	Imported finishers	Percentage imported
2015	59,435,349	55,161,102	4,274,247	7.2
2016	59,480,468	54,826,352	4,654,116	7.8
2017	58,408,370	54,471,535	3,936,835	6.7
2018	56,895,229	53,669,851	3,225,378	5.7
2019	55,194,809	51,872,797	3,322,012	6.0
2020	53,376,865	51,088,245	2,288,620	4.3
2021	51,874,641	50,717,566	1,157,075	2.2
2022	47,169,097	45,869,905	1,231,866	2.6
Jan-April 2022	15,869,271	15,462,982	406,289	2.6
Jan-April 2023	14,545,401	14,045,171	500,230	3.4
% change 2023:22	-8.3	-9.2	23.1	

 **CANADA/ USA**
HyLife closes slaughterhouse in Minnesota

U.S. media report that Premium Iowa Pork (PIP) is to acquire the Canadian HyLife slaughterhouse in Minnesota, which has closed due to financial difficulties.

With a bid of \$13 million, PIP was successful in the auction for the facility. The final takeover, however, requires official approval. PIP has announced that it does not plan to take over the 1,000-strong workforce employed at the slaughterhouse.

HyLife is a Canadian pig integrator with its own feed mills, annual pig production of 3.4 million finishers and 2.3 million pigs processed per year.

 **ARGENTINA**
Pig production and slaughtering continue to rise

Argentinian pig slaughtering has more than doubled over the past ten years and reached 7.7 million in 2022, reports Pig333.

A sharp rise in pig slaughtering is also reported for 2023. In the first four months of the year, 2.56 million pigs were slaughtered, which is a rise of 7 per cent compared to the same period last year.

According to Pig333, Argentinian consumption of pig meat and poultry has been on the increase over the past 20 years – to the detriment of beef consumption.

 **USA**

Largest pig producers

With Genesis as the source, the table below shows the U.S.' largest pig producers, i.e. with more than 25,000 sows.

Sows		Producer	2022
Søer (stk.)	Producent		
1	Smithfield/WH Group		1.113.500
2	Pipestone System		461.000
3	Triumph Foods, herunder: - Christensen Farms 143.000 - Allied Producers 87.500 - Hanor Company 85.000 - Eichelberger Farms 62.500 - New Fashion Pork 57.000		435.000
4	Seaboard Foods		365.000
5	Iowa Select Farms		242.000
6	JBS USA		240.000
7	Carthage System		180.400
8	Prestage Farms		178.000
9	The Maschhoffs		156.000
10	AMVC Management Services		150.000
11	Clemens Country View		111.000
12	Tyson Foods		90.000
13	Pillen Family Farms		77.500
14	Holden Farms		72.000
15	Schwartz Farms		62.000
16	Wakefield Pork		54.800
17	Reicks View Farms		50.000
18	Protein Sources		43.000
19	Standard Nutrition Services		42.000
20	Tosh Farms		38.000
21	Sietsma Farms		36.500
22	TDM Farms		35.000
23	Cooper Farms		34.300
24	Livingston Enterprise		34.000
25	Suida Health & Production		33.700
26	Brenneman Pork		33.000
27	Cactus Feeders		33.000
28	Fine Swine		33.000
29	Hord Livestock		30.000
30	Kalmbach Feeds		27.500
31	VMC Management		27.500
Total			4.518.700

In addition to the U.S., Smithfield sows are also distributed across Mexico, Poland and Romania while Pipestone also has sows in China and Mexico.

DENMARK

Denmark's pig meat exports January-March

2023

Tonnes	By-products	Live pigs	Processed Canned	Bacon	Whole and half pigs/sows	Cuts	Sausages	Total	Per cent
Germany	3,472	44,886	2,489	49	17,383	27,238	1,798	97,313	21.4
Poland	850	49,678	6	0	0	35,870	36	86,440	19.0

Italy	523	5,581	145	96	132	24,340	121	30,938	6.8
Sweden	2,031	58	464	480	2	2,807	1,192	7,034	1.5
Holland	1,655	2,584	112	2	0	2,430	200	6,984	1.5
Spain	148	3,079	295	39	0	2,039	433	6,033	1.3
France	574	160	250	96	0	4,521	261	5,863	1.3
Romania	80	205	74	0	0	4,661	1	5,020	1.1
Rest of EU	3,052	4,062	838	379	312	13,077	971	22,692	5.0
EU total	12,386	110,292	4,672	1,141	17,830	116,984	5,013	268,317	59.0
China	38,732	0	94	0	0	31,076	118	70,020	15.4
UK	744	16	2,355	13,799	915	17,894	2,785	38,508	8.5
Japan	529	0	1,360	0	0	23,057	375	25,321	5.6
Australia	0	0	125	0	0	12,595	0	12,720	2.8
USA	1,124	0	1,672	24	0	4,871	246	7,938	1.7
Philippines	3,391	2	169	0	0	2,652	20	6,235	1.4
South Korea	88	0	435	0	0	3,965	82	4,569	1.0
Malaysia	132	0	137	0	0	3,615	0	3,884	0.9
Taiwan	326	3	18	0	0	3,140	26	3,512	0.8
Other 3rd countries	2,835	934	1,939	384	2	6,417	1,204	13,715	3.0
3rd countries, total	47,900	956	8,303	14,207	917	109,283	4,857	186,423	41.0
Total exports	60,286	111,248	12,975	15,348	18,747	226,267	9,870	454,740	100

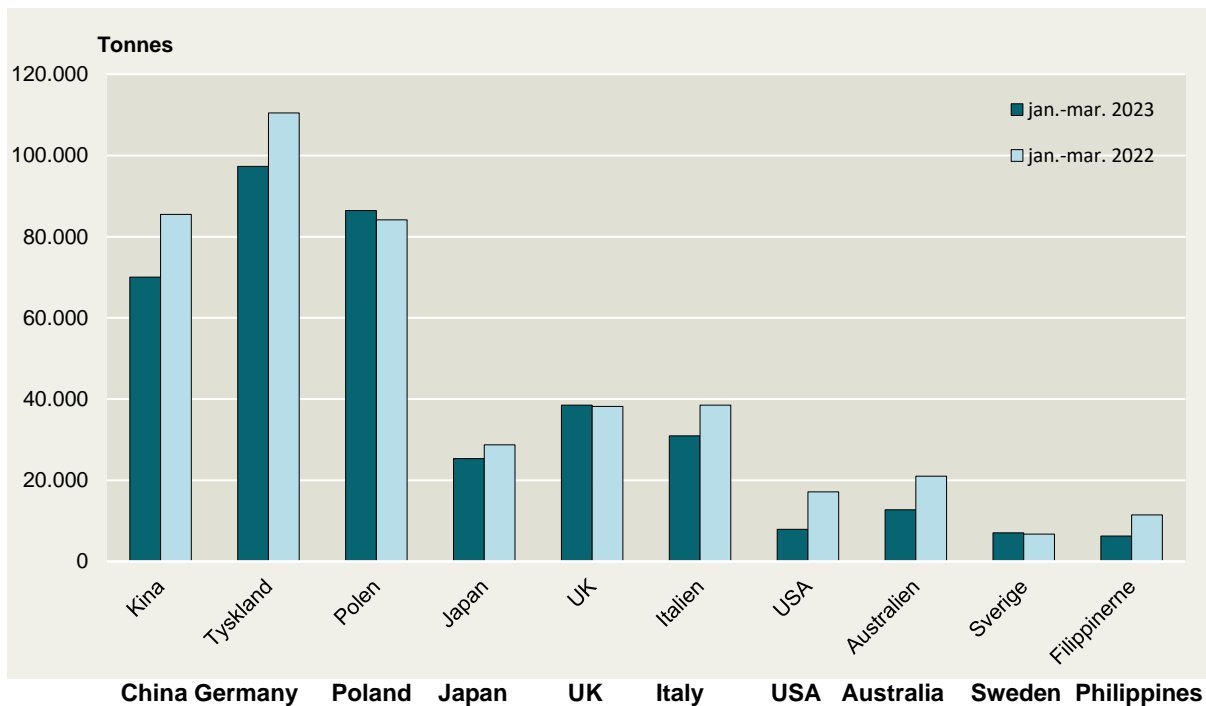
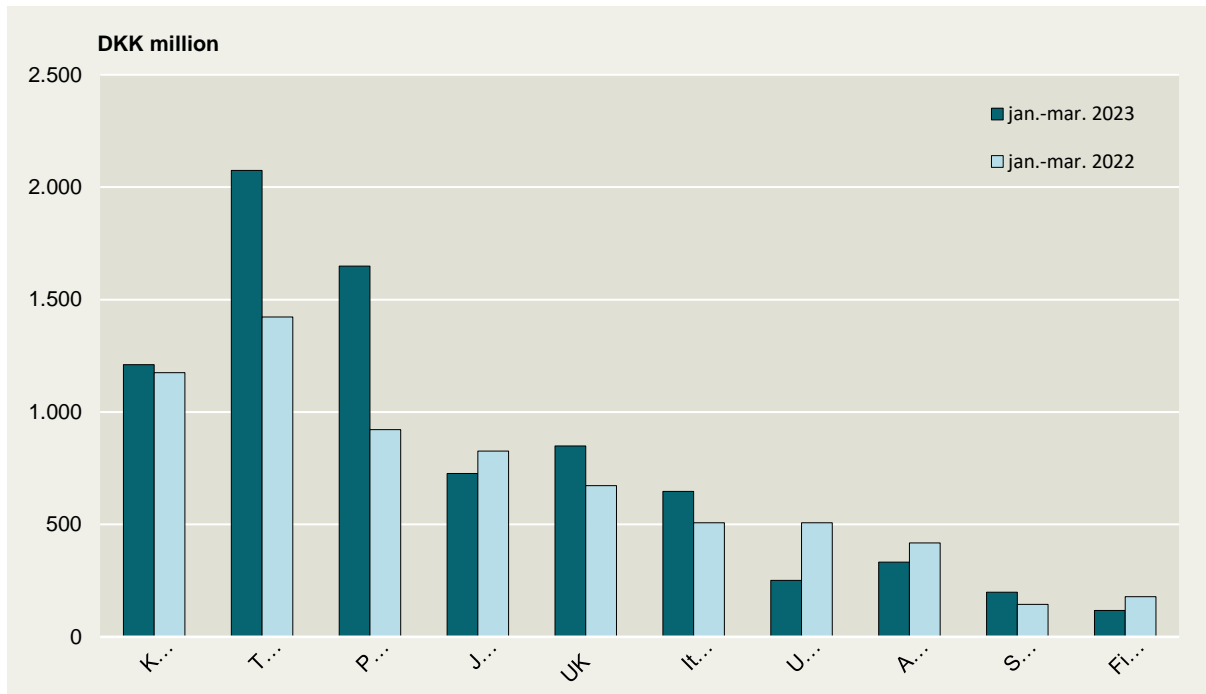
2022

Tonnes	By-products	Live pigs	Processed Canned	Bacon	Whole and half pigs/sows	Cuts	Sausages	Total	Per cent
Germany	3,042	44,421	2,249	38	20,211	39,257	1,218	110,436	21.4
Poland	391	37,895	4	1	113	45,712	3	84,119	16.3
Italy	461	4,504	144	19	153	33,111	82	38,474	7.5
Holland	2,365	2,823	60	11	0	1,940	356	7,555	1.5
Sweden	2,230	17	502	351	2	2,570	1,028	6,699	1.3
Spain	170	2,702	306	38	0	1,002	471	4,688	0.9
France	292	161	292	85	0	3,531	197	4,558	0.9
Romania	360	1,106	40	1	83	1,396	0	2,986	0.6
Rest of EU	2,139	3,759	858	62	604	11,491	940	19,853	3.9
EU total	11,449	97,386	4,455	605	21,166	140,011	4,295	279,366	54.2
China	45,250	0	155	0	0	39,994	62	85,461	16.6
UK	1,261	3	2,677	14,994	0	16,653	2,638	38,226	7.4
Japan	53	3	988	0	0	27,244	403	28,691	5.6
Australia	125	0	123	0	0	20,778	0	21,027	4.1
USA	1,003	0	1,851	0	0	14,132	158	17,144	3.3
Philippines	3,511	49	903	0	0	6,999	0	11,462	2.2
South Korea	793	0	496	0	0	5,592	46	6,927	1.3
Ukraine	80	0	6	0	56	5,441	0	5,583	1.1
Taiwan	189	0	17	0	0	4,822	17	5,045	1.0
Other 3rd countries	3,536	575	3,183	438	1	7,319	1,132	16,184	3.1
3rd countries, total	55,802	630	10,399	15,432	56	148,974	4,457	235,751	45.8
Total exports	67,251	98,017	14,854	16,037	21,222	288,985	8,752	515,117	100

Top 10 importers of Danish pig meat according to value

Country	Jan-March 2023		Jan-March 2022	
	Value in DKK million	Tonnes	Value in DKK million	Tonnes
China	1.211	70.020	1.175	85.461
Germany	2.074	97.313	1.422	110.436
Poland	1.649	86.440	922	84.119

Japan	727	25.321	826	28.691
UK	849	38.508	672	38.226
Italy	647	30.938	507	38.474
USA	251	7.938	508	17.144
Australia	332	12.720	418	21.027
Sweden	199	7.034	144	6.699
Philippines	117	6.235	179	11.462
Top 10 total	8.056	382.467	6.773	441.739
Other countries	1.793	72.273	1.371	73.378
Total	9.849	454.740	8.144	515.117



 **JAPAN**

Imports of pig meat

The table below shows Japan's total imports of pig meat and fresh/frozen pig meat for January-April 2023 compared to the same period last year.

Total pig meat

Tonnes	2023 Jan-April	2022 Jan-April	% change 2023:22
USA	113,365	121,050	-6.3
Canada	76,425	79,908	-4.4
Spain	69,158	59,893	15.5
Mexico	42,122	45,701	-7.8
Denmark	32,922	35,232	-6.6
Holland	11,849	15,840	-25.2
Chile	12,422	9,465	31.2
Brazil	10,737	8,660	24.0
Ireland	5,473	5,849	-6.4
China	4,476	4,960	-9.8
France	6,613	6,493	1.8
Thailand	3,009	3,391	-11.3
Italy	65	2,248	-97.1
Austria	792	1,399	-43.4
Portugal	261	606	-56.9
Finland	431	219	96.8
UK	190	169	12.4
South Korea	267	202	32.2
Australia	36	109	-67.0
Belgium	77	0	
Others	82	73	12.3
Total	390,772	401,467	-2.7

0203 Fresh/frozen pig meat			
Tonnes	2023 Jan-April	2022 Jan-April	% change 2023:22
USA	81,370	85,559	-4.9
Canada	71,180	77,992	-8.7
Spain	67,536	58,618	15.2
Mexico	38,282	42,906	-10.8
Denmark	26,485	29,300	-9.6
Holland	9,347	12,144	-23.0
Chile	10,130	7,353	37.8
Brazil	9,260	6,855	35.1
Ireland	3,383	4,073	-16.9
France	6,465	6,409	0.9
Austria	648	1,296	-50.0
Italy	45	1,804	-97.5
Portugal	216	605	-64.3
Finland	339	125	171.2
UK	190	169	12.4
Belgium	77	0	
Australia	31	104	-70.2
Others	-2	1	-300.0
Total	324,982	335,313	-3.1

 **JAPAN**

Development in pig meat storage

The table below shows the development in Japan's pig meat storage until the end of April 2023.

Tonnage	Own production	Imported volumes	Total storage
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	Fersk	Frosset	Fersk	Frosset	
End January 20	451	21,023	7,099	180,639	209,212
End February 20	383	22,694	9,249	175,793	208,119
End March 20	403	24,659	7,991	177,084	210,137
End April 20	437	22,687	8,555	192,266	223,945
End May 20	393	20,465	8,663	206,221	235,742
End June 20	365	22,843	9,721	202,144	235,073
End July 20	374	21,004	10,289	193,785	225,452
End August 20	393	19,947	9,955	190,222	220,847
End September 20	361	19,324	9,658	183,728	213,071
End October 20	346	18,987	8,463	176,392	204,188
End November 20	466	18,945	10,867	164,711	194,989
End December 20	498	19,916	10,253	157,644	188,311
End January 21	368	22,065	8,872	151,259	182,564
End February 21	353	22,522	8,912	152,487	184,274
End March 21	444	23,660	11,726	146,154	181,984
End April 21	483	25,110	9,922	149,121	184,636
End May 21	415	25,437	9,863	149,760	185,475
End June 21	414	24,876	9,688	152,751	187,729
End July 21	428	23,498	11,381	149,262	184,569
End August 21	397	22,491	10,986	154,587	188,461
End September 21	433	21,495	11,242	154,249	187,419
End October 21	460	20,899	10,587	150,861	182,807
End November 21	428	21,176	11,010	143,741	176,355
End December 21	561	22,351	9,240	136,436	168,588
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