

# Pork

Pork production last week was 4.1% bigger than the same week a year ago. Pork output is anticipated to seasonally decline in the near term but remain above 2016 levels. Further, Q3 2017 production is forecasted by the USDA to rise from Q2 by 195 million pounds, the largest increase for that period since 2009. This may temper any seasonal upward pricing pressure on the pork markets this summer. That said, belly supplies remain short which could be especially supportive of the belly markets during the next several weeks.



Product Description	Market Trend	Supplies	Price vs. Last Year
Live Hogs	Increasing	Ample	Lower
Sow	Decreasing	Ample	Lower
Belly (bacon)	Increasing	Good	Higher
Sparerib(4.25 lb & down)	Decreasing	Good	Lower
Ham (20-23 lb)	Decreasing	Good	Lower
Ham (23-27 lb)	Increasing	Good	Lower
Loin (bone in)	Increasing	Good	Same
Babyback Rib (1.75 lb & up)	Increasing	Good	Lower
Tenderloin (1.25 lb)	Increasing	Good	Lower
Boston Butt, untrmd (4-8 lb)	Decreasing	Good	Higher
Picnic, untrmd	Increasing	Good	Higher
SS Picnic, smoker trm box	Increasing	Good	Higher
42% Trimmings	Increasing	Good	Higher
72% Trimmings	Increasing	Good	Higher

