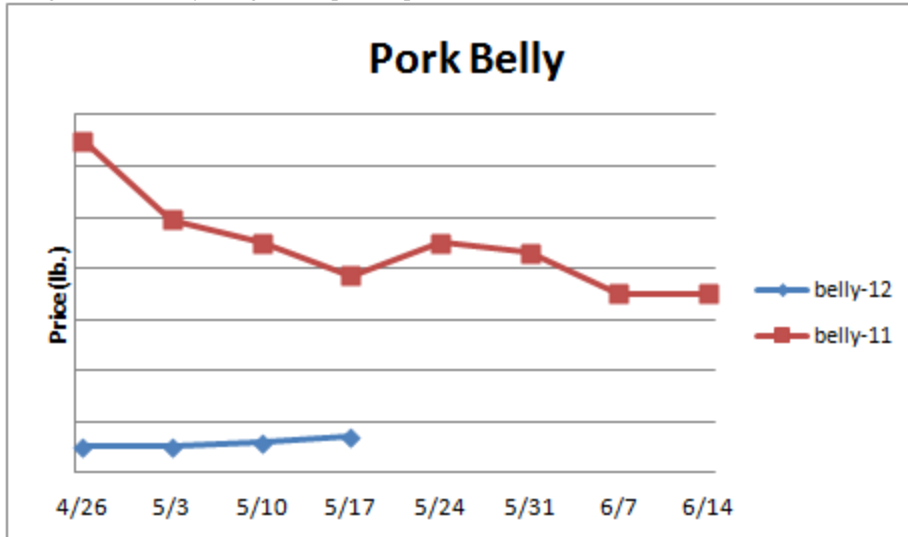


Pork Report

Pork- Pork production last week rose 1% and was 2.3% larger than last year. Pork output remains strong due in part to solid hog numbers at heavier weights. Still, pork prices have been moving up recently following a seasonal trend. Pork production is forecasted to remain above '11 levels which should temper any additional seasonal pork market increases in the coming months. US March pork exports were up 2% versus '11 and were a record for the month. A rising US dollar may mitigate US pork exports this summer.



	<u>Market Trend</u>	<u>Supplies</u>	<u>Price vs. Last Year</u>
Live Hogs	Increasing	Good	Lower
Belly (bacon)	Increasing	Good	Lower
Spare Rib (4.25 & down)	Increasing	Good	Lower
Ham (23-27 lb)	Decreasing	Good	Lower
Loin (bone-in)	Increasing	Good	Lower
Baby Back Rib (1.75 & up)	Decreasing	Good	Higher
Tenderloin (1.25 lb)	Increasing	Good	Lower
Boston Butt, untrimmed 4-8 lb.	Increasing	Good	Lower
Picnic, untrimmed	Increasing	Good	Lower
SS Picnic, smoker trim boxed	Steady	Good	Lower
42% Trimmings	Steady	Good	Lower
72% Trimmings	Steady	Good	Lower

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