



# National Daily Base Lean Hog Carcass Slaughter Cost

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Special Note: This report will be discontinued on 5/9/2025, as the information it provides is no longer representative of the current swine population or marketing practices. It will be replaced by the addition of more relevant live and carcass weight distribution data to the LM\_HG215 National Daily Direct Hog Prior Day Report - Average Net Price Distribution report ([https://www.ams.usda.gov/mnreports/ams\\_2673.pdf](https://www.ams.usda.gov/mnreports/ams_2673.pdf)).

This report includes: Volume, Weighted Average Carcass Weight, and Base Cost for 05/02/2025

Base Cost (Packer Buying Programs)						
Date	Volume Head Count	Avg Carcass Weight	Backfat (Inches) Percent Lean	1.00-1.09 49-50%	0.80-0.99 51-52%	0.65-0.79 53-54%
05/02/25	76,269	216.59		85.74	87.57	89.35
05/01/25	68,414	216.75		85.37	87.23	89.02
04/30/25	71,529	215.66		85.41	87.25	89.01
04/29/25	68,650	213.54		85.14	86.97	88.73
04/28/25	63,541	214.01		84.48	86.32	88.11
04/25/25	90,024	215.88		84.35	86.14	87.83

## WEEKLY NATIONAL DAILY BASE LEAN HOG CARCASS SLAUGHTER COST

For Week Ended:

04/25/25	347,215	215.58		83.20	85.04	86.82
04/04/25	361,974	216.14		84.42	86.26	88.05
05/03/24	359,218	212.99		86.70	88.60	90.44

## MONTHLY NATIONAL DAILY BASE LEAN HOG CARCASS SLAUGHTER COST

For: April 2025

1,555,460	215.39		83.22	85.05	86.82
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The values in the base cost lean calculations are determined by individual packer's lean value buying programs, which are based on the backfat and loin depth both measured at the 10th rib.

Calculations include Producer Sold negotiated and swine or pork market formula and Packer Sold negotiated and swine or pork market formula data from the National Prior Day Slaughtered Swine Report (LM\_HG201).

Monthly total and weighted averages represent slaughtered hogs reported for the month.

Values reflect U.S. dollars per 100 pounds.