#### Pig Sector Review & Outlook Michael McKeon



## **Irish Pig Sector Statistics**



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Total Employment 8,000

On-Farm Employment

1,200

**Associated Industries** 

6,800



### **Pig Sector Review**





## The year that was...



Chinese Slowdown



**High Cereal Prices** 



Improved Efficiencies



N.Ire. Slaughter Capacity



**Continued German ASF** 



## What did we forecast to happen.....



- China would cool
- Poor demand & high supply
- Price would fall

159 c/ kg

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- High ingredient prices
- To fall at harvest if 5 year ave perf
- Price to remain /marginally decrease

109 c/ kg

118 c/ kg



#### Feed Price 2021

Composite Feed Cost €/Tonne





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#### Feed Price 2021

Feed Cost c / kg dwt.





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### Pig Price 2021





5 Year Trend c/kg dwt.



#### Margin-Over-Feed 2021



5 Year Trend c / kg dwt.





\* Est

## **2021 – Profitability (EBITA)**

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## **Pig Sector Forecast**





## **Pig Sector Outlook**











# **Pig Price Outlook**

**Chinese Pig Price Trend** 







# **Pig Price Outlook**

- Sow herd recovered rapidly due to massive government support. €26bn invested in 2 years
- Rapid expansion created oversupply with slump in Chinese domestic pig price
- Pigmeat import volumes declined since mid-2021
- Massive loss making in 2021. Boom-to-slump
- Muyuan (largest) lost est. €280m in October alone
- Domestic price has risen in recent weeks (+60%)
  Oct 6<sup>th</sup> 11 Yuan Dec 2021 18 Yuan





**EU Monthly Pigmeat Exports to China** 



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# **Pig Price Outlook**



- Rising domestic pig price will lead to increased EU imports from Q2
- Imports will be at a moderate level for 2022
- Chinese demand will rise EU pig prices



African Swine Fever Wild Boar



# **Pig Price Outlook**

- Initially spread in Eastern Europe by wild boars
- Three German regions infected by wild boar infections (2,000 boar cases)
  - Germany excluded from Chinese market since Sept 2020. Important as:
    - They are 2<sup>nd</sup> largest EU Sow herd
    - Were China's 3<sup>rd</sup> largest source of pigmeat
    - Estimated German sow herd will have fallen by 12%.
    - Germany / Denmark / Netherlands /Poland / France sow herds down by an estimated 300,000 sows



# **Pig Feed Outlook**





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Soyabean



- China is expected to import 100Mt in 2021/22.
- Record Brazilian crop expected (+140 MT) initial crop looks good with planting (86%) ahead of schedule and good rainfall & soil conditions. Argentina planting will be slightly lower
- Current price of ~ €385 /tonne for 2022 looks likely to fall if Brazilian crop is at 5 Year average performance.
- However the risk of La Nina giving drought conditions is still moderately high



# Wheat/Barley



# **Pig Feed Outlook**

- Current prices are exceptionally high (€310/tonne)
- Market concerns driving prices
  - Australian harvest wheat quality yield still est. 34MT
  - Lower US winter wheat rating
  - Russian Export Tax / High fertiliser prices
  - Very low barley closing stocks
- Although harvest was down, due to high price, stocks-to-use ratio of major exporters is now forecast average:
  - 2021/2022: 30.9%
  - 2020/2021: 31.1%
  - 5-Year Ave: 31.8%



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#### Wheat/Barley



- Market price has likely peaked, provided no shocks with:
  - Australian harvest yields / quality
  - Russian winter kill
  - South American maize crop

- Expect a gradual decrease during 2022, albeit still remaining at a high level compared to recent years
- Will take a good US & Canadian harvest to bring it back to more moderate price



#### STOCK-TO-USE RATIO (TOTAL WHEAT)





US SRW wheat price Fob Gulf \$/t

Russian 12.5 % wheat price Fob Novo \$/t



#### **Forecast:**





#### Forecast: Pig 2022





#### Margin Over Feed = 38c/kg



## 2022: Cashflow





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- Q1 & Q2 will be very difficult
- MOF Q1: 13c

- MOF Q2: 32c
- MOF Q3: 46c
- MOF Q4: 60c
- Q1 monthly deficit (27.5\*88kgs):

600 sows = €36,300

- 800 sows = €48,400
- 1,000 sows = €60,500



### Thank you for your attention!



