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Pork - Pork production fell sharply last week, down 4.6% week-to-week and was 2.2% less than the prior year. The winter weather may have staved off further USDA pork cutout price declines in the short term, but further downward pressure is expected moving forward. Ham prices continue to languish at multi-year lows, but with Easter a mere two months away, prices remain favorable for late holiday negotiations. Pork belly prices have come off rather abruptly, but are expected to find modest support as buyers look for value heading into the spring.

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

