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News

Pork prices in China fall week on week

Pork prices in China registered a week-on-week decline from December 12 to 16, 2022, official data shows. [Read more.](#)

Annual grain output reaches record high

China reported its highest-ever annual grain output recently, though its per-unit output dipped slightly due to extreme weather and an expanded growing area for import-reliant soybean. [Read more.](#)

Tech heralds clean, productive future for pig farms

A pig farm in Tongxiang, Zhejiang province, is able to realize environment control, automatic feeding and alert for abnormal herd behavior by using technologies including 5G network, big data and artificial intelligence. [Read more.](#)

Use of antibiotics in Chinese farm animals declining

The use of antibiotics in Chinese farm animals has been on a "continuous decline" since 2017, agricultural authorities said, a boon to public health as abuse of such drugs among livestock has fueled a global human antibiotic resistance crisis. [Read more.](#)

International agricultural training kicks off in East China

An international agricultural training course on green technology and new agricultural varieties kicked off recently in Hefei, capital of East China's Anhui province. [Read more.](#)

China's largest soybean-producing province sets new records

Heilongjiang, China's largest soybean-producing province, set new records in 2022 in terms of soybean output and planting area, statistics from the National Bureau of Statistics show. [Read more.](#)

Gansu puts its high-quality agriculture on display

Companies from Gansu province signed eight cooperative and trade orders valued at more than 73.2 million yuan (\$10.6 million) during the 2022 Gansu Featured Agricultural Products International Matchmaking Sourcing Fair held in Qingyang recently. [Read more.](#)

Chinese experts call for increased international agricultural cooperation

More than 300 participants from international organizations, research institutes, universities and enterprises came together at the 6th International Agricultural Research Conference in Beijing recently to exchange ideas on how to contribute to global food security – calling for more international cooperation in agriculture. [Read more.](#)

Laws, Regulations and Policies

China issues rules to evaluate work on rural vitalization

China issued a set of rules to evaluate the work on rural vitalisation by including central government agencies and the taskforce on the ground, and to hold wrongdoers accountable, Xinhua Reported recently. [Read more.](#)

China to expand use of organic fertilizers

China will expand the use of organic fertilizers and cut that of chemical fertilizers to promote green agriculture. [Read more.](#)

Nations should share agricultural tech, ministry official says

An agricultural official has called on nations to share agricultural technologies to ease global food security problems worsened by the COVID-19 pandemic, climate change and regional conflicts. [Read more.](#)

Statistics

Market Price of Major Agricultural Products in Circulation (December 21-31, 2022)

Products	Units	Current Price (CNY)	Price Change over Previous Period (December 10-20, 2022, CNY)	± Rate (%)
Rice (Japonica Rice)	ton	3,793.0	0.0	0.0
Wheat (Third-Class of National Standard)	ton	3,204.3	-15.2	-0.5
Corn (Second-Class of Yellow Corn)	ton	2,822.9	-30.6	-1.1
Cotton (Ginned Cotton, Third-Class of White Cotton,)	ton	14,437.7	95.9	0.7
Live Pig (External Triple Crossbreed)	kg	16.8	-1.4	-7.7
Soybean	ton	5,542.8	-76.1	-1.4
Soybean Meal (Crude Protein Content≥43%)	ton	4,698.4	-46.5	-1.0
Peanut (Oil Peanut)	ton	9,964.3	-116.7	-1.2
Urea (Small Granule)	ton	2,708.4	-25.4	-0.9
Compound Fertilizer (Compound Fertilizer of Potassium Sulfate)	ton	3,455.0	0.0	0.0
Pesticide (Glyphosate, 95% Technical Material)	ton	48,714.3	-1,285.7	-2.6

Source: National Bureau of Statistics of China, data updated on January 4th, 2023