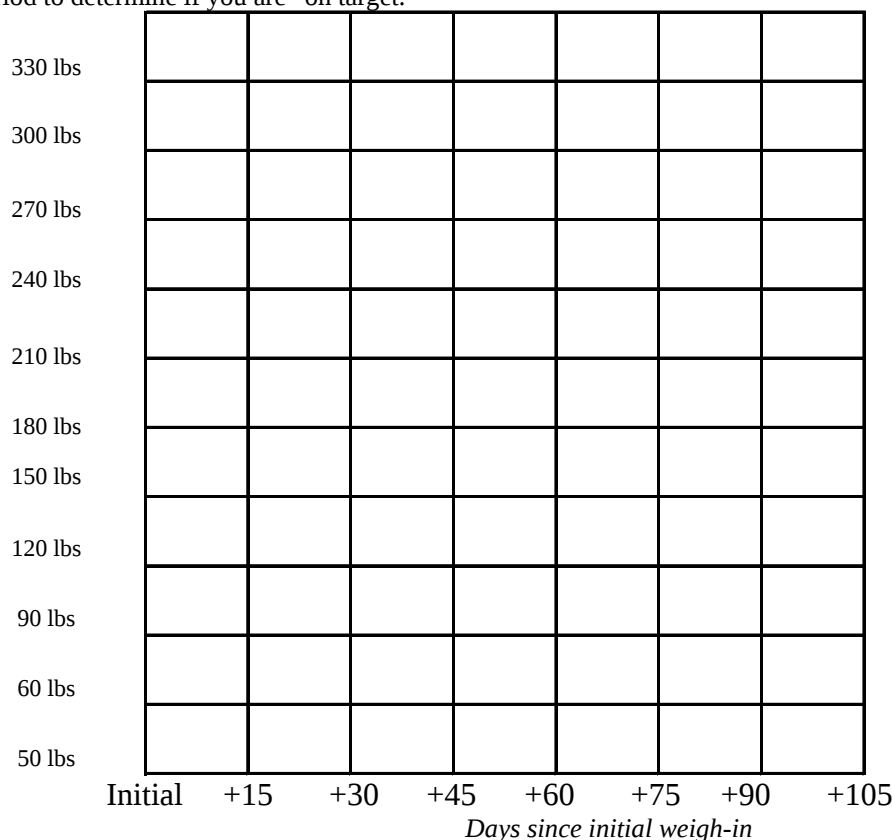


Market Swine Growth Chart

To achieve success with your 4-H Market Swine project, it is important you know the estimated final weight of your animal and your progress toward that goal throughout the feeding period. The chart below enables you to plot the predicted growth curve (immediately after the initial weigh-in) and then plot the actual weight of your animal at various times during the feeding period to determine if you are “on target.”



2. Mark the estimated final weight at the appropriate location for the number of days in the feeding period.
3. Connect these two points with a straight line. This is your predicted rate of growth.
4. Record your animal’s weight in the table below and the chart above each time it is weighed during the feeding

Tracking animal weight can tell you where your animal is compared to your goal. After each weigh day ask yourself; do you need to feed more grain or add any supplements?

Typical influences in average daily gain (A.D.G.) can be feed, water, weather, and illness. Ask yourself is the A.D.G. normal? What caused any problems?