Preparing to Buy Half of a Hog

How much meat is half of a hog?

Meat from a typical half a hog with a live weight of 250 to 270 lbs

12 to 14 lbs pork chops

Loin

Shoulder

Side

Spare ribs (3 lbs)

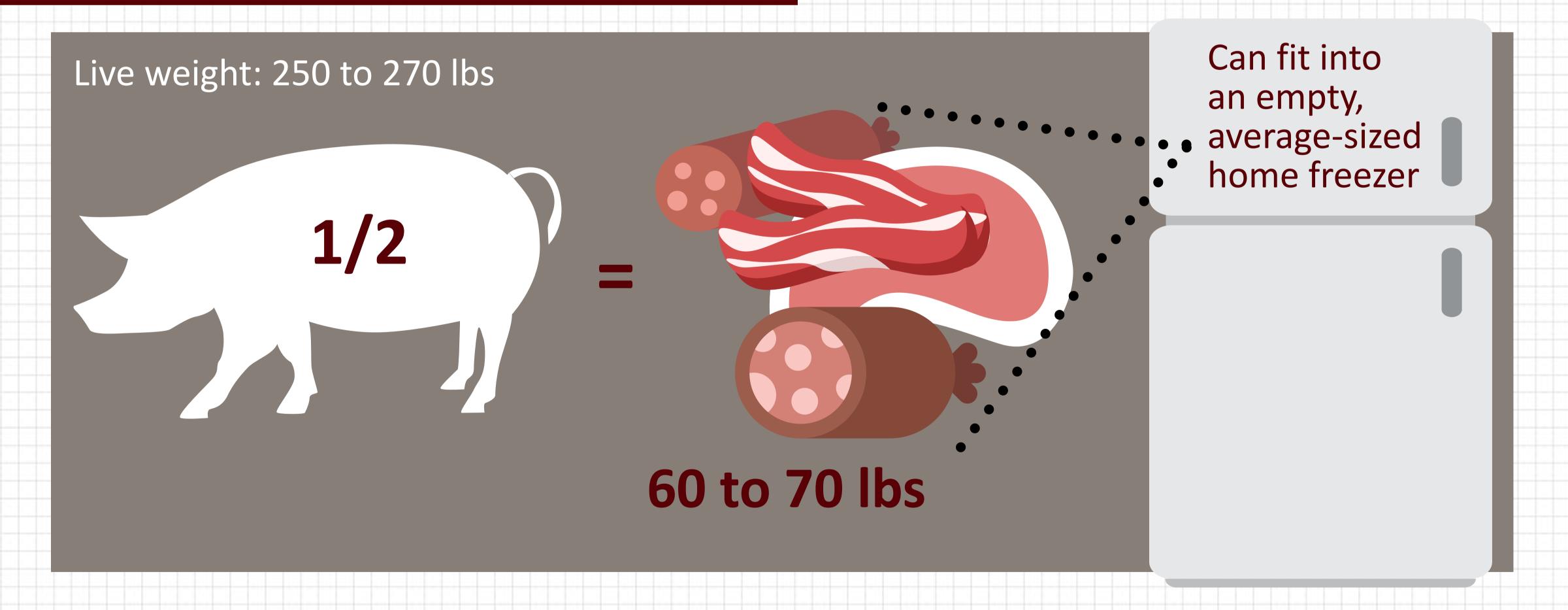
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Additional meat may be available including: heart, liver, tongue, fat/lard

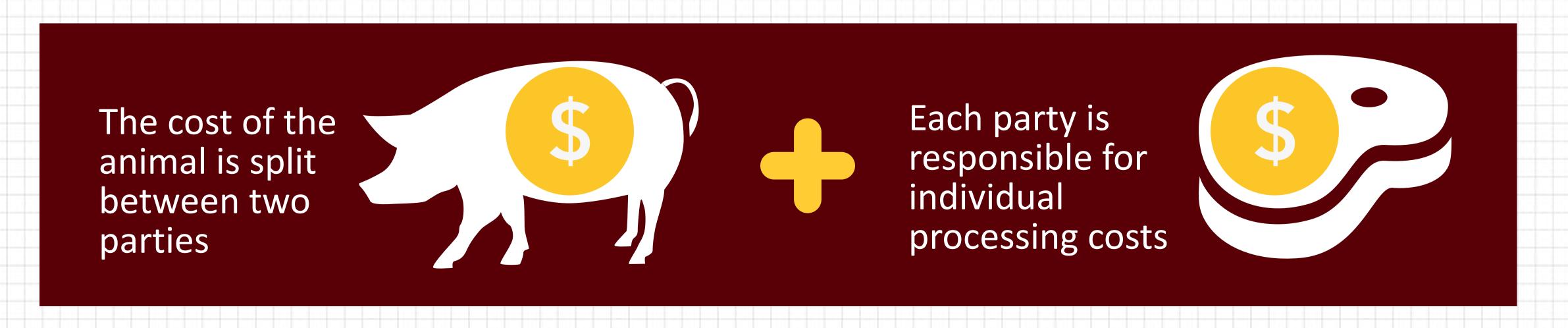
How much cooler/freezer space do you need?

Cuts and quantities of meat will depend on the animal and processor.

2.25 cu. ft. can fit about 50 lbs of meat



What costs should you expect?



Source: Beef and Pork Whole Animal Meat Buying Guide, Iowa State University