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Livestock Weighted Average Report for 10/19/2021 - Final

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	This Week	Last Reported 10/12/2021	Last Year
Total Receipts:	6,079	5,727	3,525
Feeder Cattle:	4,147(68.2%)	3,172(55.4%)	2,265(64.3%)
Slaughter Cattle:	1,437(23.6%)	1,865(32.6%)	960(27.2%)
Replacement Cattle:	495(8.1%)	690(12.0%)	300(8.5%)

Compared to last week: Yearling steers were too lightly tested to develop an market trend. Yearling heifers were very lightly tested, lower undertones were noticed. Demand for yearlings was light to moderate on an average quality offering. Steer calves under350 lbs were not well compared, lower undertones were noticed. Steer calves 350-449 lbs sold mostly steady to 5.00 lower, 450-599 lbs steers sold unevenly steady from 10.00 lower to 5.00 higher, steer calves over 600 lbs sold with higher undertones. Heifers under 450 lbs sold mostly steady to 5.00 higher, however instances of sharply higher prices were noted. Heifers450-549 lbs sold unevenly steady from 3.00 higher to 4.00 lower. Heifers over 550 lbs sold with steady to weak undertones. Quality this week was mostly attractive to very attractive and noticeably higher in quality than last week. Vaccinations were vital to selling calves this week as Calves with two rounds of preconditioning shots sold with the best demand and offered 12.00-15.00 premiums in some instances. This led to very wide price spreads. Trucking is also still a major issue. Demand for feeders is moderate to good but buyers are limiting the volume of feeders they purchased due to lack of transportation. Buyers focused on buying front end calves, especially ones with two rounds of vaccinations and passed or discounted average quality calves or calves with only spring shots. Heavy discounts were seen on plain or average quality cattle. Several sets of very attractive heifer calves were seen this week. On many of these offerings consigners kept no replacements. Demand for grass cattle remains good to very good. Market activity this week was moderate to active. Weigh up cows sold on mostly moderate to good demand for heavy offerings. An additional packer buyer was present this week which helped create strong competition for cows. This coupled with very strong demand for thin feeding cows helped push all cow prices higher. Slaughter cows sold mostly 1.00-3.00 higher on lean cows, boning and breaking cows were too lightly tested last week to develop any market trend. The majority of cows were purchased to feed this week. Feeding cows sold mostly2.00-5.00 higher, with the best demand seen for high quality cows suitable to feed to premium white. Many sets of very thin cows were purchased to turn out on corn stalks or feed a holding ration until the market improves for the holidays. Additionally, several buyers purchased cows to preg test or cows that were ranch tested bred. Slaughter bulls were too lightly tested to develop an accurate market trend, as most sold as feeding bulls this week. Bull prices were higher this week but were purchased for a different purpose. Young age cows suitable to feed or rebreed sold mostly3.00-5.00 lower. Quality this week was mostly average and not as attractive as last week. More thin offerings were seen this week. Supply included: 68% Feeder Cattle (53% Steers, 47% Heifers, 1% Bulls); 24% Slaughter Cattle (95% Cows, 5% Bulls); 8% Replacement Cattle (87% Stock Cows, 13% Bred Cows). Feeder cattle supply over 600 lbs was 6%.

FEEDER CATTLE

STEERS - Medium and Large 1 (Per Cwt / Actual Wt)

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price	
13	281	281	212.50	212.50	Unweaned
116	306-335	326	192.50-215.00	204.24	Unweaned
183	352-399	380	192.00-215.00	205.26	Unweaned
195	403-446	428	185.00-198.00	194.17	Unweaned
435	450-499	474	168.50-193.00	180.99	Unweaned
338	504-547	535	152.00-172.75	165.89	Unweaned

163	554-592	572	153.00-171.50	161.44	Unweaned
25	615-630	629	154.00-169.50	168.89	Unweaned
37	651-672	665	149.00-152.00	151.05	Unweaned
5	717	717	135.00	135.00	Unweaned
6	838	838	144.50	144.50	Unweaned

STEERS - Medium and Large 1-2 (Per Cwt / Actual Wt)

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price	
16	286-289	287	187.50-192.50	189.70	Unweaned
18	341-343	342	181.00	181.00	Unweaned
99	350-398	374	165.00-185.00	173.87	Unweaned
53	424-439	431	161.00-176.00	171.34	Unweaned
42	452-490	469	157.50-171.00	161.67	Unweaned
15	515-549	535	154.00-155.00	154.38	Unweaned
7	784	784	146.50	146.50	

STEERS - Medium and Large 2 (Per Cwt / Actual Wt)

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price	
20	279	279	155.00	155.00	Unweaned
16	378-397	385	145.00-148.00	146.84	Unweaned
7	414	414	160.00	160.00	Unweaned

STEERS - Medium 2 (Per Cwt / Actual Wt)

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price	
17	469	469	115.00	115.00	Unweaned

HEIFERS - Medium and Large 1 (Per Cwt / Actual Wt)

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price	
56	277-292	283	176.00-186.00	178.24	Unweaned
7	334	334	197.00	197.00	Fancy
133	300-341	326	170.00-186.00	175.72	Unweaned
279	351-395	379	160.00-185.50	173.98	Unweaned
24	406	406	183.00	183.00	Fancy
190	401-445	430	161.00-172.00	164.24	Unweaned
27	466	466	166.00	166.00	
40	463	463	174.00	174.00	Replacement
250	451-496	477	149.00-167.00	158.45	Unweaned
132	503-528	517	167.50-176.00	172.43	Replacement
166	503-540	530	147.00-156.50	154.33	Unweaned
11	552-561	556	139.00-141.00	139.92	Unweaned
27	613-648	624	128.00-139.00	136.77	Unweaned
17	726	726	150.00	150.00	

15	703	703	125.00	125.00	Unweaned
46	803-833	810	140.00-143.50	141.60	
7	903-926	916	134.50-135.00	134.71	

HEIFERS - Medium and Large 1-2 (Per Cwt / Actual Wt)

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price	
4	263	263	160.00	160.00	Unweaned
66	315-338	326	158.00-169.00	164.53	Unweaned
22	393	393	164.00	164.00	Unweaned
30	401-428	417	140.00-153.00	146.44	Unweaned
14	476	476	141.00	141.00	Unweaned
11	702	702	138.00	138.00	
23	760-798	787	139.00-143.50	142.68	

HEIFERS - Medium and Large 2 (Per Cwt / Actual Wt)

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price	
6	424	424	138.00	138.00	Unweaned
6	455-468	464	124.00-130.00	125.96	Unweaned

HEIFERS - Medium 1 (Per Cwt / Actual Wt)

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price	
8	428	428	132.00	132.00	Unweaned

HEIFERS - Medium 2 (Per Cwt / Actual Wt)

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price	
7	422	422	90.00	90.00	Unweaned

BULLS - Medium and Large 1 (Per Cwt / Actual Wt)

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price	
22	393	393	164.00	164.00	Unweaned

SLAUGHTER CATTLE

COWS - Breaker 75-80% (Per Cwt / Actual Wt)

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price	Dressing	
1	1635	1635	68.00	68.00	Average	Return to Feed

COWS - Boner 80-85% (Per Cwt / Actual Wt)

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price	Dressing	
2	1398	1398	55.00	55.00	Average	
50	1261-1410	1321	56.50-64.50	62.10	Average	Return to Feed
18	1395	1395	69.00	69.00	High	Return to Feed
6	1430-1442	1440	43.00-47.50	46.76	Low	

11	1330-1393	1372	46.00-54.50	52.48	Low	Return to Feed

COWS - Lean 85-90% (Per Cwt / Actual Wt)

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price	Dressing	
25	1070-1280	1194	47.00-52.50	48.91	Average	
117	1080-1380	1172	46.50-59.00	50.93	Average	Return to Feed
25	1210-1305	1270	60.00-62.00	60.47	High	Return to Feed
78	1000-1410	1143	39.00-45.50	43.07	Low	
1	895	895	40.00	40.00	Low	Light Weight
137	1007-1505	1093	39.50-49.00	45.98	Low	Return to Feed
25	1035-1210	1139	29.00-36.00	32.63	Very Low	
2	895-910	903	31.00-33.00	32.01	Very Low	Light Weight
65	894-1016	989	33.00-34.00	33.49	Very Low	Return to Feed

BULLS - 1-2 (Per Cwt / Actual Wt)

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price	Dressing	
2	1435-1905	1670	81.50-83.50	82.64	Average	
13	1400-1725	1622	76.00-82.00	78.60	Average	Return to Feed
2	1550-2085	1818	65.00	65.00	Low	
12	1315-1670	1596	67.00-77.00	74.80	Low	Return to Feed

REPLACEMENT CATTLE

STOCK COWS - Medium and Large 1 (Per Cwt / Actual Wt)

Age	Stage	Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price	
<2	O	94	708-1045	848	84.00-110.50	102.07	
<2	O	1	850	850	67.50	67.50	Thin Fleshed
2-4	O	50	845-1480	1059	56.50-80.00	66.26	
2-4	O	1	1040	1040	47.00	47.00	Thin Fleshed
2-8	O	28	916-1258	989	58.00-64.00	62.37	
5-8	O	7	1162	1162	46.50	46.50	Thin Fleshed

STOCK COWS - Medium and Large 1-2 (Per Cwt / Actual Wt)

Age	Stage	Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
<2	O	11	890-1025	912	61.00-85.00	81.08
2-4	O	1	1170	1170	70.00	70.00

BRED COWS - Medium and Large 1 (Per Cwt / Actual Wt)

Age	Stage	Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price	
2-8	T1-2	15	1205	1205	63.75	63.75	
>5	T1	3	1238	1238	51.00	51.00	
>8	T1-2	7	1059	1059	51.00	51.00	Thin Fleshed

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BRED COWS - Medium and Large 1-2 (Per Head / Actual Wt)

Age	Stage	Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
2-4	T1-2	2	1070	1070	850.00	850.00
5-8	T1-2	2	1240	1240	810.00	810.00

Please Note:
The above USDA LPGMN price report is reflective of the majority of classes and grades of livestock offered for sale. There may be instances where some sales do not fit within reporting guidelines and therefore will not be included in the report. Prices are reported on an FOB basis, unless otherwise noted.

Explanatory Notes:
Stage (Cattle) - Represents pregnancy stage (O = open; T1 = 1st Trimester, 1 to 3 months; T1-2 = 1st/2nd trimester, 1 to 6 months; T2 = 2nd Trimester, 4 to 6 months; T2-3 = 2nd/3rd Trimester, 4 to 9 months; T3 = 3rd Trimester, 7 to 9 months; T1-3 = all trimesters, 1 to 9 months)

Age - Numerical representation of age in years.