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Livestock Weighted Average Report for 2/22/2023 - Final

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	This Week	Last Reported 2/15/2023	Last Year
Total Receipts:	296	303	203
Feeder Cattle:	33(11.1%)	177(58.4%)	25(12.3%)
Slaughter Cattle:	214(72.3%)	70(23.1%)	138(68.0%)
Replacement Cattle:	49(16.6%)	56(18.5%)	40(19.7%)

Compared to last week: Receipts were light again today due to cold weather and snowy conditions. Temperatures are, and will remain below 0 for much of today and tomorrow. Feeder cattle were all too lightly tested to develop any market trend. Quality this sale was mostly plain. Most calves were offered in small packages or as singles. Demand for feeder cattle remains good, but quality hampered demand again this week. Market activity was slow to moderate. Weigh up cows sold on mostly very good demand for light offerings. Packer buyers showed very good demand for all cows on offer. The best demand seen this week was for lean grinding materials, both lean cows and bulls. Breaking cows sold mostly 8.00-9.00 higher in a narrow comparison. Boning cows sold 9.00-12.00 higher, lean cows sold sharply higher with most sale 10.00-15.00 higher. Cow quality was mostly plain to average. Slaughter bulls were too lightly tested last week to develop an accurate market trend, sharply higher undertones were noticed. Young age cows suitable to feed or rebreed were too lightly tested to develop an accurate market trend, however higher undertones were noticed. Heifers that lost calves have started to come to market. These offering sold at a discount open heifers and lowered the price of <2 year old stock cows. Supply included: 11% Feeder Cattle (18% Steers, 59% Heifers, 24% Bulls); 72% Slaughter Cattle (88% Cows, 12% Bulls); 17% Replacement Cattle (100% Stock Cows). Feeder cattle supply over 600 lbs was 82%.

FEEDER CATTLE

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

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
3	687	687	191.00	191.00

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

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
10	747	747	168.00	168.00

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

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
3	523	523	202.50	202.50

BULLS - Large 1 (Per Cwt / Actual Wt)

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
1	1015	1015	134.00	134.00

SLAUGHTER CATTLE

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

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price	Dressing

24	1520-1797	1785	96.00-96.50	96.48	Average
32	1442-1604	1565	97.50-98.00	97.60	High
7	1692	1692	98.50	98.50	High Return to Feed

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

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price	Dressing
19	1283-1475	1355	89.00-98.00	94.06	Average
13	1370-1460	1415	99.00-100.50	99.72	High
2	1345-1405	1375	81.00-85.00	82.96	Low

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

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price	Dressing
35	1110-1326	1260	88.50-99.00	92.72	Average
8	1110-1280	1210	99.00-100.00	99.52	High
10	1010-1250	1162	83.00-89.00	85.75	Low
13	773-958	905	73.00-90.00	84.78	Low Light Weight
4	1020-1198	1109	62.00-65.00	63.38	Very Low

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

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price	Dressing
2	1650-2490	2070	113.00-114.00	113.60	Average
6	1134	1134	118.00	118.00	Average Return to Feed
2	1960-2260	2110	120.00-124.00	122.14	High
10	1330-2000	1781	91.00-111.00	103.41	Low
1	1095	1095	95.50	95.50	Low Light Weight
2	1080-1255	1168	99.00-111.00	104.55	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	19	802-1405	1042	119.50-143.00	133.23
2-4	O	14	835-1240	1053	88.00-114.00	102.57

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

Age	Stage	Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
<2	O	2	755-1145	950	119.00-122.50	120.39
2-4	O	2	900-940	920	97.50-109.00	103.13

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.