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Livestock Weighted Average Report for 3/1/2023 - Final

AUCTION

	This Week	Last Reported 2/22/2023	Last Year
Total Receipts:	1,729	296	2,731
Feeder Cattle:	0(0.0%)	33(11.1%)	115(4.2%)
Slaughter Cattle:	695(40.2%)	214(72.3%)	796(29.1%)
Replacement Cattle:	1,034(59.8%)	49(16.6%)	1,820(66.6%)

Compared to last week: Feeder cattle were not tested this week as todays sale featured bred cows and weigh ups. Weigh up cows sold on mostly moderate to good demand for moderate offerings. heavier supplies allowed for buyers to be more selective this week as they bid on offerings. Packers purchased several consignments of cows to feed. Most of these offerings were high quality and most had been started on feed and need another 45-60 days to reach premium white. Slaughter cows sold steady to 3.00 lower on all classes. Feeding cows were too lightly tested last week to develop any market trend. Weigh up conditions were mixed this week, but most cows that were worked through the chute offered buyers an attractive weigh up. Slaughter bulls were too lightly tested to develop an accurate market trend, steady undertones were noticed on a plain quality offering. A large offering of bred cows was seen this week as over 1000 head were preg. checked for todays sale. Cow quality was mixed from plain to attractive. Many thin bred cows were seen as buyers sold off cows out of drought stricken areas. Several later calving consignments were seen today, and these consignments were met with light to moderate demand. Small packages were also met with light to moderate demand. Very few bred heifers were seen today and package sizes were all very small. 3rd trimester is from now until June 3rd. 2nd trimester is from June 3rd to Sept 5th. First trimester calves after September 5th. Supply included: 40% Slaughter Cattle (92% Cows, 8% Bulls); 60% Replacement Cattle (13% Stock Cows, 86% Bred Cows, 1% Bred Heifers).

SLAUGHTER CATTLE

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

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price	Dressing
11	1581-1754	1667	92.50-93.50	92.98	Average
59	1394-1664	1463	92.00-94.50	93.71	Average Return to Feed
7	1428-1810	1590	97.00-100.00	99.30	High
12	1590-1860	1712	83.00-90.50	87.86	Low

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

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price	Dressing
109	1280-1568	1423	86.50-95.00	89.27	Average
26	1421	1421	93.00	93.00	Average Return to Feed
24	1290-1655	1485	95.50-100.00	96.16	High
33	1300-1640	1427	79.00-86.50	83.16	Low
2	1315-1330	1323	82.00-87.00	84.51	Low Return to Feed

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

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price	Dressing
30	1150-1310	1230	86.50-93.00	88.55	Average

1	950	950	85.00	85.00	Average	Light Weight
15	1055-1282	1241	86.50-88.50	87.91	Average	Return to Feed
112	1078-1467	1231	71.00-86.00	79.54	Low	
46	1014-1315	1210	74.00-86.00	81.25	Low	Return to Feed
7	1132-1255	1187	66.00-69.50	67.93	Very Low	
1	980	980	62.50	62.50	Very Low	Light Weight

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

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price	Dressing	
2	1515-1735	1625	105.00-105.50	105.27	Average	
6	1720-2178	1905	119.00-123.00	120.94	High	
6	1085-1172	1129	121.00-129.00	124.85	High	Return to Feed
17	1398-2425	1687	92.00-102.50	95.49	Low	
10	1208-1370	1291	84.00-95.50	91.79	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	30	850-1230	1153	120.00-137.00	123.52
2-4	O	77	800-1525	1065	91.00-114.50	99.30

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

Age	Stage	Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
<2	O	1	820	820	107.50	107.50
2-4	O	15	860-1230	948	82.00-99.00	90.08

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

Age	Stage	Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
>5	T1	4	1388	1388	90.50	90.50
>5	T2	19	1304-1352	1324	80.00-86.50	82.79

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

Age	Stage	Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price	
2-4	T1	6	998-1196	1130	1000.00-1100.00	1029.44	
2-4	T2	20	1071-1322	1163	1525.00-1575.00	1543.42	
2-4	T2-3	78	1202-1266	1245	1875.00-2000.00	1959.76	
2-4	T3	198	1032-1471	1152	2000.00-2275.00	2119.12	
2-4	T3	50	945-1011	984	1700.00-1985.00	1846.70	Thin Fleshed
2-8	T2	3	1136	1136	1100.00	1100.00	Thin Fleshed
2-8	T2-3	16	1349	1349	1850.00	1850.00	
5-8	T2	4	1274	1274	1450.00	1450.00	
5-8	T2-3	24	1213-1343	1319	1475.00-1875.00	1700.68	

5-8	T3	78	1233-1500	1318	1900.00-2225.00	2078.83	
5-8	T3	40	1330-1388	1339	1750.00-1850.00	1765.55	Thin Fleshed
>5	T2	3	1427	1427	1425.00	1425.00	
>5	T2-3	35	1308-1490	1354	1375.00-1450.00	1421.53	
>5	T3	122	1188-1548	1317	1500.00-1850.00	1644.79	
>8	T2-3	17	1330	1330	1350.00	1350.00	Broken Mouth
>8	T3	73	1295-1630	1352	1300.00-1450.00	1403.59	Broken Mouth
>8	T3	13	1200-1254	1237	1100.00	1100.00	Thin Fleshed

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

Age	Stage	Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price	
2-4	T2-3	3	1168	1168	1500.00	1500.00	
2-4	T3	3	1443	1443	1775.00	1775.00	
5-8	T3	7	1479	1479	1750.00	1750.00	
>5	T3	10	1351	1351	1425.00	1425.00	
>8	T3	9	1351	1351	1200.00	1200.00	Broken Mouth

BRED COWS - Medium 1 (Per Unit / Actual Wt)

Age	Stage	Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price	
2-4	T2	5	984	984	1100.00	1100.00	Thin Fleshed
2-4	T2-3	2	1178	1178	1300.00	1300.00	
2-4	T2-3	4	924	924	1400.00	1400.00	Thin Fleshed

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

Age	Stage	Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
<2	T2-3	4	1105-1140	1131	1825.00	1825.00
<2	T3	2	1158	1158	1725.00	1725.00

BRED HEIFERS - Medium 1 (Per Unit / Actual Wt)

Age	Stage	Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
<2	T3	7	879	879	1800.00	1800.00

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.