# Public Auction Yards Livestock Cattle Auction - Billings, MT (Wed)

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Livestock Weighted Average Report for 4/21/2021 - Final

## AUCTION

| | This Week | Last Reported 4/14/2021 | Last Year |
|---|---|---|---|
| **Total Receipts:** | 1,603 | 6,541 | 1,655 |
| **Feeder Cattle:** | 877(54.7%) | 6,057(92.6%) | 1,143(69.1%) |
| **Slaughter Cattle:** | 448(27.9%) | 158(2.4%) | 245(14.8%) |
| **Replacement Cattle:** | 278(17.3%) | 326(5.0%) | 267(16.1%) |

Compared to last week: Feeder cattle were too lightly tested today to develop an accurate market trend, however unevenly steady to weak undertones were noticed on both steers and heifers. Quality this week was mostly plain and significantly lower than last week. Feeder cattle were mostly offered in small size packages with no load lots on offer. Demand was mostly moderate for light to moderate offerings. Quality today kept many buyers on the sidelines. Some local ranchers helped support the market as they purchased limited quantities of feeders to run on grass this summer. Market activity today was slow to moderate. Weigh up cows sold on mixed demand for moderate offerings. Packers and feeding buyers were both aggressive early in the sale as they fought over offerings, however as the sale progressed and feeding buyers filled loads cow prices slipped lower. Both slaughter and feeding cows sold steady to2.00 lower. Weigh up conditions were mostly below average throughout the day. Weigh up conditions were lower in the afternoon as warm weather caused cows to push heavy amounts of fill. Slaughter bulls sold mostly steady to 3.00 lower. Bull quality was average to very attractive this week and high quality bulls sold fully steady. Young age cows suitable to feed or re-breed sold fully steady. Quality this sale was average to attractive. Supply included: 55% Feeder Cattle (36% Steers, 60% Heifers, 4% Bulls); 28% Slaughter Cattle (88% Cows, 12% Bulls); 17% Replacement Cattle (89% Stock Cows, 6% Bred Cows, 3% Cow-Calf Pairs, 3% Bulls). Feeder cattle supply over 600 lbs was 34%.

## FEEDER CATTLE

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

| Head | Wt Range | Avg Wt | Price Range | Avg Price | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 10 | 342 | 342 | 190.00 | 190.00 | Unweaned |
| 8 | 400 | 400 | 185.00 | 185.00 | Unweaned |
| 17 | 487 | 487 | 186.00 | 186.00 | |
| 14 | 555-561 | 560 | 182.00-186.00 | 182.78 | |
| 7 | 640 | 640 | 168.50 | 168.50 | |
| 10 | 660-678 | 669 | 156.00-161.00 | 157.69 | |
| 14 | 718-730 | 728 | 150.00-160.00 | 155.35 | |
| 30 | 750-769 | 759 | 139.00-145.50 | 143.32 | |
| 4 | 913 | 913 | 125.50 | 125.50 | |
| 13 | 953-975 | 960 | 125.00-127.00 | 125.63 | |

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

| Head | Wt Range | Avg Wt | Price Range | Avg Price |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 5 | 332 | 332 | 180.00 | 180.00 |
| 12 | 350-365 | 363 | 182.50-187.00 | 186.28 |
| 22 | 408-418 | 412 | 180.00-187.50 | 183.11 |

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| 13 | 458-496 | 490 | 176.00-184.00 | 182.85 |
| 6 | 508-515 | 513 | 175.00-177.00 | 175.66 |
| 8 | 625-645 | 641 | 156.00-160.00 | 157.99 |
| 6 | 650-653 | 651 | 145.00-155.00 | 148.16 |
| 4 | 720 | 720 | 146.00-147.00 | 146.50 |
| 1 | 970 | 970 | 119.00 | 119.00 |

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

| Head | Wt Range | Avg Wt | Price Range | Avg Price |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 24 | 674 | 674 | 139.50 | 139.50 |
| 1 | 775 | 775 | 124.00 | 124.00 |

## STEERS - Large 1 (Per Cwt / Actual Wt)

| Head | Wt Range | Avg Wt | Price Range | Avg Price |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 3 | 1035-1045 | 1042 | 122.00-122.50 | 122.33 |

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

| Head | Wt Range | Avg Wt | Price Range | Avg Price |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2 | 508 | 508 | 142.50 | 142.50 |

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

| Head | Wt Range | Avg Wt | Price Range | Avg Price | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 4 | 323 | 323 | 165.00 | 165.00 | Unweaned |
| 22 | 390 | 390 | 166.00 | 166.00 | Unweaned |
| 2 | 473 | 473 | 167.00 | 167.00 | |
| 7 | 553-589 | 579 | 155.00-159.00 | 157.91 | |
| 18 | 609-645 | 611 | 145.00-154.00 | 152.59 | |
| 4 | 688 | 688 | 138.00 | 138.00 | |
| 17 | 703-710 | 706 | 134.00-139.00 | 137.35 | |
| 2 | 810 | 810 | 122.00 | 122.00 | |
| 2 | 870 | 870 | 122.00 | 122.00 | |
| 4 | 960 | 960 | 106.00 | 106.00 | Fleshy |

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

| Head | Wt Range | Avg Wt | Price Range | Avg Price |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 5 | 341 | 341 | 165.00 | 165.00 |
| 26 | 367-371 | 368 | 153.00-162.50 | 154.47 |
| 5 | 433-445 | 438 | 155.00 | 155.00 |
| 65 | 458-485 | 474 | 155.00-161.50 | 157.91 |
| 48 | 515-543 | 535 | 142.00-158.00 | 150.36 |
| 26 | 584 | 584 | 143.00 | 143.00 |
| 6 | 650-678 | 669 | 133.00-134.50 | 134.01 |

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|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 19 | 677 | 677 | 127.00 | 127.00 | Fleshy |
| 4 | 753-770 | 762 | 122.00-126.00 | 124.02 | |

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

| Head | Wt Range | Avg Wt | Price Range | Avg Price |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 23 | 298 | 298 | 160.00 | 160.00 |
| 17 | 357-388 | 376 | 155.00-159.00 | 156.32 |
| 26 | 450 | 450 | 150.00 | 150.00 |
| 15 | 533 | 533 | 137.00 | 137.00 |
| 5 | 720 | 720 | 116.00 | 116.00 |

### HEIFERS - Large 1 (Per Cwt / Actual Wt)

| Head | Wt Range | Avg Wt | Price Range | Avg Price | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 3 | 1277 | 1277 | 102.00 | 102.00 | Fleshy |

### HEIFERS - Medium 1 (Per Cwt / Actual Wt)

| Head | Wt Range | Avg Wt | Price Range | Avg Price |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 6 | 448 | 448 | 162.00 | 162.00 |
| 5 | 529 | 529 | 158.50 | 158.50 |

### HEIFERS - Medium 2 (Per Cwt / Actual Wt)

| Head | Wt Range | Avg Wt | Price Range | Avg Price |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 6 | 402 | 402 | 138.00 | 138.00 |

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

| Head | Wt Range | Avg Wt | Price Range | Avg Price |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 3 | 593 | 593 | 145.00 | 145.00 |
| 5 | 669 | 669 | 140.00 | 140.00 |
| 1 | 825 | 825 | 126.00 | 126.00 |
| 1 | 980 | 980 | 123.00 | 123.00 |

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

| Head | Wt Range | Avg Wt | Price Range | Avg Price |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 6 | 65-93 | 79 | 250.00-275.00 | 264.72 |

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

| Head | Wt Range | Avg Wt | Price Range | Avg Price |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 3 | 522 | 522 | 156.00 | 156.00 |
| 2 | 728 | 728 | 122.00 | 122.00 |
| 1 | 905 | 905 | 117.00 | 117.00 |

### BULLS - Large 1 (Per Cwt / Actual Wt)

| Head | Wt Range | Avg Wt | Price Range | Avg Price |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 3 | 1092 | 1092 | 116.00 | 116.00 |
| 2 | 1140 | 1140 | 110.00 | 110.00 |
| 1 | 1190 | 1190 | 110.00 | 110.00 |

## SLAUGHTER CATTLE

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

| Head | Wt Range | Avg Wt | Price Range | Avg Price | Dressing |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 10 | 1580-1903 | 1659 | 69.00-71.50 | 70.49 | Average |
| 6 | 1425-1540 | 1517 | 68.00-74.00 | 72.59 | Average Return to Feed |
| 12 | 1490-1866 | 1678 | 61.00-67.50 | 64.84 | Low |
| 3 | 1650-1655 | 1652 | 64.00 | 64.00 | Low Return to Feed |

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

| Head | Wt Range | Avg Wt | Price Range | Avg Price | Dressing |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 19 | 1370-1545 | 1477 | 65.00-68.50 | 66.73 | Average |
| 39 | 1365-1570 | 1429 | 64.00-69.50 | 66.98 | Average Return to Feed |
| 2 | 1423 | 1423 | 70.00 | 70.00 | High |
| 15 | 1403-1585 | 1439 | 70.00-75.00 | 71.30 | High Return to Feed |
| 16 | 1310-1623 | 1484 | 60.00-64.00 | 62.54 | Low |
| 30 | 1305-1553 | 1455 | 59.00-65.50 | 64.13 | Low Return to Feed |

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

| Head | Wt Range | Avg Wt | Price Range | Avg Price | Dressing |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 10 | 1075-1335 | 1249 | 65.00-68.00 | 65.98 | Average |
| 58 | 925-1335 | 1209 | 65.00-69.50 | 67.01 | Average Return to Feed |
| 1 | 1125 | 1125 | 73.00 | 73.00 | High Return to Feed |
| 45 | 1025-1350 | 1193 | 57.00-64.50 | 61.48 | Low |
| 3 | 835-990 | 928 | 54.00-61.00 | 58.29 | Low Light Weight |
| 50 | 995-1288 | 1178 | 58.00-64.00 | 62.48 | Low Return to Feed |
| 6 | 1085-1365 | 1225 | 47.50-53.00 | 51.64 | Very Low |

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

| Head | Wt Range | Avg Wt | Price Range | Avg Price | Dressing |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 15 | 1540-1990 | 1859 | 84.00-92.50 | 86.92 | Average |
| 1 | 2780 | 2780 | 82.00 | 82.00 | Average Heavy Weight |
| 3 | 1208-1275 | 1230 | 83.00-91.00 | 88.24 | Average Return to Feed |
| 10 | 1920-2470 | 2160 | 93.00-100.50 | 96.94 | High |
| 1 | 2505 | 2505 | 94.50 | 94.50 | High Heavy Weight |
| 8 | 1400-1765 | 1579 | 67.50-80.50 | 76.66 | Low |
| 4 | 1230-1565 | 1398 | 75.00-82.00 | 78.92 | Low Return to Feed |

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### BULLS - 2-3 (Per Cwt / Actual Wt)

| Head | Wt Range | Avg Wt | Price Range | Avg Price | Dressing |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | 2440 | 2440 | 81.50 | 81.50 | Average |

## 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 | 141 | 742-1509 | 961 | 81.00-121.00 | 103.32 |
| 2-4 | O | 31 | 935-1575 | 1075 | 62.00-93.00 | 74.20 |

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

| Age | Stage | Head | Wt Range | Avg Wt | Price Range | Avg Price |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| <2 | O | 3 | 960-1135 | 1018 | 72.00-86.00 | 80.80 |
| 2-4 | O | 1 | 1130 | 1130 | 69.00 | 69.00 |

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

| Age | Stage | Head | Wt Range | Avg Wt | Price Range | Avg Price | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2-4 | T3 | 8 | 1223-1423 | 1315 | 1100.00-1200.00 | 1153.48 | |
| >8 | T3 | 4 | 1434 | 1434 | 900.00 | 900.00 | Broken Mouth |

### COW-CALF PAIRS - Medium and Large 1 w/ <150 lbs calf (Per Family / Actual Wt)

| Age | Stage | Head | Wt Range | Avg Wt | Price Range | Avg Price |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2-4 | O | 5 | 1464 | 1464 | 1575.00 | 1575.00 |

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

| Age | Head | Wt Range | Avg Wt | Price Range | Avg Price |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| <2 | 5 | 1209 | 1209 | 127.00 | 127.00 |

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; E = Exposed; B = Bred)

Age - Numerical representation of age in years.