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Livestock Weighted Average Report for 11/4/2021 - Final

AUCTION

	This Week	Last Reported 10/28/2021	Last Year
Total Receipts:	4,033	5,797	5,926
Feeder Cattle:	3,407(84.5%)	5,327(91.9%)	5,291(89.3%)
Slaughter Cattle:	374(9.3%)	285(4.9%)	434(7.3%)
Replacement Cattle:	252(6.2%)	185(3.2%)	201(3.4%)

Special Note: *Weaned calves are left untagged*

Compared to last week: Yearling steers and heifers were too lightly tested either this week or last to develop any accurate market trend. Demand for yearlings was mostly moderate to good. Yearling quality was average to attractive. Steer calves under450 lbs were too lightly tested either this week or last to develop an accurate market trend, steady to higher undertones were noticed. Steers450-599 lbs sold unevenly steady from 3.00 lower to 5.00 higher; steers over 600 lbs sold mostly 7.00-10.00 lower. Heifer calves under500 lbs sold steady to 5.00 higher, while heifers over500 lbs sold steady to frim. Calf quality this week was mostly average, with a few consignments of attractive cattle. Calves were offered in mostly small packages today with no load lots on offer. Demand remains limited due to limited trucks. Several buyers filled loads and exited the market. Calf prices declined as the sale progressed. Wide price spreads continue to be seen as buyers continue to focus on buying front end calves and calves with two rounds of vaccinations. Market activity this week was moderate to active. Weigh up cows sold on mostly moderate to good demand for light to moderate offerings. Packer and feeder buyers both showed good demand for cows this week which helped improve prices. The majority of cows this week were purchased for feed. Only very lame or severely blemished cows were purchased for immediate harvest. Feeding cows sold steady to2.00 higher. Slaughter cows were too lightly tested to develop an accurate market trend. Higher undertones were noticed on breaking cows, while steady to weak undertones were noticed on boning and lean cows. Slaughter bulls were too lightly tested to develop any market trend. Young age cows suitable to feed or rebreed sold 3.00-6.00 lower. Demand was mostly light. Quality for this class of cows was plain to average this week. Supply included: 84% Feeder Cattle (57% Steers, 43% Heifers, 1% Bulls); 9% Slaughter Cattle (99% Cows, 1% Bulls); 6% Replacement Cattle (73% Stock Cows, 27% Bred Cows). Feeder cattle supply over 600 lbs was 23%.

FEEDER CATTLE

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

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price	
11	265-284	277	200.00-210.00	203.48	Unweaned
18	305-338	312	205.00-212.50	207.22	Unweaned
117	362-399	383	189.00-209.50	197.46	Unweaned
6	420-435	425	189.00-197.50	194.60	Unweaned
226	462-493	478	164.00-189.50	176.90	Unweaned
10	510	510	147.00	147.00	Full
141	503-545	533	155.00-166.50	162.04	Unweaned
166	552-584	575	150.75-164.50	160.09	Unweaned
25	603	603	163.00	163.00	Fancy
200	603-647	627	143.00-152.50	147.81	Unweaned
38	661-698	670	143.50-153.00	150.66	

41	650-693	658	145.50-150.50	149.76	Unweaned
67	745	745	163.50	163.50	
7	725	725	144.00	144.00	Full
58	704-730	711	136.50-153.00	148.90	Unweaned
24	753	753	152.50	152.50	Unweaned
3	805	805	133.00	133.00	Unweaned
10	939	939	145.00	145.00	

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

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price	
5	315-335	327	180.00-200.00	187.71	Unweaned
4	353	353	185.00	185.00	
20	353-396	379	180.00-181.50	180.71	Unweaned
17	429-443	437	152.00-165.00	162.19	Unweaned
4	493	493	156.00	156.00	
26	455-493	481	146.50-163.00	155.56	Unweaned
3	500	500	137.50	137.50	
55	500-546	523	140.00-156.00	148.77	Unweaned
10	588	588	133.00	133.00	
76	584-599	588	134.50-145.00	139.33	Unweaned
18	621-636	626	127.00-143.00	138.41	Unweaned
3	653	653	134.00	134.00	
8	664-671	668	138.00-143.00	140.51	Unweaned

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

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price	
47	504-514	507	110.00-138.00	129.54	Unweaned
10	605	605	131.00	131.00	Unweaned

STEERS - Large 1 (Per Cwt / Actual Wt)

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price	
24	622	622	133.00	133.00	
12	665	665	122.00	122.00	
3	672	672	138.00	138.00	Unweaned

STEERS - Medium 1 (Per Cwt / Actual Wt)

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price	
8	425	425	152.50	152.50	
35	439	439	145.00	145.00	Unweaned
7	474	474	164.50	164.50	
12	518-525	521	148.00-150.00	149.16	Unweaned
13	554-560	556	137.00-148.50	141.45	

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

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price	
5	446	446	135.00	135.00	

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

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price	
12	270-284	276	175.00-197.50	192.72	Unweaned
12	308-325	319	174.00	174.00	Unweaned
36	370-399	387	169.00-176.00	172.09	Unweaned
10	421	421	165.00	165.00	
92	403-440	428	150.00-170.50	165.00	Unweaned
20	483	483	173.00	173.00	Fancy
81	450-496	482	148.00-168.50	149.92	Unweaned
55	501-534	517	140.00-150.00	144.34	
300	502-543	519	136.50-148.50	144.55	Unweaned
65	554-587	572	140.00-145.25	142.76	
185	550-594	576	137.00-146.00	141.56	Unweaned
25	606	606	135.50	135.50	
42	600-625	609	133.00-142.00	137.95	Unweaned
4	660	660	127.00	127.00	Unweaned
22	929	929	139.50	139.50	

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

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price	
1	335	335	164.00	164.00	Unweaned
4	431	431	147.50	147.50	Unweaned
44	461-499	483	139.00-142.00	140.87	Unweaned
63	517-546	540	131.00-139.50	132.02	Unweaned
44	558-573	564	118.00-134.00	130.63	Unweaned

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

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price	
10	383	383	140.00	140.00	Unweaned
2	400	400	147.00	147.00	Unweaned
5	490	490	124.00	124.00	Unweaned
8	514	514	120.00	120.00	
5	509	509	105.00	105.00	Unweaned

HEIFERS - Large 1 (Per Cwt / Actual Wt)

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
15	1007-1020	1010	125.00-131.50	130.19

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

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price	
3	1000	1000	120.00	120.00	

HEIFERS - Medium 1 (Per Cwt / Actual Wt)

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price	
24	370	370	160.00	160.00	Unweaned
7	420	420	144.00	144.00	
3	440	440	142.00	142.00	Unweaned

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

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price	
6	595	595	118.50	118.50	Unweaned

BULLS - Medium 1 (Per Cwt / Actual Wt)

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
7	369	369	155.00	155.00
9	492	492	129.00	129.00

SLAUGHTER CATTLE

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

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price	Dressing	
1	1565	1565	67.50	67.50	Average	
2	1550	1550	66.00	66.00	Average	Return to Feed
2	1723	1723	69.50	69.50	High	
13	1735-1800	1762	59.00-63.00	60.69	Low	
1	1760	1760	65.50	65.50	Low	Return to Feed

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

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price	Dressing	
1	1440	1440	58.00	58.00	Average	
31	1245-1513	1432	57.50-62.00	58.63	Average	Return to Feed
1	1395	1395	65.50	65.50	High	Return to Feed
24	1115-1715	1433	40.50-53.50	46.72	Low	
71	1234-1540	1353	44.50-57.00	49.00	Low	Return to Feed

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

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price	Dressing	
5	1110-1295	1204	50.00-53.00	51.06	Average	Return to Feed
2	1165-1280	1223	37.50-39.50	38.55	Low	
72	1122-1346	1200	40.50-48.50	43.87	Low	Return to Feed

16	1005-1339	1197	33.00-37.00	35.81	Very Low
2	868	868	36.50	36.50	Very Low Light Weight
14	1213-1276	1254	37.50-38.50	38.15	Very Low Return to Feed

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

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price	Dressing
1	2105	2105	92.50	92.50	High
1	2370	2370	75.50	75.50	Low

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	54	890-1160	963	66.00-96.00	86.83	
2-4	O	89	906-1385	1056	50.50-82.00	67.40	
2-4	O	1	970	970	46.00	46.00	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	2	950	950	65.00	65.00

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

Age	Stage	Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price	
2-4	T1	9	1099-1143	1109	1060.00-1075.00	1063.44	
>5	T2	18	1235-1394	1364	760.00-800.00	788.90	
>8	T2	12	1315	1315	775.00	775.00	Broken Mouth
>8	T2	12	1259	1259	625.00	625.00	Thin Fleshed

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

Age	Stage	Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
2-4	T2	3	1265	1265	1075.00	1075.00

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.