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Livestock Weighted Average Report for 12/10/2020 - Final

AUCTION

	This Week	Last Reported 12/3/2020	Last Year
Total Receipts:	5,120	5,501	6,688
Feeder Cattle:	3,949(77.1%)	4,867(88.5%)	6,378(95.4%)
Slaughter Cattle:	832(16.3%)	412(7.5%)	105(1.6%)
Replacement Cattle:	339(6.6%)	222(4.0%)	205(3.1%)

Compared to last week: Yearling steers were too lightly tested to develop any market trend. Yearling heifers sold generally steady. Good demand was seen for all yearling on offer. Yearling quality was average this week. Unweaned steer calves under500 lbs sold 5.00-10.00 lower on a significantly lower quality offering; steers 500 lbs and heavier sold steady to 3.00 higher. Unweaned heifers under400 lbs were too lightly tested either this week or last to develop an accurate market trend, however higher undertones were noticed;400-499 lbs heifer calves sold 5.00-10.00 higher; 500-649 lbs heifers sold steady to 2.00 higher; heifers over 650 lbs sold with lower undertones in a narrow comparison. Quality this week was mixed from plain to attractive, however quality this week was not as attractive as last. Many sets of weaned calves were seen this week. Demand for calves was mostly moderate for moderate to heavy offerings. Market activity was mostly moderate. Weigh up cows sold on mostly moderate demand for heavy offerings. Slaughter cows sold mostly1.00-2.00 higher. Feeding cows sold mostly 1.00-3.00 higher. Feeding buyers and packer buyers competed over offerings throughout the sale. Packers opted to send most fleshy cows to slaughter this week. Most cows and bulls offered below average weigh up conditions as all cows and bulls were pushing heavy amounts of fill.2 year old to young age cows sold on mostly light demand. These cows were of mostly plain to average quality; and sold mostly4.00-8.00 lower. Quality was significantly lower compared to last sale. Supply included: 77% Feeder Cattle (52% Steers, 43% Heifers, 4% Bulls); 16% Slaughter Cattle (94% Cows, 6% Bulls); 7% Replacement Cattle (96% Stock Cows, 4% Bred Cows). Feeder cattle supply over 600 lbs was 20%.

FEEDER CATTLE

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

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price	
20	345-349	349	185.00-197.50	190.82	
5	302	302	197.50	197.50	Unweaned
60	350-399	392	186.00-199.00	186.46	
3	370	370	185.00	185.00	Unweaned
64	406-449	438	183.00-186.00	183.76	
38	402-429	423	180.50-187.00	182.29	Unweaned
206	453-497	475	171.00-193.00	180.02	
51	453-493	478	167.00-189.00	176.57	Unweaned
205	502-545	526	161.00-177.00	172.27	
3	545	545	149.00	149.00	Full
39	500-543	520	160.00-178.50	172.49	Unweaned
375	550-593	577	150.00-164.50	159.06	
64	559-595	574	152.00-160.00	157.53	Unweaned
95	611-640	632	147.00-155.50	149.04	
58	608-632	621	147.00-149.50	148.04	Unweaned

99	660-686	678	141.00-146.75	146.41	
15	657-677	665	145.00-146.00	145.59	Unweaned
23	703-744	724	136.00-144.00	138.81	
4	728	728	137.00	137.00	Full
11	707-711	709	137.50-138.50	137.96	Unweaned
24	771-779	774	133.50	133.50	
3	752	752	134.00	134.00	Unweaned
15	882-899	891	128.50-133.50	129.82	
4	906	906	133.50	133.50	
5	956	956	126.50	126.50	

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

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price	
64	356-384	374	180.00-184.00	182.73	
43	403-441	428	170.00-179.00	173.67	
28	433-436	436	162.50-175.00	163.39	Unweaned
30	463-494	478	164.00-169.00	165.83	
3	452	452	169.00	169.00	Unweaned
25	525-526	526	151.00-165.00	157.71	
7	582-583	582	141.00-145.00	143.86	
6	590-592	591	145.00-145.50	145.25	Unweaned
9	600-622	615	138.00-140.00	139.46	
3	633	633	134.00	134.00	Unweaned
2	695	695	138.50	138.50	
5	655-698	681	137.00-140.00	138.15	Unweaned
3	712	712	127.00	127.00	

STEERS - Medium 1 (Per Cwt / Actual Wt)

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
11	329	329	185.50	185.50
6	389	389	169.00	169.00
17	481	481	164.00	164.00
2	503	503	159.00	159.00

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

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price	
15	331	331	167.00	167.00	
13	331-342	339	180.00-183.00	182.10	Unweaned
77	354-397	383	167.00-175.00	171.01	
12	360-379	374	165.00-170.00	168.80	Unweaned
191	404-447	422	158.00-170.00	164.88	
10	415	415	169.00	169.00	Natural

20	415-438	426	157.50-160.00	159.21	Unweaned
164	451-499	482	148.00-166.00	158.92	
99	458-480	469	151.00-165.50	160.60	Unweaned
156	503-540	523	142.00-154.50	149.87	
18	506-540	525	152.50-157.00	154.43	Natural
87	506-535	519	142.00-149.00	146.17	Unweaned
113	552-581	570	135.00-144.25	142.16	
49	591	591	144.00	144.00	Natural
68	567-595	579	132.00-144.50	142.08	Unweaned
92	623-649	635	130.00-139.50	134.68	
6	603	603	134.00	134.00	Unweaned
37	670-673	672	124.00-128.50	127.47	
18	727-736	735	127.00-129.00	128.67	
23	779-798	781	128.50-132.50	132.14	
2	768	768	122.00	122.00	Unweaned
8	825-848	845	127.00-131.00	130.51	
1	895	895	124.00	124.00	
14	900	900	126.00	126.00	
14	978	978	121.00	121.00	

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

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price	
10	325-336	331	162.00	162.00	
10	390	390	152.00	152.00	
28	409-421	419	153.50-157.50	154.42	
15	402	402	151.00	151.00	Unweaned
5	485	485	132.00	132.00	Unweaned
8	768	768	121.00	121.00	
7	852	852	122.50	122.50	
6	953	953	115.00	115.00	

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

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
5	393	393	140.00	140.00

HEIFERS - Large 1 (Per Cwt / Actual Wt)

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
32	1046	1046	115.00	115.00
13	1062	1062	115.50	115.50

HEIFERS - Medium 1 (Per Cwt / Actual Wt)

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price

3	518	518	124.00	124.00	

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

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price	
10	261	261	177.50	177.50	
30	342	342	182.00	182.00	
48	393	393	182.00	182.00	
2	485	485	152.50	152.50	Unweaned
4	501	501	142.00	142.00	
2	548	548	144.00	144.00	Unweaned
2	558	558	138.00	138.00	Unweaned
3	698	698	125.00	125.00	
7	679	679	126.00	126.00	Unweaned

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

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price	
14	433	433	140.00	140.00	Unweaned
10	490	490	144.00	144.00	
4	525	525	139.00	139.00	
4	799	799	108.00	108.00	

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

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
1	1140	1140	91.00	91.00

SLAUGHTER CATTLE

COWS - Premium White 65-75% (Per Cwt / Actual Wt)

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price	Dressing
1	1950	1950	71.50	71.50	Average

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

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price	Dressing
1	1565	1565	63.00	63.00	Average Return to Feed
1	2045	2045	69.50	69.50	High
13	1430-1638	1559	47.00-58.00	55.42	Low
3	1478-1630	1529	60.00-62.00	61.29	Low Return to Feed

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

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price	Dressing
1	1305	1305	53.50	53.50	Average
76	1240-1620	1353	49.00-60.00	55.31	Average Return to Feed
5	1577	1577	65.00	65.00	High

1	1395	1395	61.00	61.00	High	Return to Feed
8	1305-1465	1389	42.00-48.00	44.93	Low	
30	1369-1449	1406	46.00-49.00	47.70	Low	Return to Feed

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

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price	Dressing	
3	1230-1293	1272	50.00-51.00	50.68	Average	
56	1078-1356	1244	49.00-57.00	50.79	Average	Return to Feed
99	1011-1330	1140	41.50-51.00	46.69	Low	
82	1025-1328	1186	40.00-49.25	45.98	Low	Return to Feed
59	1043-1215	1055	31.00-39.50	37.92	Very Low	
16	952	952	31.50	31.50	Very Low	Light Weight

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

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price	Dressing	
2	1940-2230	2085	78.50-83.00	80.59	Average	
10	1749-1885	1821	77.00-82.50	79.73	Average	Return to Feed
8	1605-2170	1800	68.00-77.00	74.57	Low	
9	1332-1555	1357	69.00	69.00	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	120	770-1385	965	60.00-87.00	76.11	
2-4	O	33	870-1255	1057	52.00-73.00	63.55	
2-4	O	1	830	830	57.00	57.00	Thin Fleshed

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

Age	Stage	Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
<2	O	2	1230	1230	60.00	60.00

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

Age	Stage	Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
2-4	T1-2	1	1185	1185	1050.00	1050.00
2-4	T2	5	1210-1211	1211	1050.00-1150.00	1069.99
2-4	T3	1	1240	1240	1050.00	1050.00

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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.