Montana Weekly Livestock Auction Summary

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Livestock Weighted Average Report for 12/5/2021 - 12/11/2021

LIVESTOCK SUMMARY

	Current Week	Last Reported 11/29/2021	Last Year
Total Receipts:	15,450	18,507	23,442
Feeder Cattle:	6,289(40.7%)	9,641(52.1%)	12,429(53.0%)
Slaughter Cattle:	1,894(12.3%)	3,212(17.4%)	2,903(12.4%)
Replacement Cattle:	7,267(47.0%)	1,652(8.9%)	8,110(34.6%)
Feeder Sheep/Lambs:	0(0.0%)	1,557(8.4%)	0(0.0%)
Slaughter Sheep/Lambs:	0(0.0%)	708(3.8%)	0(0.0%)
Feeder Goats:	0(0.0%)	190(1.0%)	0(0.0%)
Slaughter Goats:	0(0.0%)	1,449(7.8%)	0(0.0%)
Replacement Goats:	0(0.0%)	98(0.5%)	0(0.0%)

Compared to last week: All yearlings were too lightly tested to develop an accurate market trend, however higher undertones were noticed on both steers and heifers. Steer calves sold mostly steady to firm with the exception of500-599 lbs steers which sold mostly 5.00 higher. Heifer calves all sold steady to 5.00 higher. Quality this week was mixed from plain to attractive. Many calves were offered in moderate size packages with a few load lots seen as well. Many calves continue to be offered as weaned and buyers showed mostly good demand for calves that were weaned over 45 days. Some sets this week were weaned as long as 90 days. Demand for young age calves suitable to develop into yearlings was mostly very good. The August CME feeder cattle contract continues to hovered in the upper170's for the past few weeks which continues to give buyers support to buy light weight calves at higher prices. CME positions traded mostly steady this past week. The January contract closed at 164.875 on Friday, 0.75 higher. The March contract closed at167.10, down 1.80 for the week. Market activity this week was mostly active with a large buyer pool actively bidding on offerings. Weigh up cows sold on moderate demand for moderate to heavy offerings. Aggressive bidding from feeder buyers continued this week as private buyers are looking for thin cows to turn out on corn stalks or feed for quick compensatory gain. Packer buyers were less active in purchasing slaughter cows this week opting mostly to feed cows. Lean cows sold mostly 1.00-2.00 lower. Boning and breaking cows sold steady to weak. Feeding cows sold generally steady. Slaughter bulls sold steady to2.00 lower in a narrow comparison. Young age cows sold mostly5.00 lower. Quality this week was plain to average. Most of these offerings continue to sell to Southern fall breeding programs. Supply included: 41% Feeder Cattle (46% Steers, 49% Heifers, 5% Bulls); 12% Slaughter Cattle (96% Cows, 4% Bulls); 47% Replacement Cattle (10% Stock Cows, 70% Bred Cows, 20% Bred Heifers). 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	
10	308-340	311	207.50-235.00	232.00	
4	323	323	220.00	220.00	Unweaned
33	365-394	378	195.00-224.00	217.46	
57	368-398	377	220.00-229.50	226.76	Unweaned
86	407-443	420	190.00-225.50	217.41	
103	400-446	421	202.00-225.00	218.55	Unweaned
199	451-499	480	182.50-220.00	209.57	

121	451-497	476	198.00-213.00	202.97	Unweaned
89	500-548	521	170.00-198.50	188.50	
317	500-547	512	184.00-204.00	198.70	Unweaned
96	550-597	571	163.00-185.50	172.20	
324	557-595	583	164.00-193.50	177.28	Unweaned
137	609-640	630	160.00-170.00	163.78	
119	603-635	612	159.00-176.00	172.53	Unweaned
84	653-683	669	158.00-165.50	162.12	
68	651-688	663	153.00-166.50	160.51	Unweaned
51	715-743	726	149.00-161.00	157.70	
10	753-769	759	149.50-164.50	155.58	
53	825-837	836	162.00-170.00	162.45	
18	850-883	855	150.00-168.00	161.69	
2	1048	1048	128.00	128.00	

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

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price	
3	257	257	215.00	215.00	
18	349	349	212.00	212.00	
56	303-317	308	200.00-225.00	216.72	Unweaned
5	373	373	202.00	202.00	Unweaned
14	408-440	433	203.00	203.00	
39	402-446	426	190.00-208.50	202.05	Unweaned
38	464-488	468	184.00-197.00	185.83	
16	489-493	491	187.00-196.00	190.39	Unweaned
36	502-549	536	160.00-179.00	171.15	
29	511	511	200.25	200.25	Fancy
2	525-530	528	170.00-176.00	172.99	Unweaned
17	565-583	569	142.50-160.50	157.00	
19	582-593	587	148.00-171.00	161.82	Unweaned
5	620-634	631	150.00-160.00	158.04	
8	653-670	659	148.00-151.00	149.14	
9	764-770	767	140.00-154.50	148.08	
1	835	835	131.00	131.00	

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

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price	
4	313	313	147.50	147.50	
10	489	489	149.00	149.00	Unweaned
1	635	635	137.50	137.50	

STEERS - Large 1 (Per Cwt / Actual Wt)

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price

2	443	443	190.00	190.00
3	487	487	180.00	180.00
4	665	665	155.00	155.00
3	1042	1042	139.50	139.50
5	1144	1144	132.00	132.00

STEERS - Medium 1 (Per Cwt / Actual Wt)

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price	
21	317-326	321	216.00-217.50	216.72	Unweaned
10	451	451	174.00	174.00	
23	508	508	178.00-183.00	179.74	
55	552-570	562	159.00-170.50	165.23	

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

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
5	375	375	155.00	155.00
9	462	462	155.00	155.00

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

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
8	419	419	85.00	85.00

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

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price	
45	330-349	333	177.00-197.50	194.63	
220	366-399	392	172.00-194.00	189.08	
52	355-388	375	176.00-189.00	183.85	Unweaned
123	403-445	429	165.00-193.00	175.70	
37	417	417	190.00	190.00	Fancy
52	436	436	179.00	179.00	Unweaned
232	452-495	480	152.00-169.00	162.19	
196	450-499	483	153.00-170.00	163.82	Unweaned
305	500-549	527	150.00-166.00	157.57	
4	526	526	170.00	170.00	Fancy
152	503-544	526	153.00-162.00	157.32	Unweaned
92	554-592	566	146.00-164.50	156.49	
238	551-598	563	146.00-158.25	155.20	Unweaned
85	615-649	635	143.00-154.00	147.22	
17	601	601	156.50	156.50	Fancy
81	602-640	610	144.00-151.50	148.92	Unweaned
15	659-684	675	139.00-153.00	148.27	
7	718-737	726	145.00-145.50	145.22	

6	762	762	158.00	158.00	
25	805-845	813	124.00-147.00	140.36	
29	851-882	861	137.00-155.50	151.21	
27	887	887	102.00	102.00	Replacement
36	915-948	930	140.50-145.50	144.63	
16	978-997	992	136.50-147.50	145.31	
1	1055	1055	122.00	122.00	

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

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price	
12	321	321	140.00	140.00	
10	311	311	160.00	160.00	Unweaned
18	386	386	167.00	167.00	
33	366-398	382	162.00-172.50	166.62	Unweaned
26	401-444	435	159.00-162.00	161.61	
37	404-428	418	152.00-172.00	154.98	Unweaned
3	485	485	149.50	149.50	
10	465-466	466	148.00-151.00	148.90	Unweaned
17	506-525	517	130.00-139.00	135.46	
10	508-544	533	147.50-150.00	149.29	Unweaned
13	584	584	140.00	140.00	
9	581	581	139.00	139.00	Unweaned
75	601-634	620	135.00-145.00	143.23	
7	659	659	140.00	140.00	
2	668	668	134.00	134.00	Unweaned
13	702-724	716	130.00-145.00	141.79	
3	760-763	762	134.00-146.00	142.01	
6	806	806	144.00	144.00	
8	989	989	134.00	134.00	

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

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price	
4	529	529	121.00	121.00	
26	523	523	135.00	135.00	Unweaned

HEIFERS - Large 1 (Per Cwt / Actual Wt)

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
4	1030	1030	137.50	137.50

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

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
2	353	353	141.00	141.00

7	423-443	432	135.00-137.50	136.40	
3	483	483	154.00	154.00	
4	591	591	139.00	139.00	
8	1033	1033	125.00	125.00	

HEIFERS - Medium 1 (Per Cwt / Actual Wt)

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price	
31	273	273	157.50	157.50	
14	308-347	333	152.50-155.00	153.33	
6	352	352	163.00	163.00	
3	395	395	152.50	152.50	Unweaned
19	421	421	152.00	152.00	
35	494	494	151.00	151.00	
17	507-517	512	130.00-132.00	130.93	Unweaned
14	624	624	127.00	127.00	

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

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price	
14	304	304	130.00	130.00	Unweaned
10	398	398	151.00	151.00	
7	467	467	120.00	120.00	Unweaned

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

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price	
1	345	345	228.00	228.00	Unweaned
90	435-441	436	177.50-201.00	198.42	
58	469-470	469	170.00-190.00	189.65	
2	555	555	151.00	151.00	
13	598	598	151.00	151.00	Unweaned
5	616	616	139.00	139.00	
7	654	654	137.00	137.00	
13	715-728	721	130.00-136.00	133.63	
2	708	708	134.00	134.00	Unweaned
7	750-759	756	127.50-130.00	129.29	
3	805	805	133.00	133.00	Unweaned
1	900	900	101.00	101.00	

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

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
11	343	343	180.00	180.00
7	480-490	483	150.00-175.00	167.75
1	515	515	150.00	150.00

1	570	570	137.50	137.50	
4	564	564	147.00	147.00	Unweaned
4	693	693	141.00	141.00	

BULLS - Large 1 (Per Cwt / Actual Wt)

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
10	1132	1132	100.00	100.00

SLAUGHTER CATTLE

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

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price	Dressing	
18	1400-1947	1691	61.00-77.50	66.02	Average	
52	144-1590	1333	64.00-70.00	64.93	Average	Return to Feed
2	1555-2010	1783	71.00-71.50	71.28	High	
3	1627	1627	73.50	73.50	High	Return to Feed
5	1545-1695	1614	54.00-60.00	56.04	Low	
3	1603	1603	58.00	58.00	Low	Return to Feed
1	1565	1565	46.00	46.00	Very Low	

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

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price	Dressing	
27	1290-1690	1387	51.00-55.00	53.49	Average	
235	851-1650	1285	53.00-98.00	59.33	Average	Return to Feed
35	905-1411	1240	56.00-64.00	59.35	High	
32	1200-1553	1404	63.00-70.00	67.04	High	Return to Feed
17	1320-1770	1446	40.50-52.50	46.69	Low	
43	1308-1680	1391	45.00-53.50	49.89	Low	Return to Feed

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

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price	Dressing	
122	990-1530	1201	38.00-49.00	44.49	Average	
283	1055-1311	1220	47.00-56.00	51.14	Average	Return to Feed
13	1190-1280	1215	58.00-64.00	59.79	High	Return to Feed
277	975-1395	1145	34.00-48.00	41.93	Low	
31	860-995	955	31.00-44.50	39.04	Low	Light Weight
183	920-1365	1156	41.00-47.50	44.44	Low	Return to Feed
13	1023-1330	1117	30.00-40.00	37.12	Very Low	
6	682-955	779	27.00-36.00	32.26	Very Low	Light Weight
25	1025-1160	1075	39.00-40.00	39.38	Very Low	Return to Feed

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

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price	Dressing

16	1382-1898	1692	72.00-87.00	77.84	Average	
1	2500	2500	80.00	80.00	Average	Heavy Weight
19	1250-1795	1539	81.00-88.00	84.64	Average	Return to Feed
4	2090-2325	2173	84.00-94.00	88.72	High	
14	1285-2245	1605	63.00-81.00	74.25	Low	
4	1590-1808	1730	79.00-80.50	80.16	Low	Return to Feed

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

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price	Dressing
8	1577	1577	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	270	739-1545	939	61.00-108.00	89.37	
<2	O	2	728	728	80.00	80.00	Thin Fleshed
2-4	O	205	750-1315	1040	51.00-84.00	69.25	
2-4	O	1	810	810	45.00	45.00	Thin Fleshed
2-8	O	54	1039-1460	1176	44.00-52.00	46.34	
2-8	O	7	965-1198	1075	41.00-43.00	41.78	Thin Fleshed
5-8	O	20	1158-1322	1232	43.00-46.00	45.32	

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

Age	Stage	Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
<2	O	6	750-993	919	64.00-84.00	73.41
2-4	O	3	887	887	51.00	51.00

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

Age	Stage	Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
2-4	O	4	1014	1014	61.00	61.00

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

Age	Stage	Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
<2	O	38	614-786	713	75.00-94.00	82.19

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

Age	Stage	Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price	
>5	T2	5	1343	1343	51.00	51.00	
>8	T1	9	1301	1301	51.00	51.00	Broken Mouth
>8	T2	4	1451	1451	59.00	59.00	
>8	T2	12	1302	1302	49.00	49.00	Thin Fleshed

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

Age	Stage	Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price	
2-4	T1	23	965-1255	1115	800.00-850.00	812.17	
2-4	T1-2	176	952-1298	1123	1000.00-1500.00	1390.74	
2-4	T2-3	1384	887-1316	1166	1100.00-1800.00	1575.49	
2-8	T2-3	15	1346	1346	1425.00	1425.00	
5-8	T1-2	43	1165-1397	1236	800.00-1275.00	1108.47	
5-8	T2-3	736	1071-1556	1324	1200.00-1650.00	1445.59	
>5	T1-2	8	1259-1353	1294	810.00-850.00	825.68	
>5	T2-3	752	1158-1519	1345	1010.00-1425.00	1215.23	
>8	T1-2	18	1033-1338	1259	710.00-825.00	773.91	Broken Mouth
>8	T2-3	676	1163-1528	1320	775.00-1060.00	865.07	Broken Mouth
>8	T2-3	41	1139-1285	1204	675.00-750.00	714.13	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	T1-2	3	1015	1015	1200.00	1200.00	
2-4	T2-3	59	1170-1385	1218	1210.00-1435.00	1376.25	
2-4	T2-3	18	1384	1384	1575.00	1575.00	Fancy
5-8	T1-2	6	1266	1266	1000.00	1000.00	
5-8	T2-3	64	1135-1469	1297	1110.00-1210.00	1145.38	
>5	T2-3	37	1190-1427	1271	825.00-1000.00	854.35	
>8	T2-3	9	1279	1279	875.00	875.00	Broken Mouth

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

Age	Stage	Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price	
2-4	T1-2	27	854	854	1400.00	1400.00	
2-4	T2-3	988	925-1176	1016	1410.00-1875.00	1617.49	
2-4	T2-3	62	835	835	1400.00	1400.00	Thin Fleshed

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

Age	Stage	Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
2-4	T2-3	89	867-881	877	1235.00	1235.00

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.