Montana Weekly Livestock Auction Summary

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Livestock Weighted Average Report for 4/9/2023 - 4/15/2023

LIVESTOCK SUMMARY

	Current Week	Last Reported 4/3/2023	Last Year
Total Receipts:	5,445	2,280	4,522
Feeder Cattle:	3,953(72.6%)	929(40.7%)	3,859(85.3%)
Slaughter Cattle:	898(16.5%)	725(31.8%)	248(5.5%)
Replacement Cattle:	594(10.9%)	626(27.5%)	415(9.2%)

Compared to last week: Steers 550-750 lbs sold mostly 12.00-15.00 higher, with instances of 20.00 higher seen at times. Heifers 500-749 lbs sold 15.00-20.00 higher with instances of 30.00 higher seen at times. All other weights of steers and heifers were too lightly tested last week to develop a full market trend, higher undertones were noticed. Quality this week was mostly average to very attractive, and much more attractive than last week. Cattle were offered in all package sizes from singles to load lots and in-between. Demand was very good for all offerings as CME positions continue to push higher and record high fat cattle prices are being seen. The best demand continues to be seen for grass cattle as both order-buyers and ranchers compete over offerings. Market activity was mostly active this week with a large crowd on hanc at every sell. Weigh up cows sold on mostly good demand for light to moderate offerings. Packer buyers showed good demand for both slaughter and feeding cows this week. Slaughter cows sold mostly 1.00 higher on breaking cows, boning and lean cows sold fully steady. Slaughter bulls sold 2.00-3.00 higher. Feeding cows sold generally steady in a narrow comparison. Cow and bull quality was average to attractive this week. Weigh up conditions were mixed from below average to above average. Young age cows suitable to feed or rebreed sold on very good demand. These offerings sold mostly 10.00 higher with instances of 20.00 higher seen at times. Supply included: 73% Feeder Cattle (41% Steers, 57% Heifers, 2% Bulls); 16% Slaughter Cattle (89% Cows, 11% Bulls); 11% Replacement Cattle (99% Stock Cows, 1% Bred Cows). Feeder cattle supply over 600 lbs was 65%.

FEEDER CATTLE

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

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price	
21	368-397	384	296.00-325.00	313.36	
14	365	365	287.50	287.50	Unweaned
33	410-443	430	292.50-315.00	299.68	
37	450-493	466	273.00-295.00	289.72	
5	455	455	268.00	268.00	Unweaned
125	500-549	523	266.00-289.00	277.89	
105	552-598	573	254.00-274.00	261.93	
5	581	581	252.50	252.50	Fleshy
2	553	553	280.00	280.00	Thin Fleshed
214	604-646	628	242.00-259.00	250.37	
242	654-697	673	220.00-238.00	228.68	
4	656	656	250.00	250.00	Thin Fleshed
158	701-745	722	211.00-224.00	215.95	
28	755-775	773	196.00-208.00	196.94	
80	766	766	224.00	224.00	Thin Fleshed

24	800-826	818	187.00-195.00	190.74	
5	822	822	183.00	183.00	Fleshy
16	872	872	176.00	176.00	Fleshy
21	902	902	178.50-179.00	178.76	
3	933	933	173.00	173.00	Fleshy
5	975	975	178.00	178.00	
2	1040	1040	175.50	175.50	

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

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
1	375	375	295.00	295.00
23	415-437	429	270.00-280.00	274.58
21	454-490	472	259.00-285.00	268.57
35	519-538	525	257.50-272.50	265.84
25	553-593	581	227.00-252.50	239.15
21	627-640	631	232.00-245.00	238.03
35	650-695	684	200.00-220.00	212.18
10	700-748	731	191.00-201.00	196.00
1	785	785	193.00	193.00
4	870	870	170.00-177.00	171.75

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

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
4	501	501	212.50	212.50
6	688	688	185.00	185.00
9	721	721	186.00	186.00

STEERS - Large 1 (Per Cwt / Actual Wt)

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
3	542	542	262.50	262.50
11	575	575	226.00	226.00
9	948	948	177.00	177.00

STEERS - Medium 1 (Per Cwt / Actual Wt)

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
6	352	352	265.00	265.00

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

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price	
12	365-393	381	270.00-275.00	271.09	
10	386	386	287.00	287.00	Fancy
54	405-448	438	261.00-277.50	270.88	

13	400	400	280.00	280.00	Fancy
50	455-481	478	245.00-268.00	263.99	
103	501-544	516	235.00-267.00	254.76	
10	517	517	257.00	257.00	Fancy
7	529	529	220.00	220.00	Unweaned
116	551-592	578	225.00-256.00	246.08	
289	600-645	621	218.50-239.00	229.90	
80	650-695	663	204.00-222.00	215.29	
258	700-749	728	184.00-208.50	203.62	
3	748	748	192.00	192.00	Fleshy
11	737	737	206.00	206.00	Replacement
25	750-775	763	182.50-198.00	188.79	
74	759-775	769	199.00-205.50	201.06	Replacement
39	800-804	802	191.00-193.00	191.87	
40	806	806	186.50	186.50	Replacement
7	857-878	869	180.00-186.00	182.54	
70	851-880	860	185.50-187.00	185.96	Replacement
18	921	921	180.00	180.00	Replacement
3	958	958	164.00	164.00	

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

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price	
88	762-786	775	1560.00-1575.00	1566.70	Replacement
126	818	818	1625.00	1625.00	Replacement
52	862	862	1725.00	1725.00	Replacement

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

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
7	380-399	394	232.50-259.00	239.81
37	420-444	429	241.00-255.00	248.44
29	470-483	478	240.00-242.50	240.17
43	500-548	522	214.00-245.00	232.11
85	558-599	581	205.00-238.00	231.40
5	600-623	615	202.00-212.00	210.05
46	653-678	668	180.00-206.50	196.57
6	735	735	195.00	195.00
8	805-814	812	175.00-176.00	175.75

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

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
5	528-545	535	197.00-215.00	207.66
3	572	572	186.00	186.00

8	693	693	169.50	169.50

HEIFERS - Large 1 (Per Cwt / Actual Wt)

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
12	581-590	583	219.00-230.00	227.22
2	638	638	209.00	209.00
4	818	818	173.00	173.00

HEIFERS - Medium 1 (Per Cwt / Actual Wt)

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
16	327-348	337	260.00-272.50	265.54
7	379	379	260.00	260.00
4	499	499	227.00	227.00
9	534	534	248.00	248.00
3	560	560	210.00	210.00
6	643	643	204.00	204.00
4	694	694	200.00	200.00

HEIFERS - Medium 2 (Per Cwt / Actual Wt)

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
6	600	600	171.00	171.00

HEIFERS - Medium 2-3 (Per Cwt / Actual Wt)

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
6	510	510	160.00	160.00
4	621	621	140.00	140.00

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

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
6	543	543	257.50	257.50
7	553-561	558	227.00-235.00	231.60
5	612-643	624	219.00-236.00	229.00
4	683-693	688	194.00-195.00	194.50
4	726	726	193.00	193.00
2	783	783	188.00	188.00
9	910-925	919	150.00-171.00	160.12

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

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
14	455-490	481	245.00-255.00	251.62
5	500-505	501	230.00-235.00	231.01
1	645	645	215.00	215.00

BULLS - Large 1 (Per Cwt / Actual Wt)

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
1	795	795	172.00	172.00
9	1000-1028	1025	155.00-167.00	165.70
1	1095	1095	148.00	148.00
6	1140-1149	1146	143.00-150.00	147.68
2	1220-1230	1225	139.00-140.00	139.50
2	1263	1263	129.00	129.00
4	1315	1315	133.00	133.00

SLAUGHTER CATTLE

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

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price	Dressing	
44	1495-1803	1622	95.50-101.00	98.33	Average	
4	1448-1700	1543	99.50-100.25	99.98	Average	Return to Feed
6	1570-1710	1640	101.50-107.00	103.57	High	
3	2037	2037	98.50	98.50	High	Heavy Weight
2	1488	1488	102.00	102.00	High	Return to Feed
17	1515-1860	1638	88.00-94.50	92.07	Low	
6	1510-1535	1526	92.00-95.00	93.49	Low	Return to Feed

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

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price	Dressing	
113	1245-1620	1405	88.00-99.25	94.66	Average	
110	1225-1659	1399	90.00-100.75	95.52	Average	Return to Feed
16	1290-1600	1394	100.00-107.00	102.61	High	
9	1210-1495	1398	100.00-105.00	102.79	High	Return to Feed
26	1275-1720	1393	84.50-91.00	87.24	Low	
17	1369-1580	1431	87.00-92.00	89.05	Low	Return to Feed

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

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price	Dressing	
80	1005-1336	1191	85.00-97.00	90.97	Average	
1	925	925	86.00	86.00	Average	Light Weight
73	1005-1390	1220	86.00-95.50	92.07	Average	Return to Feed
26	1100-1301	1243	97.00-106.50	102.22	High	
18	1211-1443	1349	96.00-108.00	104.13	High	Return to Feed
79	1015-1380	1144	74.00-88.00	82.06	Low	
11	770-995	900	74.00-87.00	80.52	Low	Light Weight
14	930-1285	1113	81.00-87.50	84.30	Low	Return to Feed
1	1140	1140	61.00	61.00	Very Low	

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

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price	Dressing	
21	1500-2300	1801	109.00-122.00	116.08	Average	
10	1085-1600	1372	109.00-122.00	117.52	Average	Return to Feed
15	1680-2130	1916	123.50-144.00	136.41	High	
1	1180	1180	124.00	124.00	High	Light Weight
1	1305	1305	124.00	124.00	High	Return to Feed
20	1430-2130	1734	93.00-112.50	103.44	Low	
3	1552	1552	111.00	111.00	Low	Heavy Weight
12	1125-1495	1344	94.00-111.00	104.54	Low	Return to Feed

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

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price	Dressing
3	2090-2350	2178	123.00-131.00	125.88	High

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	281	790-1385	989	120.00-187.00	162.37	
<2	O	42	814-964	893	190.00-205.00	195.62	Fancy
2-4	O	153	855-1390	1125	93.50-160.00	116.45	
2-8	O	1	1165	1165	95.00	95.00	

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

Age	Stage	Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
<2	O	9	705-1140	945	119.00-156.00	136.89
2-4	O	15	721-1080	904	87.00-116.00	96.83

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

Age	Stage	Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
<2	O	2	865-1330	1098	121.00-156.00	134.79

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

Age	Stage	Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
<2	O	4	720-880	800	150.00-167.00	155.83
2-4	O	1	685	685	125.00	125.00

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

Age	Stage	Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
2-4	O	1	795	795	84.00	84.00

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

Age	Stage	Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
2-4	T2-3	3	1208	1208	1785.00	1785.00
2-4	T3	3	1285-1323	1310	1975.00	1975.00

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.