

Billings Livestock Commission Cattle Auction - Billings, MT (Mon) AMS Livestock, Poultry, & Grain Market News Montana Dept of Ag Mrkt News

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Livestock Weighted Average Report for 12/18/2023 - Final

AUCTION			
	This Week	Last Reported 12/11/2023	Last Year
Total Receipts:	992	866	1,358
Feeder Cattle:	490(49.4%)	188(21.7%)	608(44.8%)
Slaughter Cattle:	401(40.4%)	543(62.7%)	572(42.1%)
Replacement Cattle:	101(10.2%)	135(15.6%)	178(13.1%)

Special Note: ***This is the last sale of 2023, next Monday sale will be in October 2024.***

Compared to last week: Feeder cattle were all too lightly tested to develop an accurate market trend, however higher undertones were noticed. Quality today was plain to average. A large portion of the feeder cattle offering was comprised of pen clean up cattle with many blemished and lame cattle seen. Buyers picked around and showed good demand for high quality calves. Demand was mostly moderate for light to moderate offerings. CME positions traded higher today with triple digit gains seen. The nearby January traded 2.275 higher while the March traded 1.975 higher, to close at 223.175 and 224.15 respectfully. Market activity was mostly moderate today. Weigh up cows sold on moderate to good demand for mostly light to moderate offerings. Slaughter cows sold mostly steady to 1.00 higher on all classes. High quality feeding cows sold 1.00-2.00 higher. Thin feeding or turn out cows sold mostly steady to 1.00 higher. Slaughter bulls were too lightly tested last week to develop an accurate market trend, however steady undertones were noticed. Weigh up conditions were mixed today. Young cows suitable to feed or rebreed sold on light to moderate demand. Quality was mostly plain to average and most offerings sold to feed. Too few offerings were seen this week to develop an accurate market trend, however lower undertones were noticed. Supply included: 49% Feeder Cattle (34% Steers, 53% Heifers, 13% Bulls); 40% Slaughter Cattle (86% Cows, 14% Bulls); 10% Replacement Cattle (68% Stock Cows, 32% Bred Cows). Feeder cattle supply over 600 lbs was 36%.

FEEDER CATTLE

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

<u>Head</u>	Wt Range	<u>Avg Wt</u>	Price Range	Avg Price
3	433	433	324.00	324.00
15	455-480	471	300.00-307.50	304.21
3	505	505	291.00	291.00
13	558-570	561	270.00	270.00

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

<u>Head</u>	Wt Range	<u>Avg Wt</u>	Price Range	Avg Price
60	318-341	335	325.00-330.00	326.27
6	398	398	317.50	317.50
2	590	590	238.00	238.00
3	607	607	200.00	200.00
7	651-690	668	200.00-210.00	205.57

STEERS - Medium 2 (Per Cwt / Actual Wt)

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<u>Head</u>	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price	
7	516-540	523	127.50-150.00	134.14	
HEIFERS -	· Medium and La	arge 1 (Per Cv	vt / Actual Wt)		
Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price	
44	331	331	300.00	300.00	
7	410-428	422	280.00-287.00	284.62	
6	466	466	270.00	270.00	
2	558	558	235.00	235.00	
24	613-625	619	211.00-219.00	215.18	
3	757	757	198.00	198.00	
4	908	908	190.00	190.00	
5	1012	1012	185.50	185.50	
HFIFFRS -	Medium and L	arge 1-2 (Per	Cwt / Actual Wt)		
Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price	
4	326	326	287.00	287.00	
1	375	375	285.00	285.00	
2	385	385	272.00	272.00	Unweaned
_ 17	405-446	431	251.00-265.00	258.08	
4	460-498	480	250.00-252.00	251.28	
1	520	520	232.50	232.50	
10	554-573	560	200.00-223.00	208.77	
7	762	762	190.00	190.00	
20	803	803	196.00	196.00	
20	1043	1043	157.00	157.00	
_	1010	1010	137.00	137.00	
HEIEERS	· Medium and La	arge 2 (Der Cu	vt / Actual \A/t\		
Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price	
7	762	762	190.00	190.00	
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Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price	
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,	, 05	703	133.00	155.00	
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	Medium 1-2 (P			Ava Price	
<u>Head</u> 7	<u>Wt Range</u> 265	<u>Avg Wt</u> 265	Price Range 240.00	<u>Avg Price</u> 240.00	
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<u>Head</u>	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price	
3	403	403	312.50	312.50	



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20	623-646	643	217.50-230.00	228.18
6	701	701	210.00	210.00
12	948	948	151.00	151.00

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

<u>Head</u>	Wt Range	<u>Avg Wt</u>	Price Range	Avg Price
2	493	493	265.00	265.00
3	593	593	187.50	187.50

SLAUGHTER CATTLE

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

<u>Head</u>	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price	<u>Dressing</u>
2	1785-1850	1818	92.00-94.50	93.27	Average
3	1555	1555	94.50	94.50	Average Return to Feed
3	1618-1685	1640	100.50	100.50	High
3	1515-1585	1562	99.00-100.50	99.49	High Return to Feed
1	1720	1720	89.00	89.00	Low

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

<u>Head</u>	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price	<u>Dressing</u>
6	1405-1448	1419	85.00-88.00	86.15	Average
39	1263-1520	1395	87.00-96.00	91.55	Average Return to Feed
16	1350-1479	1468	97.00-103.25	101.61	High Return to Feed
5	1240-1470	1424	73.00-84.00	82.08	Low
7	1340-1500	1433	75.00-85.50	82.61	Low Return to Feed

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

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	Dressing	Avg Price	Price Range	Avg Wt	Wt Range	<u>Head</u>
	Average	83.33	80.00-87.00	1164	1130-1225	6
Return to Feed	Average	85.21	81.00-92.00	1190	1055-1295	79
Return to Feed	High	93.85	93.00-95.00	1179	1125-1245	12
	Low	76.28	67.00-79.00	1173	1115-1280	5
Return to Feed	Low	77.83	70.00-82.50	1080	810-1270	91
	Very Low	50.00	50.00	1165	1165	1

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

<u>Head</u>	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price	<u>Dressing</u>
15	1515-1960	1809	109.00-117.00	112.83	Average
13	1462-1549	1509	110.00	110.00	Average Return to Feed
3	1843-2025	1904	119.00-126.00	121.48	High
2	1420-1850	1635	94.00-94.50	94.28	Low
13	1137-1800	1259	83.00-101.00	89.64	Low Return to Feed

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REPLACEMENT CATTLE

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

<u>Age</u>	<u>Stage</u>	<u>Head</u>	Wt Range	<u>Avg Wt</u>	<u>Price Range</u>	Avg Price
<2	0	13	1000-1158	1072	109.00-143.00	115.31
2-4	Ο	36	898-1350	1075	84.00-106.00	98.88

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

<u>Age</u>	<u>Stage</u>	<u>Head</u>	<u>Wt Range</u>	<u>Avg Wt</u>	<u>Price Range</u>	Avg Price
<2	Ο	3	895-995	953	107.00-112.50	109.23
2-4	Ο	3	840-1175	952	87.00-90.00	88.77

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

	Avg Price	<u>Price Range</u>	<u>Avg Wt</u>	Wt Range	<u>Head</u>	<u>Stage</u>	<u>Age</u>
	1613.07	1600.00-1685.00	1317	1215-1337	6	T2-3	2-4
	1469.71	1350.00-1500.00	1424	1421-1438	10	T2-3	>5
Broken Mouth	1462.03	1300.00-1500.00	1517	1440-1536	5	T2-3	>8

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

<u>Age</u>	<u>Stage</u>	<u>Head</u>	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price	
>8	T2-3	5	1072	1072	885.00	885.00	Thin Fleshed

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.