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Livestock Weighted Average Report for 5/15/2024 - Final

AUCTION			
	This Week	Last Reported 5/8/2024	Last Year
Total Receipts:	1,953	646	2,886
Feeder Cattle:	1,673(85.7%)	12(1.9%)	2,547(88.3%)
Slaughter Cattle:	222(11.4%)	233(36.1%)	140(4.9%)
Replacement Cattle:	58(3.0%)	401(62.1%)	199(6.9%)

Compared to last week: Feeder cattle offerings were too lightly tested the last two sales to develop any market trend. Demand was mostly good to very good for today sale. Most feeders were offered on moderate sized packages with several load lots and partial load lots seen. Quality this sale was mostly plain to average with a few attractive quality consignments seen. Most cattle were backgrounded cattle that were purchased earlier in the year or last fall. Most of these offerings were specifically developed for grass. A large crowd was on hand for todays sale and a good mix of order buyers and ranchers were on hand actively bidding on offerings. Market activity was mostly active. Weigh up cows sold on good to very good demand for light offerings. Packers showed very good demand for cows for immediate harvest with cows going to slaughter in several different states. Several packers were present this week with some buying over the internet. Slaughter cows sold mostly steady on breaking cows, boing and lean cows sold steady to 2.00 higher. Feeding cows sold mostly steady to 2.00 higher, in a narrow comparison. Cow quality was average to attractive today. Weigh up conditions were mostly average. Slaughter bulls sold steady to firm in a narrow comparison. Several very high yielding bulls were seen this sale and these offerings were met with very good demand. Young age cows sold generally steady. Cows which lost calves sold with the best demand again this week. Feeding quality cows sold at a discount to cows suitable to rebreed. Quality this week was mostly average to attractive. Supply included: 86% Feeder Cattle (27% Steers, 73% Heifers, 1% Bulls); 11% Slaughter Cattle (86% Cows, 14% Bulls); 3% Replacement Cattle (93% Stock Cows, 7% Bred Heifers). Feeder cattle supply over 600 lbs was 48%.

FEEDER CATTLE

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

<u>Head</u>	Wt Range	<u>Avg Wt</u>	Price Range	Avg Price	
55	460-480	464	365.00-370.00	367.26	
56	532-540	537	334.00-340.00	335.36	
39	557-565	557	325.00-336.00	335.71	
33	606-628	614	309.00-321.00	316.06	
9	655-695	681	277.00-292.50	278.77	
2	705	705	272.00	272.00	
5	777	777	253.00	253.00	
10	824	824	239.00	239.00	Fleshy
5	925	925	234.00	234.00	
10	922	922	226.00	226.00	Fleshy

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

<u>Head</u>	Wt Range	<u>Avg Wt</u>	<u>Price Range</u>	Avg Price
16	453-497	482	335.00-355.00	341.18

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5	548	548	325.00	325.00
12	573-598	588	302.50-310.00	304.33
4	649	649	286.00	286.00
12	650-683	671	270.00-277.00	275.02
16	700-735	727	249.00-263.00	251.09
1	780	780	249.00	249.00
12	820	820	244.00	244.00

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

<u>Head</u>	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
8	437	437	300.00	300.00
5	548	548	305.00	305.00
13	567	567	280.00	280.00
5	778	778	238.00	238.00
4	910	910	212.00	212.00

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

<u>Head</u>	Wt Range	<u>Avg Wt</u>	Price Range	Avg Price
3	692	692	229.00	229.00

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

<u>Head</u>	Wt Range	<u>Avg Wt</u>	Price Range	Avg Price
10	515	515	277.50	277.50
7	585	585	250.00	250.00

STEERS - Medium 2 (Per Cwt / Actual Wt)

<u>Head</u>	Wt Range	<u>Avg Wt</u>	Price Range	Avg Price
6	413	413	269.00	269.00
35	501-509	508	242.50-255.00	243.91

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

<u>Head</u>	Wt Range	<u>Avg Wt</u>	Price Range	Avg Price
4	474	474	320.00	320.00
38	519-537	520	309.00-311.00	310.84
281	558-594	581	293.00-309.00	299.98
64	602-643	617	280.00-300.00	292.39
304	655-694	660	261.00-279.00	273.82
64	709-730	727	249.00-255.00	250.82
9	750-769	767	241.00-242.00	241.89

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

Head Wt Range Avg Wt Price Range Avg Price

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6	360	360	317.00	317.00
12	558-575	569	272.00-288.00	278.65
66	617-645	641	251.00-274.00	270.64
11	662-667	664	247.50-250.00	248.86
2	783	783	239.00	239.00
4	850	850	223.00	223.00

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

<u>Head</u>	<u>Wt Range</u>	<u>Avg Wt</u>	<u>Price Range</u>	Avg Price
17	468-494	480	265.00-270.00	267.58
48	607-627	608	231.00-245.00	231.90
13	685	685	236.00	236.00

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

<u>Head</u>	Wt Range	<u>Avg Wt</u>	<u>Price Range</u>	<u>Avg Price</u>
3	598	598	230.00	230.00

HEIFERS - Medium 1 (Per Cwt / Actual Wt)

<u>Head</u>	Wt Range	<u>Avg Wt</u>	Price Range	Avg Price
5	363	363	312.50	312.50
49	500-535	512	280.00-299.00	289.97

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

<u>Head</u>	Wt Range	<u>Avg Wt</u>	Price Range	Avg Price
12	310	310	305.00	305.00
15	361	361	290.00	290.00
43	518	518	229.00	229.00

HEIFERS - Medium 2 (Per Cwt / Actual Wt)

<u>Head</u>	Wt Range	<u>Avg Wt</u>	<u>Price Range</u>	Avg Price
17	439-443	441	225.00-230.00	227.34

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

<u>Head</u>	Wt Range	<u>Avg Wt</u>	Price Range	Avg Price
4	748	748	240.00	240.00
6	913-940	931	210.00-222.50	214.09

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	1555-1690	1623	137.00-139.00	138.04	Average
1	1735	1735	138.50	138.50	Average Return to Feed

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1	1585	1585	144.50	144.50	High Return to Feed
2	1565-1655	1610	132.00-133.00	132.49	Low
2	1548	1548	132.50	132.50	Low Return to Feed

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

<u>Head</u>	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price	<u>Dressing</u>
37	1250-1523	1378	130.00-138.00	134.79	Average
28	1240-1514	1363	131.00-136.00	135.20	Average Return to Feed
3	1413	1413	142.50	142.50	High Return to Feed
5	1410-1610	1570	124.00-126.00	125.64	Low
5	1320-1518	1441	122.00-125.00	124.45	Low Return to Feed

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

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<u>Head</u>	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price	<u>Dressing</u>
1	1200	1200	125.00	125.00	Average
34	1117-1235	1185	124.00-132.00	128.70	Average Return to Feed
1	1165	1165	135.00	135.00	High
12	1130-1210	1173	133.00-135.00	133.75	High Return to Feed
7	1000-1255	1152	100.00-117.00	110.51	Low
14	995-1230	1118	114.00-124.00	118.53	Low Return to Feed
3	995-1005	1002	75.00-100.00	83.28	Very Low

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

<u>Head</u>	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price	Dressing
9	1585-1950	1718	140.00-153.00	143.86	Average
9	1820-2368	2102	161.00-170.00	165.41	High
4	1305-1555	1434	133.00-136.00	134.55	Low
3	1245-1350	1313	120.00-133.00	125.47	Low Light Weight
1	1355	1355	132.00	132.00	Low Return to Feed

REPLACEMENT CATTLE

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

<u>Age</u>	<u>Stage</u>	<u>Head</u>	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price	
<2	0	26	850-1385	1067	158.00-210.00	184.08	
<2	Ο	1	1320	1320	150.00	150.00	Fleshy
2-4	Ο	11	865-1310	1010	141.00-187.00	170.53	
2-4	Ο	2	1630	1630	134.00	134.00	Fleshy

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

<u>Age</u>	<u>Stage</u>	<u>Head</u>	Wt Range	<u>Avg Wt</u>	Price Range	Avg Price
<2	0	1	1165	1165	157.00	157.00
2-4	Ο	1	1040	1040	117.50	117.50

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

<u>Age</u>	<u>Stage</u>	<u>Head</u>	Wt Range	<u>Avg Wt</u>	Price Range	Avg Price
<2	T3	3	1123	1123	2300.00	2300.00

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.

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