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Livestock Weighted Average Report for 3/6/2024 - Final

## AUCTION

	This Week	Last Reported 2/28/2024	Last Year
Total Receipts:	1,827	323	733
Feeder Cattle:	25(1.4%)	35(10.8%)	220(30.0%)
Slaughter Cattle:	462(25.3%)	148(45.8%)	404(55.1%)
Replacement Cattle:	1,340(73.3%)	140(43.3%)	109(14.9%)

Compared to last week: Feeder cattle offerings were too lightly tested today to develop any market trend. Today's sale featured mostly bred cows, bred heifers and weigh ups. Feeder offerings were very light this sale. Weigh up cows sold on mostly good to very good demand for moderate offerings. Cow quality was average to very attractive today. Packers showed very good demand for all cows on offer as they tried to purchase as much of the offering as possible. Slaughter cows sold mostly 3.00-6.00 higher on all classes in a narrow comparison. Feeding cows sold mostly 5.00-7.00 higher. Demand from private feeders was very good again this week as packers and feeding buyers were very aggressive especially over high quality, high yielding offerings. Weigh up conditions were mixed today. Most sets of pregnancy checked open cows which had been run through the chute offered buyers a weigh up in their favor. Slaughter bulls were too lightly tested to develop an accurate market trend, however steady undertones were noticed on a lower quality offering. Young age cows were too lightly tested last week to develop a full market trend, higher undertones were noticed. Demand from feeding and rebreed cow buyers continues to be good. A heavy offering of bred cows was seen for today's calving time classic sale. Demand for bred cows was very good. Quality today was mixed from plain to attractive. Demand for Aged, broken mouth cows was very good as ranchers continue to push this class higher. The price spread between broken mouth cows and young cows was very small, partly due to the fact salvage values for broken mouth cows have improved drastically. Packers gave \$1750-\$2,000 per head for some weigh cows for slaughter. Supply included: 1% Feeder Cattle (67% Steers, 33% Bulls); 25% Slaughter Cattle (91% Cows, 6% Bulls, 2% Dairy Cows); 73% Replacement Cattle (10% Stock Cows, 58% Bred Cows, 31% Bred Heifers, 0% Cow-Calf Pairs). Feeder cattle supply over 600 lbs was 83%.

## FEEDER CATTLE

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

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
2	385	385	370.00	370.00
4	985	985	208.00	208.00

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

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
2	735	735	237.00	237.00

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

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
1	780	780	239.00	239.00
2	1023	1023	208.00	208.00

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

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<u>Head</u>	<u>Wt Range</u>	<u>Avg Wt</u>	<u>Price Range</u>	<u>Avg Price</u>
1	1205	1205	155.00	155.00

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

<u>Head</u>	<u>Wt Range</u>	<u>Avg Wt</u>	<u>Price Range</u>	<u>Avg Price</u>	<u>Dressing</u>
14	1568-1845	1640	114.00-120.00	117.50	Low

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

<u>Head</u>	<u>Wt Range</u>	<u>Avg Wt</u>	<u>Price Range</u>	<u>Avg Price</u>	<u>Dressing</u>
2	1608	1608	119.00	119.00	Average
30	1325-1705	1455	119.00-126.00	122.82	High
56	1466-1660	1504	122.25-124.50	123.41	High Return to Feed
5	1423-1683	1579	109.00-110.00	109.64	Low

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

<u>Head</u>	<u>Wt Range</u>	<u>Avg Wt</u>	<u>Price Range</u>	<u>Avg Price</u>	<u>Dressing</u>
5	1355-1555	1450	109.00-116.00	113.31	Average
74	1216-1625	1330	110.00-120.00	116.37	Average Return to Feed
5	1290-1640	1471	118.00-124.00	120.27	High
28	1200-1545	1363	119.00-124.50	121.43	High Return to Feed
1	1440	1440	107.00	107.00	Low
4	1335-1455	1384	102.00-108.00	105.70	Low Return to Feed

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

<u>Head</u>	<u>Wt Range</u>	<u>Avg Wt</u>	<u>Price Range</u>	<u>Avg Price</u>	<u>Dressing</u>
8	1140-1300	1246	107.00-114.00	110.48	Average
1	950	950	101.00	101.00	Average Light Weight
24	1015-1275	1179	107.00-116.00	111.61	Average Return to Feed
6	1160-1225	1177	118.50-121.00	119.42	High Return to Feed
26	1018-1515	1198	92.00-105.50	99.55	Low
9	875-975	936	89.00-100.00	92.38	Low Light Weight
5	1030-1275	1158	99.50-106.00	103.35	Low Return to Feed
2	1010-1090	1050	86.00-88.00	87.04	Very Low

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

<u>Head</u>	<u>Wt Range</u>	<u>Avg Wt</u>	<u>Price Range</u>	<u>Avg Price</u>	<u>Dressing</u>
4	1985	1985	109.00	109.00	Low

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

<u>Head</u>	<u>Wt Range</u>	<u>Avg Wt</u>	<u>Price Range</u>	<u>Avg Price</u>	<u>Dressing</u>
4	1324	1324	100.00	100.00	Low



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

<u>Head</u>	<u>Wt Range</u>	<u>Avg Wt</u>	<u>Price Range</u>	<u>Avg Price</u>	<u>Dressing</u>
9	1715-2135	1792	120.00-131.00	123.58	Average
2	2033	2033	136.00	136.00	High
9	1355-1705	1573	104.00-118.00	113.23	Low
1	1105	1105	96.00	96.00	Low Light Weight

**REPLACEMENT CATTLE****STOCK COWS - Medium and Large 1 (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>	<u>Avg Price</u>	
<2	O	55	804-1225	907	160.00-216.50	196.14	
<2	O	10	882	882	189.00	189.00	Thin Fleshed
2-4	O	22	805-1295	1073	121.00-177.50	145.56	

**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>	<u>Avg Price</u>	
<2	O	4	840-1208	1037	130.00-182.50	147.85	
<2	O	2	795	795	155.00	155.00	Thin Fleshed
2-4	O	12	950-1315	1254	117.50-120.00	117.82	

**STOCK COWS - Medium 1 (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>	<u>Avg Price</u>
<2	O	16	738-760	739	216.00-225.00	216.58
2-4	O	2	1098	1098	145.00	145.00

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

<u>Age</u>	<u>Stage</u>	<u>Head</u>	<u>Wt Range</u>	<u>Avg Wt</u>	<u>Price Range</u>	<u>Avg Price</u>	
2-4	T2	3	1140-1210	1187	2400.00-2500.00	2467.98	
2-4	T2-3	7	1374	1374	2500.00	2500.00	
2-4	T3	89	1024-1400	1216	2500.00-2800.00	2581.14	
2-4	T3	2	1393	1393	2450.00	2450.00	Non-Legible Bangs
2-8	T3	38	1226-1429	1323	2400.00-2650.00	2556.94	
5-8	T2	1	1350	1350	2450.00	2450.00	
5-8	T2-3	8	1371	1371	2500.00	2500.00	
5-8	T3	32	1244-1472	1435	2550.00-2625.00	2588.93	
>5	T2-3	28	1328-1458	1346	2200.00-2475.00	2437.80	
>5	T3	118	1361-1601	1463	2225.00-2550.00	2405.84	
>8	T2	1	1520	1520	1900.00	1900.00	Broken Mouth
>8	T2-3	21	1285-1525	1388	1850.00-2100.00	2032.62	Broken Mouth
>8	T3	104	1423-1541	1467	2200.00-2300.00	2246.97	Broken Mouth
>8	T3	25	1265-1350	1304	2100.00	2100.00	Thin Fleshed



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

<u>Age</u>	<u>Stage</u>	<u>Head</u>	<u>Wt Range</u>	<u>Avg Wt</u>	<u>Price Range</u>	<u>Avg Price</u>	
2-4	T3	26	1145-1213	1189	2225.00-2425.00	2337.16	
5-8	T2-3	7	1290	1290	2250.00	2250.00	
5-8	T3	6	1350-1442	1396	2050.00-2300.00	2179.12	
>5	T3	2	1325	1325	2100.00	2100.00	
>8	T2	3	1245	1245	1800.00	1800.00	Broken Mouth
>8	T3	25	1254-1483	1335	1900.00-2100.00	2027.71	Broken Mouth

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

<u>Age</u>	<u>Stage</u>	<u>Head</u>	<u>Wt Range</u>	<u>Avg Wt</u>	<u>Price Range</u>	<u>Avg Price</u>	
2-8	T3	25	1182-1463	1249	2350.00-2400.00	2376.39	
5-8	T3	28	1226-1378	1248	2350.00-2485.00	2463.70	
5-8	T3	11	1094	1094	2350.00	2350.00	Thin Fleshed
>5	T3	26	1338-1422	1380	2250.00-2425.00	2334.84	
>8	T2-3	9	1322	1322	1950.00	1950.00	Broken Mouth
>8	T2-3	7	1236	1236	1850.00	1850.00	Thin Fleshed
>8	T3	26	1269-1359	1320	1900.00-2000.00	1947.50	Broken Mouth
>8	T3	5	1203	1203	1850.00	1850.00	Thin Fleshed

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

<u>Age</u>	<u>Stage</u>	<u>Head</u>	<u>Wt Range</u>	<u>Avg Wt</u>	<u>Price Range</u>	<u>Avg Price</u>
2-4	T3	3	1020	1020	2400.00	2400.00
2-8	T2-3	6	1104	1104	2300.00	2300.00

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

<u>Age</u>	<u>Stage</u>	<u>Head</u>	<u>Wt Range</u>	<u>Avg Wt</u>	<u>Price Range</u>	<u>Avg Price</u>
<2	T2-3	3	1132	1132	2400.00	2400.00
<2	T3	305	990-1293	1113	2675.00-2985.00	2841.15

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

<u>Age</u>	<u>Stage</u>	<u>Head</u>	<u>Wt Range</u>	<u>Avg Wt</u>	<u>Price Range</u>	<u>Avg Price</u>	
<2	T3	5	1002-1220	1068	2300.00-2600.00	2368.53	
<2	T3	2	993	993	2000.00	2000.00	Thin Fleshed

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

<u>Age</u>	<u>Stage</u>	<u>Head</u>	<u>Wt Range</u>	<u>Avg Wt</u>	<u>Price Range</u>	<u>Avg Price</u>
<2	T2	10	837	837	1750.00	1750.00
<2	T2-3	7	955	955	2125.00	2125.00
<2	T3	39	815-977	892	2250.00-2600.00	2394.49



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**COW-CALF PAIRS - Medium and Large 1 w/ <150 lbs calf (Per Unit / Actual Wt)**

<u>Age</u>	<u>Stage</u>	<u>Head</u>	<u>Wt Range</u>	<u>Avg Wt</u>	<u>Price Range</u>	<u>Avg Price</u>	
>8	O	1	1510	1510	2750.00	2750.00	Broken Mouth

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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.