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For Week Ending Sunday, 05/11/2025

## A: Packer Owned Slaughter

### Domestic:

Head Count	Carcass Wt Range	Wtd Avg Carcass	Avg Dressing %	Avg % Choice or Better	Avg % YG 1, 2, 3
9,768	754 - 1,188	975	64.5	93.7	70.2

### Imported:

Head Count	Carcass Wt Range	Wtd Avg Carcass	Avg Dressing %	Avg % Choice or Better	Avg % YG 1, 2, 3
-	-	-	-	-	-

## B: Prior Week Slaughtered Formula and Forward Contract Head Count

### Domestic:

	Head Count
Forward Contract	36,543
Formula	247,979
Negotiated	77,324
Negotiated Grid	36,027

### Imported:

	Head Count
Forward Contract	568
Formula	937
Negotiated	373
Negotiated Grid	1,279

**Total Slaughtered Head Count:** 401,030



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## C: Forward Contract Purchased Cattle Weekly

Total New Signings Last Week:

35,589

Cumulative Total for Listed Months:

1,222,625

Delivery Mo./Basis Mo.	New Last Week	Cumulative Total For Month	Basis Wtd Avg	Basis Level	
				Min	Max
May '25/Feb		248			
May '25/Apr					
May '25/June	100	126,129	\$4.00	\$4.00	\$4.00
May '25/Aug					
May '25/Oct					
May '25/Dec					
Total May Deliveries	100	126,377	\$2.20	(\$12.00)	\$9.00
Last Year May Deliveries		109,400			
Jun '25/Feb					
Jun '25/Apr					
Jun '25/June	1,632	145,517	(\$1.15)	(\$12.00)	\$4.00
Jun '25/Aug					
Jun '25/Oct					
Jun '25/Dec					
Total Jun Deliveries	1,632	145,517	(\$1.17)	(\$20.00)	\$8.00
Last Year Jun Deliveries		97,285			
Jul '25/Feb					
Jul '25/Apr					
Jul '25/June					
Jul '25/Aug	518	113,134	(\$1.40)	(\$12.00)	\$5.00
Jul '25/Oct					
Jul '25/Dec					
Total Jul Deliveries	518	113,134	\$0.48	(\$20.00)	\$6.00
Last Year Jul Deliveries		85,573			
Aug '25/Feb					
Aug '25/Apr					
Aug '25/June					



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Aug '25/Aug	4,750	126,427	\$2.85	(\$12.00)	\$5.00
Aug '25/Oct					
Aug '25/Dec					
Total Aug Deliveries	4,750	126,427	(\$0.47)	(\$20.00)	\$6.00
Last Year Aug Deliveries		92,283			
Sep '25/Feb					
Sep '25/Apr					
Sep '25/Jun					
Sep '25/Aug					
Sep '25/Oct	3,528	97,517	\$0.73	(\$12.00)	\$6.00
Sep '25/Dec					
Total Sep Deliveries	3,528	97,517	(\$1.90)	(\$12.00)	\$6.00
Last Year Sep Deliveries		105,841			
Oct '25/Feb					
Oct '25/Apr					
Oct '25/Jun					
Oct '25/Aug					
Oct '25/Oct	5,630	150,530	(\$0.05)	(\$12.00)	\$3.00
Oct '25/Dec					
Total Oct Deliveries	5,630	150,530	(\$1.47)	(\$12.00)	\$3.00
Last Year Oct Deliveries		113,272			
Nov '25/Feb					
Nov '25/Apr					
Nov '25/Jun					
Nov '25/Aug					
Nov '25/Oct					
Nov '25/Dec	2,638	134,234	(\$1.45)	(\$12.00)	\$4.00
Total Nov Deliveries	2,638	134,234	(\$1.20)	(\$13.00)	\$4.00
Last Year Nov Deliveries		177,259			
Dec '25/Feb					
Dec '25/Apr					



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Dec '25/Jun					
Dec '25/Aug					
Dec '25/Oct					
Dec '25/Dec	2,748	112,731	\$0.31	(\$12.00)	\$2.00
Total Dec Deliveries	2,748	112,731	(\$2.57)	(\$12.00)	\$4.00
Last Year Dec Deliveries		146,111			
Jan '26/Feb	1,869	46,760	(\$1.18)	(\$12.00)	\$2.50
Jan '26/Apr					
Jan '26/Jun					
Jan '26/Aug					
Jan '26/Oct					
Jan '26/Dec					
Total Jan Deliveries	1,869	46,760	(\$4.19)	(\$12.00)	\$3.00
Last Year Jan Deliveries		122,619			
Feb '26/Feb	3,141	55,392	(\$0.54)	(\$12.00)	\$2.50
Feb '26/Apr					
Feb '26/Jun					
Feb '26/Aug					
Feb '26/Oct					
Feb '26/Dec					
Total Feb Deliveries	3,141	55,392	(\$4.19)	(\$12.00)	\$3.00
Last Year Feb Deliveries		127,382			
Mar '26/Feb					
Mar '26/Apr	2,605	43,473	(\$1.91)	(\$12.00)	\$2.50
Mar '26/Jun					
Mar '26/Aug					
Mar '26/Oct					
Mar '26/Dec					
Total Mar Deliveries	2,605	43,473	(\$5.16)	(\$12.00)	\$3.00
Last Year Mar Deliveries		157,632			
Apr '26/Feb					

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Apr '26/Apr	3,806	46,588	(\$2.98)	(\$13.00)	\$2.50
Apr '26/Jun					
Apr '26/Aug					
Apr '26/Oct					
Apr '26/Dec					
Total Apr Deliveries	3,806	46,588	(\$7.47)	(\$13.00)	\$4.00
Last Year Apr Deliveries		213,753			
May '26/Jan					
May '26/Feb					
May '26/Mar					
May '26/Apr					
May '26/May	917	7,187	(\$4.30)	(\$12.00)	\$5.00
May '26/Jul					
May '26/Oct					
May '26/Dec					
Total May Deliveries	917	7,187	(\$6.22)	(\$12.00)	\$6.00
Last Year May Deliveries		126,377			
Jun '26/Jan					
Jun '26/Feb					
Jun '26/Mar					
Jun '26/Apr					
Jun '26/May	980	9,561	(\$7.03)	(\$12.00)	\$0.00
Jun '26/Jul					
Jun '26/Oct					
Jun '26/Dec					
Total Jun Deliveries	980	9,561	(\$6.85)	(\$12.00)	\$6.00
Last Year Jun Deliveries		145,517			
Jul '26/Jan					
Jul '26/Feb					
Jul '26/Mar					
Jul '26/Apr					
Jul '26/May	395	3,922	(\$6.26)	(\$12.00)	\$4.00
Jul '26/Jul					
Jul '26/Oct					
Jul '26/Dec					
Total Jul Deliveries	395	3,922	(\$5.99)	(\$12.00)	\$4.00
Last Year Jul Deliveries		113,134			



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Aug '26/Feb					
Aug '26/Apr					
Aug '26/Jun					
Aug '26/Aug	332	3,275	(\$9.80)	(\$12.00)	(\$6.00)
Aug '26/Oct					
Aug '26/Dec					
Total Aug Deliveries	332	3,275	(\$6.07)	(\$12.00)	\$6.00
Last Year Aug Deliveries		126,427			

## D: Basis Distribution

### Delivery Mo./Basis Mo.

#### May '25/Jun

100 head = +4.00

#### Jun '25/Jun

105 head = -12.00

134 head = -10.00

64 head = -9.00

245 head = -8.00

535 head = +2.00

549 head = +4.00

#### Jul '25/Aug

35 head = -12.00

70 head = -10.70

70 head = -8.00

35 head = -5.00

17 head = 0.00

78 head = +3.50

160 head = +4.00

53 head = +5.00

#### Aug '25/Aug

140 head = -12.00

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35 head = -2.00  
36 head = 0.00  
294 head = +1.00  
331 head = +2.00  
1,763 head = +3.00  
333 head = +3.50  
675 head = +4.00  
1,107 head = +4.50  
36 head = +5.00

## Sep '25/Oct

175 head = -12.00  
219 head = -1.00  
1,248 head = 0.00  
826 head = +1.00  
285 head = +1.50  
79 head = +2.00  
330 head = +4.00  
36 head = +5.00  
330 head = +6.00

## Oct '25/Oct

140 head = -12.00  
35 head = -11.00  
245 head = -8.00  
29 head = -3.50  
80 head = -2.00  
2,774 head = 0.00  
300 head = +1.00  
1,187 head = +1.50  
424 head = +2.00  
296 head = +2.50  
120 head = +3.00



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## Nov '25/Dec

70 head = -12.00  
96 head = -10.64  
122 head = -10.60  
455 head = -8.00  
28 head = -4.00  
80 head = -2.00  
327 head = 0.00  
98 head = +1.39  
506 head = +1.50  
536 head = +2.00  
320 head = +4.00

## Dec '25/Dec

104 head = -12.00  
35 head = -9.00  
138 head = -8.00  
29 head = -1.00  
238 head = 0.00  
34 head = +1.00  
1,626 head = +1.50  
544 head = +2.00

## Jan '26/Feb

70 head = -12.00  
35 head = -9.00  
245 head = -8.00  
40 head = -2.50  
29 head = -1.00  
530 head = 0.00  
840 head = +1.00  
80 head = +2.50





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## Feb '26/Feb

236 head = -12.00  
35 head = -8.00  
103 head = -4.00  
58 head = -3.00  
34 head = -2.00  
40 head = -1.50  
58 head = -1.00  
752 head = 0.00  
1,422 head = +1.00  
226 head = +1.50  
177 head = +2.50

## Mar '26/Apr

349 head = -12.00  
35 head = -11.00  
105 head = -9.00  
104 head = -8.00  
341 head = -4.00  
40 head = -1.00  
356 head = 0.00  
800 head = +2.00  
475 head = +2.50

## Apr '26/Apr

724 head = -13.00  
35 head = -11.00  
175 head = -10.65  
73 head = -10.60  
209 head = -9.00  
32 head = -7.50  
58 head = -3.00  
34 head = -2.00  
58 head = -1.00



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508 head =	0.00
355 head =	+1.00
216 head =	+1.50
1,000 head =	+2.00
329 head =	+2.50