

NATIONAL WEEKLY FEEDER & STOCKER CATTLE SUMMARY

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Receipts:	This Week	Last Week	Year Ago
SJ LS850	425,800	387,600	148,400

Compared to last week, feeder steers and heifers in the Southeast sold 5.00 to 10.00 higher, while the Central part of the country was steady to 5.00 higher. Good to very good demand again this week for all weights of steers and heifers, yet there was some pressure on the market at late week markets as the CME Live and Feeder Cattle contracts were down Thursday and that was enough to give some cattle feeders pause and slowed their pursuit of feeder cattle. Auction receipts were very large as auctions got back to business this week after weather disrupted commerce the previous week and this is typically the busiest time of the year in some areas for marketing of cattle. A few markets barns hadn't had an auction in nearly a month due to the holidays and the days winter weather arrived. Those barns obviously posted big gains as they had to play a little catch up to get prices back to current levels. There was a few of the southern sales that didn't see as large runs as they might have expected as there was plenty of country roads that hadn't seen enough sun to make getting trucks in and out feasible. Markets have been unbelievably strong and have set new record after new record recently. The volume of cattle that have been offered and sold across the nation since the start of the year has also caused a little market pressure as cattle feeders filled a lot of empty pens already. Winter has ranged from dry to wet in places nationwide and is very different in terms of taking care of cattle. In those wet places, we must remember we are still in winter, and snow and ice can make cow comfort challenging as wind chills below zero makes it hard on man and beast. Feed conversion falls as well so moving cattle a few weeks to a month early hasn't been a hard choice in most cases when big prices have been waiting at the barns. Although not every sale may be a new record, prices are still impressive and for the most part, producers that are marketing cattle currently are doing so at prices they have never previously received. Negotiated sales of slaughter steers and heifers in the Southern Plains sold steady to 1.00 higher at 201.00. In Nebraska, live sales were steady to 2.00 higher at 203.00.

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REGIONAL WEIGHTED AVERAGE

FEEDER STEER PRICES

NORTH CENTRAL REGION

Steers:	This Week	Last Week	Last Year
600-700 lbs	\$320.71	\$320.81	\$270.34
700-800 lbs	\$293.22	\$293.13	\$243.86
800-900 lbs	\$274.36	\$272.73	\$226.94

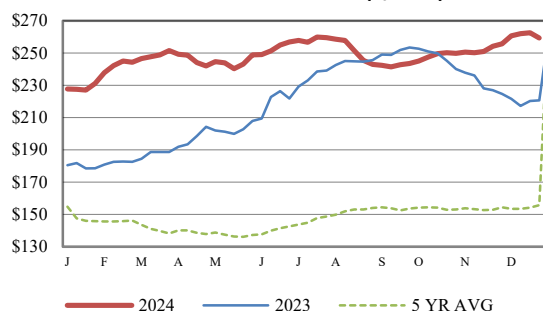
SOUTH CENTRAL REGION

Steers:	This Week	Last Week	Last Year
500-600 lbs	\$335.18	\$333.65	\$277.24
600-700 lbs	\$302.45	\$294.72	\$247.84
700-800 lbs	\$277.40	\$274.72	\$229.64

SOUTHEAST REGION

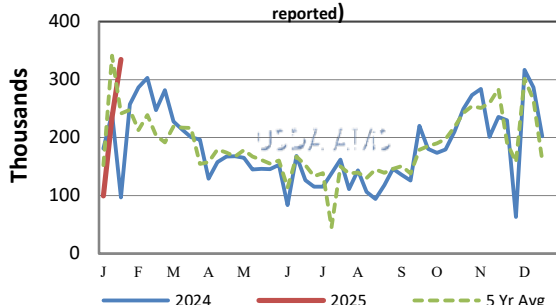
Steers:	This Week	Last Week	Last Year
400-500 lbs	\$350.99	\$339.92	\$277.10
500-600 lbs	\$314.54	\$306.37	\$253.78
600-700 lbs	\$283.36	\$279.68	\$229.45

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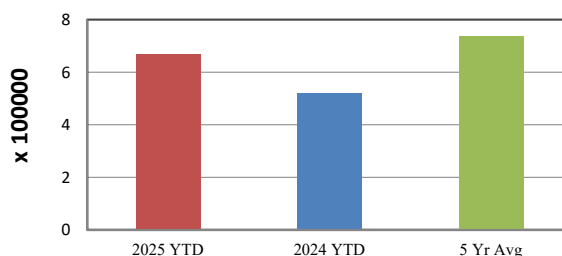


NATIONWIDE REPORTED WEEKLY FEEDER CATTLE AUCTION RECEIPTS

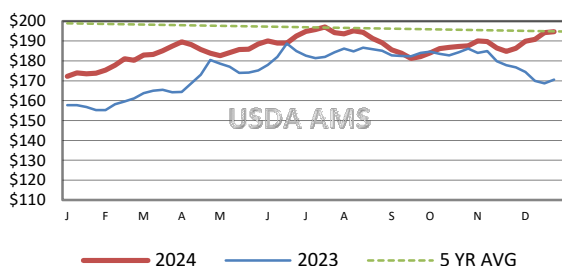
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YEAR TO DATE AUCTION RECEIPTS



5 AREA WEEKLY WEIGHTED AVERAGE SLTR STEER PRICE (\$/CWT)



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