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Livestock Weighted Average Report for 1/22/2025 - Final

AUCTION			
	This Week	Last Reported 1/15/2025	Last Year
Total Receipts:	255	1,406	1,652
Feeder Cattle:	76(29.8%)	214(15.2%)	204(12.3%)
Slaughter Cattle:	110(43.1%)	363(25.8%)	1,034(62.6%)
Replacement Cattle:	69(27.1%)	829(59.0%)	414(25.1%)

Compared to last week: All feeder cattle were too lightly tested to develop an accurate market trend, however higher undertones were noticed on a very limited offering. Demand was very good for very light offerings. Quality this week was mostly average. Most cattle were offered in small group or as singles. CME positions pushed sharply higher today giving buyers additional confidence in current market conditions. Market activity was mostly active today, with buyers both ringside and over the internet rapidly bidding on offerings. Weigh up cows sold on mostly very good demand today for light offerings. Cow quality this sale was mostly average to attractive. Demand for slaughter cows was good as packers only purchased cows for immediate harvest and pushed feed cow buyers in order to secure offerings. Slaughter cows sold mostly 3.00-6.00 higher on all classes. Demand for high quality cows suitable to feed to premium white was very good. These offerings sold mostly 6.00-10.00 higher in a narrow comparison. A large buyer pool of cow buyers was on hand for todays light sale. Slaughter bulls sold mostly 3.00-4.00 higher in a narrow comparison. Demand for slaughter bulls was mostly good this sale. Bull quality was average to attractive today. Weigh up conditions were mostly below average today with many offerings pushing moderate to heavy amounts of fill. Cold and windy conditions had most cow and bull offerings very full this sale. Despite fill, cow quality was mostly attractive today and many heavy muscled cows or cow that had been on feed were seen. Young age cows suitable to feed or rebreed sold sharply higher in a narrow comparison. Demand from both rebreed buyers and feeders was very good today. Quality this week was average to attractive. Many young cows were purchased to return to the country to feed. Supply included: 30% Feeder Cattle (29% Steers, 58% Heifers, 13% Bulls); 43% Slaughter Cattle (91% Cows, 9% Bulls); 27% Replacement Cattle (97% Stock Cows, 3% Bred Cows). Feeder cattle supply over 600 lbs was 39%.

FEEDER CATTLE

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

<u>Head</u>	Wt Range	<u>Avg Wt</u>	Price Range	Avg Price	
6	515	515	378.00	378.00	
4	584	584	325.00	325.00	Full
4	676	676	295.00	295.00	Full

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

<u>Head</u>	<u>Wt Range</u>	<u>Avg Wt</u>	<u>Price Range</u>	Avg Price
10	508-537	531	332.50-338.50	337.35
1	625	625	293.00	293.00
6	858	858	245.00	245.00

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

<u>Head</u>	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
2	355-380	368	350.00-375.00	362.07

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HEIFERS - Medium and Large 2 (Per Cwt / Actual	Wt)	
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<u>Head</u>	Wt Range	<u>Avg Wt</u>	<u>Price Range</u>	<u>Avg Price</u>
4	506	506	280.00	280.00

HEIFERS - Large 1 (Per Cwt / Actual Wt)

<u>Head</u>	Wt Range	<u>Avg Wt</u>	<u>Price Range</u>	Avg Price
3	1122	1122	223.00	223.00
2	1168	1168	214.00	214.00

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

<u>Head</u>	Wt Range	<u>Avg Wt</u>	Price Range	Avg Price
2	400	400	370.00	370.00
1	575	575	305.00	305.00
2	978	978	237.50	237.50

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

<u>Head</u>	Wt Range	<u>Avg Wt</u>	Price Range	Avg Price
1	765	765	250.00	250.00

SLAUGHTER CATTLE

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

<u>Head</u>	Wt Range	<u>Avg Wt</u>	<u>Price Range</u>	Avg Price	<u>Dressing</u>
4	1530-1825	1635	134.00-138.00	136.50	Average
1	1540	1540	139.00	139.00	Average Return to Feed
5	1485-1945	1770	143.50-146.50	145.78	High
1	1725	1725	145.00	145.00	High Return to Feed

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

<u>Head</u>	Wt Range	<u>Avg Wt</u>	<u>Price Range</u>	Avg Price	<u>Dressing</u>
2	1540-1740	1640	127.00-134.00	130.29	Average
41	1280-1490	1354	126.00-138.50	135.42	Average Return to Feed
3	1325-1400	1375	117.00-123.00	120.05	Low Return to Feed

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

<u>Head</u>	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price	Dressing
28	1080-1315	1218	125.00-136.00	132.76	Average Return to Feed
3	1225-1240	1235	99.00-102.00	100.33	Low
9	940-1300	1085	107.50-120.00	115.33	Low Return to Feed
3	870-888	882	70.00-85.00	80.07	Very Low Light Weight

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

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<u>Head</u>	Wt Range	<u>Avg Wt</u>	Price Range	Avg Price	<u>Dressing</u>
2	2230-2235	2233	151.00-152.00	151.50	Average
1	2270	2270	161.00	161.00	High
6	1575-1970	1757	131.50-143.00	135.40	Low
1	1300	1300	120.00	120.00	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	<u>Avg Wt</u>	<u>Price Range</u>	Avg Price
<2	0	30	810-1360	1065	160.00-231.00	192.63
2-4	0	30	995-1405	1137	138.00-184.00	166.49

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>	<u>Price Range</u>	Avg Price
<2	0	1	805	805	192.50	192.50
2-4	Ο	2	1125-1175	1150	128.00-135.00	131.42

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
5-8	T2	2	1555	1555	2100.00	2100.00

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.