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Livestock Weighted Average Report for 2/9/2025 - 2/15/2025

LIVESTOCK SUMMARY

	Current Week	Last Reported 2/3/2025	Last Year
Total Receipts:	1,916	6,490	11,240
Feeder Cattle:	1,745(91.1%)	1,543(23.8%)	2,506(22.3%)
Slaughter Cattle:	109(5.7%)	918(14.1%)	870(7.7%)
Replacement Cattle:	62(3.2%)	4,029(62.1%)	347(3.1%)
Feeder Sheep/Lambs:	0(0.0%)	0(0.0%)	725(6.5%)
Slaughter Sheep/Lambs:	0(0.0%)	0(0.0%)	2,590(23.0%)
Replacement Sheep/Lambs:	0(0.0%)	0(0.0%)	2,972(26.4%)
Feeder Goats:	0(0.0%)	0(0.0%)	490(4.4%)
Slaughter Goats:	0(0.0%)	0(0.0%)	375(3.3%)
Replacement Goats:	0(0.0%)	0(0.0%)	365(3.2%)

Compared to last week: Steer calves over 550 lbs sold steady to 10.00 higher in a narrow comparison. All other weighs of steers were too lightly tested to develop a full market trend, however steady to higher undertones were noticed. Heifers under 500 lbs were too lightly tested to develop an accurate market however higher undertones were noticed on a significantly higher quality offering. Heifers over 500 lbs sold mostly 10.00-25.00 higher on a significantly higher quality offering. Demand was mostly good for light offerings. Most cattle were average to very attractive in quality this past week and significantly higher in quality than last week. CME positions were slightly higher this past week as most contracts tried to gain back some of the losses seen last week. The March contract closed Friday at 266.35, 1.45 higher than last Fridays close. The April contract closed at 266.425 on Friday, 1.60 higher than last Fridays close. Package sizes were mostly moderate this week and much larger than last weeks sale. Cooperate packer feeders continue to show very good demand for high quality feeder cattle and when pushed this past week would give more money than last week for very attractive offerings. Market activity was moderate to active this week as bidders were very active in buying offerings. Weigh up cows sold on mostly very good demand for light offerings. Regional packers were very active as they showed stronger demand for all classes of cows this week. Major packers were very active as well as they showed very strong demand for cows for immediate harvest. Breaking cows were too lightly tested to develop an accurate market trend, however higher undertones were noticed. Boning and lean cows sold steady to 10.00 higher. Prices were steady with late week sales but higher than early week sales. Slaughter cow prices were constant throughout the week. Many cows which would normally go to feed were purchased for slaughter this week. Most packer buyers only purchased cows to slaughter this week while private farmer feeders and order buyers were active in buying cows to feed. Feeding cow demand remains very good as private buyers were both very aggressive as they bid on cows to feed. Even slightly lame or slightly blemished cows sold to feeding buyers again this week. High quality feeding cows, suitable to feed to premium white sold mostly 2.00-3.00 higher. Thin short term feeding or holding cows were too lightly tested to develop any market trend. Slaughter bulls sold mostly 3.00-5.00 higher driven by strong demand from packers for immediate harvest. Young age cows suitable to feed or rebreed generally steady. Quality this week was mostly average to attractive. Very good demand was seen from both feeder and rebreed buyers again this week. Supply included: 91% Feeder Cattle (54% Steers, 45% Heifers, 0% Bulls); 6% Slaughter Cattle (81% Cows, 16% Bulls, 3% Dairy Cows); 3% Replacement Cattle (100% Stock Cows). Feeder cattle supply over 600 lbs was 64%.

FEEDER CATTLE

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

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
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10	398	398	440.00	440.00	
1	465	465	390.00	390.00	
35	504-536	519	360.00-382.00	370.49	
109	563-594	589	327.00-350.00	342.91	
31	611-647	631	307.00-335.00	315.86	
42	650-683	676	299.00-307.50	304.80	
5	678	678	294.00	294.00	Fleshy
28	701-740	727	284.50-294.00	291.06	
97	750-797	760	275.00-285.00	280.65	
3	798	798	272.00	272.00	Full
73	816-844	829	273.00-281.00	275.18	
94	853-898	879	272.00-273.00	272.59	
80	902-949	926	257.00-268.00	262.14	
96	950	950	262.00	262.00	

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

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price	
3	495	495	360.00	360.00	
7	605-630	620	289.00-313.00	297.49	
5	689	689	291.00	291.00	
5	722	722	284.00	284.00	
3	740	740	276.00	276.00	Fleshy
16	755-774	761	270.00-272.00	271.36	
4	828-843	836	253.00-264.00	258.45	

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

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price	
8	361	361	380.00	380.00	
5	590	590	290.00	290.00	
14	738	738	264.00	264.00	
2	838	838	248.00	248.00	
15	877-895	881	242.00-247.00	245.98	
3	935	935	229.00	229.00	
3	952	952	224.00	224.00	

STEERS - Large 1 (Per Cwt / Actual Wt)

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price	
4	416	416	357.50	357.50	
18	501-545	503	322.50-345.00	323.85	
8	564	564	317.50	317.50	

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

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price	
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9	1454	1454	170.00	170.00
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STEERS - Medium 1-2 (Per Cwt / Actual Wt)

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
2	400	400	360.00	360.00
7	504	504	326.00	326.00

STEERS - Medium 2 (Per Cwt / Actual Wt)

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
3	680	680	255.00	255.00

STEERS - Medium 2-3 (Per Cwt / Actual Wt)

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
2	483	483	250.00	250.00

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

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price	
3	458	458	352.50	352.50	
73	500-536	520	330.00-342.00	337.53	
185	554-579	575	325.00-335.50	334.11	
87	622-626	625	289.00-323.00	316.62	
48	651-690	673	269.00-286.00	275.97	
7	721	721	259.00	259.00	Fleshy
23	753-764	755	255.00-262.00	256.54	
33	800-818	801	255.00-260.00	259.69	
41	850	850	256.00	256.00	
2	923	923	232.00	232.00	

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

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
10	380	380	320.00	320.00
2	423	423	322.50	322.50
18	459-493	485	315.00-326.00	323.69
5	507-530	516	305.00-325.00	316.79
11	565-582	579	309.00-320.00	310.95
6	635-645	642	280.00-285.00	281.65
37	651-692	663	260.00-273.00	263.28
21	759-797	764	248.00-252.00	251.40
13	805-822	821	224.00-225.00	224.15
8	850-895	876	225.00-244.00	235.77
3	1002	1002	206.00	206.00
5	1317	1317	186.00	186.00



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

<u>Head</u>	<u>Wt Range</u>	<u>Avg Wt</u>	<u>Price Range</u>	<u>Avg Price</u>
5	335	335	310.00	310.00
5	387-388	387	305.00	305.00
9	769	769	190.00	190.00
1	915	915	215.00	215.00

HEIFERS - Large 1 (Per Cwt / Actual Wt)

<u>Head</u>	<u>Wt Range</u>	<u>Avg Wt</u>	<u>Price Range</u>	<u>Avg Price</u>
24	530-538	533	310.00-320.00	313.79
2	1013	1013	215.00	215.00
7	1156	1156	204.00	204.00

HEIFERS - Large 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>
8	412	412	290.00	290.00

HEIFERS - Medium 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>
3	552	552	255.00	255.00

HEIFERS - Medium 2 (Per Cwt / Actual Wt)

<u>Head</u>	<u>Wt Range</u>	<u>Avg Wt</u>	<u>Price Range</u>	<u>Avg Price</u>
5	648	648	225.00	225.00

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

<u>Head</u>	<u>Wt Range</u>	<u>Avg Wt</u>	<u>Price Range</u>	<u>Avg Price</u>
2	815	815	255.00	255.00
1	875	875	250.00	250.00

BULLS - Large 1 (Per Cwt / Actual Wt)

<u>Head</u>	<u>Wt Range</u>	<u>Avg Wt</u>	<u>Price Range</u>	<u>Avg Price</u>
2	1110	1110	201.00	201.00
2	1185	1185	207.00	207.00

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>
10	1683-1789	1736	155.50-157.00	156.23	Average

COWS - Breaker 75-80% (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>	<u>Dressing</u>
2	1705-1890	1798	152.00-154.00	153.05	High

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>
11	1305-1525	1440	132.00-148.00	143.54	Average
12	1240-1492	1426	140.00-146.50	142.77	Average Return to Feed
8	1370-1620	1461	149.00-157.00	154.13	High
1	1390	1390	150.00	150.00	High Return to Feed
3	1370-1505	1452	109.00-133.00	123.01	Low
3	1310-1410	1357	121.00-134.50	126.01	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	1080-1205	1098	138.00-144.00	139.07	Average
1	1195	1195	137.50	137.50	Average Return to Feed
4	1055-1280	1191	146.00-150.00	147.27	High Return to Feed
5	1225-1430	1343	112.00-125.00	120.77	Low
4	860-975	923	115.00-132.50	121.84	Low Light Weight
4	1020-1095	1056	108.00-130.00	117.07	Low Return to Feed
2	790-870	830	85.00-87.50	86.31	Very Low Light Weight

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>
1	1305	1305	132.00	132.00	Average

DAIRY 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>
2	1130-1315	1223	107.50-124.00	116.37	Low

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>
8	1830-2425	1981	159.00-179.00	170.77	Average
6	1560-1845	1769	138.00-160.00	149.14	Low
1	1220	1220	138.00	138.00	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	26	870-1290	1021	180.00-226.00	201.59
2-4	O	11	945-1420	1150	143.00-195.00	166.06



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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	3	875-1120	1035	162.00-185.00	169.55

STOCK COWS - 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	1	900	900	155.00	155.00

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.