

# Public Auction Yards Livestock Cattle Auction - Billings, MT (Wed) AMS Livestock, Poultry, & Grain Market News Montana Dept of Ag Mrkt News

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Livestock Weighted Average Report for 2/26/2025 - Final

AUCTION			
	This Week	Last Reported 2/19/2025	Last Year
Total Receipts:	1,034	661	323
Feeder Cattle:	251(24.3%)	155(23.4%)	35(10.8%)
Slaughter Cattle:	552(53.4%)	448(67.8%)	148(45.8%)
Replacement Cattle:	231(22.3%)	58(8.8%)	140(43.3%)

Compared to last week: All feeder cattle were too lightly tested last week to develop any market trend. Demand for limited feeder cattle was mostly good. Quality this week was mostly plain to average. Most feeders were offered in very small groups or as singles. Market activity was mostly moderate with a small crowd on hand bidding on offerings. Weigh up cows comprised most of todays offering. Packers showed similar demand for cows this week as last week, except cows were mostly purchased to feed instead of sending them to immediate harvest. Demand for fleshy cows was lighter this week driven by lighter demand from major and regional packers. Breaking slaughter cows sold mostly 3.00-5.00 lower. Boning and lean cows purchased for slaughter sold steady to 5.00 lower. Several sets of cows were on offer today that had been on feed, however most were far from finished. All fed cows were purchased to return to the country to feed. Feeding cows sold on very good demand today. Feeding cows sold generally steady on all classes. Feeding cows sold on very good demand as private feeders and packer buyers both showed good demand for sound, high quality cows that will feed. Slaughter bulls were too lightly tested to develop an accurate market trend, however higher undertones were noticed. Demand for slaughter bulls was mostly very good this sale. Several sets of fed bulls sold today, these offerings were met with mostly good demand. Weigh up conditions were mostly average to below average today and overall weigh conditions were not as good this week as last week. Young age cows suitable to feed or rebreed were too lightly tested last sale to develop an accurate market trend, however higher undertones were noticed. Demand from rebreed buyers was very good this sale. Quality this week was mostly average to attractive. Supply included: 24% Feeder Cattle (34% Steers, 45% Heifers, 21% Bulls); 53% Slaughter Cattle (68% Cows, 31% Bulls, 1% Dairy Cows); 22% Replacement Cattle (97% Stock Cows, 3% Bred Cows). Feeder cattle supply over 600 lbs was 70%.

#### FEEDER CATTLE

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

<u>Head</u>	Wt Range	<u>Avg Wt</u>	Price Range	Avg Price
4	478-490	481	377.50	377.50
4	505-523	519	367.50-370.00	368.11
4	580-583	582	327.50-330.00	328.75
14	629-633	632	330.00	330.00
10	654	654	322.00-323.00	322.40
13	855-865	864	263.00-265.00	263.15
3	965	965	243.00	243.00

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

<u>Head</u>	Wt Range	<u>Avg Wt</u>	Price Range	Avg Price
2	455	455	335.00	335.00

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

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<u>Head</u>	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
4	666	666	274.00	274.00
HEIFERS	- Medium and La	arge 1-2 (Per (	Cwt / Actual Wt)	
<u>Head</u>	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
4	481	481	330.00	330.00
2	530	530	332.50	332.50
6	648	648	270.00	270.00
4	650	650	261.00	261.00
11	766	766	240.50	240.50
HFIFFRS	- Medium and La	arge 2 (Per Cw	rt / Actual Wt)	
Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
14	533-536	534	275.00-295.00	280.74
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HFIFFRS	- Medium 1 (Per	Cwt / Actual V	\//t\	
Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
15	749	749	234.00	234.00
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LICIEEDS	- Medium 1-2 (P	or Cwt / Actus	ol \A/+\	
Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
3	365	365	315.00	315.00
3	415	415	310.00	310.00
3	413	413	310.00	310.00
HEILLDC	- Medium 2 (Per	Cust / Astuct	\	
				Ava Prico
<u>Head</u> 5	<u>Wt Range</u> 582	<u>Avg Wt</u> 582	Price Range 250.00	<u>Avg Price</u> 250.00
5	362	362	230.00	250.00
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	Medium and Larg			Ava Drice
<u>Head</u>	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
2	690	690	301.00	301.00
10	877	877	233.00	233.00
2	930	930	222.00	222.00
2	1040	1040	212.00	212.00
1	1055	1055	212.50	212.50
BULLS - N	Medium and Larg			
<u>Head</u>	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
1	1050	1050	210.00	210.00
BULLS - N	Medium and Larg	ge 2 (Per Cwt ,	/ Actual Wt)	
<u>Head</u>	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price



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2	360	360	360.00	360.00
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#### BULLS - Large 1 (Per Cwt / Actual Wt)

<u>Head</u>	Wt Range	<u>Avg Wt</u>	<u>Price Range</u>	Avg Price
6	1181-1190	1183	197.50-199.50	199.16
2	1218	1218	174.00	174.00

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

<u>Head</u>	Wt Range	<u>Avg Wt</u>	Price Range	<u>Avg Price</u>
6	753	753	240.00	240.00

## **SLAUGHTER CATTLE**

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

<u>Head</u>	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price	<u>Dressing</u>
6	1693-1715	1708	143.00-144.00	143.67	Average
1	2045	2045	140.00	140.00	Average Heavy Weight
32	1480-1750	1623	141.50-145.00	142.94	Average Return to Feed
1	1535	1535	150.00	150.00	High Return to Feed
7	1595-1795	1682	134.00-140.00	137.91	Low
1	2015	2015	135.00	135.00	Low Heavy Weight
38	1530-1757	1737	134.00-140.00	139.77	Low Return to Feed

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

<u>Head</u>	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price	<u>Dressing</u>
12	1345-1642	1493	134.00-144.00	139.99	Average
68	1245-1635	1426	136.00-147.00	143.88	Average Return to Feed
110	1263-1385	1291	147.50-150.00	148.96	High Return to Feed
1	1445	1445	117.00	117.00	Low
6	1350-1575	1461	120.00-132.00	128.65	Low Return to Feed

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

<u>Head</u>	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price	<u>Dressing</u>
1	1095	1095	132.00	132.00	Average
31	1072-1285	1165	132.00-145.50	141.15	Average Return to Feed
17	1115-1255	1159	146.00-149.00	147.03	High Return to Feed
10	1025-1280	1157	108.00-129.00	119.06	Low
2	850-985	918	98.00-107.50	103.10	Low Light Weight
16	970-1275	1090	122.00-134.00	128.94	Low Return to Feed
5	1065-1378	1214	89.00-100.00	96.28	Very Low

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

Head Wt Range Avg Wt Price Range Avg Price Dressing

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3	1522	1522	120.00	120.00	Low
1	1570	1570	85.00	85.00	Very Low
DAIRY CO	)WS - Lean 85-9(	0% (Per Cwt)	/ Actual Wt)		
<u>Head</u>	Wt Range	<u>Avg Wt</u>	Price Range	Avg Price	Dressing
2	1378	1378	109.00	109.00	Low
BULLS -	1-2 (Per Cwt / Ac	ctual Wt)			
<u>Head</u>	Wt Range	<u>Avg Wt</u>	Price Range	Avg Price	<u>Dressing</u>
5	1630-2275	2022	160.00-170.00	165.17	Average
1	1390	1390	162.00	162.00	Average Return to Feed
6	1875-2143	2042	186.00-193.00	188.87	High
2	2613	2613	193.00	193.00	High Heavy Weight
16	1475-2340	1798	139.00-159.00	150.24	Low
11	1154-1180	1156	137.50-142.00	141.58	Low Light Weight
59	1369-1557	1476	145.00-154.00	150.50	Low Natural
3	1375-1588	1517	137.00-156.00	150.26	Low Return to Feed
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Head	2-3 (Per Cwt / AC <u>Wt Range</u>	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price	Dressing
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176.86

181.47

Average Natural

High Natural

#### REPLACEMENT CATTLE

1960-2120

2010-2191

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STOCK COWS -	Medium and La	irge 1 (	Per Cwt	/ Actual Wt)

2002

2084

<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	0	84	825-1470	1044	179.00-226.00	205.29
2-4	Ο	103	940-1595	1197	149.00-203.00	169.75
2-8	Ο	10	1430-1550	1480	149.00-179.00	152.53

169.00-178.00

180.50-181.50

#### 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	10	865-975	911	190.00-215.00	200.52
2-4	0	4	880-1278	1114	144.00-170.00	151.08

#### STOCK COWS - Medium 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	3	847	847	200.00	200.00

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

<u>Age</u>	<u>Stage</u>	<u>Head</u>	<u>wt kange</u>	<u>Avg Wt</u>	<u>Price Kange</u>	<u>Avg Price</u>
2-4	T1-2	2	1265-1350	1308	2400.00	2400.00

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5-8 T1-2 4 1201 1201 2200.00 2200.00
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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.