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Livestock Weighted Average Report for 4/30/2025 - Final

AUCTION

	This Week	Last Reported 4/23/2025	Last Year
Total Receipts:	1,094	1,552	974
Feeder Cattle:	178(16.3%)	829(53.4%)	115(11.8%)
Slaughter Cattle:	499(45.6%)	431(27.8%)	295(30.3%)
Replacement Cattle:	417(38.1%)	292(18.8%)	564(57.9%)

Compared to last week: Feeder cattle were too lightly tested today to develop an accurate market trend, however steady to higher undertones were noticed. Quality was mostly plain to average today. Demand for all feeders was good despite a light and plain quality offering. Feeders were mostly offered in very small groups or as singles. Demand for feeder cattle suitable to go to grass remains very good. Market activity was mostly moderate to active. Weigh up cows comprised most of today's sale. Weigh up cows sold on moderate to good demand for moderate offerings. Regional packers and major packers continue to show good demand for high quality cows. Regional packers purchased cows to slaughter and major packers mostly purchased cows mostly to feed. Slaughter cows sold on lighter demand this week compared to last week as packers all showed lighter demand for cows to send to immediate slaughter. Slaughter cows sold 2.00-5.00 lower on breaking and boning cows, lean cows sold generally steady. Cow packing plants are operating in the red. Many cows which sold through the auction are binging 275.00-305.00 on a dressed basis prior to freighting them to the plant. This shows most cows going to immediate harvest are being purchased at a loss as the cutter cow cutout as of today was 290.89, 0.33 lower than yesterday's value. Demand for feeding cows remains good but buyers showed slightly lighter demand this week compared to last week. A large crowd of private feeding cow buyers was seen again this week. Feeding cows sold mostly 3.00-4.00 lower as all buyers tried to buy cows lower this week. Feeding cow prices did improve as the sale progressed. Thin feeding cows continue to sell with the best demand as these cows offered buyers the most compensatory gain. Thin feeding cows sold steady to 4.00 lower. Cow quality was mostly average to attractive today. Weigh up conditions were mostly average to above average as many cows have been turned out. The quality of cows going to feed continues to vary greatly from buyer to buyer as several buyers were willing to take cows which were lame or slightly blemished and put them on feed or run them on pasture until cow supplies tighten later in the spring and early summer. Slaughter bulls sold mostly steady to 3.00 higher. Bull quality this week was average to attractive, with a few very attractive high dressing bulls noticed. A portion of the bulls were purchased to feed again this week as buyers purchased light weight bulls, mostly under 1800 lbs for this purpose. Feeding bulls sold fully steady. Young age cows suitable to feed or rebreed sold mostly 5.00-10.00 higher. Quality this week was average to attractive. Demand from rebreed and receipt buyers remains very good. Supply included: 16% Feeder Cattle (24% Steers, 27% Heifers, 49% Bulls); 46% Slaughter Cattle (80% Cows, 18% Bulls, 2% Dairy Cows); 38% Replacement Cattle (87% Stock Cows, 8% Bred Cows, 1% Bred Heifers, 4% Cow-Calf Pairs). 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	
2	565-575	570	360.00-380.00	370.09	
5	1015	1015	243.00	243.00	Fleshy

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

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
6	489	489	370.00	370.00
5	510-537	526	360.00-385.00	369.69

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STEERS - 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>
2	720	720	290.00	290.00

STEERS - 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	600	600	327.50	327.50

HEIFERS - 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>
4	706	706	293.00	293.00

HEIFERS - Medium and 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>	
4	408	408	337.50	337.50	Unweaned
4	573-595	579	311.00-314.00	311.77	
2	630	630	299.00	299.00	
7	665-698	684	297.50-302.50	299.44	

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>
4	491	491	325.00	325.00

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>
8	724	724	297.00	297.00

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

<u>Head</u>	<u>Wt Range</u>	<u>Avg Wt</u>	<u>Price Range</u>	<u>Avg Price</u>
3	95	95	450.00	450.00
5	105	105	500.00	500.00

BULLS - Medium and 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>
3	640	640	295.00	295.00
1	965	965	233.00	233.00
3	1005-1025	1018	216.00-227.00	221.34

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	1065	1065	228.00	228.00



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7	1126	1126	225.50	225.50
6	1155-1190	1183	209.00-224.00	212.78
1	1255	1255	200.00	200.00
1	1340	1340	184.00	184.00

BULLS - 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>
5	1180-1184	1183	202.00-205.00	202.60

SLAUGHTER CATTLE**COWS - Breaker 75-80% (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>
27	1457-1998	1609	152.00-159.00	157.79	Average
4	1575-1615	1598	152.00-157.00	153.75	Average Return to Feed
5	1525-1795	1647	159.00-162.50	160.08	High
5	1515-1825	1720	143.00-149.00	147.01	Low

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>
12	1335-1655	1430	141.00-152.50	148.23	Average
108	1260-1597	1407	151.00-161.00	158.78	Average Return to Feed
32	1295-1720	1492	159.50-167.00	161.35	High
47	1235-1509	1377	162.00-168.00	162.75	High Return to Feed
11	1325-1535	1422	120.50-140.00	131.86	Low
2	1315-1465	1390	135.00-145.00	140.27	Low Return to Feed
1	1685	1685	115.00	115.00	Very Low

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>
6	1085-1268	1232	145.00-157.00	153.70	Average
36	1030-1335	1235	152.00-160.50	157.56	Average Return to Feed
17	1030-1230	1139	159.00-164.00	161.02	High
31	1145-1276	1263	161.00-166.00	161.39	High Return to Feed
9	1000-1305	1162	110.00-132.00	124.25	Low
2	915-925	920	105.00-123.00	113.95	Low Light Weight
11	955-1228	1108	127.50-141.00	136.48	Low Return to Feed
3	810	810	107.50	107.50	Very Low Light Weight

DAIRY COWS - Breaker 75-80% (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	1800	1800	146.00	146.00	Average



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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>
2	1715	1715	133.00	133.00	Average
2	1348	1348	163.50	163.50	High
4	1370-1680	1589	118.00-131.00	127.46	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>
24	1608-2155	1799	169.00-183.00	176.99	Average
1	2565	2565	179.50	179.50	Average Heavy Weight
14	1230-2045	1664	168.00-180.00	173.23	Average Return to Feed
13	1860-2330	2138	185.00-207.00	194.01	High
8	1488-1765	1671	145.00-164.00	153.80	Low
22	1088-1995	1460	146.50-167.50	158.08	Low Return to Feed

BULLS - 2-3 (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	2333	2333	176.00	176.00	High

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	110	700-1245	1027	200.00-279.00	239.48
2-4	O	131	823-1440	1105	160.00-235.00	200.11
2-8	O	7	1100-1350	1202	161.50-166.00	164.02

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	20	810-1085	919	210.00-242.50	223.90	
2-4	O	22	895-1190	1028	163.00-210.00	182.76	
2-4	O	1	805	805	180.00	180.00	Thin Fleshed

STOCK COWS - 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>
2-4	O	1	1000	1000	202.50	202.50

STOCK COWS - Medium 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	3	752	752	230.00	230.00

STOCK COWS - Medium 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>
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<2	O	2	798	798	205.00	205.00
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STOCK COWS - Medium 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>
2-4	O	3	727	727	115.00	115.00

BRED COWS - Medium and Large 1 (Per Unit / 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>	
2-4	T1-2	1	1160	1160	2400.00	2400.00	
2-4	T2	2	1265-1335	1300	2500.00-2950.00	2731.06	
2-4	T3	6	1240-1460	1324	3500.00-3600.00	3551.38	
5-8	T3	2	1335-1340	1338	3000.00	3000.00	
>5	T2	1	1340	1340	2550.00	2550.00	
>5	T3	8	1528-1533	1532	2950.00-3000.00	2987.53	
>8	T3	5	1330-1645	1472	2800.00-2900.00	2841.52	Broken Mouth

BRED COWS - Medium and Large 1-2 (Per Unit / 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>
2-4	T3	1	1265	1265	2700.00	2700.00

BRED HEIFERS - Medium 1 (Per Unit / 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	T3	3	973	973	2900.00	2900.00

COW-CALF PAIRS - Medium and Large 1 w/ 150-300 lbs calf (Per Unit / 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>	
>5	O	2	1328	1328	3600.00	3600.00	
>8	O	2	1525	1525	3450.00	3450.00	Broken Mouth

COW-CALF PAIRS - Medium and Large 1-2 w/ 150-300 lbs calf (Per Unit / 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>
2-8	O	4	1676	1676	3600.00	3600.00
>5	O	3	1653	1653	3450.00	3450.00

COW-CALF PAIRS - Large 1 w/ 150-300 lbs calf (Per Unit / 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>
2-4	O	3	1355	1355	3850.00	3850.00



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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.