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Livestock Weighted Average Report for 8/19/2025 - Final

AUCTION			
	This Week	Last Reported 8/5/2025	Last Year
Total Receipts:	980	372	0
Feeder Cattle:	618(63.1%)	160(43.0%)	0(0.0%)
Slaughter Cattle:	172(17.6%)	157(42.2%)	0(0.0%)
Replacement Cattle:	190(19.4%)	55(14.8%)	0(0.0%)

Compared to last sale (8-05-25): Feeder steers and heifers were both too lightly tested last sale to develop an accurate market trend, however higher undertones were notice on all offerings. Today was the first true test of the yearling market as around 500 head of yearlings sold. A couple load lots were seen today and these offerings were met on very good demand. Even small groups of yearlings sold on good demand as buyers pushed to fill loads. Offerings were light to moderate. Quality this week was average to attractive. Demand for cutting bulls remains very good as several buyers were looking for bulls to cut and make steers. Cutting bull prices continue to push higher on very good demand. Market activity was mostly active today with very good buyer participation seen on all classes. Weigh up cows sold on good to very good for light offerings. The largest consignment of cows was a set of exposed 10-12 year olds. These cows were exposed to Balancer bulls and are listed as stock cows in the report below. Feeding cow demand was very good as even lame and blemished cows were purchased to feed this week. Feeding cows sold steady to 3.00 higher in a narrow comparison. Feeding cow demand kept cow prices mostly above slaughter cow orders. Very few cows were purchased for immediate harvest this week. Only extremely blemished cows or cows too lame to feed were purchased for slaughter. Quality this week was mostly average, and similar to last sale. Weigh up conditions were mixed with lots of variation noticed. Slaughter bulls sold on mostly good to very good demand this week. Bull yield has decreased over the last month as most bulls have been turned out with cows. Slaughter bulls sold mostly 2.00-3.00 higher compared to the last sale. Several thin fleshed bulls continue to be purchased to feed. Feeding bulls sold 3.00-4.00 higher than last sale. Young cows suitable to feed or rebreed sold on very good demand for light offerings. Quality was mostly average to attractive. Too few young cows were seen to develop an accurate market trend, however steady to higher undertones were noticed. Supply included: 63% Feeder Cattle (70% Steers, 29% Heifers, 1% Bulls); 18% Slaughter Cattle (49% Cows, 51% Bulls); 19% Replacement Cattle (100% Stock Cows). Feeder cattle supply over 600 lbs was 95%.

FEEDER CATTLE

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

<u>Head</u>	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price	
1	375	375	550.00	550.00	Unweaned
6	693	693	400.00	400.00	
54	708-734	733	394.00-397.50	394.13	
3	778	778	370.00	370.00	
4	829	829	360.00	360.00	
83	852-875	872	357.00	357.00	
126	922	922	354.50	354.50	
39	1007	1007	338.00	338.00	

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

<u>Head</u>	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
9	508-510	509	447.50-457.50	450.84

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14	589	589	442.50	442.50	
7	651	651	422.50	422.50	Thin Fleshed
14	819	819	356.00	356.00	
2	878	878	340.00	340.00	

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

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<u>Head</u>	Wt Range	<u>Avg Wt</u>	Price Range	Avg Price
9	1145	1145	273.00	273.00

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STEERS - Medium 1 (Per Cwt / Actual Wt)

<u>Head</u>	Wt Range	<u>Avg Wt</u>	Price Range	Avg Price	
8	630	630	417.50	417.50	Thin Fleshed
3	688	688	392 50	392 50	

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

<u>Head</u>	Wt Range	<u>Avg Wt</u>	Price Range	Avg Price
17	662	662	376.00	376.00

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

<u>Head</u>	Wt Range	<u>Avg Wt</u>	Price Range	Avg Price	
10	692	692	372.50	372.50	
3	740	740	359.00	359.00	
47	778-798	781	350.00-359.00	354.91	
4	803-813	808	348.00-352.00	349.99	
11	835	835	365.00	365.00	Fancy
5	802	802	340.00	340.00	Full
41	859-894	874	331.50-333.00	332.30	
24	903	903	332.00	332.00	
20	983-986	984	303.00	303.00	Full

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

<u>Head</u>	Wt Range	<u>Avg Wt</u>	Price Range	Avg Price
2	880	880	345.00	345.00
1	935	935	330.00	330.00
2	1008	1008	297.50	297.50

BULLS - Large 1 (Per Cwt / Actual Wt)

<u>Head</u>	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
1	1040	1040	310.00	310.00
1	1225	1225	250.00	250.00

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<u>Head</u>	Wt Range	<u>Avg Wt</u>	Price Range	Avg Price
1	1170	1170	270.00	270.00

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>	Avg Price	<u>Dressing</u>
2	1635-1700	1668	163.50-165.50	164.52	Average Return to Feed

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

<u>Head</u>	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price	Dressing
1	1535	1535	164.00	164.00	Average Non-Traditional
8	1345-1745	1481	157.00-164.00	161.76	Average Return to Feed
1	1330	1330	171.00	171.00	High Non-Traditional
35	1185-1785	1386	166.00-176.50	173.74	High Return to Feed
5	1310-1715	1399	146.00-158.00	154.08	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	1185	1185	171.00	171.00	High Return to Feed
3	1080-1205	1155	122.00-140.00	130.62	Low
1	905	905	145.00	145.00	Low Light Weight
13	1096-1255	1160	140.00-156.00	151.43	Low Return to Feed

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

<u>Head</u>	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price	<u>Dressing</u>
25	1528-2365	1798	188.00-200.00	193.52	Average
3	1650-1730	1695	192.00-196.00	193.68	Average Natural
31	1360-2030	1591	185.00-197.00	191.98	Average Return to Feed
6	1730-2265	1933	201.00-217.00	209.31	High
3	1715-1995	1872	213.00-222.00	216.88	High Natural
2	1705-1975	1840	179.00-182.00	180.61	Low
3	1320-1745	1490	181.00-185.00	183.12	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	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price	
2-4	0	3	1115-1295	1200	203.00-234.00	216.57	
>8	0	123	1283-1352	1317	184.00-185.00	184.63	Broken Mouth
>8	0	23	1289	1289	178.00	178.00	Thin Fleshed

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<u>Age</u>	<u>Stage</u>	<u>Head</u>	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price	
>8	0	27	1275-1323	1316	174.00-174.50	174.43	Broken Mouth
>8	Ο	4	1243	1243	163.00	163.00	Thin Fleshed

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.