## NATIONAL WEEKLY FEEDER & STOCKER CATTLE SUMMARY **USDA LIVESTOCK, POULTRY & GRAIN MARKET NEWS** St. Joseph, Missouri Monday, October 6, 2025 for w/e Saturday, 10/04/25. stjoe.lpgmn@usda.gov Email: Receipts: This Week Last Week Year Ago CME FEEDER CATTLE INDEX (\$/CWT) SJ\_LS850 228,700 208,300 242,100 \$380 \$360 Compared to last week, steers and heifers sold mostly steady to 5.00 lower. That isn't to \$340 say there weren't any instances of higher spots, especially on some loads of yearlings but \$320 \$300 overall, the market was undoubtably lower. There was pressure on the market as cash fat \$280 cattle in the north slipped to around 230.00. Moderate to good demand for spring born \$260 calves, farmer feeders are busy in the field with fall harvest, and most aren't wanting a calf \$240 \$220 vet. Cattle feeders have greatly curbed their enthusiasm for getting feeder cattle bought, they \$200 are now approaching the market much more cautiously. Fall temperature swings make it \$180 hard to keep even the best calves with all the proper vaccination and weaning programs and \$160 healthy weight on prices this time of year. Buyers are looking for calves with precondition shots, especially a respiratory shot. Calves without a fall vaccination program is taking a hit 2024 ---- 5 YR AVG at the auction and selling several dollars per cwt less than fully vaccinated calves. This is an every year occurrence and buyers must be realistic and factor in those risks regardless of overall tight supplies. In Nebraska, Crawford Livestock Market hit some all-time new market NATIONWIDE REPORTED WEEKLY FEEDER highs in several weight classes on Friday with a notable trade of 814 lb spring born calves at CATTLE AUCTION RECEIPTS 401.00. Plus, other auctions across that state are setting new highs weekly as the (Receipts vary depending on the number of auctions auctioneer gravels drops on many weight classes. Packers bid lower as the boxed beef reported) 400 market continues to quickly drop, retreating around 60.00 in the last month. Negotiated sales of fed cattle in TX/OK/NM sold 4.00 lower at 233.00. In Kansas, cash sales sold 3.00 to 4.00 **Thousands** 300 lower at 232.00 to 233.00, mostly 233.00. In Nebraska, live sales were 2.00 to 5.00 lower at 230; while dressed sales were 5.00 lower at 360.00. For the week, Choice Boxed beef 200 closed on Friday at 362.27, 9.16 lower and Select closed at 345.38, 7.06 lower. Weekly Cattle Slaughter under federal inspection estimated at 557K. 2K more than last week and 100 55K less than a year ago. Auction volume this week included 50 percent weighing over 600 lbs and 39 percent heifers. REGIONAL WEIGHTED AVERAGE 2025 **FEEDER STEER PRICES** NORTH CENTRAL REGION YEAR TO DATE AUCTION RECEIPTS 70 Steers: This Week Last Week **Last Year** 600-700 lbs \$426.45 \$415.52 \$285.58 × 100000 **USDA AMS** 700-800 lbs \$389.70 \$388.87 \$262.49 \$365.62 800-900 lbs \$364.87 \$250.67 2025 YTD 2024 YTD 5 Yr Avg **SOUTH CENTRAL REGION** Steers: This Week Last Week **Last Year 5 AREA WEEKLY WEIGHTED AVERAGE** 500-600 lbs \$412.79 \$424.85 \$276.74 SLTR STEER PRICE (\$/CWT) 600-700 lbs \$386.55 \$391.76 \$260.70 \$200 \$200 \$190 \$180 \$170 700-800 lbs \$371.53 \$376.05 \$251.33 \$160 \$150 \$140 SOUTHEAST REGION Steers: This Week Last Week **Last Year** 400-500 lbs \$434.18 \$437.91 \$288.82 **USDA Livestock, Poultry, & Grain Market News** 500-600 lbs \$382.21 \$392.88 \$262.58 St. Joseph, Missouri Phone: 816-676-7000 600-700 lbs \$353.13 \$359.81 \$243.82 The next publish date of this report will be October 14, 2025 due to federal holiday. For detailed state-by-state feeder cattle quotes: National Feeder & Stocker Cattle Summary http://www.ams.usda.gov/LSMarketNews