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Livestock Weighted Average Report for 10/15/2025 - Final

AUCTION			
	This Week	Last Reported 10/8/2025	Last Year
Total Receipts:	1,312	1,342	2,089
Feeder Cattle:	242(18.4%)	479(35.7%)	580(27.8%)
Slaughter Cattle:	521(39.7%)	595(44.3%)	910(43.6%)
Replacement Cattle:	549(41.8%)	268(20.0%)	599(28.7%)

Compared to last week: Yearling steers and heifers were too lightly tested to develop any market trend. All calves were too lightly tested to develop any market trend, as this week featured bred cows, pairs and weigh ups. Demand for calves and yearlings was moderate to good. Quality was mostly average this week. Most feeder offerings were offered in small packages with many singles noticed. A small crowd was on hand for todays feeder offering, however internet bidding was very active this sale. Market activity was active despite a light offering. Weigh up cows sold on mostly very good demand for moderate offerings. Quality this week was mostly average to attractive. Slaughter cows were all too lightly tested to develop an accurate market trend, however steady undertones were noticed on lean and boning cows. Breaking slaughter cows sold mostly 2.00 higher. Very few offerings were purchased for slaughter again this week as feeding cow buyers and replacement buyers absorbed most of the offerings. Only extremely blemished cows, not suitable to feed, were purchased for immediate harvest this week. Feeding cows sold 2.00-5.00 higher with the largest price increase seen for high quality feeding cows. Weigh conditions were mixed this week. Slaughter bulls sold unevenly as feeding bull buyers pushed to buy bulls away from packers. Bulls suitable to feed sold steady to firm on very good demand. Slaughter bulls too big to feed or unsound sold 3.00-5.00 lower in a very narrow comparison. Young age cows suitable to feed or rebreed sold 5.00-10.00 higher. Demand for these offerings was very good with a large buyer pool bidding on offerings. Quality was mostly average to attractive. Demand was similar for both coming 3 and coming 4 year old cows. Demand for bred cows was mostly good for light offerings. Bred cow quality was average to attractive. Supply included: 18% Feeder Cattle (41% Steers, 48% Heifers, 11% Bulls); 40% Slaughter Cattle (91% Cows, 9% Bulls, 0% Dairy Cows); 42% Replacement Cattle (41% Stock Cows, 44% Bred Cows, 5% Bred Heifers, 8% Cow-Calf Pairs, 2% Bulls). Feeder cattle supply over 600 lbs was 46%.

FEEDER CATTLE

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

<u>Head</u>	Wt Range	<u>Avg Wt</u>	Price Range	Avg Price	
5	338	338	630.00	630.00	Unweaned
1	375	375	610.00	610.00	Unweaned
6	442	442	540.00	540.00	Unweaned
16	515-527	526	447.50-470.00	450.44	Unweaned
10	652-669	661	392.00-406.00	398.91	Unweaned
10	730	730	383.00	383.00	Unweaned
2	1003	1003	336.00	336.00	

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

<u>Head</u>	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price	
6	405-419	417	490.00-510.00	506.76	Unweaned
3	453	453	510.00	510.00	Unweaned
8	608	608	395.00	395.00	Unweaned

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2	680	680	387.50	387.50	Unweaned	

STEERS - Large 1 (Per Cwt / Actual Wt)

<u>Head</u>	Wt Range	<u>Avg Wt</u>	<u>Price Range</u>	Avg Price
4	1213	1213	281.00	281.00

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

<u>Head</u>	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price	
5	330	330	580.00	580.00	Unweaned
3	425	425	470.00	470.00	Unweaned
10	578-591	583	382.00-387.00	384.03	Unweaned
13	693	693	339.00	339.00	Unweaned
12	913	913	335.00	335.00	Replacement
2	998	998	304.00	304.00	
8	1000-1040	1020	296.00-302.00	299.06	

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

<u>Head</u>	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price	
6	349	349	525.00	525.00	Unweaned
7	386	386	465.00	465.00	Unweaned
8	455-481	475	410.00-425.00	411.80	Unweaned
6	505-547	531	380.00-405.00	383.96	Unweaned
1	595	595	355.00	355.00	Unweaned
3	738	738	343.00	343.00	

HEIFERS - Medium 1 (Per Cwt / Actual Wt)

<u>Head</u>	Wt Range	<u>Avg Wt</u>	Price Range	Avg Price	
2	523	523	390.00	390.00	Unweaned

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

<u>Head</u>	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price	
1	220	220	790.00	790.00	Unweaned
7	353	353	635.00	635.00	Unweaned
3	508	508	475.00	475.00	Unweaned
2	888	888	340.00	340.00	

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>	Avg Price	
2	635	635	355.00	355.00	Unweaned

BULLS - Large 1 (Per Cwt / Actual Wt)

Head	Wt Range	Avø Wt	Price Range	Avg Price

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SLAUGHTER CATTLE

COWS - Premium	White 65-75%	(Per Cwt /	' Δctual Wt\
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<u>Head</u>	Wt Range	<u>Avg Wt</u>	<u>Price Range</u>	Avg Price	<u>Dressing</u>
50	1608-1796	1701	166.00-167.50	166.68	Low

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

<u>Head</u>	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price	Dressing
8	1740-2000	1793	165.00-172.50	169.28	Average
2	2003	2003	173.50	173.50	Average Heavy Weight
15	1405-1743	1611	167.00-175.00	170.66	Average Return to Feed
1	2020	2020	169.00	169.00	High Heavy Weight
1	1625	1625	187.00	187.00	High Non-Traditional
6	1533-1625	1561	182.50-184.00	183.57	High Return to Feed
4	1488-1860	1664	154.00-163.00	159.98	Low

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

	<u>Dressing</u>	Avg Price	Price Range	<u>Avg Wt</u>	Wt Range	<u>Head</u>
	Average	144.43	141.00-153.00	1469	1430-1490	4
Return to Feed	Average	172.53	166.00-179.00	1353	1200-1625	116
	High	158.21	156.00-162.00	1308	1240-1445	3
Return to Feed	High	183.56	181.00-185.50	1429	1300-1611	64
	Low	134.19	133.00-135.00	1393	1378-1415	5
Return to Feed	Low	156.95	145.00-165.00	1411	1260-1670	13
	Very Low	97.50	97.50	1055	1055	1

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

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<u>Head</u>	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price	<u>Dressing</u>
87	1070-1295	1223	168.00-176.00	172.31	Average Return to Feed
1	1220	1220	163.00	163.00	High
6	1175-1240	1204	177.50-185.00	182.27	High Return to Feed
4	1078-1335	1155	120.00-127.00	125.00	Low
1	820	820	120.00	120.00	Low Light Weight
24	1008-1375	1157	142.50-166.00	154.37	Low Return to Feed
5	1030-1248	1190	85.00-100.00	93.71	Very Low
1	955	955	85.00	85.00	Very Low Light Weight

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

<u>Head</u>	Wt Range	<u>Avg Wt</u>	Price Range	Avg Price	Dressing
1	1170	1170	132.00	132.00	Low

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BULLS - 1-2 (Per Cwt / Actual Wt)							
<u>Head</u>	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price	<u>Dressing</u>		
7	1610-2025	1868	181.00-193.00	184.99	Average		
19	1455-2088	1730	184.00-201.50	194.41	Average Return to Feed		
1	2260	2260	201.00	201.00	High		
1	1835	1835	198.00	198.00	High Return to Feed		
9	1515-2090	1812	160.00-174.00	168.95	Low		
2	1730-2055	1893	181.00-183.00	181.91	Low Return to Feed		
BULLS -	2-3 (Per Cwt / Ac	tual Wt)					
<u>Head</u>	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price	<u>Dressing</u>		
1	2175	2175	186.00	186.00	Average		
1	2840	2840	200.00	200.00	High Heavy Weight		
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REPLACEMENT CATTLE

STOCK COWS - Medium and Larg	e 1 (Per Cwt / Actual Wt)
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<u>Age</u>	<u>Stage</u>	<u>Head</u>	Wt Range	<u>Avg Wt</u>	<u>Price Range</u>	<u>Avg Price</u>	
<2	Ο	78	814-1220	983	227.50-365.00	311.89	
<2	Ο	1	1230	1230	265.00	265.00	Fleshy
2-4	Ο	80	908-1375	1086	186.00-315.00	250.54	
2-4	Ο	2	1278	1278	202.50	202.50	Fleshy
2-8	Ο	7	1223-1318	1286	180.00-189.00	186.33	

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	Ο	14	803-1095	946	235.00-325.00	288.76	
<2	Ο	2	1323	1323	185.00	185.00	Fleshy
2-4	Ο	3	1010-1070	1050	205.00	205.00	

STOCK COWS - Medium and Large 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>	Avg Price
<2	Ο	5	725-1248	992	182.00-220.00	197.37
2-4	Ο	2	920-1055	988	217.50-250.00	232.64

STOCK COWS - Large 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	1	910	910	300.00	300.00

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

<u>Age</u>	<u>Stage</u>	<u>Head</u>	Wt Range	<u>Avg Wt</u>	Price Range	Avg Price
2-4	T1-2	2	1293	1293	220.00	220.00

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2-8	T1-2	4	1159	1159	300.00	300.00
5-8	T1-2	10	1229	1229	210.00	210.00
>5	T1	4	1178	1178	173.00	173.00
>8	T1-2	3	1105-1350	1268	172.50	172.50

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

<u>Age</u>	<u>Stage</u>	<u>Head</u>	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price	
2-4	T1	8	1140-1279	1262	3500.00-3600.00	3588.71	
2-4	T1-2	43	1100-1445	1210	3600.00-4200.00	3979.34	
2-4	T2-3	4	1325	1325	3850.00	3850.00	
2-4	T3	7	1374	1374	3900.00	3900.00	
2-8	T1	3	1235	1235	3550.00	3550.00	
5-8	T1	1	1465	1465	2850.00	2850.00	
5-8	T1-2	11	1273-1538	1413	3200.00-3500.00	3374.12	
>5	T1	4	1408	1408	3075.00	3075.00	
>5	T1-2	30	1285-1690	1447	2800.00-3300.00	2963.63	
>8	T1	2	1613	1613	2600.00	2600.00	Broken Mouth
>8	T1-2	17	1290-1445	1326	2800.00-2975.00	2932.53	Broken Mouth
>8	T2	12	1447	1447	3125.00	3125.00	Broken Mouth
>8	T2-3	5	1593	1593	2925.00	2925.00	Broken Mouth

BRED COWS - Medium and Large 1-2 (Per Unit / Actual Wt)

<u>Age</u>	<u>Stage</u>	<u>Head</u>	Wt Range	<u>Avg Wt</u>	Price Range	Avg Price	
2-4	T1-2	7	935-1145	1013	3100.00-3650.00	3383.99	
2-8	T1-2	2	1205	1205	3350.00	3350.00	
>5	T1-2	2	1355	1355	2525.00	2525.00	
>8	T1	15	1116-1216	1169	2375.00-2550.00	2472.06	Broken Mouth
>8	T1	12	1180	1180	2325.00	2325.00	Thin Fleshed
>8	T1-2	3	1295-1395	1362	2300.00-2550.00	2470.75	Broken Mouth

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

<u>Age</u>	<u>Stage</u>	<u>Head</u>	Wt Range	<u>Avg Wt</u>	Price Range	Avg Price
<2	T1-2	22	938-1190	1012	3400.00-4250.00	4042.48

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>	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price	
2-4	Ο	12	1187	1187	4200.00	4200.00	
2-4	Ο	7	1345-1405	1362	5450.00-5750.00	5538.41	Registered
2-8	Ο	5	1739	1739	5100.00	5100.00	Registered
>5	Ο	16	1862-2093	1896	4000.00-5000.00	4469.39	Registered

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

Age	Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price

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	<2	9	1045-1069	1058	3200.00-4100.00	3737.95	Registered
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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.