

NATIONAL WEEKLY FEEDER & STOCKER CATTLE SUMMARY

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Receipts:	This Week	Last Week	Year Ago
SJ LS850	282,700	282,500	311,200

Compared to last week, steers and heifers in the North and South-Central areas sold 5.00 to 15.00 lower, with the Southeast area 1.00 to 5.00 lower. There were a few cases here and there in which a few drafts might have found steady to higher money if everything was right, but this was an exception this week. The mindset that the upswing in the market may be over clamped the checkbooks shut and buyers pulled back bids rather fast and started to be more selective in what they bid on. The spring-born calf run was in the thick of it in South Dakota this week as the state moved over 50K head of feeder cattle at USDA-LPGMN reported auctions. Very mild weather throughout October has made for ideal cattle performance, and cost of feed remains low but now cattle feeders are approaching the feeder market with apprehension. Moderate to good demand for calves and yearlings but there was a lot of pressure on the market coming from the futures contracts. The CME Cattle Complex had been volatile all week. Wednesday and Friday's limit lower moves in deferred Feeder Cattle futures are throwing the market into a tizzy. Cattle producers are facing great uncertainty now about the future, despite positive market fundamentals and strong consumer demand. Of course, one week does not make a pattern and most agree that it was just an odd combination of events. After ignoring headlines and rumors for what seems like weeks now, cash markets were no longer able to do so. Weather really began to act more fall-like this week, temperatures got much cooler with a few reports of some light frost in places. Although there have been no official reports of progress, grain harvest seems to be going at a good pace. There hasn't really been any weather that has shut things down for more than maybe a day or two here and there and farmers were able to get right back at it. Negotiated sales of fed cattle in the Southern Plains sold 2.00 lower at 238.00. In Nebraska, live sales were 1.00 to 3.00 lower at 235.00 to 239.00; while dressed sales were 2.00 to 5.00 lower at 367.00 to 370.00. For the week, Choice Boxed beef closed on Friday at 375.76, 8.99 higher and Select closed at 357.97, 7.70 higher. Weekly Cattle Slaughter under federal inspection estimated at 573K, 6K more than last week and 52K less than a year ago. Auction volume this week included 37 percent weighing over 600 lbs and 39 percent heifers.

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REGIONAL WEIGHTED AVERAGE

FEEDER STEER PRICES

NORTH CENTRAL REGION

Steers:	This Week	Last Week	Last Year
600-700 lbs	\$432.52	\$444.80	\$284.43
700-800 lbs	\$383.21	\$387.62	\$259.92
800-900 lbs	\$364.66	\$376.85	\$252.55

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SOUTH CENTRAL REGION

Steers:	This Week	Last Week	Last Year
500-600 lbs	\$433.65	\$437.86	\$280.19
600-700 lbs	\$391.16	\$399.92	\$261.28
700-800 lbs	\$373.05	\$387.17	\$252.31

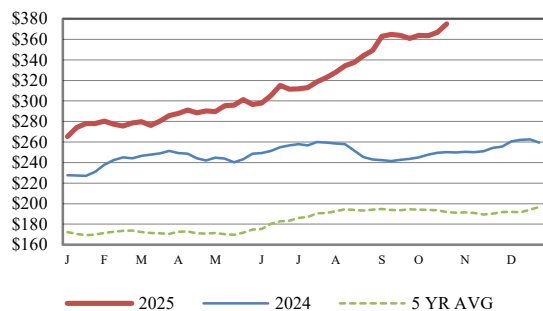
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SOUTHEAST REGION

Steers:	This Week	Last Week	Last Year
400-500 lbs	\$435.28	\$443.75	\$288.55
500-600 lbs	\$394.94	\$396.05	\$265.06
600-700 lbs	\$363.30	\$364.96	\$245.88

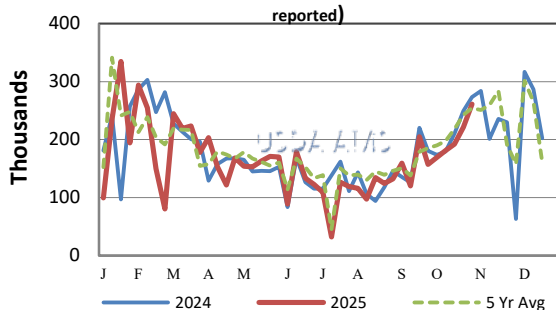
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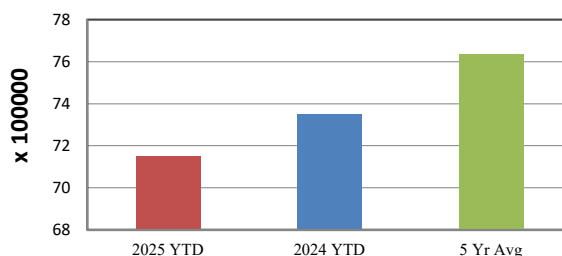


NATIONWIDE REPORTED WEEKLY FEEDER CATTLE AUCTION RECEIPTS

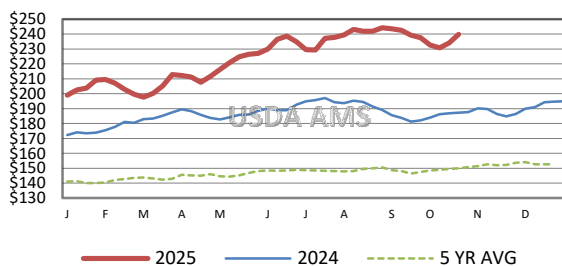
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YEAR TO DATE AUCTION RECEIPTS



5 AREA WEEKLY WEIGHTED AVERAGE SLTR STEER PRICE (\$/CWT)



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