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Livestock Weighted Average Report for 3/17/2026 - Final

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	This Week	Last Reported 3/10/2026	Last Year
Total Receipts:	1,490	678	2,273
Feeder Cattle:	1,348(90.5%)	152(22.4%)	1,829(80.5%)
Slaughter Cattle:	74(5.0%)	75(11.1%)	190(8.4%)
Replacement Cattle:	68(4.6%)	451(66.5%)	254(11.2%)

Compared to last week (3-10-26): All feeder cattle were to lightly tested last week to develop an accurate market trend, however higher undertones were noticed on all steers and steady to higher undertones were noticed on feeder heifer under 650 lbs. Heifers over 650 lbs were too lightly tested to develop any market trend. Feeder cattle were offered in mostly moderate size packages this week with a few load lots of replacement quality heifers seen. Quality was mostly average to very attractive this week. Demand was mostly good this sale and stronger than the last couple weeks. CME positions have moved sharply higher over the last couple days and buyers responded positively as they showed stronger demand for feeder cattle. Replacement heifer demand was mostly good, however a smaller crowd was on hand for todays sale and some ranchers are slightly concerned about drought conditions. Eastern Montana received limited snowfall with the latest winter storm this past weekend and with record warmth forecasted for this week, drought concerns weigh on local ranchers minds. Replacement heifers sold with lower undertones compared to the last few feeder specials. Market activity was moderate to active this week. Weigh up cows sold on moderate to good demand for light offerings. Feeding cow buyers showed good demand for all cows which would feed. Feeding cows sold steady to firm in a very narrow comparison. Cow quality this week was mostly average. Slaughter cows sold on good demand, however very few cows were purchased for immediate harvest as private feeders kept cow prices over slaughter cow orders. Slaughter cows were too lightly tested to develop an accurate market trend, however higher undertones were noticed. Slaughter bulls sold generally steady in a narrow comparison. Feeding type bulls were too lightly tested last week to develop an accurate market trend, however steady undertones were noticed. Young age cows were too lightly tested last week to develop an accurate market trend, however steady undertones were noticed. Quality this week was mostly average. Supply included: 90% Feeder Cattle (38% Steers, 60% Heifers, 2% Bulls); 5% Slaughter Cattle (75% Cows, 25% Bulls); 5% Replacement Cattle (100% Stock Cows). Feeder cattle supply over 600 lbs was 75%.

FEEDER CATTLE

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

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price	
6	473	473	535.00	535.00	
11	548	548	486.00	486.00	Fleshy
22	561	561	497.00	497.00	
5	550	550	460.00	460.00	Fleshy
99	600-648	634	439.00-458.00	446.73	
117	656-695	666	416.00-446.00	437.97	
41	717-725	717	390.00-418.00	417.31	
7	755	755	380.00	380.00	
31	806-840	836	355.50-367.00	356.93	

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

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
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3	337	337	500.00	500.00	Unweaned
6	385	385	515.00-530.00	520.00	Unweaned
3	450-475	462	510.00-520.00	516.68	
5	505-538	531	483.00-510.00	488.13	
18	557-592	577	442.50-470.00	457.67	
29	559	559	490.00	490.00	Thin Fleshed
33	622-645	639	415.00-435.50	429.80	
25	650-680	667	385.00-415.00	410.21	
1	700	700	386.00	386.00	

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>
11	471	471	475.00	475.00
10	557	557	335.00	335.00

STEERS - Medium 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	375	375	435.00	435.00

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>	
14	458-483	478	472.00-522.50	482.38	
94	525-547	533	466.00-477.50	475.49	
76	608-633	621	409.00-420.00	414.42	
60	653-697	680	372.00-389.00	380.18	
40	700-742	730	349.00-359.00	356.54	
114	706-741	718	351.00-381.00	373.17	Replacement
16	771-778	772	350.00-355.00	354.06	
218	758-760	760	366.00-370.00	366.93	Replacement
3	842	842	319.00	319.00	
29	820	820	352.00	352.00	Replacement
2	865	865	320.00	320.00	

HEIFERS - 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>	
20	804-845	825	2800.00-2825.00	2812.81	Replacement
10	934	934	2825.00	2825.00	Replacement

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>
35	454	454	447.50	447.50
2	578	578	401.00	401.00



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4	634	634	387.00	387.00
9	717	717	345.00	345.00
6	772	772	322.50	322.50

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>
12	506	506	320.00	320.00
14	564	564	382.00	382.00

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>
1	95	95	1100.00	1100.00

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	383	383	525.00	525.00
7	519	519	480.00	480.00
3	627	627	395.00	395.00
3	988	988	310.00	310.00

BULLS - 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>
7	590	590	355.00	355.00

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>
1	1145	1145	245.00	245.00
1	1165	1165	250.00	250.00

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>	<u>Avg Price</u>	<u>Dressing</u>
1	1625	1625	169.00	169.00	Average
16	1340-1845	1648	172.00-180.00	178.61	Average Return to Feed
2	1565-1600	1583	160.00-163.00	161.48	Low
2	1770-1835	1803	164.00-165.00	164.49	Low Return to Feed

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>
1	1270	1270	145.00	145.00	Average
6	1320-1660	1468	167.00-178.00	172.70	Average Return to Feed
2	1355	1355	181.00	181.00	High Return to Feed



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1	1660	1660	155.00	155.00	Low Return to Feed
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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>
2	1105-1205	1155	143.00-145.00	143.96	Average
1	890	890	132.50	132.50	Average Light Weight
1	1250	1250	172.00	172.00	Average Return to Feed
1	1275	1275	180.00	180.00	High Return to Feed
4	1023-1135	1051	116.00-133.00	120.59	Low
1	950	950	100.00	100.00	Low Light Weight
1	995	995	155.00	155.00	Low Return to Feed
1	1345	1345	95.00	95.00	Very 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>
6	1795-2395	2003	193.00-197.00	195.25	Average
1	1805	1805	192.00	192.00	Average Return to Feed
3	1585-1595	1590	164.00-185.00	177.98	Low
1	1500	1500	150.00	150.00	Low Light Weight
1	1725	1725	185.00	185.00	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	1575-2120	1848	190.00-195.00	192.87	Average

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	15	1040-1235	1137	220.00-305.00	269.12
2-4	O	4	955-1065	994	290.00-304.00	299.53
2-8	O	2	1238	1238	192.00	192.00

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	3	870-1270	1048	190.00-285.00	245.04
2-4	O	8	965-1275	1100	207.50-250.00	227.34

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>
<2	O	2	800	800	282.50	282.50



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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.