



South Dakota Weekly Cattle Auction Summary

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Livestock Weighted Average Report for 10/4/2026 - 10/10/2026

LIVESTOCK SUMMARY

	Current Week	Last Reported 9/28/2026	Last Year
Total Receipts:	27,681	20,558	21,582
Feeder Cattle:	26,787(96.8%)	19,239(93.6%)	20,616(95.5%)
Slaughter Cattle:	894(3.2%)	1,319(6.4%)	966(4.5%)

Compared to last week: Yearling feeder steers 2.00 to 7.00 higher, instances of 10.00 higher, except over 1000 lbs 2.00 to 4.00 lower. Yearling feeder heifers steady to 5.00 higher. Spring born steer calves 10.00 to 20.00 higher, except 550-600 lbs steady to 2.00 higher. Heifer calves 10.00 to 20.00 higher, except 400-500 lbs mostly steady. Good to very good demand for yearling steers and heifers, especially by late week when the cattle futures complex rallied and corn futures fell sharply. Cash fed cattle were sluggish in the north all week, with early sales below 220.00 but late week some cattle traded 221.00-222.00. The calf market was substantially more active this week as more buyers were ready to enter the market and take on this good ranch-raised calves. With the Feeder Cattle futures gaining 8.00 and corn losing 20.00, cattle producers got the glimmer of hope they have been waiting for that this recent downturn will turn friendly again. Farmer feeders made great progress with soybean harvest, and starting to combine corn now, giving them a little time to devote to starting newly arrived bawling calves on feed. Larger auction receipts expected in central and western South Dakota next week as the calf marketing season kicks into high gear. Strings of yearlings remain hard to find, which is keeping competition for buying yearlings very high. Supply included: 97% Feeder Cattle (65% Steers, 35% Heifers, 0% Bulls, 0% Beef/Dairy Steers); 3% Slaughter Cattle (65% Steers, 2% Dairy Steers, 24% Heifers, 5% Beef/Dairy Steers, 4% Beef/Dairy Heifers). Feeder cattle supply over 600 lbs was 38%.

FEEDER CATTLE

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

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price	
5	267	267	530.00	530.00	
133	306-348	340	525.00-670.00	623.66	
326	351-397	381	495.00-642.50	602.87	
823	400-448	423	525.00-601.00	566.26	
2291	451-498	477	477.00-550.00	513.10	
3206	500-548	526	440.00-510.00	480.52	
11	543	543	450.00	450.00	Full
2156	550-598	573	410.00-465.00	447.59	
6	598	598	380.00	380.00	Fleshy
1151	601-645	619	391.00-445.00	430.18	
217	659-693	682	372.00-414.00	402.91	
347	701-740	714	378.00-405.00	402.39	
25	759-773	766	348.00-350.00	348.95	
474	805-846	811	362.00-364.00	363.17	
396	853-899	881	320.00-359.00	347.73	
136	868-896	878	354.00-363.00	359.82	Thin Fleshed
292	900-933	910	325.00-350.00	342.69	
39	910	910	320.50	320.50	Fleshy

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707	951-994	975	301.00-339.50	334.94	
58	997	997	316.00	316.00	Fleshy
48	990	990	325.00	325.00	Thin Fleshed

STEERS - 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>	
7	334	334	540.00	540.00	
10	385	385	565.00	565.00	
65	412-441	423	475.00-535.00	520.58	
41	468-484	475	455.00-475.00	463.06	
139	500-546	518	415.00-483.00	462.42	
74	558-578	572	370.00-440.00	398.82	
32	560	560	327.00	327.00	Full
10	676	676	357.50	357.50	
11	745	745	347.00	347.00	
28	752-770	767	343.00-355.00	345.10	
39	840-842	840	301.00-355.50	344.74	
45	809	809	353.00	353.00	Thin Fleshed
61	885-888	886	315.00-319.00	316.31	
38	901-944	938	240.00-255.00	241.90	
45	902-908	904	331.00-336.00	334.66	Thin Fleshed
12	999	999	303.00	303.00	
20	957	957	288.00	288.00	Fleshy

STEERS - 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>	
13	486	486	480.00	480.00	
53	534	534	454.00	454.00	
94	594	594	411.00	411.00	
16	627	627	401.00	401.00	
613	1004-1047	1029	284.50-322.50	314.27	
602	1054-1085	1067	274.50-320.00	303.66	
395	1101-1143	1130	261.00-297.50	278.58	
369	1150-1172	1161	268.50-292.00	278.43	
265	1222-1246	1238	268.50-270.25	269.15	
52	1266	1266	264.00	264.00	
7	1329	1329	222.50	222.50	Fleshy

STEERS - 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>	
13	1022	1022	235.00	235.00	
10	1097	1097	235.00	235.00	



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BEEF/DAIRY STEERS - Medium and Large 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>
13	708	708	330.00	330.00

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>	
5	269	269	420.00	420.00	
141	308-349	336	515.00-620.00	561.93	
248	354-399	378	410.00-562.50	514.74	
720	400-449	432	450.00-527.50	481.80	
167	432-433	433	505.00-512.00	509.87	Replacement
1428	450-496	477	423.00-475.00	444.42	
21	465	465	490.00	490.00	Fancy
58	478	478	500.00	500.00	Replacement
1569	500-547	522	344.00-442.00	421.93	
83	544	544	545.00	545.00	Replacement
360	552-596	573	370.00-424.00	396.96	
213	555-592	580	452.50-454.00	452.88	Fancy
186	561-598	577	440.00-447.00	443.80	Replacement
181	601-636	612	348.00-390.00	366.71	
86	601	601	471.00	471.00	Replacement
27	661-682	670	331.00-357.50	340.49	
60	674	674	435.00	435.00	Fancy
88	735-749	747	350.75-369.00	353.81	
83	711	711	373.00	373.00	Spayed
208	764-789	780	321.00-363.00	344.79	
77	791	791	355.50	355.50	Spayed
100	802-846	824	310.00-344.00	324.95	
597	855-896	881	296.00-330.00	314.00	
71	866	866	301.00	301.00	Fleshy
90	901-941	930	290.00-316.00	306.57	
569	957-987	978	294.50-316.00	310.00	
66	954	954	286.00	286.00	Fleshy
8	1017	1017	285.00	285.00	

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>
6	283	283	590.00	590.00
21	337-346	342	555.00-556.00	555.58
55	384-397	389	472.50-482.50	478.44
76	418-449	438	407.50-487.50	444.49
117	466-493	483	352.50-440.00	413.90
37	531-546	539	370.00-397.50	384.53



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26	551-591	563	329.00-372.00	358.12
21	658-687	674	330.00-340.00	335.21
37	720-738	731	315.00-324.00	321.70
7	755	755	324.00	324.00
20	815	815	297.50	297.50
10	941	941	289.00	289.00

HEIFERS - 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>
20	489	489	437.00	437.00
12	610	610	367.50	367.50
424	1004-1049	1018	273.00-302.50	284.34
39	1053-1097	1071	279.00-290.00	282.88
66	1110-1145	1116	275.00-281.00	276.03
6	1244	1244	230.50	230.50

HEIFERS - Medium 1 (Per Cwt / Actual Wt)

<u>Head</u>	<u>Wt Range</u>	<u>Avg Wt</u>	<u>Price Range</u>	<u>Avg Price</u>
39	489	489	430.00	430.00

BULLS - 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>
6	361	361	600.00	600.00
6	433	433	539.00	539.00
9	450	450	480.00	480.00
23	502-522	515	380.00-441.00	420.90
18	593	593	385.00	385.00

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>
7	630	630	250.00	250.00
12	884	884	302.50	302.50

SLAUGHTER CATTLE

STEERS - Choice 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>
22	1538	1538	224.00	224.00	Average Return to Feed

STEERS - Choice 3-4 (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>
78	1532-1597	1570	218.75-222.50	220.15	Average
10	1552-1565	1556	220.00-224.00	222.79	Average Certified Prgms
299	1618-1726	1651	216.00-221.00	217.82	Average Heavy Weight



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STEERS - Select and Choice 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>
51	1336-1471	1427	217.25-226.00	221.32	Average Return to Feed

STEERS - Select 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>
14	1371-1386	1379	223.00-226.00	224.51	Average Return to Feed

DAIRY STEERS - Choice 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>
17	1607-1710	1655	203.50-208.00	205.81	Average

BEEF/DAIRY STEERS - Choice 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>
35	1299-1731	1557	212.50-215.00	213.78	Average

HEIFERS - Choice 2-4 (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>
172	1269-1499	1406	215.50-218.50	216.98	Average

BEEF/DAIRY HEIFERS - Choice 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>
32	1496-1555	1513	213.00-214.50	214.16	Average

Please Note:

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