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Livestock Weighted Average Report for 9/18/2024 - Final

AUCTION			
	This Week	Last Reported 9/11/2024	Last Year
Total Receipts:	1,286	1,470	1,610
Feeder Cattle:	966(75.1%)	1,107(75.3%)	1,370(85.1%)
Slaughter Cattle:	268(20.8%)	323(22.0%)	220(13.7%)
Replacement Cattle:	52(4.0%)	40(2.7%)	20(1.2%)

Compared to last week: Feeder calves were too lightly tested to develop an accurate market trend, however steady undertones were noticed. 850-899 lbs yearling steers offered the best comparison this week, selling mostly 3.00-4.00 higher. All other yearling steers were too lightly tested to develop an accurate market trend, however steady to higher undertones were noticed. Yearling heifers under 800 lbs sold mostly steady to firm in a narrow comparison, while heifers over 850 lbs sold unevenly steady from 2.00 lower to 4.00 higher. Quality was mixed this week from plain to attractive. CME feeder contract positions have moved higher since last week and buyers showed mostly moderate to good demand for all offerings. Mixed quality limited demand for some weights and buyers had to pick through offerings to put together loads. A couple partial load lots of steers were seen this week, however outside of that many sets were comprised of small packages and singles. Many packages of yearlings sold off grass and were in mostly light flesh. A limited selection of backgrounded yearlings were seen and some of these offerings were fleshy. Many sets of yearlings were pushing some fill as rainy and much cooler weather was seen overnight and throughout the day. Market activity was mostly moderate to active today, with a larger buyer pool noticed compared to last sale. Weigh up cows sold on mostly moderate demand for light offerings. Packers showed slightly stronger demand for all offerings this week. Slaughter cows sold steady to firm on breaking and boning cows. Lean cows sold with higher undertones. Most lean cows were purchased to feed this week. Feeding cows sold with the best demand again this week. A large percentage of the cow offering was purchased to feed as most sound cows sold to feeding orders. Feeding cows sold mostly steady to firm with the biggest increase seen from low dressing cows. Cow quality was mostly average to attractive. Weigh conditions overall were average to below average. Many sets of cows were full as a colder and rainy weather pattern has been in place since last night. Slaughter bulls sold mostly 1.00 higher. Feeding bull demand was light again this sale as packer buyers were the only buyers to purchase bulls to feed. Quality today was mostly average to attractive for bulls and overall higher quality and higher yielding compared to last weeks offering. Feeding bulls were too lightly tested to develop any market trend, however steady to lower undertones were noticed. Young age cows suitable to feed or rebreed were too lightly tested last sale to develop any market trend. Demand for very high quality offering was mostly good. Supply included: 75% Feeder Cattle (54% Steers, 44% Heifers, 2% Bulls); 21% Slaughter Cattle (87% Cows, 13% Bulls); 4% Replacement Cattle (100% Stock Cows). Feeder cattle supply over 600 lbs was 72%.

FEEDER CATTLE

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

	<u>Avg Price</u>	<u>Price Range</u>	<u>Avg Wt</u>	<u>Wt Range</u>	<u>Head</u>
Unweaned	362.50	362.50	360	360	23
Unweaned	301.00	301.00	476	476	10
Unweaned	285.19	284.00-286.00	526	512-538	53
Unweaned	271.00	271.00	574	573-575	5
	269.50	269.50	683	683	8
Unweaned	247.00	247.00	749	749	6
	262.00	262.00	755	755	10
	245.50	245.50	832	825-835	10

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	242.61	241.00-244.50	875	866-883	105
	232.00	232.00	900	900	1
	218.72	218.00-220.00	984	968-994	30
	219.00	219.00	1005	1005	7
Fleshy	210.00	210.00	1045	1045	13
	215.50	215.50	1080	1080	11

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

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	Avg Price	Price Range	<u>Avg Wt</u>	Wt Range	<u>Head</u>
Unweaned	420.00	420.00	231	231	8
Unweaned	385.00	385.00	298	298	8
Unweaned	294.25	280.00-300.00	441	423-449	10
	255.00	255.00	678	678	3
Unweaned	236.00	236.00	653	653	2
	245.00	245.00	773	773	3
	240.00	240.00	820	820	5
	237.00	237.00	885	885	5
Fleshy	215.00	215.00	897	897	3
	219.56	215.00-222.00	907	903-915	7
	203.92	199.00-213.00	1027	1023-1029	17

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

<u>Head</u>	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price	
8	387-396	393	295.00-300.00	296.85	Unweaned
4	468	468	276.00	276.00	Unweaned
3	842	842	229.00	229.00	
4	968	968	185.00	185.00	

STEERS - Large 1 (Per Cwt / Actual Wt)

	Avg Price	Price Range	<u>Avg Wt</u>	Wt Range	<u>Head</u>
Unweaned	233.00	233.00	665	665	3
	201.00	201.00	1170	1170	6

STEERS - Medium 1 (Per Cwt / Actual Wt)

<u>Head</u>	Wt Range	<u>Avg Wt</u>	Price Range	Avg Price
9	617	617	268.00	268.00

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

	Avg Price	Price Range	<u>Avg Wt</u>	Wt Range	<u>Head</u>
Unweaned	345.00	345.00	387	387	7
Unweaned	245.00	245.00	456	456	8

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HEIFERS	- Medium and La	rge 1 (Per Cv	vt / Actual Wt)			
<u>Head</u>	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price		
18	418-420	419	300.00-302.00	301.22	Unweaned	
9	475-484	481	277.00-280.00	279.01	Unweaned	
3	650	650	230.00	230.00	Unweaned	
21	703-746	722	242.00-250.00	244.75		
38	753-768	765	235.50-240.00	238.48		
38	800-843	814	219.00-227.00	223.14		
7	880-897	887	219.00-220.00	219.43		
2	888	888	211.00	211.00	Fleshy	
34	906-948	915	215.00-222.00	219.92		
2	930	930	198.00	198.00	Fleshy	
15	953-958	956	210.50-220.00	214.46		
14	985	985	192.00	192.00	Fleshy	
2	1028	1028	202.00	202.00		
HEIFERS	- Medium and La	rge 1-2 (Per	Cwt / Actual Wt)			
<u>Head</u>	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price		
9	361-395	369	290.00-305.00	301.43	Unweaned	
6	402-440	421	275.00-281.00	277.86	Unweaned	
2	478	478	267.00	267.00	Unweaned	
15	663-697	690	251.00-252.00	251.81		
5	799	799	221.00	221.00		
16	814-848	826	213.00-218.50	217.58		
3	835	835	212.00	212.00	Full	
16	868-876	872	215.00-218.00	216.88		
9	924-942	934	210.00-214.00	212.24		
2	1040	1040	185.00	185.00		
HEIFERS	- Medium and La	arge 2 (Per Cv	vt / Actual Wt)			
<u>Head</u>	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price		
6	873	873	180.00	180.00	Fleshy	
HEIFERS	- Large 1 (Per Cw	rt / Actual Wt)			
<u>Head</u>	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price		
3	945	945	193.00	193.00		
2	1055	1055	201.00	201.00		
3	1055	1055	197.00	197.00	Full	
HEIFERS	- Medium 1 (Per	Cwt / Actual	Wt)			
<u>Head</u>	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price		
4	710	710	241.00	241.00		

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	HEIFERS - Med	lium 1-2 ((Per Cwt /	/ Actua	Wt)
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<u>Head</u>	Wt Range	<u>Avg Wt</u>	<u>Price Range</u>	Avg Price
11	524	524	240.00	240.00
23	633-634	634	244.00-255.00	248.78

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

<u>;</u>	Avg Price	Price Range	<u>Avg Wt</u>	Wt Range	<u>Head</u>
Unweaned	385.00	385.00	284	284	7
Unweaned	265.00	265.00	452	452	3
	222.50	222.50	752	752	3

BULLS - Large 1-2 (Per Cwt / Actual Wt)

<u>Head</u>	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
1	1155	1155	177.50	177.50

SLAUGHTER CATTLE

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

<u>Head</u>	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price	<u>Dressing</u>
17	1603-1780	1642	135.00-137.50	136.06	Average
16	1566-1775	1633	133.00-138.00	134.53	Average Return to Feed
1	1785	1785	141.50	141.50	High
4	1565-1890	1739	128.00-130.25	128.75	Low
11	1520-1680	1628	123.50-130.00	127.75	Low Return to Feed

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

<u>Head</u>	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price	<u>Dressing</u>
7	1320-1520	1435	125.00-131.00	126.47	Average
58	1200-1578	1401	127.00-137.50	134.21	Average Return to Feed
7	1337-1600	1420	121.00-124.00	122.35	Low
17	1180-1595	1410	115.00-126.50	123.75	Low Return to Feed

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>
2	1110-1140	1125	126.00-127.00	126.49	Average
27	1110-1280	1168	126.00-135.50	131.35	Average Return to Feed
7	1065-1310	1193	113.00-120.00	116.56	Low
1	990	990	104.00	104.00	Low Light Weight
32	858-1280	1106	112.00-125.00	120.58	Low Return to Feed
5	1080-1090	1082	78.00-92.50	80.92	Very Low
1	805	805	80.00	80.00	Very Low Light Weight
2	1100	1100	105.00	105.00	Very Low Return to Feed

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BULLS -	1-2	(Per Cwt ,	/ Actual	Wt)
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<u>Head</u>	Wt Range	<u>Avg Wt</u>	<u>Price Range</u>	<u>Avg Price</u>	<u>Dressing</u>
13	1505-2115	1912	151.00-161.00	155.93	Average
1	1165	1165	128.00	128.00	Average Light Weight
1	1860	1860	152.00	152.00	Average Return to Feed
3	2050-2275	2198	164.00-173.00	168.35	High
9	1590-2010	1814	127.00-147.50	138.30	Low
1	1370	1370	120.00	120.00	Low Light Weight
5	1233-1570	1368	125.00-144.00	133.72	Low Return to Feed

REPLACEMENT CATTLE

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

<u>Age</u>	<u>Stage</u>	<u>Head</u>	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price	
<2	0	8	988-1228	1080	145.00-170.00	159.34	
<2	0	1	1235	1235	152.50	152.50	Fleshy
2-4	0	31	965-1303	1209	139.00-156.00	145.94	

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.