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Livestock Weighted Average Report for 2/17/2021 - Final

AUCTION			
	This Week	Last Reported 2/3/2021	Last Year
Total Receipts:	518	654	811
Feeder Cattle:	174(33.6%)	222(33.9%)	272(33.5%)
Slaughter Cattle:	299(57.7%)	309(47.2%)	275(33.9%)
Replacement Cattle:	45(8.7%)	123(18.8%)	264(32.6%)

Compared to two weeks ago: No sale was held last week due to extreme cold and very light offerings. Feeder cattle were too lightly tested both this week and two weeks ago to develop an accurate market trend, however steady to higher undertones were noticed. Demand was mostly moderate for light offerings. Quality was mostly plain to average. Despite light feeder cattle supplies buyers were quick to bid on offerings. Market activity was mostly moderate to active. Weigh up cows sold on mostly good to very good demand for light offerings. Slaughter cows sold mostly 3.00-6.00 higher in a narrow comparison on all classes. Packers continue to need cows for immediate harvest as extreme cold and snowy conditions have lightened available supplies. Feeding buyers showed some desire to buy cows to feed. Most of these offerings were really high quality and young age. Feeding cows sold mostly 5.00 higher. Slaughter bulls were very lightly tested today and were mostly lower quality and low dressing. Steady to firm undertones were noticed. Young age cows sold with higher undertones this week. Most young cows on offer freshly lost calves. Supply included: 34% Feeder Cattle (28% Steers, 72% Heifers); 58% Slaughter Cattle (97% Cows, 3% Bulls); 9% Replacement Cattle (100% Stock Cows). Feeder cattle supply over 600 lbs was 14%.

FEEDER CATTLE

STEERS - 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>
3	532	532	179.00	179.00
13	585	585	160.00	160.00
4	610	610	160.00	160.00
8	715-718	717	140.50-142.50	142.00

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

<u>Head</u>	Wt Range	<u>Avg Wt</u>	Price Range	Avg Price
3	387	387	177.50	177.50

STEERS - Medium 1 (Per Cwt / Actual Wt)

<u>Head</u>	Wt Range	<u>Avg Wt</u>	Price Range	Avg Price
8	497	497	179.00	179.00

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

<u>Head</u>	Wt Range	<u>Avg Wt</u>	Price Range	Avg Price
8	439	439	165.00	165.00
55	512-517	516	152.00-160.00	158.12
31	592-596	593	135.50-138.50	136.28

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8	708-710	710	126.00-127.00	126.75	

SLAUGHTER CATTLE

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

<u>Head</u>	Wt Range	<u>Avg Wt</u>	Price Range	Avg Price	<u>Dressing</u>
46	1560-1733	1613	64.50-68.50	65.51	Average
1	1515	1515	63.00	63.00	Average Return to Feed
20	1449-1600	1529	58.00-61.50	59.17	Low

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

<u>Head</u>	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price	<u>Dressing</u>
62	1250-1570	1387	63.00-69.50	64.55	Average
35	1258-1610	1423	64.00-68.25	65.70	Average Return to Feed
1	1620	1620	69.50	69.50	High
36	1294-1495	1342	57.00-62.00	60.05	Low
1	1180	1180	60.00	60.00	Low Return to Feed

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

<u>Head</u>	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price	<u>Dressing</u>
15	1090-1380	1197	62.00-68.75	65.80	Average
26	1030-1245	1145	52.00-61.50	57.06	Low
25	1030-1275	1129	56.00-61.00	57.14	Low Return to Feed
3	810-975	870	35.50-46.00	39.69	Very Low Light Weight

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

<u>Head</u>	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price	<u>Dressing</u>
2	1805-1965	1885	85.00-86.50	85.78	Average
6	1593-2165	1755	74.00-81.50	76.88	Low
1	1145	1145	74.00	74.00	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	<u>Avg Wt</u>	Price Range	Avg Price	
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2-4	Ο	41	785-1275	1167	61.00-91.00	70.12	



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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; E = Exposed; B = Bred)

Age - Numerical representation of age in years.