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Weekly Market Summary

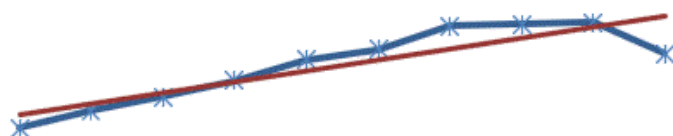
For the week ending October 17, 2025

Cattle futures collapsed on Friday after President Trump announced that his administration was working to lower the price of beef in the U.S.

Compared to last week, fed cattle trade in the Southern Plains and Northern Plains was higher, as were feeder cattle and stocker calves. Live cattle futures and feeder cattle futures were lower, primarily due to limit down trade on Friday. The dressed beef cutouts were modestly higher.

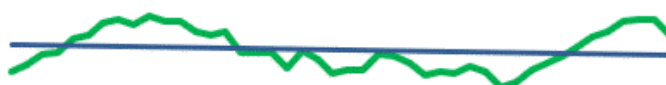
Cattle/Beef Market-Strength Indexes

10 Day Index Trendline



Change from Previous Day: **-3.32%**
Change from 10 Days Ago: **+4.82%**

60 Day Index Trendline



Change from 60 Days Ago: **+5.83%**
Change from 60 Day High: **-3.81%**

Indexes track the daily market values for the past 10 & 60 days. Each value is the weighted total of the Gain/(Loss) for 15 major market factors compared to the previous trading day.

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Fed Cattle: Cattle traded at 240.00 in both the Southern Plains and Northern Plains, 7.00 and 5.00 higher respectively. In the 3 front months, Live Cattle futures were 1.78 higher to 2.58 lower.. Based on estimates, steer carcass weights this week averaged 973 lbs. compared to 969 lbs. last week and 960 lbs. a year ago.

S: Last Week: 240.00 / Month Ago: 239.50 / Year Ago: 188.00 / 5 Year Avg: 163.32

N: This Week: 240.00 / Month Ago: 237.00 / Year Ago: 188.00 / 5 Year Avg: 164.95

Feeder Steers: The national average price for feeder steers was 376.66, 6.00 higher with trade mostly 2.00 lower to 10.00 higher. In the 3 front months, Feeder Cattle futures were 2.65 to 4.20 lower.

This Week: 376.66 / Month Ago: 364.77 / Year Ago: 250.52 / 5 Year Avg: 212.09

Stocker Steers: The national average price for stocker steers was 452.27, 14.10 higher with trade mostly 6.00 to 22.00 higher.

This Week: 452.27 / Month Ago: 429.37 / Year Ago: 291.79 / 5 Year Avg: 251.11

CME Feeder Cattle Index: Posted daily by CME with a lag of one business day.
376.51... +8.59 – Historic High: 376.51 on 10/16/25

This Week: 376.51 / **Month Ago:** 360.63 / **Year Ago:** 250.80 / **5 Year Avg:** 210.05

Boxed Beef Cutout: The Choice cutout was 1.10 higher at 366.67 and the Select cutout was 3.88 higher at 350.27. The Choice/Select spread is 16.40, 2.78 narrower.

This Week: 366.67 / **Month Ago:** 382.05 / **Year Ago:** 320.65 / **5 Year Avg:** 295.09

Cutter Cow Cutout: 7.51 lower at 327.70.

Slaughter Cows: Trade mostly 2.00 lower to 2.00 higher.

Total red meat production under Federal inspection unavailable this week due to the government shutdown.

Corn: December futures closed at 4.2250, 0.0950 higher.

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Market Overview:

	10/17/25	Last Week	1 Month Ago	1 Year Ago	5 Yr. Avg.
CME Feeder Index	376.51	367.92	360.63	250.80	210.05
Live Cattle Futures	10/17/25	Last Week	1 Month Ago	1 Year Ago	5 Yr. Avg.
October	240.25	238.47	233.57	187.62	162.35
December	241.82	242.52	235.72	187.32	162.61
February	242.82	245.40	237.45	188.12	163.94
Feeder Futures	10/17/25	Last Week	1 Month Ago	1 Year Ago	5 Yr. Avg.
October	371.95	375.50	359.15	248.32	211.91
November	371.70	375.90	354.10	247.60	214.41
January	369.30	371.95	350.92	245.50	216.53
Fed Cattle	10/17/25	Last Week	1 Month Ago	1 Year Ago	5 Yr. Avg.
S. Central	240.00	233.00	239.50	188.00	163.32
N. Central	240.00	235.00	237.00	188.00	164.95
Feedyard Closeouts	10/17/25	Last Week	1 Month Ago	1 Year Ago	5 Yr. Avg.
Current	424.06	396.97	481.99	(59.04)	34.62
Future (Projected)	(312.54)	(26.94)	(134.88)	(40.93)	(104.23)
Avg. National Prices	10/17/25	Last Week	1 Month Ago	1 Year Ago	5 Yr. Avg.
Feeder Steers	376.66	370.66	364.77	250.52	212.09
Stocker Steers	452.57	438.48	429.37	291.79	251.11
Boxed Beef Cutout	10/17/25	Last Week	1 Month Ago	1 Year Ago	5 Yr. Avg.
Choice	366.67	365.57	382.05	320.65	295.09
Select	350.27	346.39	359.92	294.20	276.53
Spread	16.40	19.18	22.13	26.45	18.55
Cutter Cow Cut-Out	327.70	335.21	338.81	276.86	238.61
Crude Oil Futures	57.55	58.84	62.65	69.45	75.37
Grain Prices	10/17/25	Last Week	1 Month Ago	1 Year Ago	5 Yr. Avg.
Omaha Corn	3.93	3.91	3.96	3.88	5.53
Kansas City Wheat	4.83	4.75	4.72	5.21	6.70
Dec. Corn Futures	4.2250	4.1300	4.2400	4.0475	5.3831
Dec. Wheat Futures	5.0375	4.9850	5.2250	5.7275	6.7721

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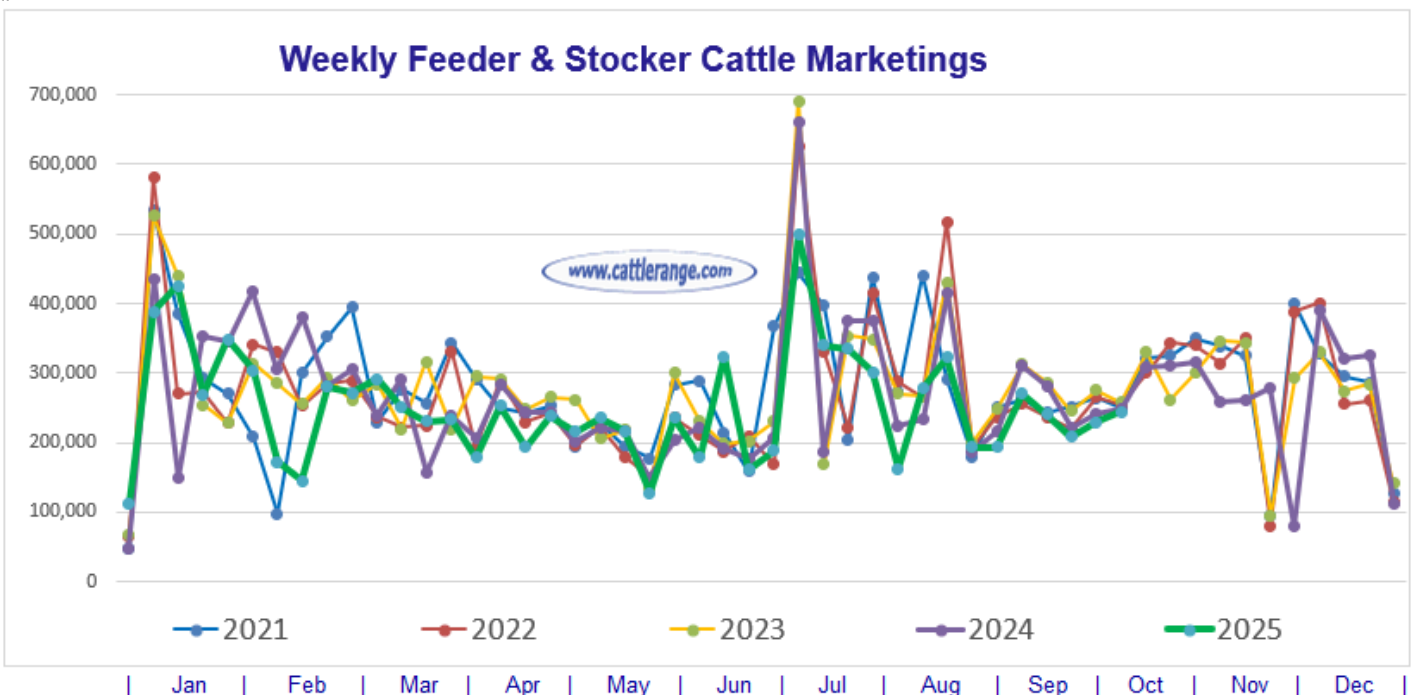
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National Feeder & Stocker Cattle Sale Receipts:

Data released by USDA on Monday, 10/13/25 for week ending Saturday, 10/11/25

Week Ending:	10/11/25	Last Week	1 Year Ago	2 Years Ago	3 Years Ago	3 Yr. Avg.
Auctions	192,400	181,200	210,400	206,000	227,000	214,467
Direct Sales	31,000	20,700	32,100	45,000	23,300	33,467
Video/Internet	20,600	26,800	7,100	7,200	4,300	6,200
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Total	244,000	228,700	249,600	258,200	254,600	254,133
This Week +/-	-	6.7%	-2.2%	-5.5%	-4.2%	-4.0%



The Feeder & Stocker Cattle prices below are statewide average prices compiled to show the overall price trend and do not represent prices for any specific market/region within a state.

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Feeder Steers:

700 lb. - 800 lb. Steers	10/17/25	Last Week	1 Month Ago	1 Year Ago	5 Yr. Avg.
Dakotas www.cattlerange.com	400.15	389.12	391.13	267.77	227.91
Iowa	386.69	376.80	375.82	261.09	221.14
Missouri	395.63	391.16	376.75	255.48	218.37
Montana	380.22	382.19	374.88	260.04	220.05
Nebraska	405.61	394.68	384.36	271.93	229.22
Wyoming	383.74	385.73	379.07	262.46	222.44
North Central Avg.	392.01	386.61	380.34	263.13	223.19
Arkansas	368.15	357.22	355.23	245.75	206.61
Colorado	373.96	370.99	370.54	251.20	217.04
Kansas	395.57	391.10	376.69	255.44	218.39
New Mexico	382.45	377.21	374.92	245.85	211.17
Oklahoma	396.05	384.87	379.89	256.48	217.00
Texas	385.45	381.21	377.52	250.91	212.92
South Central Avg.	383.61	377.10	372.47	250.94	213.86
Alabama	349.51	338.60	337.61	239.55	199.99
Florida	340.58	330.67	331.05	229.76	193.75
Georgia	351.05	339.10	334.12	237.52	199.33
Kentucky	357.09	347.98	349.56	245.22	205.43
Louisiana	348.52	337.61	337.06	236.82	199.32
Mississippi	349.14	338.22	337.62	236.90	199.72
Tennessee	357.12	347.70	350.07	245.77	204.43
Virginia	355.11	345.26	347.95	244.11	203.61
Southeast Avg.	351.02	340.64	340.63	239.46	200.70
Arizona	366.55	364.08	358.62	241.27	206.49
California	375.66	374.56	365.20	248.82	210.82
Idaho	388.32	385.82	368.77	252.32	212.34
Nevada	377.92	377.43	365.47	247.40	210.44
Oregon	386.81	384.32	368.39	251.35	211.64
Utah	377.34	376.84	364.91	247.09	210.50
Washington	387.43	384.93	368.28	251.73	212.02
Western Avg.	380.00	378.28	365.66	248.57	210.61
Overall Average	376.66	370.66	364.77	250.52	212.09
This Week +/-	-	1.6%	3.3%	50.3%	77.6%

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Stocker Steers:

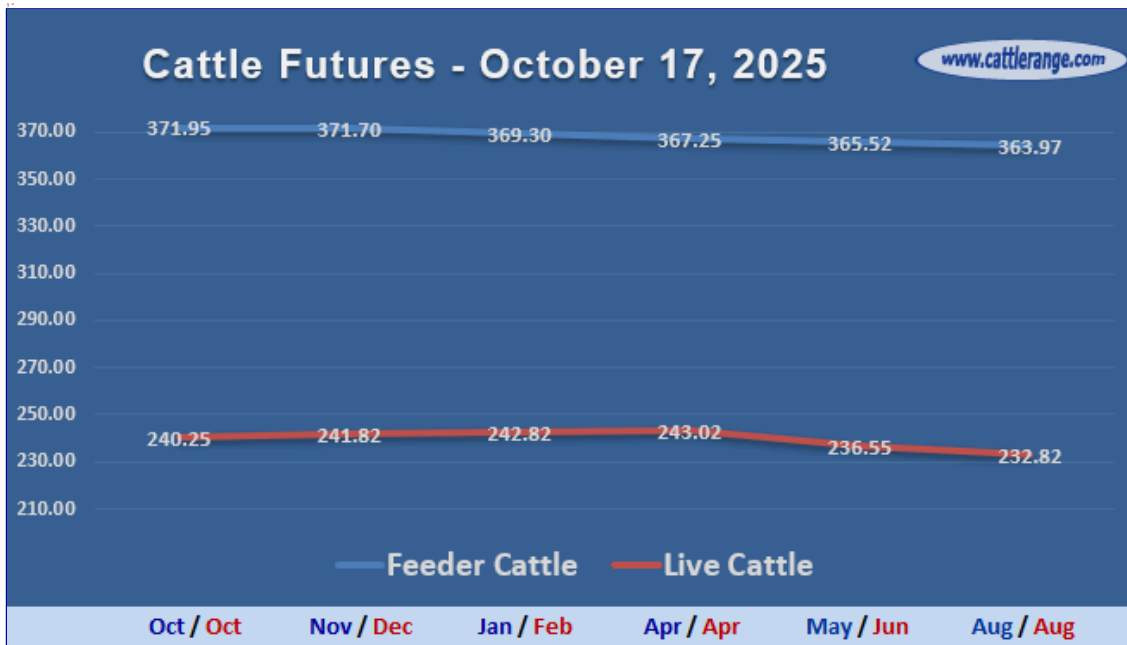
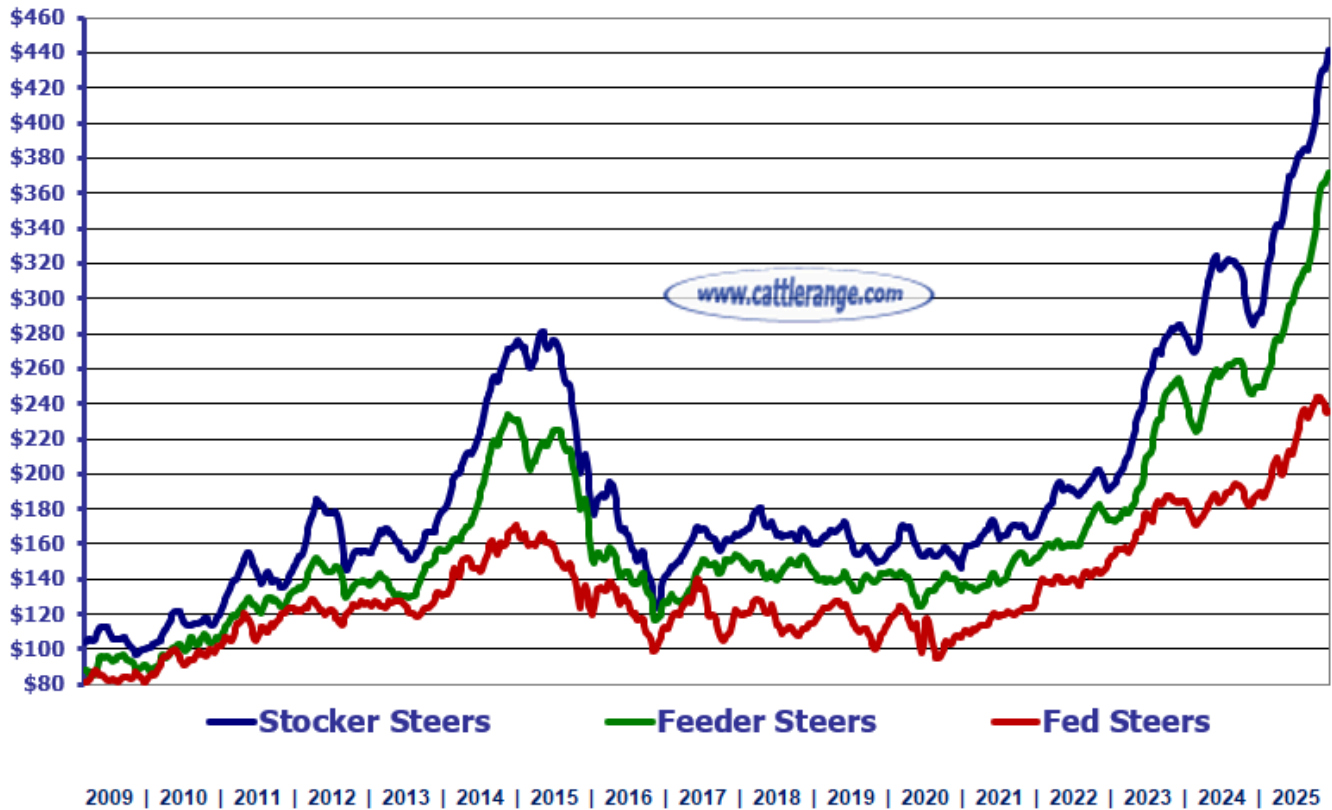
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500 lb. - 600 lb. Steers	10/17/25	Last Week	1 Month Ago	1 Year Ago	5 Yr. Avg.
Dakotas www.cattlerange.com	501.49	477.50	451.32	317.93	268.08
Iowa	456.93	448.52	452.97	296.71	261.68
Missouri	468.71	444.86	444.86	294.75	257.95
Montana	479.23	456.08	436.87	302.41	261.66
Nebraska	499.58	478.69	456.88	317.15	272.34
Wyoming	483.67	458.31	440.92	305.22	263.97
North Central Avg.	481.60	460.66	447.30	305.70	264.28
Arkansas	431.76	415.86	414.87	285.69	245.30
Colorado	460.79	445.41	437.97	298.59	260.68
Kansas	467.50	443.70	443.70	293.98	257.19
New Mexico	453.84	446.38	437.22	292.55	251.34
Oklahoma	472.32	449.51	452.33	297.54	256.99
Texas	451.11	446.44	436.51	289.99	251.02
South Central Avg.	456.22	441.22	437.10	293.06	253.75
Alabama	423.39	407.50	408.50	277.45	237.22
Florida	414.45	396.58	396.08	269.52	231.05
Georgia	417.40	403.47	396.50	272.13	235.85
Kentucky	402.58	390.67	393.64	279.23	236.52
Louisiana	410.48	398.57	395.57	274.48	234.35
Mississippi	412.45	400.48	397.49	275.80	235.40
Tennessee	402.26	390.35	394.32	276.55	235.49
Virginia	399.44	387.62	391.56	276.12	234.67
Southeast Avg.	410.31	396.91	396.71	275.16	235.07
Arizona	451.53	444.11	428.18	286.04	247.63
California	476.55	467.60	440.31	294.49	253.00
Idaho	461.80	454.80	437.87	295.91	252.86
Nevada	462.58	456.61	436.55	293.29	251.14
Oregon	460.02	453.04	438.11	294.75	251.74
Utah	461.87	455.91	435.21	292.84	250.74
Washington	460.74	453.76	438.36	295.36	252.17
Western Avg.	462.16	455.12	436.37	293.24	251.33
Overall Average	452.57	438.48	429.37	291.79	251.11
This Week +/-	-	3.2%	5.4%	55.1%	80.2%

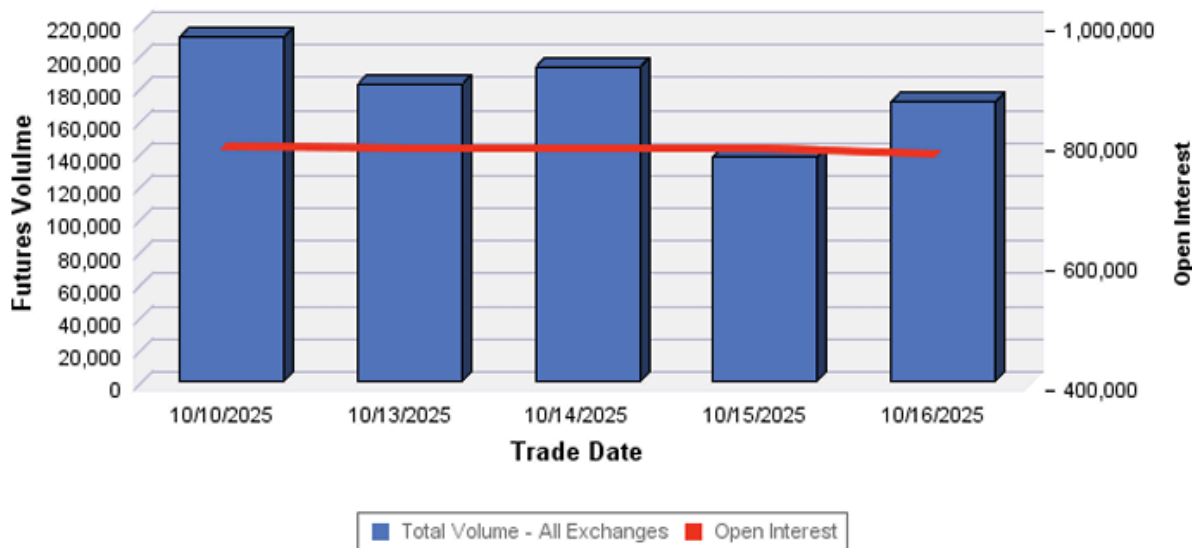
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Stocker, Feeder & Fed Steers Moving Averages February 17, 2009 thru October 17, 2025



Livestock Volume & Open Interest: Last 5 Trade Days



Trade Date	Futures Volume
10/10/2025	209,933
10/13/2025	181,237
10/14/2025	191,849
10/15/2025	137,051
10/16/2025	170,565

Trade Date	Futures Open Interest
10/10/2025	804,153
10/13/2025	799,341
10/14/2025	798,517
10/15/2025	798,808
10/16/2025	791,721

Top Expirations Traded On: 10/16/2025

Product Description	Month	Volume	OI
FDR CATTLE FUT	OCT25	1,416	6,277
FDR CATTLE FUT	NOV25	11,854	22,353
FDR CATTLE FUT	MAR26	4,257	14,391
FDR CATTLE FUT	JAN26	10,233	26,416
FDR CATTLE FUT	APR26	2,317	5,109
Total Feeder Cattle Futures		32,263	83,412
Product Description	Month	Volume	OI
LV CATTLE FUT	DEC25	30,824	148,690
LV CATTLE FUT	APR26	13,787	64,993
LV CATTLE FUT	FEB26	15,363	77,594
LV CATTLE FUT	JUN26	9,326	31,874
LV CATTLE FUT	AUG26	4,370	13,477
Total Live Cattle Futures		83,932	365,281
Product Description	Month	Volume	OI
LEAN HOGS FUT	DEC25	27,165	132,811
LEAN HOGS FUT	JUL26	2,191	13,378
LEAN HOGS FUT	APR26	7,561	62,489
LEAN HOGS FUT	FEB26	12,274	76,961
LEAN HOGS FUT	JUN26	3,004	31,679
Total Lean Hog Futures		54,370	342,995
Product Description	Month	Volume	OI
PORK CUTOFF FUT	DEC25	0	33
Total Pork Cutoff Futures		0	33

Cattle Futures: [Charts of Commitment of Traders](#)

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Mexican Feeder Cattle Weekly Import Summary:

Due to the New World screwworm, the border is closed for livestock imports until further notice.

- The suspension will continue on a month-by-month basis.

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Chart of the Week:

Top 10 beef-producing states see significant loss in last decade

Over the past decade, nearly all of the top ten beef cattle-producing states have seen declines, with Kansas recording the steepest drop at 21%.

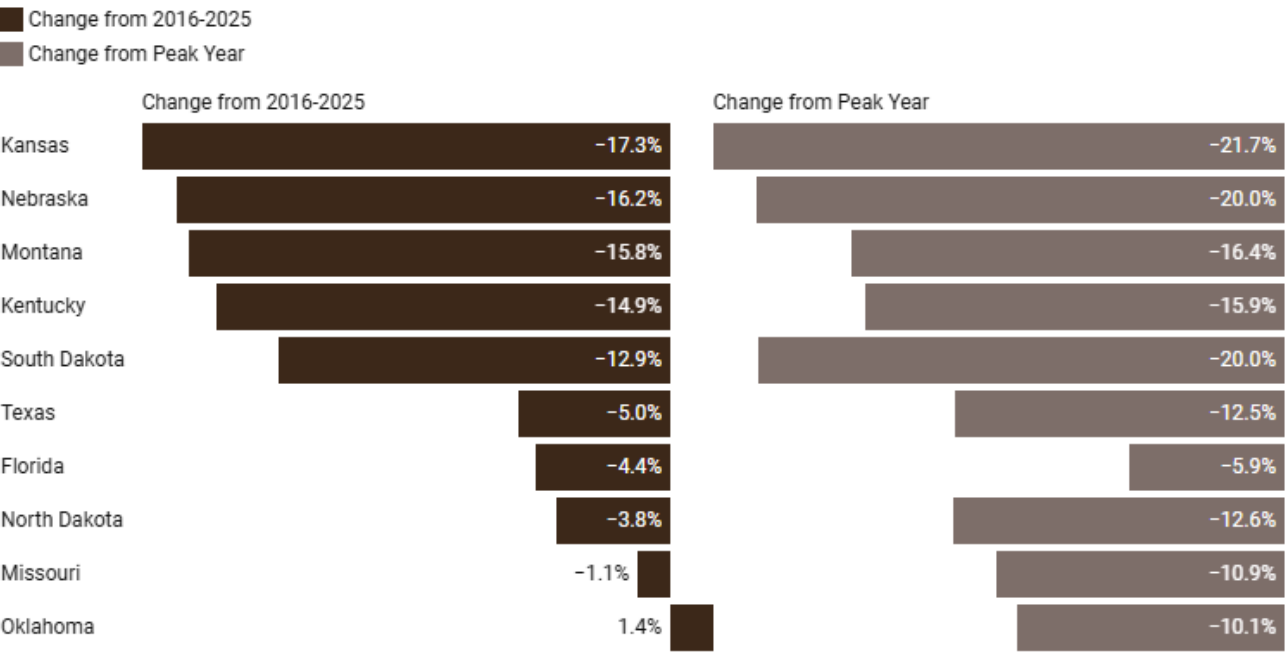


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Photo of the Week:



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"Shootin' the Bull" Weekly Analysis:

In my opinion, Wow! What a week to be in the cattle industry. Good, bad, or ugly, this will be a commodity run for the history books when it comes to a US produced agricultural product. Cattle feeders out did themselves all week long fighting over pen space as spreads between starting feeder and finished fat widened to widths for which the deepest pockets are maybe finding a bottom to. Most of my comments this week were simply stating I had no idea of what one would go to, with the answer having been, whatever it took. I mentioned that barring a reopening of the border or improvement in Brazil tariffs, this fire would have to burn itself out, as no suppressant used had much impact. The unfortunate of that statement is it suggests a contraction of production and processing capacity. As well, I've mentioned the volatility of the President and how his actions can and have impacted other markets. Well, Thursday afternoon, the black swan, everyone knew was there, swooped of its perch and right into the thick of the matter. What I don't know as I write this is "what"? What is the black swan? Reduction of tariffs? Opening of the southern border? Deals with Australia and or New Zealand? All of the above?

As well as having stated the above, I made as solid of an argument as I could to maintain hedges, roll up anything that can be, and add to whatever new inventory you have recently acquired. For the time being, or until a new contract high is made, this week's high is believed the top of the bull market, and the final 5th wave magnitude of a major cycle, with all culminating in a blow off top for which producers inhaled negative margins like another cow was never to be born again. Whether the President's impact will be the suppressant that extinguishes the bull market, or just stirs the fire for a few weeks, it appears that the issue of cattle and beef supplies, causing significant price increases to consumers, has caught the attention of the President of the United States of America and he, like eggs, and so far most everything else stated he would accomplish, is doing something about the price of beef, and therefore cattle. His track record so far suggests to not bet against him.

Grains are having a difficult time going lower. With the most expensive inventory on feed in history, fixing some variable costs may not be a bad idea. Energy is believed in a bear market now with lower prices expected. I anticipate more recessionary factors to materialize going forward than inflationary, but maybe the lingering stagflation is what keeps the US moving towards recession. Remember "transitory" inflation? Bonds are moving higher, even though begrudgingly. Equities continue to amaze as a leak develops and bulls are quick to repair and reinflate as quickly as possible. To watch the machines trade in that market is quite a sight to behold. I hear more often of the two-tiered economy and how much the upper tier's spending is offsetting the middle and lower portions of the second tier not spending. I hear more often that a great deal of the money sloshing around is tethered to multiple derivatives for which that nasty aspect of unintended consequences comes to mind very quickly. I hear more often of the bubble AI is creating. The energy use of is phenomenal, along with the data banks to support the infrastructure and mining of bitcoins on a computer like playing Mario Brothers video game and collecting tokens for which somehow a value was placed on them. I never will forget that in the movie about Bernie Madoff, they were sitting in his office laughing at all the people screaming about losing money as the stock market plummeted and the hosts on the financial channels wondering how Bernie will do, when all the while, not one cent was ever invested in the stock market. It was pure Ponzi from the start. Nonetheless, lastly, watch the movie, "The Big Short" I've referenced it a couple of times this week as to the text book example of how a market can remain irrational for longer than one can remain solvent. I feel the cattle market is in a nearly identical situation.

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Fed Cattle:

USDA reported on Friday afternoon that negotiated cash has been active on good demand in all feeding regions. Compared to two weeks ago, live purchases in the Texas Panhandle have been 7.00 higher at 240.00. Compared to last week, live purchases in Kansas have been 5.00 higher at 240.00. In Nebraska, compared to Thursday, live purchases have been unevenly steady from 240.00-241.00, mostly 240.00. Compared to last week, dressed purchases have been 10.00 higher at 372.00. In the Western Cornbelt, compared to Thursday, live purchases have been unevenly steady from 239.00 240.00, mostly 240.00. Compared to last week, dressed purchases have been 10.00-10.50 higher from 372.00-372.50.

5 Area Weekly Fed Cattle Weighted Averages:

Texas/Oklahoma/New Mexico; Kansas; Nebraska; Colorado; Iowa/Minnesota feedlots

(Includes all transactions regardless of delivery day)

Recap for: Thursday, 10/16/2025

Head Count:	19,410	Week Ago:	2,232	Last Year:	48,887
Week to Date:	19,647	Week Ago:	2,800	Last Year:	51,290

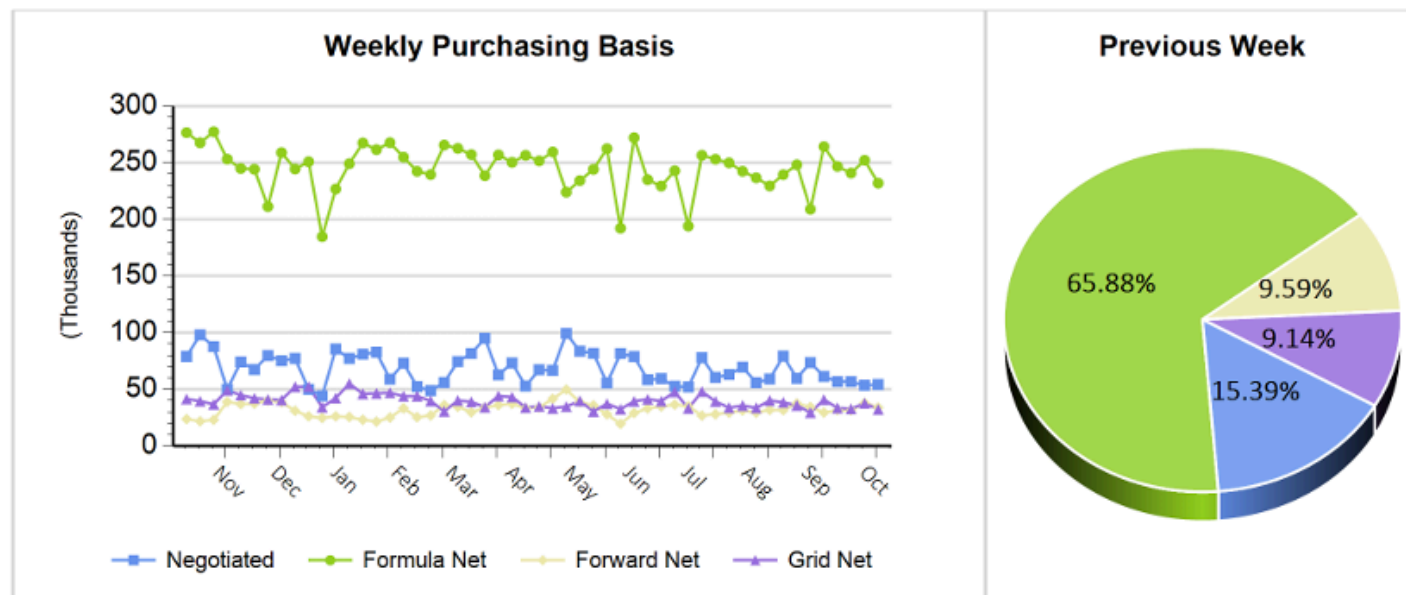
Negotiated Cash Sales

	Head Count	Weight Range	Price Range	Avg. Weight	Avg. Price
STEERS: LIVE FOB					
Over 80% Choice	10,465	1,365 - 1,700	235.00 - 241.00	1,555	239.75
65 - 80% Choice		-	-		
35 - 65% Choice		-	-		
0 - 35% Choice		-	-		
Total all grades	10,465	1,365 - 1,700	235.00 - 241.00	1,555	239.75
STEERS: LIVE DELIVERED					
Over 80% Choice	152	1,450 - 1,600	240.00 - 243.00	1,565	242.29
65 - 80% Choice		-	-		
35 - 65% Choice		-	-		
0 - 35% Choice		-	-		
Total all grades	152	1,450 - 1,600	240.00 - 243.00	1,565	242.29
STEERS: DRESSED DELIVERED					
Over 80% Choice	1,745	921 - 1,102	370.00 - 378.00	1,014	373.23
65 - 80% Choice		-	-		
35 - 65% Choice		-	-		
0 - 35% Choice		-	-		
Total all grades	1,745	921 - 1,102	370.00 - 378.00	1,014	373.23
STEERS: DRESSED FOB					
Over 80% Choice	350	984 - 984	375.00 - 375.00	984	375.00
65 - 80% Choice		-	-		
35 - 65% Choice		-	-		
0 - 35% Choice		-	-		
Total all grades	350	984 - 984	375.00 - 375.00	984	375.00

Daily Formula Base Volume

Tue Oct 07	Wed Oct 08	Thu Oct 09	Fri Oct 10	Mon Oct 13
33,245	28,846	26,429	19,598	101,538

Purchasing Basis Volume


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This week's Feedyard Closeouts...

Closeout projections are for cattle placed on feed by a cattle owner at a commercial feedyard and not for cattle owned by a vertically integrated company such as a beef processing company or a feedyard feeding cattle at cost. Cattle cost, cost of gain, and selling price will vary on a regional basis. Cost includes \$15 per head for freight to feedyard.

Typical closeout for un-hedged steers sold this week:

- Placed On Feed 200 days ago = March 31, 2025
- Projected P/(L) based on the futures when placed on feed: **(\$221.09)**

* Cost of 800 lb. steer delivered @ \$287.62 per cwt. + \$15 freight:	\$2,315.96
Feed Cost for 700 lbs. @ \$1.05 per lb.	\$735.00
Interest on cattle cost for 200 days:	\$107.87
Interest on feed cost:	\$17.12
Total Cost & Expense:	\$3,175.94
**Sale proceeds: 1,500 lb. steer @ \$240.00 per cwt:	\$3,600.00

This week's Profit/(Loss) per head: **\$424.06**

Profit/(Loss) per head for previous week: \$396.97

Change from previous week: +\$27.09

Sale price necessary to breakeven: **\$211.73**

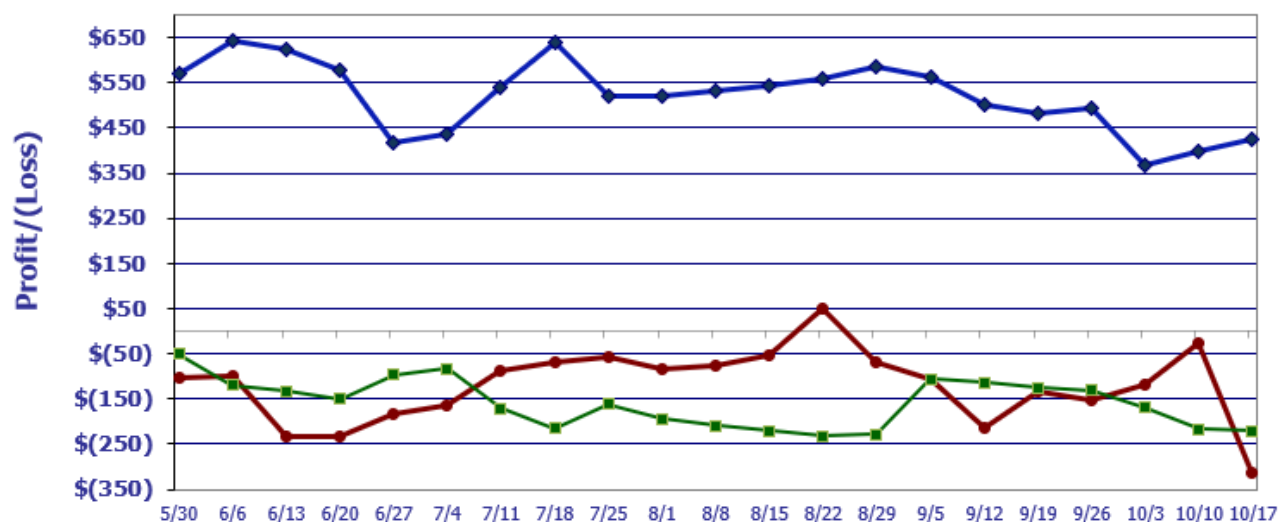
*CME Feeder Cattle Index **USDA Market News

Projected closeout for steers placed on feed this week:

- Projected Sale Date @ 200 days on feed = May 5, 2026

* Cost of 800 lb. steer delivered @ \$375.10 per cwt. + \$15 freight:	\$3,015.80
Feed Cost for 700 lbs. @ \$0.99 per lb.	\$693.00
Interest on cattle cost for 200 days:	\$136.33
Interest on feed cost:	\$15.66
Total Cost & Expense:	\$3,860.79
**Sale proceeds: 1,500 lb. steer @ \$236.55 per cwt:	\$3,548.25
This week's Profit/(Loss) per head:	(\$312.54)
Profit/(Loss) per head for previous week:	(\$26.94)
Change from previous week:	-\$285.60
Sale price necessary to breakeven:	\$257.39

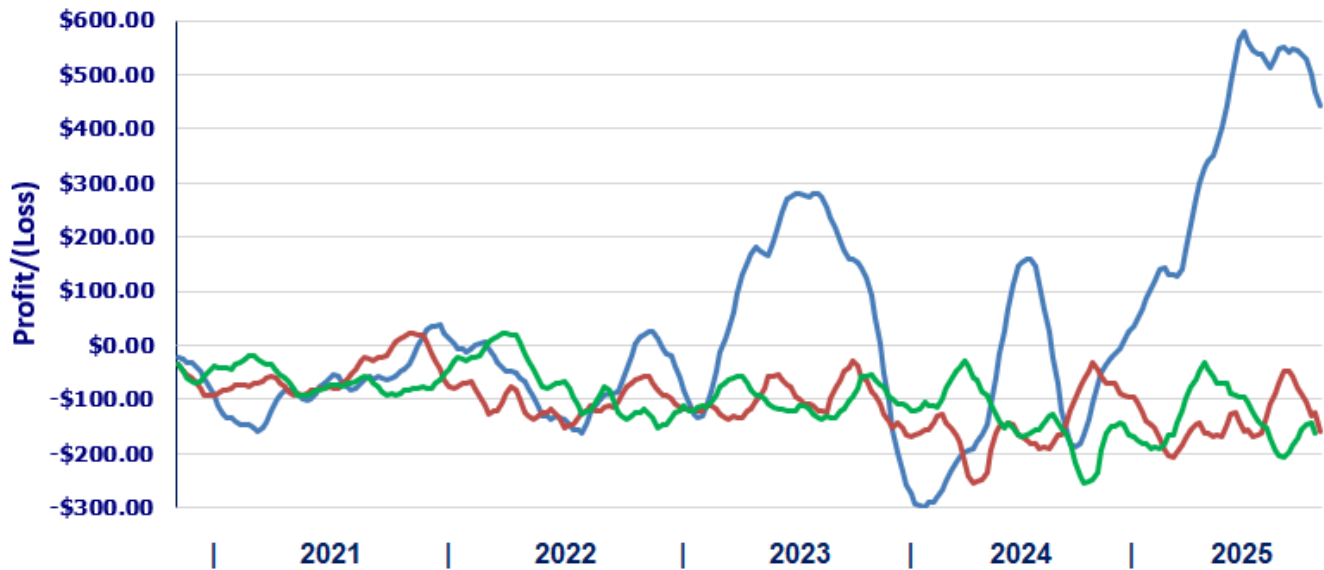
* CME Feeder Cattle Index ** June Live Cattle Futures Contract

Feedyard Close-Outs for the weeks ending...
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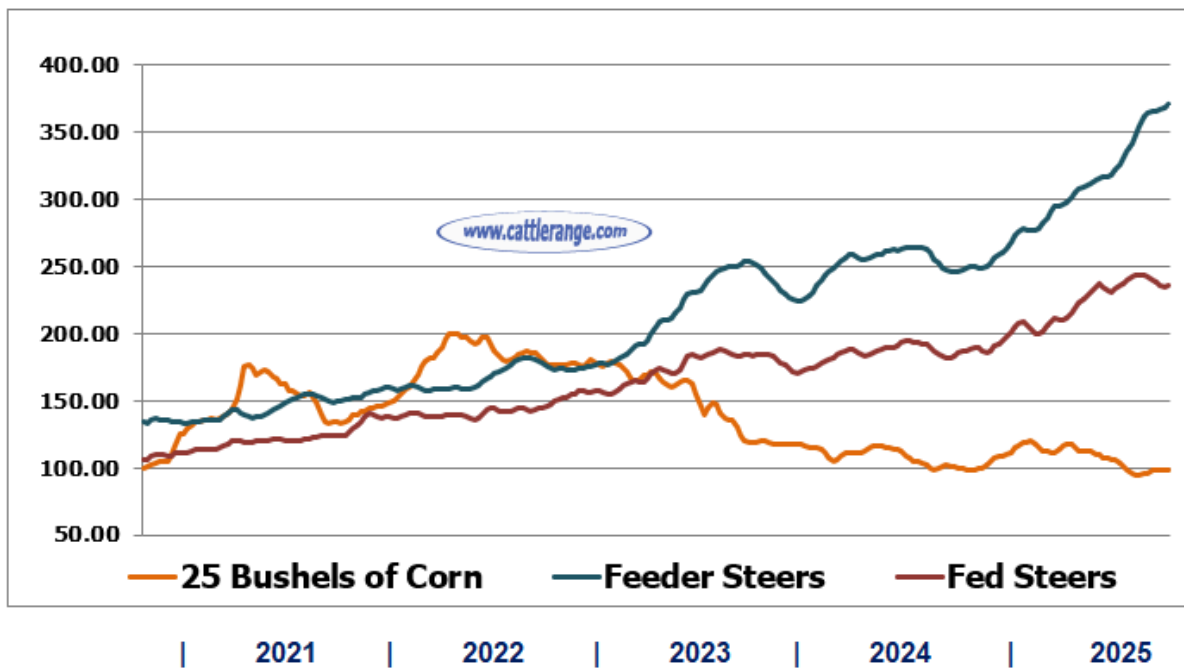
Closeout for un-hedged steers placed on-feed 200 days ago & sold this week:	\$424.06
Projection based on the futures when placed on-feed 200 days ago:	(\$221.09)
Projection based on the futures for steers placed on-feed this week:	(\$312.54)

Feedyard Close-Outs - 5 Year Moving Averages...

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[^ Contents](#)**Feeder Steers/Corn Correlation: 5 Year Moving Average**

Per cwt. price for feeder & slaughter steers compared to the cost of 25 bushels of corn.

[^ Contents](#)**Federally Inspected Slaughter Cattle by Class:**

Released by USDA Market News Service for last week.

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Livestock Slaughter under Federal Inspection:

Livestock & Poultry Slaughter								
Current Day Slaughter								
Fri Oct 17, 2025		Week Ago	Year Ago	WTD	Prev Week	Last Year	2025	2024
					WTD	WTD	YTD	YTD
Calves	1,000	1,000	721	5,000	5,000	3,361		166,630
Cattle	92,000	91,000	107,085	558,000	537,000	593,638		25,101,107
Hogs	443,000	478,000	476,649	2,403,000	2,424,000	2,408,725		102,815,150
Sheep	6,000	5,000	3,883	40,000	37,000	35,600		1,519,499
Chicken (Young)	32,307,000	32,206,000	30,527,000	172,965,000	174,642,000	170,750,000	7,550,519,000	7,571,779,000

Alberta Beef Producers... Calgary AB:

Alberta direct cattle so far this week saw light trade develop with dressed sales and bids reported at \$505.00/cwt delivered, \$2.00-3.00/cwt lower than last week. Competition on the cash market remains limited. For the third week in a row one major packer is not bidding on the cash market. US packer interest has also been quiet. Canadian beef exports for the month of August were 2% larger than last year. This is the third month in a row that beef exports have been above last year. In August more beef ended up being shipped to US, Japan and Vietnam. The number one market for Canadian beef is the US, the US accounts for 3/4 of total Canadian beef exports.

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Boxed Beef Cutouts:

USDA Estimated Boxed Beef Cut-out Values as of 2:30 PM on 10/17/25
Based on negotiated prices and volume of boxed beef cuts delivered within 0-21 days and on average industry cutting yields.
Values reflect U.S. dollars per 100 pounds.

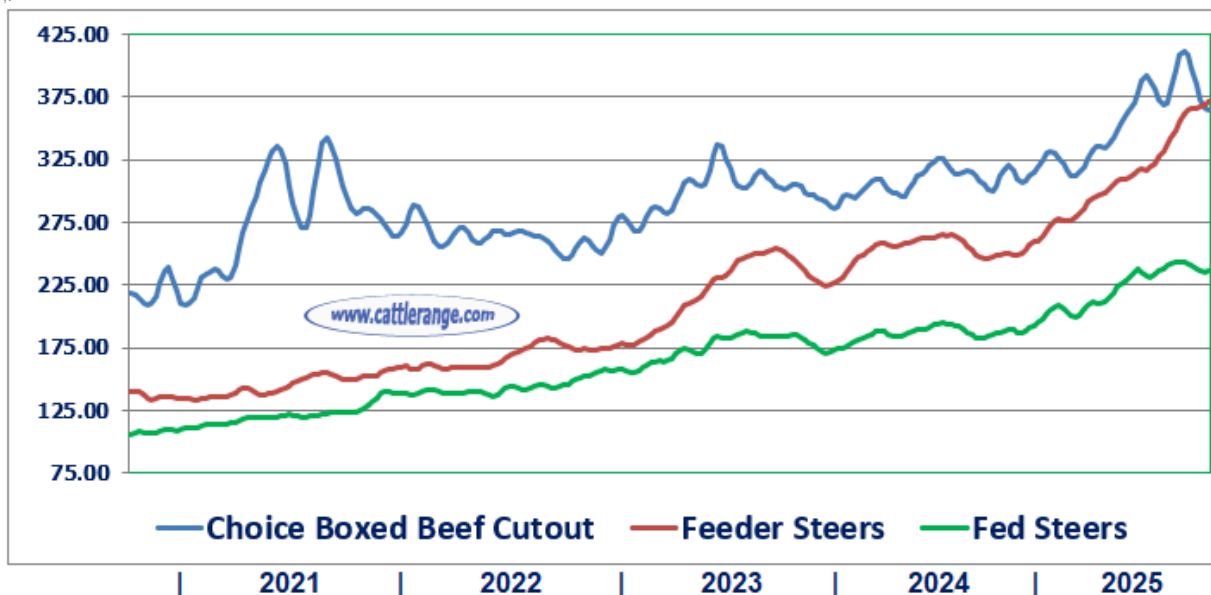
	Choice 600-900	Select 600-900
Current Cutout Values:	366.77	350.27
Change from prior day:	0.66	1.34
Choice/Select spread:	16.50	
Total Load Count (Cuts, Trimmings, Grinds):	188	

Composite Primal Values

Primal Rib	617.39	557.95
Primal Chuck	298.89	299.26
Primal Round	320.25	315.90
Primal Loin	462.55	423.16
Primal Brisket	302.98	301.00
Primal Short Plate	229.65	229.65
Primal Flank	201.06	189.50

Load Count And Cutout Value Summary For Prior 5 Days

Date	Choice	Select	Trim	Grinds	Total	Choice 600-900	Select 600-900
10/16	63	17	6	12	99	366.11	348.93
10/15	102	15	21	18	156	366.48	349.16
10/14	96	22	7	20	145	364.42	350.55
10/13	101	23	3	46	173	363.91	349.75
10/10	85	21	5	13	124	365.57	346.39
Current 5 Day Simple Average:						365.30	348.95



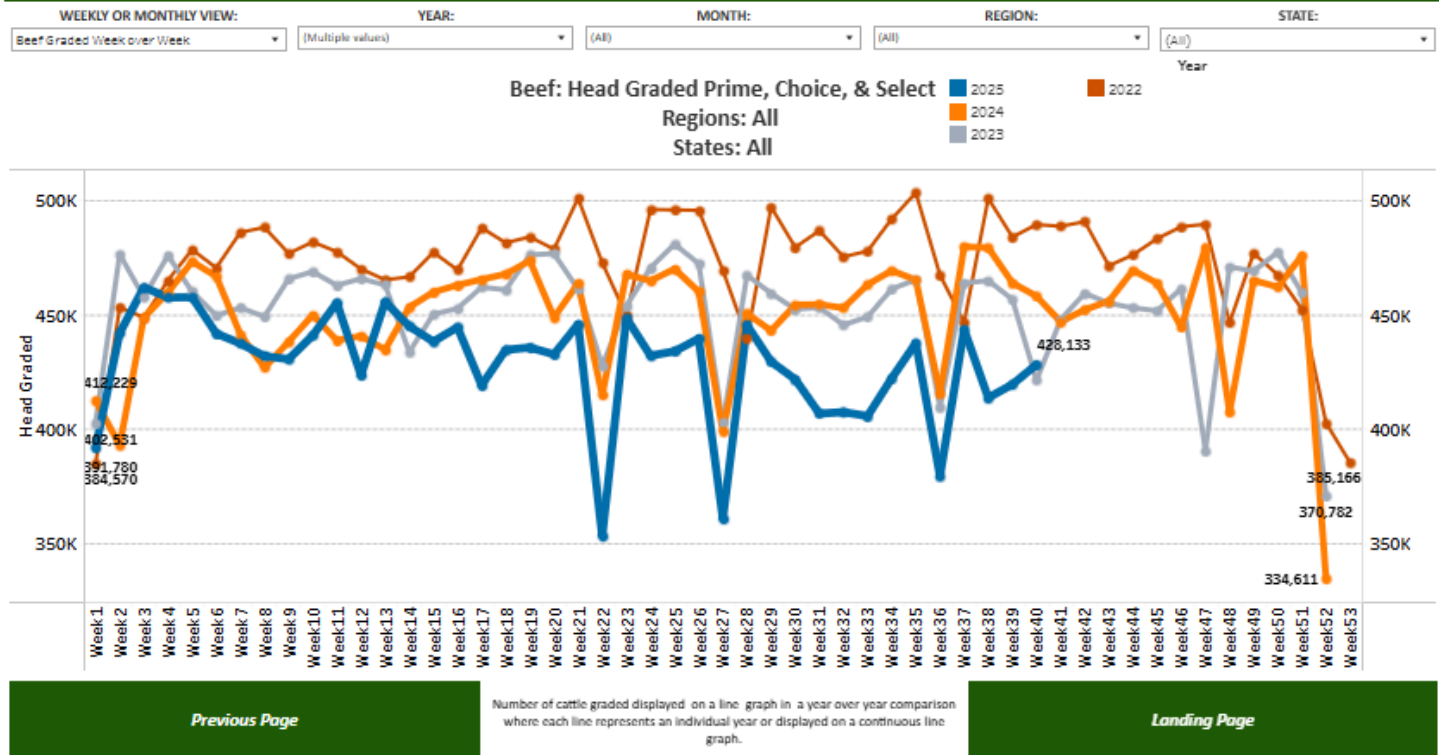
USDA National Steer & Heifer Estimated Grading Percent Report:
Released by USDA Market News Service for last week.



Agricultural Marketing Service
Livestock and Poultry Program
Quality Assessment Division

Beef Head Count Graded Year Over Year and Continuous Timeframe

Data as of 10/4/2025
Updated on 10/12/2025



Last Week's Trade Data:

Beef:

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USDA National Retail Beef Report:

National Summary of Advertised Prices for Beef at Major Retail Supermarket Outlets

This week in beef retail the Feature Rate remained steady, decreasing by 0.3%, while the Activity Index decreased by 16.5%. Compared to last week, items from the brisket, chuck, and sirloin sections showed an increase in ad space while items from the loin, rib, round, other/misc., ground, deli, and variety sections showed a decrease in ad space. Carcass items remained steady.

Metric	Current Week (CW)	Previous Week (PW)	Previous Year (PY)
Total Outlets	24,824	24,824	24,443
Activity Index	89,591	107,265	87,748
Feature Rate (%)	84.9%	85.2%	74.8%

Explanatory Notes:

Activity Index: A measure of the absolute frequency of feature activity equal to the total number of stores for each advertised item, e.g., a retailer with 100 outlets featuring 3 items has an activity index of 300.

Feature Rate: The amount of sampled stores advertising any reported item during the current week, expressed as a percentage of the total sample.

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Est. Weekly Meat Production Under Federal Inspection:

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3 Year Bullish/Bearish Consensus Charts from [SentimenTrader](#):

The theory behind the "Bullish/Bearish Consensus" indicator is when the public reaches a consensus, they are usually wrong:

- They get too bullish after prices have risen and too bearish after they have already fallen.

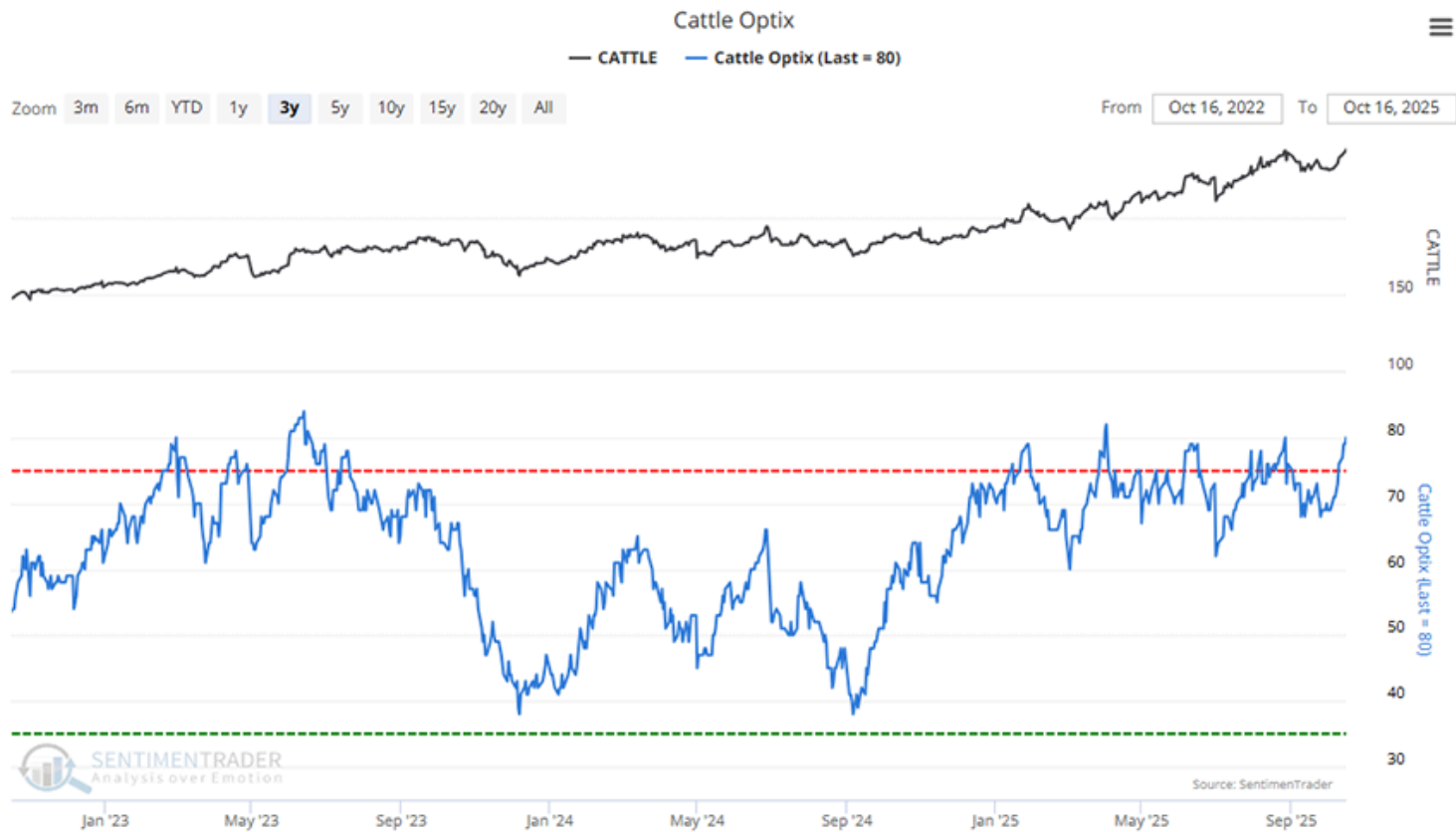
Because of this tendency, there are often extremes in opinion right before major changes in trend:

- When the public reaches a bullish extreme, i.e., a great majority thinks prices will keep rising, then prices often decline instead.
- And when they become too bearish, then prices tend to rise.

So when Public Opinion moves above the **red dotted line** in the chart, it means that compared to other readings over the past year, you're seeing **excessive optimism**. You also want to look at the absolute level of Opinion, too - if it's at 90%, then there's no question we're seeing an historic level of bullish opinion. Watch for readings above 80% (or especially 90%) to spot those dangerous times when the public is overly enthusiastic about a commodity.

Conversely, when Public Opinion moves below the **green dotted line**, then the public is **excessively pessimistic** about the commodity's prospects for further gains compared to their opinion over the past year. Looking for absolute readings under 20% (or especially 10%) often indicates an upturn in the market.

Cattle Bullish/Bearish Consensus: 3 Year Chart



Corn Bullish/Bearish Consensus: 3 Year Chart



U.S. Dollar - 1 Year Chart:

Over the past 5 years, an average of around 12% of U.S. beef production has been exported, making exports an extremely important factor affecting beef and cattle prices. A strong dollar depresses export demand.



- [U.S. Dollar Index](#)

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Stock Markets & Economic News:

T. Rowe Price

Stocks fall on ramping trade tensions and government shutdown concerns

U.S. stock indexes declined for the week amid fears of reescalating global trade tensions and rising concerns around the impacts of a prolonged U.S. government shutdown. The Nasdaq Composite and S&P 500 Index spent much of the week in positive territory, buoyed by ongoing enthusiasm for companies with artificial intelligence exposure that was supported by several new deal announcements, including a strategic partnership between Advanced Micro Devices and OpenAI that sent shares of the former up more than 20% on Monday.

However, equities turned sharply lower on Friday morning after President Donald Trump posted on social media that he is considering “a massive increase of tariffs on Chinese products” in response to China’s proposed new export controls on rare earths. Gold prices continued their record-breaking rally, surpassing USD 4,000 per ounce for the first time, underscoring the heightened level of geopolitical and economic uncertainty.

Fed minutes signal cautious support for further rate cuts

With a lack of major economic data releases amid the continuation of the U.S. government shutdown, investors turned their attention to Wednesday’s release of the minutes from the Federal Reserve’s mid-September policy meeting. The minutes showed some divergent opinions among policymakers as they weighed conflicting economic signals. They expressed ongoing concerns about persistently high inflation and a weakening labor market, noting “that upside risks to inflation remained elevated and that downside risks to employment were elevated and had increased.”

Ultimately, most policymakers “judged that it likely would be appropriate to ease policy further over the remainder of the year,” although some believed that current “monetary policy may not be particularly restrictive, which they judged as warranting a cautious approach in the consideration of future policy changes.”

U.S. Stocks:

Index	Friday's Close	Week's Change	% Change YTD
DJIA	45,479.60	-1,278.68	6.90%
S&P 500	6,552.51	-163.28	11.41%
Nasdaq Composite	22,204.43	-576.08	14.98%
S&P MidCap 400	3,161.88	-127.05	1.31%
Russell 2000	2,394.60	-81.58	7.37%

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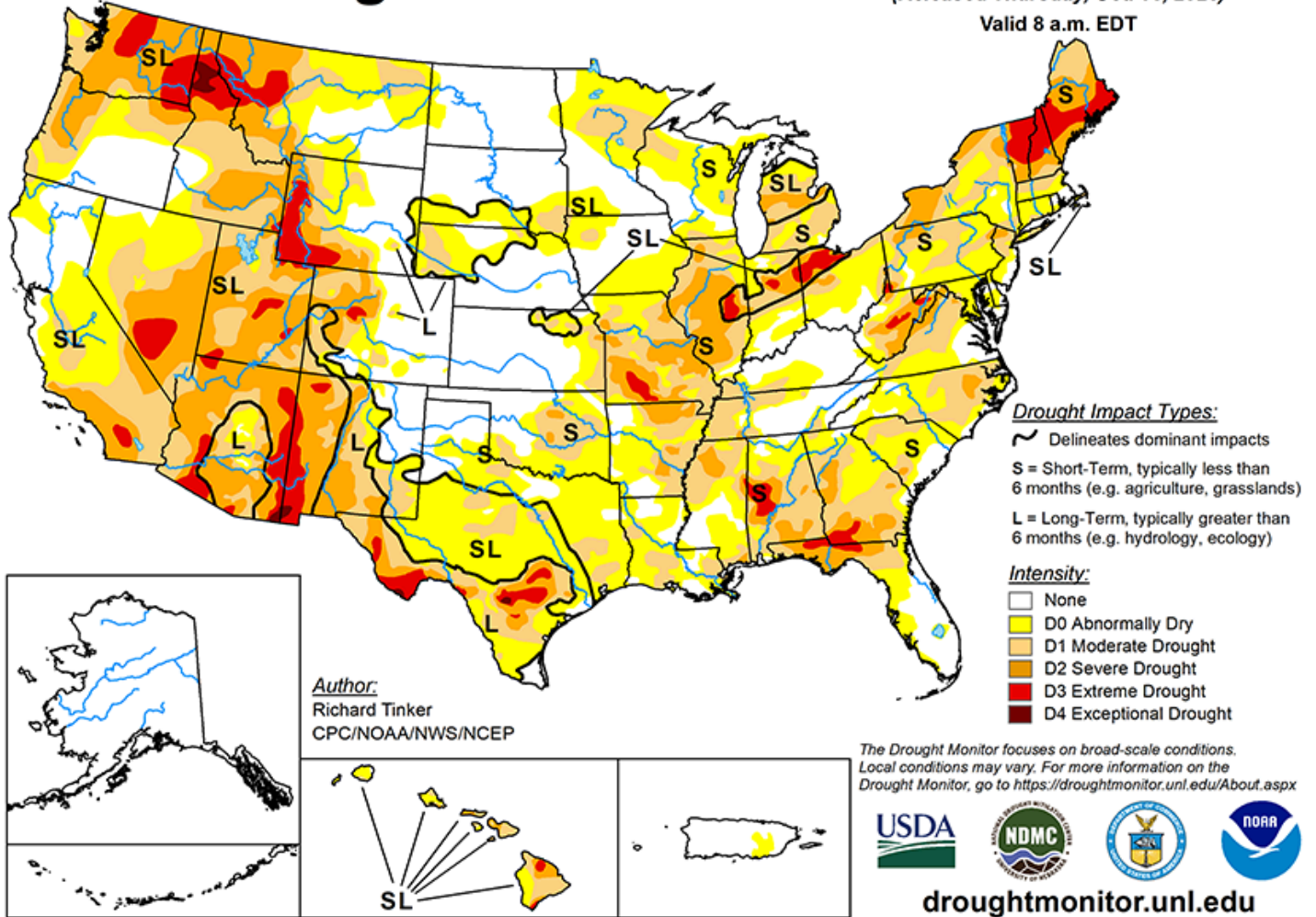
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U.S. Drought Monitor

October 14, 2025

(Released Thursday, Oct. 16, 2025)

Valid 8 a.m. EDT



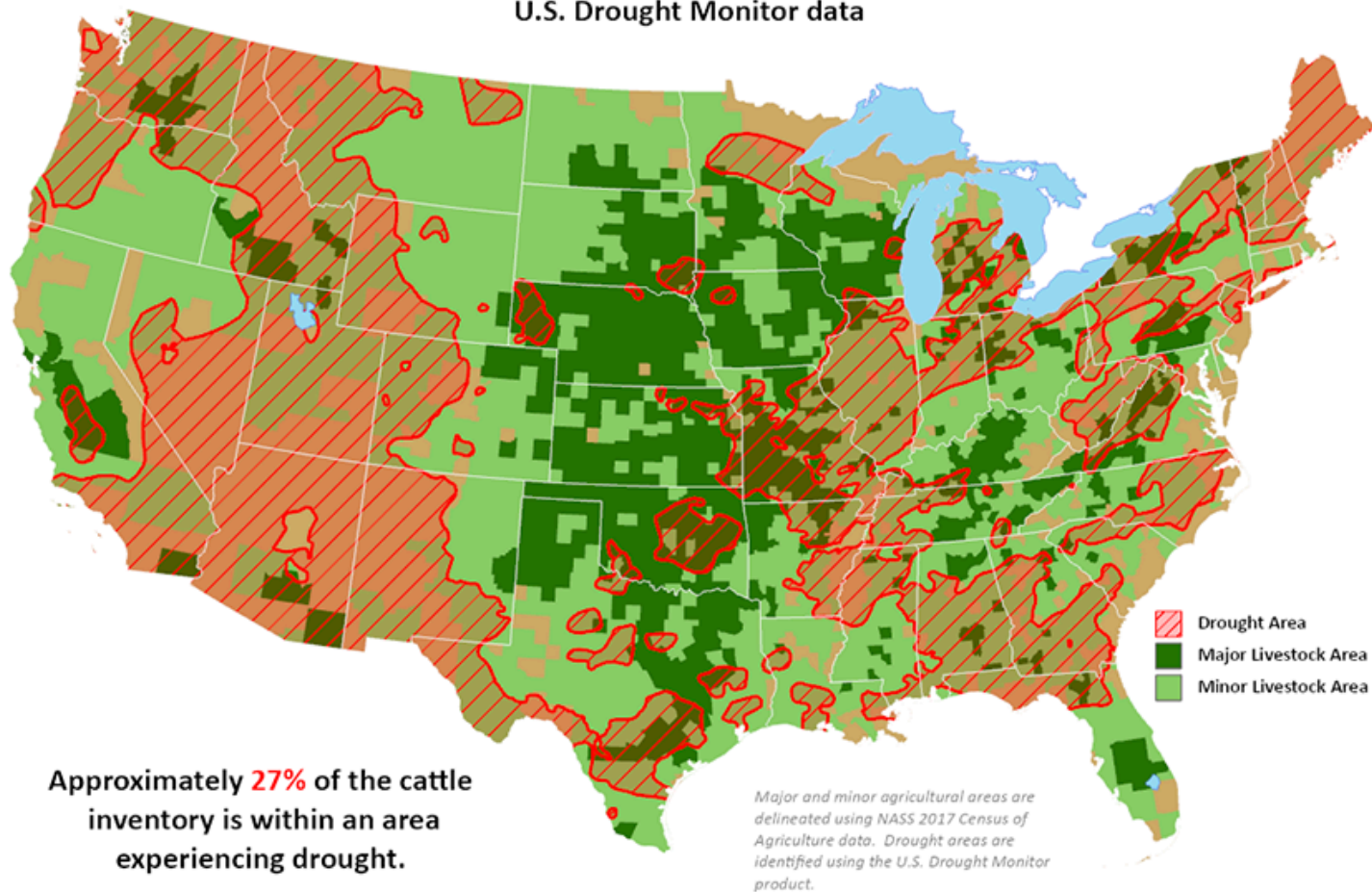


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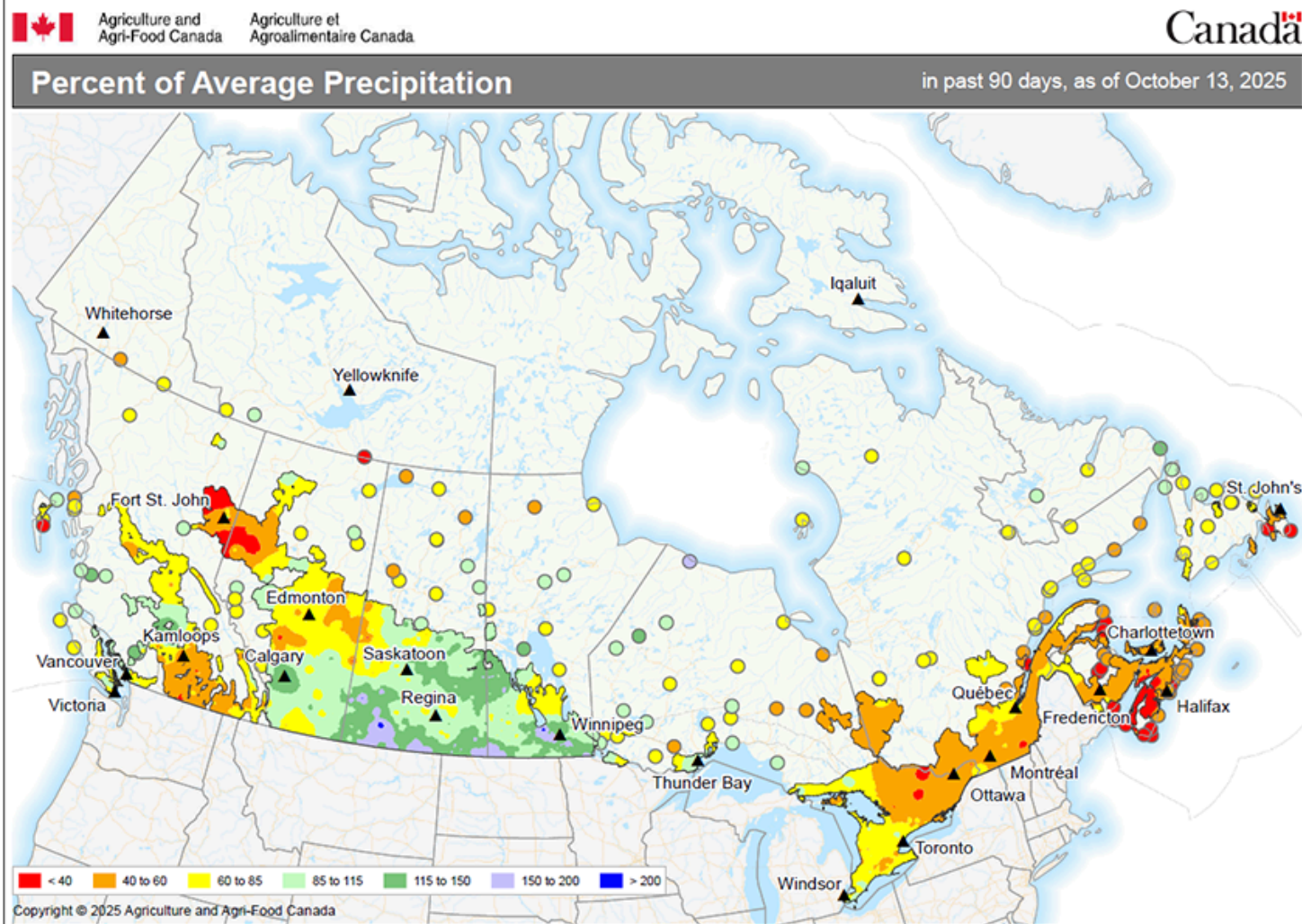
Cattle Areas in Drought

Reflects **October 14, 2025**

U.S. Drought Monitor data



Canadian 90-Day Percent of Average Precipitation:



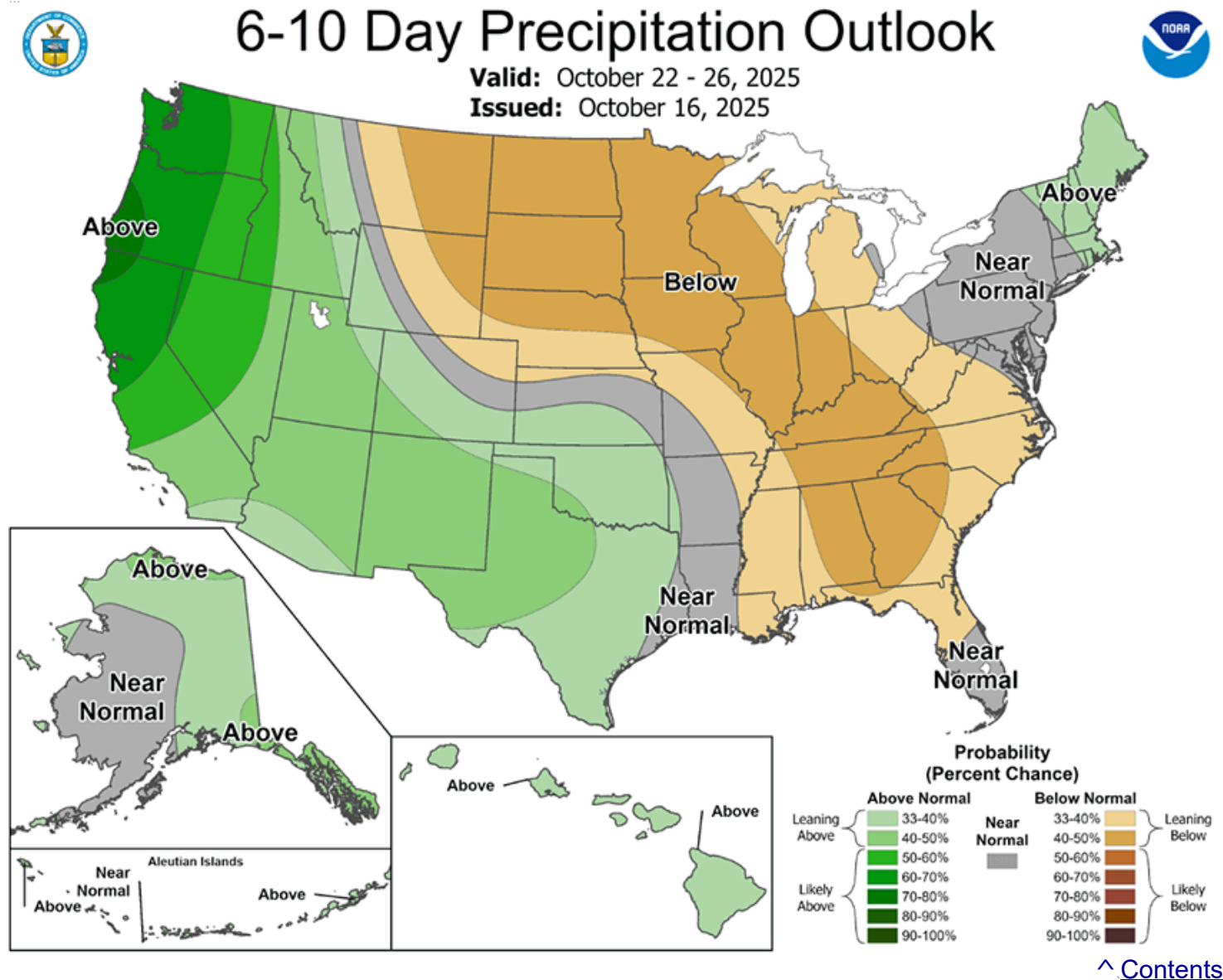
Looking ahead...

During October 15-20, 2025, heavy precipitation (1.5 to 3.0 inches) is forecast for coastal and windward locations from the Cascades to the Pacific Ocean, across eastern Montana and adjacent North Dakota, along a frontal boundary from the Middle Mississippi Valley through the central tier of the Great Lakes Region, and across scattered locations in northwestern Pennsylvania, the Tennessee Valley, and the Lower Ohio Valley. Moderate amounts of 0.7 to 1.5 inches are anticipated in the remainder of the Pacific Northwest, the higher elevations of the northern Intermountain West, central and northern Wyoming, the northern tier of the Plains, parts of the central Great Plains, most areas from the southeastern Great Plains through the Gulf Coast Region, the interior Deep South, most of the Ohio Valley, the lower Northeast, and southern New England. Meanwhile, a few tenths of an inch at most are expected across the South Atlantic Region, most of the southern half of the Plains, and the southwestern quarter of the Lower-48. Temperatures should average generally below-normal from the Rockies westward, and above-normal from the Plains to the Atlantic Coast. Daily highs are expected to average 4 to 5 deg. F below normal from southeastern California through southern Idaho and eastern Oregon while readings top out 8 to 11 deg. F above normal on average across central and southern Texas and most of Maine.

The 6-10 day outlook valid for October 21-25 favors heavier than normal precipitation across central and northern California, northwestern Nevada, and the Pacific Northwest. Chances for totals in the top one-third of historical occurrences exceed 60 percent west of the Cascades. Wetter than normal conditions are nominally favored across Hawaii, most of Alaska, southern sections of the Rockies and High Plains, central and western Texas, and from the Great Lakes through much of the mid-Atlantic Region and Northeast. Subnormal precipitation is more likely across central and northern sections of the Rockies and Great Plains as well as parts of the South Atlantic Region. Warmer than normal weather is expected from

the northern Intermountain West to the Appalachians, plus much of the South Atlantic and Northeast. Southern Texas and most of Maine are most likely to experience warmer than normal weather. Unusually warm weather is also favored across the eastern half of Mainland Alaska and across Hawaii. Temperatures are expected to average closer to normal from the Rockies through the West Coast and across the Carolinas and Virginias. The central tier of Alaska is also expected to average near normal while subnormal temperatures are nominally favored across western Mainland Alaska.

Precipitation & Temperature Outlooks:

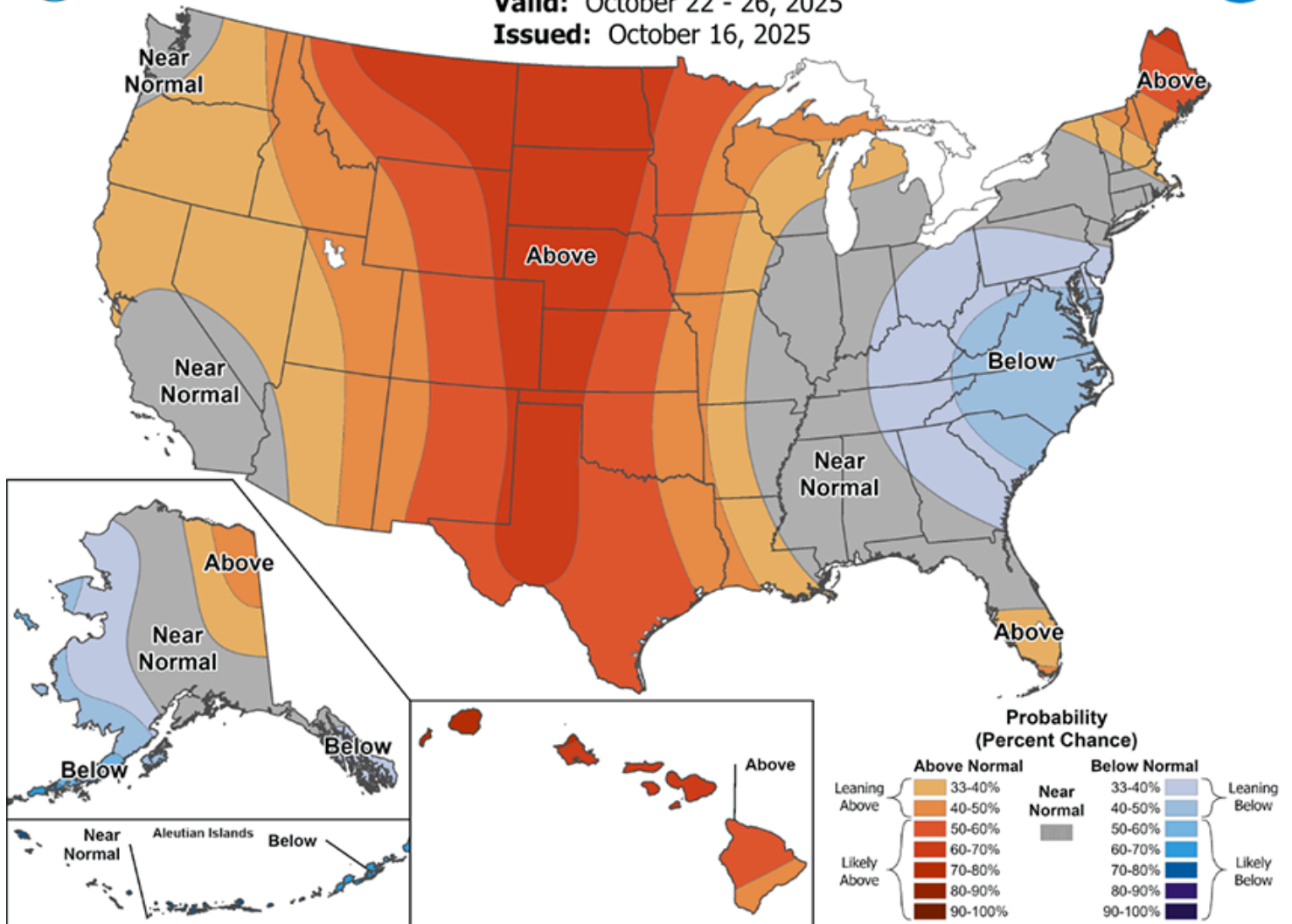




6-10 Day Temperature Outlook

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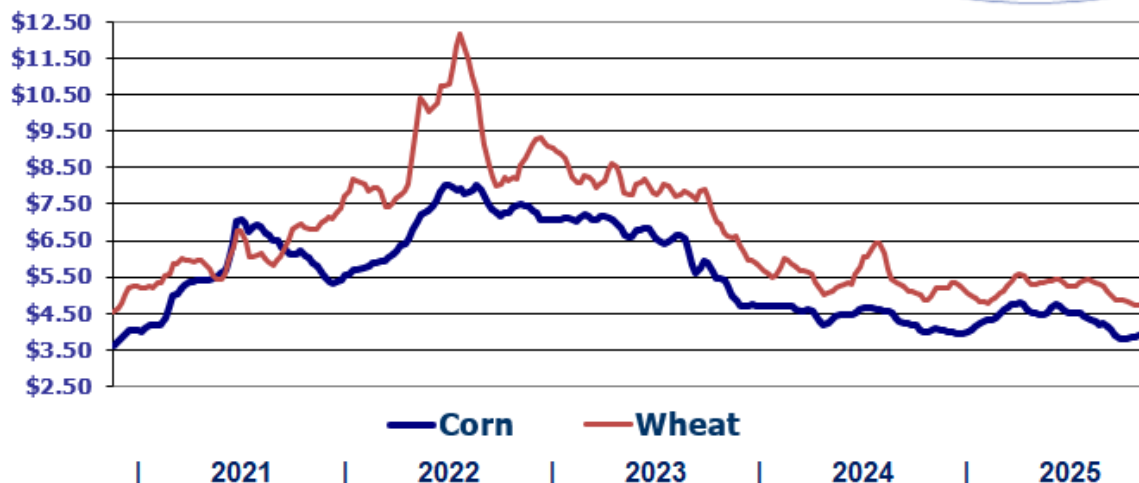
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Weekly Grain Market Review:

Grain Prices	10/17/25	Last Week	1 Month Ago	1 Year Ago	5 Yr. Avg.
Omaha Corn	3.93	3.91	3.96	3.88	5.53
Kansas City Wheat	4.83	4.75	4.72	5.21	6.70
Dec. Corn Futures	4.2250	4.1300	4.2400	4.0475	5.3831
Dec. Wheat Futures	5.0375	4.9850	5.2250	5.7275	6.7721

5 Year Moving Average - Corn & Wheat - October 17, 2025www.cattlerange.com**Last Week's Corn Trade Data:**

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[^ Contents](#)**Regional Auction Reports...** [Click Link to view entire report](#)**Last Friday & Saturday Auctions:****Burwell Livestock Auction Market - Burwell NE**

This Week: 1,100

Last Reported: 2,825

Last Year: 922

No recent test of market for an accurate comparison a trend will not be given for steers or heifers. Demand was good with active internet bidding.

Ft. Pierre Livestock Auction - Ft. Pierre SD

This Week: 5,435

Last Reported: 4,185

Last Year: 6,033

Compared to last week: Yearling steers not well compared, yearling heifers from 850 lbs to 899 lbs were 6.00 to 8.00 higher. Best test on steer calves from 400 lbs to 599 lbs were 10.00 to 15.00 higher, instances of 30.00 higher on full loads of fully preconditioned steer calves, best test on heifers calves 500 lbs to 549 lbs were generally 20.00 to 30.00 higher. Other weight classes steady - higher on limited comparisons.

Lexington Livestock Market - Lexington, NE

This Week: 1,250

Last Reported: 2,712

Last Year: 2,043

Compared to last week the bawling steer and heifer calves over 500 lbs sold unevenly steady. The groups of preg checked open heifers sold steady. Demand was moderate to good from the buyers in the crowd. Around 200 head of the calves had not received fall vaccinations with some of those not having vaccinations any time in their lives, all selling at a sizable discount.

Torrington Livestock Commission - Torrington WY

This Week: 1,975

Last Reported: 1,021

Last Year: 2,101

Compared to last week; slaughter and feeder cows traded 4.00 to 7.00 higher with instances 10.00 higher

on a thin feeding cow. Slaughter and feeder bulls traded 3.00 higher. A large offering this week with the majority of the cows returning to the country. A very active market from start to finish with a very active internet.

Cattleman's Livestock Auction - Belen NM

This Week: 1,245

Last Reported: 687

Last Year: 950

Compared to last week: Steer calves sold 3.00-5.00 higher, while heifer calves sold steady to 5.00 lower. Feeder steers and heifers sold steady to 5.00 higher. Slaughter cows sold 5.00-7.00 lower, while slaughter bulls sold steady. Trade and demand good.

Santa Teresa Livestock Auction (Imported Mexican Cattle) - Santa Teresa NM

Due to the New World screwworm, the border has been closed for livestock imports until further notice. The suspension will continue on a month-by-month basis.

Eastern MO Commission Company - Bowling Green, MO

This Week: 905

Last Reported: 422

Last Year: 1,069

Compared to the last special two weeks ago, steer calves under 550 lbs on a light offering sold with a firm to higher undertone, with 550-600 lbs steers trading 5.00-10.00 higher with 6 weight steers fully steady. Heifer calves were lightly tested and sold mostly steady on a light offering with 95 hd 1002 heifers selling with a higher undertone. Demand was good on a moderate offering with calves selling mostly in small groups and packages but overall quality was good.

Smith County Commission - Carthage TN

This Week: 929

Last Reported: 746

Last Year: 696

Compared to last week Feeder Steers under 600lbs mostly steady, over 600lbs 3.00 to 7.00 higher; Feeder Heifers 3.00 to 6.00 higher; Feeder Bulls 6.00 to 8.00 higher; Slaughter Cows 2.00 to 4.00 lower; Slaughter Bulls mostly steady.

Carolina Stockyards – Livestock Auction – Siler City, NC

This Week: 841

Last Reported: 912

Last Year: 1,034

Slaughter cattle were 3.00 higher this week compared to last week . Feeder cattle were steady this week compared to last week . Demand was moderate ; market activity and buyer interest were moderate . Offerings were moderate with quality average.

Monday Auctions:

Sioux Falls Regional Livestock Report - Worthing SD

This Week:

Last Reported:

Last Year:

No sale report.

Tri-State Livestock Auction Market - McCook NE

This Week:

Last Reported:

Last Year:

No sale report.

Oklahoma National Stockyards Feeder Cattle - Oklahoma City OK

This Week: 5,500

Last Reported: 5,467

Last Year: 6,825

Compared to last week: Feeder steers 10.00-20.00 higher. Feeder heifers 5.00-15.00 higher. Steer and heifer calves 20.00-30.00 higher, heifer calves up to 40.00 higher. Demand extremely good for all classes including weaned or un-weaned calves.

Tulsa Livestock Auction - Tulsa, OK

This Week: 2,389

Last Reported: 2,445

Last Year: 3,268

Compared to last week: Steers calves 8.00-17.00 higher. Feeder Steers 15.00-20.00 higher. Heifers calves 12.00-20.00 higher. Feeder heifers 17.00-23.00 higher. Slaughter cows were 5.00-10.00 higher. Slaughter bulls were steady. The quality was good, and demand was also good.

Roswell Livestock Auction - Roswell NM

This Week: 1,505

Last Reported: 1,505

Last Year: 2,055

Steer calves 300-350 lbs sold 20.00 higher and 350-400 lbs were 25.00-30.00 higher while 400-500 lbs sold steady-3.00 higher with 500-550 lbs being 3.00 higher and 550-600 lbs selling 3.00 lower. Feeder steers 600-650 lbs were 3.00 lower. Heifer calves 450-500 lbs sold 10.00 lower and 500-600 lbs were 18.00-22.00 higher. Heifer yearlings sold 8.00 higher. Trade was very active with very good demand on similar numbers. Slaughter cows sold 2.00-4.00 higher and slaughter bulls were 4.00-9.00 lower.

Joplin Reg. Stockyards Feeder Cattle - Carthage MO

This Week: 8,397

Last Reported: 5,541

Last Year: 6,493

Compared to last week feeder steers sold 5.00-20.00 higher with feeder heifers selling 10.00-30.00 higher. Supply was heavy with very good demand. Bidding was extremely active online and in person. The largest lot of the day was 260 steers weighing 893 lbs. which sold for 352.00/cwt. Another large lot of 183 steers weighing 820 lbs. sold for 393.50/cwt. setting a record in this weight class.

Callaway Livestock Center - Kingdom City MO

This Week: 2,505

Last Reported: 1,424

Last Year: 2,536

Compared to last week, a much larger offering this week with steer calves weighing under 550 lbs selling with a higher undertone on last week's light offering of calves, 550-650 lb steer calves sold with a sharply higher undertone with a much larger offering of long timed weaned and yearling kind in the offering, there was 7 pot loads of yearling steers weighing 825-935 lbs all selling with a firm to higher undertone with no comparisons from last week. Heifer calves weighing 400-600 lbs sold firm to 10.00 higher and over 600 lbs lightly tested but selling on a firm to higher market.

Mid-South Livestock - Unionville TN

This Week: 975

Last Reported: 576

Last Year: 1,024

Compared to last week, Feeder Steers/Bulls steady to 8.00 lower; Feeder Heifers 3.00-10.00 lower; Slaughter Cows mostly steady to 2.00 lower; Slaughter Bulls mostly steady.

Saluda Livestock Exchange - Saluda, SC

This Week: 685

Last Reported: 814

Last Year: 749

Compared to last week, feeder steers sharply higher, feeder heifers too few to trend, feeder bulls sharply higher based on limited comparable sales, slaughter cows and slaughter bulls 4.00 lower. Moderate offerings of plain to average quality cattle with active buyer participation. Light demand for cattle with excessive flesh.

United Producers Inc. - Harned KY

This Week: 728

Last Reported: 779

Last Year: 808

Compared to last week: Feeder steers and feeder heifers sold 4.00 to 8.00 higher. Strong demand for all classes of feeders. Slaughter cows and slaughter bulls sold steady.

Tuesday Auctions:

Miles City Livestock Commission Auction - Miles City, MT

This Week: 3,411

Last Reported: 2,334

Last Year: 4,529

Compared to last week: Yearling steers and heifers were too lightly tested develop any market trend. Steer calves all sold 20.00-25.00 higher. Heifer calves sold steady to 10.00 higher on all calves on offer. Demand was mostly good to very good for moderate offerings. A few load lots of calves were seen this sale and demand was good to very good for these offerings. Packages of calves sold on good demand as buyers showed need for calves to fill loads. Quality this week was average to very attractive, but overall not as attractive as last weeks offering.

Winter Livestock Auction - Riverton, WY

This Week: 4,344

Last Reported: 3,030

Last Year: 2,931

Compared to last Tuesday sale calf and yearling special; few yearling steers mostly steady for comparisons available, yearling heifers several packages with higher overtones noted with few steady to 2.00 lower. Reputation quality lots along with precondition calves were in most demand. Feeder steers under 550 lbs steady with instances 10.00-20.00 higher, 550 under most pressure with steady to 3.00 lower, steers over 600 lbs steady instances 18.00-21.00 higher. Heifers calves under 550 lbs 3.00-7.00 higher instances 10.00-17.00, calves over 550 lbs replacement quality 15.00-35.00 higher.

Winter Livestock - La Junta CO

This Week: 2,155

Last Reported: 2,163

Last Year: 3,582

Trade activity and demand was good. Feeder steers under 400lbs sold 4.00 to 7.00 lower. Feeder steers over 400lbs sold sharply higher. Feeder heifers sold sharply higher across all weight classes.

OKC West Livestock Auction - El Reno, OK

This Week: 2,500

Last Reported: 5,711

Last Year: 6,601

Compared to last week: Steer calves 10.00-20.00 higher with spots up to 30.00 higher. Heifer calves 15.00-25.00 higher with spots up to 40.00 higher. Quality average. Demand very good.

Lonestar Stockyards - Wildorado, TX

This Week: 1,360

Last Reported: 1,531

Last Year: 1,892

Compared to last week: Weaned steer and heifer calves with at least two rounds of shots traded mostly 3.00 to 6.00 higher. Unweaned calves with no vaccinations or only one round traded 10.00 to 15.00 lower, as significant temperature fluctuations and changing weather conditions continue to negatively impact calf health and buyer confidence. Not enough comparable sales on yearling steers or heifers for a market trend but a higher undertone was noted, with the board trading in the green the last two days. Trading activity was active on moderate to good buyer demand. Slaughter cows and bulls traded 1.00 higher.

Ozarks Regional Stockyards - West Plains MO

This Week: 1,812

Last Reported: 1,759

Last Year: 2,219

Compared to last week, feeder steers and heifers were 7.00-10.00 higher. Steer and heifers calves under 700 lbs. were 10.00-25.00 higher with peewee calves under 450 lbs. 20.00-30.00 higher. Demand was very good on a moderate supply.

Mid-State Stockyards LLP - Letohatchee, AL

This Week: 1,660

Last Reported: 2,064

Last Year: 1,758

Compared to two weeks ago: No trends available on slaughter cows. Replacement cows sold steady. Feeder steers and bulls sold 5.00 to 10.00 higher. Feeder heifers sold 2.00 to 4.00 higher.

Calhoun Stockyard - Calhoun, GA

This Week: 350

Last Reported: 356

Last Year: 241

Compared to a week ago, Slaughter cows 3.00 to 5.00 higher, Slaughter bulls mostly steady, Replacement cows mostly steady, Feeder steers lightly tested, Feeder heifers steady to 3.00 higher, Feeder bulls unevenly steady.

Blue Grass Stockyards - Lexington, KY

This Week: 818

Last Reported: 320

Last Year: 1,009

Compared to last Tuesday the feeder market was stronger with a good quality offering. Feeder steers and heifers 650 lbs and under were 3.00 to 8.00 higher or greater in spots with a good supply and good demand. Yearling steers and heifers appeared sharply higher as well, but with limited head to head comparisons.

Producers Livestock Auction - Salina, UT

This Week: 1,836

Last Reported: 2,142

Last Year: 2,051

Compared to last week, feeder cattle sold sharply higher on calves and yearlings. Slaughter cows sold mostly steady to 2.00 higher, while slaughter bulls sold mostly 2.00 higher. Trade was active with good demand and heavy supply.

Wednesday Auctions:

Hub City Livestock Auction - Aberdeen SD

This Week: 3,301

Last Reported: 3,142

Last Year: 3,590

Compared to last week: yearling steers not well compared. Best test on yearling heifers 900 to 949 lbs

15.00 to 20.00 higher. No good comparisons on spring calves. Very good demand for yearlings today with those coming off grass seeing the best demand.

Bassett Livestock Auction - Bassett NE

This Week: 3,660

Last Reported: 1,785

Last Year: 4,410

A limited number of comparable offerings from last week with 900 lb steers trading steady. A large crowd on hand and several buyers for the first show of non-weaned calves. Demand was very good with active internet bidding.

Huss Platte Valley Auction - Kearney NE

This Week: 1,959

Last Reported: 1,705

Last Year: 3,338

Compared to last week steer and heifer calves sold sharply higher and yearling heifers sold 10.00 to 15.00 higher with no comparable offerings for the yearling steers. Demand was good to very good from the buyers in the crowd and on the internet.

OKC West - El Reno OK

This Week: 6,171

Last Reported: 5,711

Last Year: 6,601

Compared to last week: Feeder steers 6.00-12.00 higher. Feeder heifers over 750lbs 5.00-8.00 higher, under 750lbs 11.00-15.00 higher. Quality was not a determining factor in pricing 8 weight steers. Demand remained strong across all classes of cattle. Steer calves 10.00-20.00 higher with spots up to 30.00 higher. Heifer calves 15.00-25.00 higher with spots up to 40.00 higher. Calf quality average.

Clovis Livestock Auction - Clovis, NM

This Week: 2,247

Last Reported: 2,750

Last Year: 3,091

Compared to last weeks sale; Steer calves 350-600 sold 7.00-19.00 higher. Feeder steers 600-700 lbs were 7.00-16.00 higher while 700-750 lbs sold 5.00 lower and 800-850 lbs were 4.00 higher. Heifer calves 300-450 lbs sold 5.00-20.00 higher and 450-600 lbs were 18.00-27.00 higher. Feeder heifers 600-650 lbs sold 4.00 higher and 650-700 lbs were 5.00 lower while 700-750 lbs sold sharply higher. Trade was very active on larger numbers with very good demand.

Winter Livestock Feeder Cattle Auction - Dodge City KS

This Week: 2,247

Last Reported: 2,750

Last Year: 3,091

Compared to last weeks sale; Steer calves 350-600 sold 7.00-19.00 higher. Feeder steers 600-700 lbs were 7.00-16.00 higher while 700-750 lbs sold 5.00 lower and 800-850 lbs were 4.00 higher. Heifer calves 300-450 lbs sold 5.00-20.00 higher and 450-600 lbs were 18.00-27.00 higher. Feeder heifers 600-650 lbs sold 4.00 higher and 650-700 lbs were 5.00 lower while 700-750 lbs sold sharply higher. Trade was very active on larger numbers with very good demand.

Bloomfield Livestock Market - Bloomfield, IA

This Week: 1,578

Last Reported: 1,157

Last Year: 1,032

Compared to the sale two weeks ago, steers and heifers sold with a higher undertone though not well compared. Demand was very good today and included active internet bidding. Supply was heavy and included many yearling load lots.

Springfield Livestock Auction - Springfield MO

This Week: 828

Last Reported: 1,046

Last Year: 866

Compared to last week, steers and heifers under 700lbs sold mostly 6.00 to 12.00 higher with spots up to 20.00 higher, and steers and heifers over 700lbs sold with a firm undertone based on limited comparisons. This week's offering included some high quality groups of weaned and vaccinated calves and yearlings that created very good demand on a moderate supply.

South Central Regional Stockyards - Vienna, MO

This Week:

Last Reported:

Last Year:

Sale report unavailable.

Roanoke Stockyard - Roanoke AL

This Week: 1,043

Last Reported: 1,053

Last Year: 1,110

Compared to one week ago: Feeder steers and bulls sold sharply higher, feeder heifers sold 8.00 to 10.00 higher. Slaughter cows and bulls sold steady to 1.00 higher. Replacement cows and pairs sold mostly steady.

Blue Grass Stockyards - Albany KY

This Week: 460

Last Reported: 363

Last Year: 530

Compared to last week: Feeder steers under 550lbs sold 8.00 to 12.00 higher. Feeder steers over 550 lbs sold steady to 4.00 higher. Feeder heifers sold 5.00 to 10.00 higher. Good demand for all feeder classes. Slaughter cows sold steady to 4.00 higher. Slaughter bulls sold steady.

Thursday Auctions:**Billings Livestock Commission Cattle Auction - Billings, MT**

This Week: 4,595

Last Reported: 3,340

Last Year: 5,033

Compared to last week: Yearling steers and heifers were too lightly tested today to develop any market trend. Steer calves under 600 lbs sold mostly 5.00-15.00 higher. Steer calves over 600 lbs sold mostly steady to 5.00 higher. Heifer calves all sold 5.00-15.00 higher. Demand was mostly very good for moderate to heavy offerings. Yearling quality was mostly plain to average today. Yearling offerings were very light.

Mitchell Livestock Auction – Mitchell SD

This Week:

Last Reported:

Last Year:

Sale report unavailable.

Valentine Livestock Auction - Valentine NE

This Week: 3,060

Last Reported: 2,366

Last Year: 6,210

Demand was good for the Special Spring Calf Sale today with all consignments unweaned. Comparable offerings were sharply higher with several buyers and active internet bidding.

Apache Livestock Auction - Apache, OK

This Week: 2,248

Last Reported: 2,468

Last Year: 2,580

Compared to last week: Feeder steers 10.00 to 25.00 higher. Feeder heifers 5.00 to 10.00 higher. Steer calves 10.00 to 20.00 higher with instances 30.00 higher. Heifer calves 10.00 to 25.00 higher, up to 35.00 higher. Quality fair to average with very good demand. Slaughter cows steady to 3.00 higher. Slaughter bulls steady.

Woodward Wtd Avg Cattle - Woodward OK

This Week: 1,731

Last Reported: 2,100

Last Year: 2,535

Compared to last week: Feeder steers 4.00 to 8.00 higher with instances 15.00 higher. Feeder heifers mostly steady on a light test. Steer and heifer calves easily 10.00 to 20.00 higher with mostly unweaned calves in the offering. Demand was moderate to active. Quality average to good.

Winter Livestock Auction - Pratt KS

This Week: 3,549

Last Reported: 2,314

Last Year: 1,508

Compared to last week, feeder steers 400 lb to 900 lb sold 4.00 to 12.00 higher, however load lots of fancy reputation steer calves sold up to 30.00 higher. No recent comparisons on steers over 900 lb. Feeder heifers 600 lb to 975 lb sold 6.00 to 12.00 higher, however bigger bunches of fancy reputation heifers sold up to 25.00 higher. Heifers 400 lb to 600 lb sold unevenly steady, however reputation thin fleshed calves sold up to 50.00 higher. Demand was good. Slaughter cows and bulls sold 2.00 higher.

Farmers & Ranchers Livestock - Salina KS

This Week: 3,168

Last Reported: 1,948

Last Year: 2,466

Compared to last week, feeder steers over 700 lbs sold 3.00 to 7.00 higher and feeder heifers 700 to 850 lbs sold mostly 10.00 lower. A good percentage of the cattle coming to the sale right now are unweaned and the buyers don't seem to mind as long as they have good vaccinations. The receipts were moderate with good demand.

Cattleman's Livestock Auction - Dalhart TX

This Week: 2,219

Last Reported: 1,763

Last Year: 2,433

Compared to last week: There were too few comparable sales on steer and heifer calves to determine a trend but a higher undertone was noted. Most feeder steers and heifers followed suit, however; 700 pounds was the sweet spot this week. Steers weighing 700-750 were 7.00-8.00 higher and broke the 400/cwt mark. Steers weighing 751-790 averaged 403/cwt. Their heifer counterparts didn't bark 400/cwt but did sell almost 10.00 higher. Quality was mostly good on good demand. Slaughter cattle was mostly steady with a higher undertone on high yielding cattle. Trade was active with good demand.

Tulia Livestock Auction - Tulia, TX

This Week: 1,957

Last Reported: 1,222

Last Year: 1,884

Compared to last week: Feeder steers and heifers sold 2.00 to 5.00 higher. Demand was moderate to good. Offering consisted of a lot of unweaned fleshier calves that took large discounts compared to their counterparts, which is normal for this time of year.

New Cambria Livestock Market - New Cambria, MO

This Week: 586

Last Reported: 646

Last Year: 905

Compared to the last reported sale two weeks ago, feeders traded with a higher undertone. Slaughter cows and bull trading steady.

Bluegrass Stockyards South - Stanford KY

This Week: 923

Last Reported: 702

Last Year: 1,859

Compared to last Thursday: Feeder and yearling steers sharply Higher, Feeder heifers under 700 lbs sharply Higher, over 700 lbs steady, Most increase on the weaned pre-conditioned and high quality part of the offering. Very good demand for feeder and yearling classes. Slaughter cows steady, Slaughter bulls 3.00-5.00 higher, Good demand for slaughter classes.

Paris Stockyards - Paris KY

This Week: 2,087

Last Reported: 1,393

Last Year: 2,000

Compared to last Thursday feeder heifers and feeder steers were sharply higher 5.00-10.00 with some instances higher. Good demand for all feeder classes. Slaughter cows were steady, and slaughter bulls were steady to down 2.00.

Toppenish Livestock Auction - Toppenish, WA

This Week: 1,440

Last Reported: 1,690

Last Year: 1,400

Compared to last Thursday, stocker and feeder cattle weak in a light test. CME Feeder cattle were 25 to 75 cents higher in most contracts, with October down a nickel. The CME Feeder Cattle Index was up another 63 cents at \$375.10 on October 15. Slaughter cows 4.00-8.00 lower. Dairy slaughter cows steady. Slaughter bulls steady. Trade active with good demand.

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Colorado Direct Cattle Report

This Week: 774

Last Reported: 2,535

Last Year: 2,622

Compared to last week: Not enough comparable trades to establish a trend. Demand good. Supply included: 100% Feeder Cattle (46.6% Steers, 53.4% Heifers). Feeder cattle supply over 600 lbs was 100%. Unless otherwise noted, Feeder Cattle prices FOB based on net weights after a 2% shrink or equivalent, with a 8-14 cent slide > 600 lbs. Livestock reported this week originated from CA, CO, TX.

Eastern Cornbelt Direct Cattle Report (IL/IN/MI/MN/OH/KY)

This Week: 1,225

Last Reported: 1,883

Last Year: 1,535

Compared to last week: Feeder steers 15.00 higher on limited comparable sales. Feeder heifers not established for Current FOB trade. Demand very good as cattle futures posted gains for 10 business days straight. Brakes put on today though, as cattle futures are trading sharply lower as talks of getting beef prices lower circulate. Supply included: 100% Feeder Cattle (24.5% Steers, 75.5% Heifers). Feeder cattle

supply over 600 lbs was 100%. Unless otherwise noted, Feeder Cattle prices FOB based on net weights after a 2-3% shrink or equivalent, with an 8-14 cent slide > 600 lbs. Livestock reported this week originated from KY.

Kansas Direct Feeder Cattle Report

This Week: 4,814

Last Reported: 2,685

Last Year: 3,954

Compared to last week: Feeder heifers traded mostly 6.00 higher, which was in line with the large gains noted on both the CME Feeder Cattle and Live Cattle contracts throughout the week. Not enough comparable sales on feeder steers for a market trend. Buyer demand remains good. Supply included: 100% Feeder Cattle (68.4% Steers, 31.6% Heifers). Feeder cattle supply over 600 lbs was 95%. Unless otherwise noted, Feeder Cattle prices FOB based on net weights after a 2% shrink or equivalent, with a 8-12 cent slide > 600 lbs. Livestock reported this week originated from CO, KS, MO, OK, VA.

Missouri Direct Cattle Report

This Week:

Last Reported:

Last Year:

Feeder cattle and calves not established this week. Demand moderate to good

Montana Direct Cattle Report

This Week:

Last Reported:

Last Year:

No trades this week.

New Mexico Direct Cattle Report

This Week: 1,300

Last Reported: 467

Last Year: 2,741

Compared to last week: Feeder heifers traded mostly 10.00 higher, which was in line with the large gains noted on both the CME Feeder Cattle and Live Cattle contracts throughout the week. Not enough comparable sales on steers for a market trend. Buyer demand remains good. Supply included: 100% Feeder Cattle (58.5% Steers, 26.1% Heifers, 7.7% Beef/Dairy Steers, 7.7% Beef/Dairy Heifers). Feeder cattle supply over 600 lbs was 43%. Unless otherwise noted, Feeder Cattle prices FOB based on net weights after a 2% shrink or equivalent, with a 8-12 cent slide > 600 lbs. and 15-20 cent slide < 600 lbs. Livestock reported this week originated from NM.

Northwest Direct Cattle Report (WA/OR/ID/UT)

This Week: 700

Last Reported: 863

Last Year: 875

Compared to last week: Not enough comparable trades to establish a trend. Demand good. Supply included: 100% Feeder Cattle (78.6% Steers, 21.4% Heifers). Feeder cattle supply over 600 lbs was 31%. Unless otherwise noted, Feeder Cattle prices FOB based on net weights after a 2-3% shrink or equivalent, with a 8-14 cent slide > 600 lbs. and 30 cent slide < 600 lbs. Livestock reported this week originated from ID, WA.

Oklahoma Direct Cattle Report

This Week: 3,916

Last Reported: 4,389

Last Year: 2,771

Compared to last week: Feeder steers 2.00-8.00 higher. Feeder heifers 600-700lbs 15.00 higher, not enough comparable trades on other heifer weights. Demand very good. Supply included: 100% Feeder

Cattle (71.8% Steers, 28.2% Heifers). Feeder cattle supply over 600 lbs was 81%. Unless otherwise noted, Feeder Cattle prices FOB based on net weights after a 2-3% shrink or equivalent, with a 8-16 cent slide > 600 lbs. and 20-25 cent slide < 600 lbs. Livestock reported this week originated from NM, OK, TX.

Southeast Direct Cattle Report (AL/AR/FL/GA/LA/MS/TN)

This Week: 1,528

Last Reported: 2,674

Last Year: 1,136

Compared to last week: Current FOB steers and heifers sold 4.00 to 12.00 higher. Demand was good. The CME feeder cattle board took wide swings throughout the trading week. Supply included: 100% Feeder Cattle (70.2% Steers, 29.8% Heifers). Feeder cattle supply over 600 lbs was 71%. Unless otherwise noted, Feeder Cattle prices FOB based on net weights after a 2-3% shrink or equivalent, with up to a 15 cent slide >600 lbs and up to a 20 cent slide <600 lbs. Livestock reported this week originated from AL, AR, GA, MS, TN.

Southwest Direct Cattle Report (AZ/CA/NV)

This Week: 1,820

Last Reported: 867

Last Year: 2,883

Compared to last week, dairy steers sold 10.00-20.00 higher. Trade active, demand good. Supply included: 100% Feeder Cattle (3.3% Steers, 77.5% Dairy Steers, 19.2% Heifers). Feeder cattle supply over 600 lbs was 22%. Unless otherwise noted, Feeder Cattle prices FOB based on net weights after a 2-3% shrink or equivalent, with a 5-10 cent slide on calves, 3-6 cent slide on yearlings. Livestock reported this week originated from CA, CO, KY, TX.

Texas Direct Cattle Report

This Week: 9,955

Last Reported: 14,176

Last Year: 13,441

Compared to last week: Current FOB steers and heifers were 2.00 to 8.00 higher. Demand was good. Wide prices spreads caused by swings in the CME cattle futures throughout the trading week. Supply included: 100% Feeder Cattle (52% Steers, 42.7% Heifers, 2.7% Beef/Dairy Steers, 2.7% Beef/Dairy Heifers). Feeder cattle supply over 600 lbs was 90%. Unless otherwise noted, Feeder Cattle prices FOB based on net weights after a 2-3% shrink or equivalent, with up to a 15 cent slide >600 lbs and up to a 20 cent slide <600 lbs. Livestock reported this week originated from AL, AR, GA, KY, MS, NM, OK, TN, TX.

Wyoming-Nebraska Direct Cattle Report

This Week: 185

Last Reported:

Last Year: 400

No comparable sales for a market trend. However, a higher undertone was noted. Supply included: 100% Feeder Cattle (100% Steers). Feeder cattle supply over 600 lbs was 100%. Unless otherwise noted, Feeder Cattle prices FOB based on net weights after a 2% shrink or equivalent, with a 12 cent slide > 600 lbs. Livestock reported this week originated from KS.

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