

Livestock market and auction news

Central U.S. Carlot

Wednesday, February 4
Report supplied by USDA

Compared to Tuesday's 4.30 report: Choice Steer and heifer beef mostly steady late, Good 1 00 higher in thin test. Demand moderate and trading good at steady levels, but most orders now filled and processors very cautious in face of sluggish boxed beef trade. The boxed beef carcass cutout value declined \$ 38 to \$101 59 per cwt. Sales reported on 122 loads of steer and heifer beef.

STEER BEEF

89 Loads

FOB Omaha Basis

Choice 3: 500-700 lbs. 92 00-94 00
Choice 3: 700-800 lbs. 90 00-92 00, late mostly 90 00, mostly steady
Choice 3: 800-900 lbs. 88 00-89 00, late mostly 88 00, mostly steady.
Choice 4 600-800 lbs. 80 00, steady.

Good 2-3: 600 900 lbs. 90 00-91 00, mostly 1 00 higher

FOB Amarillo Basis

Choice 2-3: 600-700 lbs. YG 3 94 50-97 00; YG 2 97 00-98 50
Choice 4 600-900 lbs. 82 00 (West).

HEIFER BEEF

33 Loads

FOB Omaha Basis

Choice 3 500-700 lbs. 90 00-91 00, generally steady
Choice 4 500-700 lbs. 80 00, steady

Good 2-3 500-700 lbs. 89 00-90 00, mostly 89 00, 1 00 higher
Cow beef 1.00-2 00 higher than late last week.

COW BEEF

7 Loads

FOB Omaha Basis

Utility 450/up lbs. 77 00 (West), 1.00-2 00 higher than last week (BKRK) 3-4.

Utility: 400/up lbs. 81 00 (West), 1 00-2 00 higher than last week (BNG) 2-3.

Utility: 400/up lbs. 81 00 (Midwest) (BNG) 2-3.

Cnrr & Ctrr. 300/up lbs. 86 00 (West) 1-2.

FOB Amarillo Basis

Utility 450/up lbs. 78 00 (West), (BRK) 3-4

PRIMAL BEEF CUTS

2 1/2 Loads

FOB Omaha Basis

DIAMOND ROUND (H). 60-85 lbs. 116 00

FULL PLATES: 50 00

BONELESS PROCESSING

BEEF/BEEF

TRIMMINGS

19 Loads

FOB Omaha Basis

90% chem lean, frozen 118.75.

50% chem lean, fresh 47 00-49 00, mostly 48 00.

Compared to Tuesday's 2 15 report: Fresh pork loins 14-17 lbs

50 hgr, 20&up lbs steady Boston butts 8&up lbs Spareribs 2.00-3 00

higher. Fresh hams unestablished. Sds1 bellies 12-16 lbs. 1.75-3 50 lwr,

16-18 lbs. 4.00-5 00 lower. Trading and demand moderate Sales reported on 57 loads and 11 1/2 loads

of trimmings

FRESH PORK CUTS

LOINS: 14/dn lbs. 94.50-94 75, 14-17 lbs. 93 00-93 75, .50 higher, 20&up lbs. 80.00, steady.

BOSTON BUTTS. 8&up lbs. 63.00, steady

SPARERIBS 3/dn lbs. 94 00, 2 00 higher; 3-5 lbs. 81.00-82 00, 2 00-3 00 higher

SKINNED HAMS. 14-17 lbs. 67 00.

BELLIES, SDLS. 12-14 lbs. 48 50-49 00, 3.00-3.50 lower; 14-16 lbs. 48 25-49.00, 1.75-3 00 lower; 16-18 lbs. 47.00-48.00, 4.00-5 00 lower

VARIETY MEATS

NECKBONES. 15 25.

TAILS. 16 50.

FEET, FRONT, TOES ON. 18 00.

PORK TRIMMINGS

BONELESS PROCESSING

PORK

(Chemical Lean)

72% lean trimmings frzn 70 50
72% bnl picnics fresh 73 50-75.00, late 75.00.

72% bnl picnics frozen 76 50

Omaha Cattle

Thursday, February 5

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Slaughter steers and heifers at midweek 1 50-2 50 lower, instances 3 00 off on 3-4 steers over 1200 lbs Breaking Utility and Commercial cows 1 00 lower, canner, cutter and boning utility 1 00-2 00 higher Bulls steady

Four Day Receipts this week 12,000, Last Week 16,000, Year Ago 13,700.

Despite curtailed marketings, influenced in part by weekend snow storm, downward pressure continued on steers and heifers with yield grade and weight major price factors.

Slaughter steers made up 46 pct of the estimated five day total, heifers 28 pct, cows 19 pct and feeders 5 pct.

STEERS At midweek, load Good and most Choice 2-3 and load

Choice 3 1125 lbs. 60 25-60 75

Choice 2-4, mostly 3 1050-1225 lbs. 58.50-60 00; 3-4 1200-1300 lbs. 55 00-57 00, small end of 4 57 00-58 50

Choice and Prime large percentage 4 and some 5 1200-1400 lbs. 50.00-55.00, largely 51.00-54 00

Mixed Good and Choice 2-3 1050-1250 lbs. 58 00-59 00, some 59 50

Few Good 56.00-58.00 Good and Choice 2-3 1250-1350 lbs. Holsteins

54.00-56.00

HEIFERS Few lots Choice 3 975-1025 lbs. 59 00. Choice 2-4 900-1100 lbs. 56 50-58.50, 3-4 1075-1200 lbs. 53.50-56 50 Mixed Good and Choice 2-3 875-1050 lbs. 55.00-56.50 Few Good 54 00-55 50.

Average of LS 214 detailed quotations for Choice 900-1100 lbs steers 59 78, 1100-1300 lbs. 58.82 Average cost steers this week 58.24, average weight 1220 lbs. as compared 60 47 and 1171 lbs a week ago Average cost heifers 58 22, average weight 1053 lbs as compared 59 71 and 1031 lbs a week ago

COWS Utility and Commercial 2-4 40 00-42 00 Cutter and Boning Utility 1-2 40 00-43 00 Few Canner and Low-Cutter 37 00 to mostly 40 00

BULLS 1-2 1300-1800 lbs. 50 00-53 00, few individual 1 during week 54 00-55.00

Western Maryland Livestock

Westminster, Md.

Tuesday, February 3

Report supplied by auction

BUTCHER COWS Steady to 50 cents lower! High Yield few to 47 85, Standard & Utility 42 00-45 50, Canners 40 00-42 50, Shelly 40 00 Down. Bulls One 1840 lbs (Good) at 56 85, Steers Few Choice 2-4 65.00-66 50, Good 58 00-62 00, Heifers Choice 3-4 750-1000 lbs. 50 00-54 00.

BUTCHER HOGS \$1 00 higher! U S #1&2 215-240 lbs. 43 35-43 50; 240-260 lbs. One lot to 43 35, 195-210 lbs. One lot to 42 75, 350-400 lbs to 40 00 Sows US#1&3 250-600 lbs. 31 00-40 00 Boars 400-700 lbs. 31 00-31 50.

VEAL CALVES. Steady to \$2 higher Good & Choice 92.00-102 50, Standard 75.00-90 00, Killers 80-100 lbs. 59 00-68 00; Weak & Rough 59.00 Down

CALVES RETURNED TO FARM. Mostly bulls offered Holstein Heifers few 95-110 lbs to 103 00,

Holstein Bulls bulk 95-115 lbs. 90 00-103.00, few 70.00-90.00; Beef Type few 80-100 lbs. 65.00-71.00.

LAMBS: Few Offered, Good 75 lbs to 64.00; yearlings 40 00-50 00

STOCK CATTLE: Light run Steers 700-850 lbs. 50.00-55.00, Heifers 600-700 lbs. to 53.00, Bulls 400-500 lbs to 67.00

PIGS AND SHOATS. Smaller Run, Bidding Active. By the Head 15-30 lbs. 13.00-21 00, 30-60 lbs. 16 00-27.00, By the Lb. 75-125 lbs. 29 00-39 00; Stk Boars 85-185 lbs. 24 00-33.00.

Indiana Auction

Thursday, February 5

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CATTLE: 63. Compared with last Thursday's market: SI cows 50-1.00 higher. SI steers one Standard at 54.25 SI. heifers one Standard at 53.50. SI cows Utility & Commercial 43.00-46.75, Cutters 40 00-44.00; Canner & L Cutter 36 00-40.00; Shells down to 30 00 SI bulls: few Yield Grade No. 1 & 2 1200-1900 lbs. 50 00-58 00.

FEEDER CATTLE. Steers, Medium & Large Frame No. 1, 290-430 lbs. 66.00-73.00. Heifers, few Medium & Large Frame No. 1, 290-680 lbs. 61.00-72 00.

CALVES 67. Two Prime at 109 00 & 113 00; few Choice 96 00-101 00, few Good 84.00-92 00; Standard & Good 70-90 lbs. 62.00-66.00. Few Utility 55-130 lbs. 45.00-58.00

FARM CALVES: Few Hol Bulls 85-120 lbs. 76.00-101.00; Hol. Heifers 85-120 lbs. 104.00-110 00, Few Beef Cross Bulls & Heifers 85-95 lbs. 76.00-94 00.

HOGS 53. Barrows and gilts 1 00 higher US No. 1-3 200-240 lbs. 43 00-44 25; No. 1-3 160-170 lbs. 32 00-37 00; Sows few US No 1-3 300-350 lbs. 38 00-42.00. Few Boars 26 00-34.00.

FEEDER PIGS 28. US No 1-3 40-55 lbs. 10.00-16.00 per head, No 1-3 70-85 lbs. 25.00-30.00

SHEEP: 2. Two SI. ewes 15.00 & 30 00



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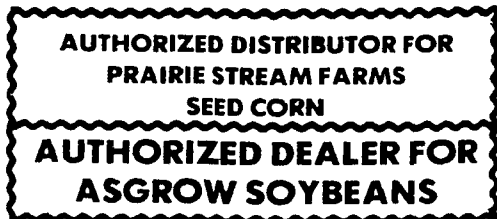
This is the year a farmer must know what he is doing with his fertilizer plan. You must be aiming for top production without wasting costly fertilizer materials. — Remember, the proper use of N-P-K even this year can return \$4.00 for each \$1.00 spent for needed plant nutrients.

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