

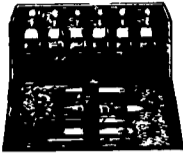
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TOPS IN THEIR MILLENNIUM

Responding to a question from *The World Almanac* (World Almanac Books, 1999), Pulitzer prize-winning historian Arthur M. Schlesinger Jr. named his choices for the ten most-influential people in the second millennium. Do you recognize all ten? Listed in order of importance, they are: William Shakespeare, Isaac Newton, Charles Darwin, Nicolaus Copernicus, Galileo Galilei, Albert Einstein, Christopher Columbus, Abraham Lincoln, Johann Gutenberg, and William Harvey. Gutenberg (c. 1397-1468) was a German printer, the first to use movable type cast in molds, and Harvey (1578-1657) is considered by some to be the founder of modern medicine for his discoveries about the heart.



A stitch in time would have confused Einstein.

TIP OF THE WEEK

➤ Add a magnetic strip to the inside of your medicine cabinet door to store tweezers, nail scissors, etc.

GREEK PASTA

- 1 pound pasta
- 1 pound canned artichoke hearts, drained and chopped
- 1 small red onion, chopped
- 1 red bell pepper, chopped
- 1/2 cup black olives, pitted
- 1 small bunch fresh basil, OR 2 tablespoons dried
- 1/2 cup crumbled feta
- 1 small bunch fresh spinach
- vinaigrette of choice
- 1 tablespoon olive oil
- Parmesan



Boil water and cook the pasta. Meanwhile, combine next seven ingredients and toss with the vinaigrette. Drain the pasta and toss with olive oil. Combine the salad ingredients with the hot pasta just before serving to wilt the greens. Top with Parmesan.

Makes 6 to 8 servings.

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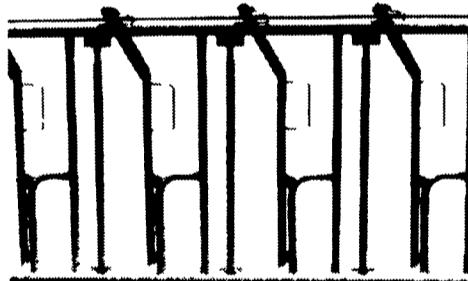
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USDA-OK Dept Ag Market News
Oklahoma National Stockyards - Weekly Cattle Summary

Compared to last week: Feeder steers steady to 2.00 lower. Steers calves 1.00-2.00 lower. Feeder heifers and heifer calves steady. Demand good for all classes. Conditions and quality not as good as last week. Quality mostly average, few attractive. Weigh-ups average to gaunt. Feeders in medium to fleshy conditions off wheat. Calves thin to fleshy. Slaughter cows weak. Slaughter bulls steady to 1.00 lower. Packer demand light to moderate. Demand continues very good for bred cows and pairs. Total of 538 cows and bulls sold with 35 percent to packers. Receipts this week 15,650; last week 17,414; last year 14,329. Supply consisted of 72 percent yearlings and calves over 600 lbs; 34 percent calves under 600 lbs; 4 percent cows and bulls. Heifers comprised 30 percent supply of feeder and calf supply. Prices follow with weighted average weight and price in parenthesis.

Feeder Steers: Medium and Large 1 325-400 lbs (350 lb) 117.50-119.50 (118.84); 400-450 lbs (421 lbs) 106.50-117.50 (110.55); 450-500 lbs (490 lbs) 103.75-110.50 (108.00); 500-550 lbs (523 lbs) 98.00-107.50 (104.45); 550-600 lbs (580 lbs) 91.00-96.75 (94.19); 600-650 lbs (619 lbs) 89.25-94.25 (92.31); 650-700 lbs (676 lb) 86.00-93.00 (89.76); 700-800 lbs (750 lbs) 84.00-90.75 (87.29); 800-850

lbs (822 lbs) 81.00-87.00 (84.88); 850-900 lbs (870 lbs) 77.00-83.25 (79.34); 900-950 lbs (927 lbs) 75.00-81.00 (78.36); 1000 lbs 74.75. Holsteins: Large 2 575 lbs 70.00; 600-750 lbs 64.00-66.50; few 800-825 lbs 60.00-65.00.

Heifers: Medium and Large 1 325 lbs 116.50; 350-400 lbs 104.50-109.00 (377 lbs) 104.50-109.00 (105.94); 400-500 lbs (450 lbs) 89.50-95.00 (93.68); 500-550 lbs (522 lbs) 87.00-95.50 (91.24); 550-600 lbs (572 lbs) 82.50-90.25 (87.08); 600-650 lbs (625 lb) 84.00-88.00 (85.55); 650-700 lbs (680 lbs) 81.50-86.50 (83.85); 700-750 lbs (727 lbs) 80.50-85.75 (83.12); 750-800 lbs (767 lbs) 77.25-82.75 (79.70); 800-900 lbs (850 lbs) 75.50-78.00 (76.02); 925 lbs 73.00.

Slaughter Cows: Head %Lean Weight Average Dress High Dress Low Dress Breaker 8 75-80% 1100-1400 35.00-37.00 38.00 31.50 Boner 40 80-85% 925-1650 34.00-37.50 37.75-42.00 Lean 88 85-90% 850-1350 34.00-37.00 37.00-38.75 28.00-33.75 Light 14 85-90% 700-900 26.00-29.50

Slaughter Bulls: Head Weight Average Dress High Dress Low Dress Yield Grade 1-2 26 1300-2100 44.00-48.50 47.50-52.00 44.00-46.00

Estimated dressed cost at Oklahoma National Stockyards: Lean 76.00; Boners 73.05; Breakers 68.85. Bulls 83.30.

Replacement Cows: Pretested for bangs, pregnancy, and age Medium and Large 1 Age Weight Months Bred Quality Price Heifers 800-950 4-8 months avg Blacks 580.00-640.00; 2-6 yr old 900-1300 5-8 months avg Blacks 650.00-710.00; 3-6 yr old 900-1300 2-4 months avg Blacks 570.00-635.00; Heifers 775-950 5-7

months avg quality 530.00-590.00; Heifers 775-950 2-5 months avg quality 500.00-515.00; 4-6 yr old 775-1350 5-8 months avg quality 575.00-630.00, few 660.00-685.00; 4-6 yr old 800-1200 2-4 months avg quality 425.00-575.00; 8 yr old 850-1200 6-7 months avg quality 470.00-525.00; 10 yr old 900-1100 6-8 months avg quality 450.00-490.00.

Pairs: Medium and large 1 Age Cow Weight Calf Weight Quality Price 2-6 yr old 725-1350 100-300 avg quality 700.00-740.00; 9 yr old 1000-1050 200 avg quality 605.00-610.00.

St. Louis Cattle, Hogs

Springfield IL
Mon Jan 17, 2000

USDA-IL Dept Ag Market News
Farmers Livestock Marketing Association
Greenville Illinois

Receipts this week: 75 Last week: 50 Last year: no report

Compared to last week cows were steady. Supply consisted of slaughter cows.

SLAUGHTER COWS: % Lean Weight Price Breakers 75-80% 850-1200 lbs 31.00-34.00 Boners 80-85% 850-1200 lbs 33.00-36.00 High Yielding Boners 80-85% Over 1100 lbs 34.00-36.00

Lean 85-90% 850-1200 lbs 29.00-31.00 85-90% 750-850 lbs 28.00-31.00 85-90% Under 750 lbs 24.00-28.00

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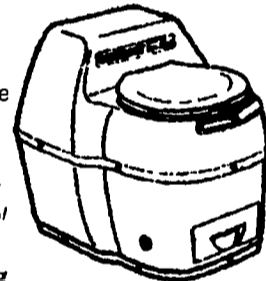
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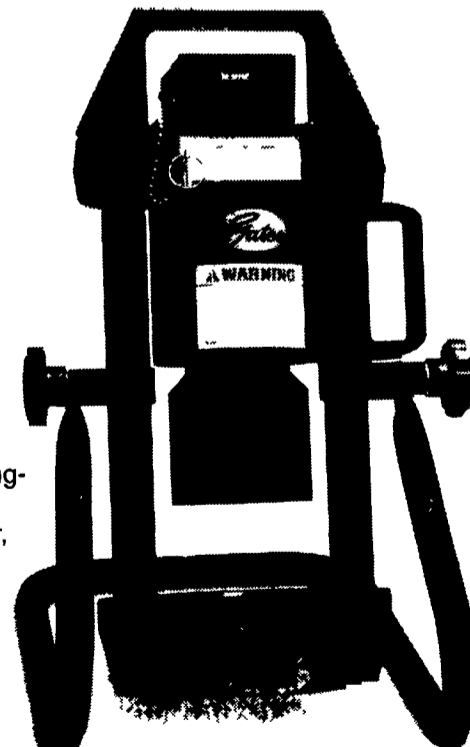
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