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Livestock Weighted Average Report for 12/16/2025 - Final

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	This Week	Last Reported 12/9/2025	Last Year
Total Receipts:	841	1,671	2,018
Feeder Cattle:	626(74.4%)	949(56.8%)	1,243(61.6%)
Slaughter Cattle:	164(19.5%)	622(37.2%)	420(20.8%)
Replacement Cattle:	51(6.1%)	100(6.0%)	355(17.6%)

Compared to last week: Yearling steers and heifers were too lightly tested last sale to develop any market trend. A few remanent yearlings continue to be marketed. Demand for yearling cattle was mostly moderate to good. Demand continues to improve as CME positions continue to inch higher. 550-599 lbs feeder steers offered the best test this week, selling mostly 25.00-35.00 higher. All other weights of steers were too lightly tested to develop an accurate market trend, however sharply higher undertones were noticed. Feeder heifers were too lightly tested to develop an accurate market trend, however higher to sharply higher undertones were noticed. Quality this week was mixed from plain to attractive with a wide range of quality and breeds represented. Group sizes were small to moderate this week, with many singles noticed. Demand for attractive offerings was mostly very good, while plain to average quality offerings sold on mostly moderate to good demand. CME positions traded higher today with all contracts January through September 2026 up over 2.00 higher. Offerings were light. Market activity was mostly moderate to active this week with a significantly larger buyer pool noticed for the last sale of the year. Weigh up cows sold on mostly good demand for light to moderate offerings. Feeding cow demand improved slightly this week as additional buyers were present buying feeding cows this week. Feeding cows sold mostly 3.00-5.00 higher with the largest price increases seen on lower yielding offerings. Slaughter cows sold 3.00-4.00 higher on breaking and boning cows, lean cows sold steady to 3.00 higher. Demand for slaughter cows was mostly moderate. Cow quality this week was mostly average to attractive. Slaughter bulls were too lightly tested to develop an accurate market trend, however lower undertones were noticed. Lighter demand from feeding bull buyers was seen this week. Young age cows suitable to feed or rebreed sold on light to moderate demand. Too few young cows were seen this week to develop an accurate market trend, however lower undertones were noticed. Quality was mostly plain to average again this week. Supply included: 74% Feeder Cattle (62% Steers, 36% Heifers, 1% Bulls); 20% Slaughter Cattle (90% Cows, 9% Bulls, 1% Dairy Cows); 6% Replacement Cattle (78% Stock Cows, 22% Bred Cows). Feeder cattle supply over 600 lbs was 13%.

FEEDER CATTLE

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

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price	
1	335	335	620.00	620.00	
5	360-395	387	562.50-570.00	567.54	
10	416-420	417	540.00-555.00	552.48	
45	465-485	479	507.50-542.50	534.57	
22	503-524	521	483.00-500.00	485.24	
105	564-584	574	435.00-467.50	457.51	
3	597	597	414.00	414.00	Full
6	656	656	403.00	403.00	Unweaned

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

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
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1	325	325	600.00	600.00	Unweaned
5	370-381	379	550.00-552.50	550.49	
3	448	448	487.50	487.50	
22	450-490	476	475.00-487.50	477.90	Unweaned
2	495	495	450.00	450.00	
14	501-545	521	440.00-455.00	449.12	
6	555-599	584	407.50-430.00	414.62	
1	605	605	402.50	402.50	
5	678	678	345.00-353.00	349.80	

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

<u>Head</u>	<u>Wt Range</u>	<u>Avg Wt</u>	<u>Price Range</u>	<u>Avg Price</u>
7	704	704	312.50	312.50
31	797	797	323.50	323.50
3	825	825	305.00	305.00

STEERS - Medium and Large 2-3 (Per Cwt / Actual Wt)

<u>Head</u>	<u>Wt Range</u>	<u>Avg Wt</u>	<u>Price Range</u>	<u>Avg Price</u>
6	518	518	330.00	330.00

STEERS - 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>
4	564	564	445.00	445.00

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

<u>Head</u>	<u>Wt Range</u>	<u>Avg Wt</u>	<u>Price Range</u>	<u>Avg Price</u>
4	806	806	250.00	250.00

STEERS - Medium 2-3 (Per Cwt / Actual Wt)

<u>Head</u>	<u>Wt Range</u>	<u>Avg Wt</u>	<u>Price Range</u>	<u>Avg Price</u>
11	509	509	250.00	250.00

HEIFERS - 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>	
16	413	413	502.50	502.50	
29	451	451	484.00	484.00	
2	568	568	352.50	352.50	
8	558-590	562	355.00-357.50	355.33	Unweaned
3	608	608	351.00	351.00	
10	828	828	310.00	310.00	

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



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<u>Head</u>	<u>Wt Range</u>	<u>Avg Wt</u>	<u>Price Range</u>	<u>Avg Price</u>
13	324-338	333	447.50-460.00	452.18
24	357-395	386	430.00-455.00	447.42
34	404-431	420	440.00-453.00	445.15
12	461-498	474	363.00-385.00	380.37
2	558	558	341.00	341.00
2	630	630	322.00	322.00

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

<u>Head</u>	<u>Wt Range</u>	<u>Avg Wt</u>	<u>Price Range</u>	<u>Avg Price</u>
4	370	370	370.00	370.00
5	449	449	407.50	407.50
11	453-487	472	370.00-385.00	376.55

HEIFERS - Medium and Large 2-3 (Per Cwt / Actual Wt)

<u>Head</u>	<u>Wt Range</u>	<u>Avg Wt</u>	<u>Price Range</u>	<u>Avg Price</u>
3	417	417	312.50	312.50

HEIFERS - 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>
10	536	536	352.50	352.50

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

<u>Head</u>	<u>Wt Range</u>	<u>Avg Wt</u>	<u>Price Range</u>	<u>Avg Price</u>
6	597	597	362.50	362.50

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

<u>Head</u>	<u>Wt Range</u>	<u>Avg Wt</u>	<u>Price Range</u>	<u>Avg Price</u>	<u>Dressing</u>
14	1539-1675	1570	152.00-161.00	158.48	Average
4	1425-1577	1539	158.00-165.00	163.38	Average Return to Feed
2	1685-1875	1780	146.00-152.00	148.84	Low

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

<u>Head</u>	<u>Wt Range</u>	<u>Avg Wt</u>	<u>Price Range</u>	<u>Avg Price</u>	<u>Dressing</u>
2	1275-1630	1453	132.00-138.00	134.63	Average
18	1265-1715	1373	157.00-168.00	164.81	Average Return to Feed
16	1230-1350	1342	168.00-169.50	168.09	High Return to Feed
4	1240-1355	1298	115.00-122.00	118.23	Low
7	1285-1625	1395	134.00-155.00	147.13	Low Return to Feed
1	1320	1320	90.00	90.00	Very Low



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

<u>Head</u>	<u>Wt Range</u>	<u>Avg Wt</u>	<u>Price Range</u>	<u>Avg Price</u>	<u>Dressing</u>
1	1270	1270	132.50	132.50	Average
1	935	935	117.50	117.50	Average Light Weight
15	1070-1270	1140	147.00-166.00	158.41	Average Return to Feed
1	970	970	143.00	143.00	High Light Weight
9	1075-1222	1165	167.00-171.00	168.18	High Return to Feed
12	1000-1415	1170	102.50-127.50	111.91	Low
1	1075	1075	105.00	105.00	Low Light Weight
10	905-1220	1093	115.00-152.50	138.54	Low Return to Feed
6	1015-1215	1119	72.50-100.00	88.03	Very Low
1	950	950	85.00	85.00	Very Low Light Weight

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

<u>Head</u>	<u>Wt Range</u>	<u>Avg Wt</u>	<u>Price Range</u>	<u>Avg Price</u>	<u>Dressing</u>
1	1285	1285	111.00	111.00	Low

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

<u>Head</u>	<u>Wt Range</u>	<u>Avg Wt</u>	<u>Price Range</u>	<u>Avg Price</u>	<u>Dressing</u>
2	1870-1890	1880	167.00-169.50	168.24	Average
9	1425-2125	1704	152.00-168.00	158.32	Low
1	1830	1830	167.00	167.00	Low Return to Feed

BULLS - 2-3 (Per Cwt / Actual Wt)

<u>Head</u>	<u>Wt Range</u>	<u>Avg Wt</u>	<u>Price Range</u>	<u>Avg Price</u>	<u>Dressing</u>
1	1325	1325	153.00	153.00	Low

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

<u>Age</u>	<u>Stage</u>	<u>Head</u>	<u>Wt Range</u>	<u>Avg Wt</u>	<u>Price Range</u>	<u>Avg Price</u>
<2	O	17	840-1110	946	220.00-292.50	268.60
2-4	O	9	1055-1235	1116	180.00-227.50	199.74

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

<u>Age</u>	<u>Stage</u>	<u>Head</u>	<u>Wt Range</u>	<u>Avg Wt</u>	<u>Price Range</u>	<u>Avg Price</u>
<2	O	4	875-1023	954	230.00-271.00	242.08
2-4	O	5	970-1075	1021	180.00-245.00	216.26

BRED COWS - Medium and Large 1 (Per Unit / Actual Wt)

<u>Age</u>	<u>Stage</u>	<u>Head</u>	<u>Wt Range</u>	<u>Avg Wt</u>	<u>Price Range</u>	<u>Avg Price</u>
>5	T2-3	2	1513	1513	2600.00	2600.00
>8	T2-3	8	1398	1398	2500.00	2500.00 Broken Mouth



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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.