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Livestock Weighted Average Report for 1/25/2026 - 1/31/2026

## LIVESTOCK SUMMARY

	Current Week	Last Reported 1/19/2026	Last Year
<b>Total Receipts:</b>	3,201	11,333	6,119
<b>Feeder Cattle:</b>	2,513(78.5%)	5,677(50.1%)	4,514(73.8%)
<b>Slaughter Cattle:</b>	389(12.2%)	1,006(8.9%)	1,139(18.6%)
<b>Replacement Cattle:</b>	299(9.3%)	1,107(9.8%)	466(7.6%)
<b>Feeder Sheep/Lambs:</b>	0(0.0%)	1,220(10.8%)	0(0.0%)
<b>Slaughter Sheep/Lambs:</b>	0(0.0%)	870(7.7%)	0(0.0%)
<b>Replacement Sheep/Lambs:</b>	0(0.0%)	5(0.0%)	0(0.0%)
<b>Feeder Goats:</b>	0(0.0%)	147(1.3%)	0(0.0%)
<b>Slaughter Goats:</b>	0(0.0%)	1,301(11.5%)	0(0.0%)

Compared to last week: Steer calves under 450 lbs were too lightly tested to develop an accurate market trend, however steady to weak undertones were noticed on a lower quality offering. 450 lbs steers and heavier sold fully steady in a narrow comparison. Heifers under 500 lbs were too lightly tested to develop an accurate market trend, however steady to higher undertones were noticed. Heifers 500-599 lbs sold generally steady. Heifers 600 lbs and heavier sold steady to 5.00 lower. Demand was good to very good for all offerings this week. The best demand continues to be for cattle suitable to develop into yearlings as several buyers still have large orders to fill for summer grass leases. Additionally, demand for offerings too big to develop into yearlings was also good this week, however quality did limit demand as packer buyers showed lighter demand for lower quality offerings. High quality offerings continue to sell fully steady. Cattle were offered in smaller package sizes this week which also limited demand in places. Only one load lot was seen this week. Demand for feeding heifers continues to be very good as many attractive heifers are being purchased to feed with competitive bidding seen between replacement and packer buyers. The January feeder cattle contract had a final settlement of 370.69, 5.89 higher than last Friday's close, the March closed at 360.275, 0.10 higher than last Friday. The April closed at 358.275, 0.475 lower than last Friday. The May contract closed Friday at 355.125. Market activity was mostly active however a slightly smaller buyer pool was noticed this week. Weigh up cows sold on mostly good demand for light offerings. Feeding cow demand remains good. All feeding cows sold 3.00-8.00 higher for the week with the largest price increase seen in lower yielding offerings as buyers were willing to take blemished cows to feed this week. Slaughter cow demand was stronger this week as snow storms have slowed the volume of cattle being delivered directly to the packing plants, especially in the upper plains. Cow offerings were also lighter at sales across Montana this week forcing packers and feeding buyers to bid aggressively over all offerings. Breaking cows sold mostly 4.00-6.00 higher. Boning and lean cows sold mostly 5.00-7.00 higher. Slaughter bulls sold mostly 2.00-3.00 higher. Demand for young age cows suitable to feed or rebreed was mostly light to moderate this week as quality and light offerings limited demand. Coming 2 year old cows sold mostly steady on an average quality offering. Supply included: 79% Feeder Cattle (37% Steers, 57% Heifers, 3% Bulls, 1% Beef/Dairy Steers, 2% Beef/Dairy Heifers); 12% Slaughter Cattle (77% Cows, 23% Bulls); 9% Replacement Cattle (83% Stock Cows, 10% Bred Cows, 7% Bred Heifers). Feeder cattle supply over 600 lbs was 42%.

## FEEDER CATTLE

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

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
12	357-370	364	640.00-670.00	643.77
19	400-428	417	580.00-610.00	599.17



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28	438	438	605.00	605.00	Unweaned
74	453-490	458	545.00-595.00	580.54	
60	508-545	525	499.00-537.00	520.64	
82	522-530	529	514.00-525.00	515.46	Unweaned
127	550-595	580	450.00-500.00	474.90	
80	603-639	631	425.00-446.00	433.60	
38	612-633	620	427.00-441.00	435.36	Unweaned
132	652-678	660	414.00-425.00	423.23	
29	714	714	401.50	401.50	
10	741	741	372.00	372.00	Unweaned
4	750	750	352.50	352.50	Unweaned
3	813	813	322.00	322.00	Fleshy
17	854	854	332.00	332.00	Fleshy

**STEERS - 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>
4	440	440	510.00	510.00
3	477	477	515.00	515.00
8	523-543	528	460.00-485.00	478.57
11	563-568	564	438.00-447.50	440.61
21	620-649	632	400.00-421.00	417.23
21	678	678	390.50	390.50
6	730-743	734	372.00-379.00	374.36
4	869	869	341.00	341.00

**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>
3	423	423	405.00	405.00
3	550	550	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>
2	448	448	485.00	485.00
5	492	492	527.50	527.50
2	515-535	525	500.00-510.00	505.10
2	695	695	362.50	362.50

**STEERS - Medium 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>
3	325	325	510.00	510.00

**BEEF/DAIRY 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>
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24	891	891	326.00	326.00
6	1005	1005	282.50	282.50

#### 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>	
3	343	343	570.00	570.00	
11	340	340	571.00	571.00	Unweaned
7	374	374	540.00	540.00	
30	422-448	430	481.00-552.50	495.22	
3	433	433	460.00	460.00	Full
22	418	418	555.00	555.00	Unweaned
205	453-495	475	467.50-530.00	484.34	
230	502-549	534	436.00-468.00	454.91	
64	551-597	570	412.50-443.00	427.91	
4	569	569	426.00	426.00	Unweaned
102	603-648	627	381.00-418.00	396.66	
10	630	630	369.00	369.00	Fleshy
84	655-693	667	359.50-395.00	379.95	
19	684	684	332.00	332.00	Fleshy
50	707-749	718	361.00-365.50	364.28	
9	750-760	756	349.00-352.50	351.33	
34	817	817	317.00	317.00	Fleshy

#### HEIFERS - 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>	
16	357-398	378	455.00-485.00	479.12	
19	405-443	437	450.00-500.00	485.43	
72	452-499	474	405.00-468.00	453.05	
49	525-538	533	412.50-435.00	418.05	
19	551-596	571	370.00-395.00	385.76	
3	635	635	355.00	355.00	
2	635	635	337.50	337.50	Fleshy
119	683-693	685	347.00-356.00	348.68	
8	710-740	734	337.00-353.00	346.47	
15	762	762	336.00	336.00	

#### 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>
1	375	375	470.00	470.00
5	570	570	300.00	300.00

#### HEIFERS - Large 1 (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>
6	532	532	432.50	432.50
2	598	598	396.00	396.00
2	618	618	364.00	364.00
11	714	714	342.00	342.00

#### HEIFERS - Medium 1 (Per Cwt / Actual Wt)

<u>Head</u>	<u>Wt Range</u>	<u>Avg Wt</u>	<u>Price Range</u>	<u>Avg Price</u>
6	420-449	439	460.00-476.00	470.90
5	473	473	425.00	425.00

#### HEIFERS - Medium 2 (Per Cwt / Actual Wt)

<u>Head</u>	<u>Wt Range</u>	<u>Avg Wt</u>	<u>Price Range</u>	<u>Avg Price</u>
2	480	480	295.00	295.00

#### BEEF/DAIRY HEIFERS - 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>
8	723	723	335.00	335.00
37	846	846	311.00	311.00

#### BULLS - 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>
9	465-471	470	535.00-550.00	545.57
2	523	523	495.00	495.00
8	564-593	571	400.00-417.50	404.54
3	617	617	392.50	392.50
2	623	623	397.50	397.50
14	703-707	706	362.50-367.00	366.36
6	770-784	779	327.50-337.50	334.21
3	970	970	287.50	287.50

#### 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>
2	530	530	485.00	485.00
7	949	949	290.00	290.00

#### BULLS - Medium 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>
8	398	398	510.00	510.00

## SLAUGHTER CATTLE

#### COWS - Breaker 75-80% (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>	<u>Dressing</u>
30	1448-1983	1703	157.50-174.00	167.31	Average
1	2090	2090	164.00	164.00	Average Heavy Weight
36	1265-1635	1574	165.00-170.00	167.70	Average Return to Feed
14	1415-1853	1653	142.00-162.00	156.08	Low
14	1430-1573	1515	143.00-161.00	153.72	Low Return to Feed

**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>
10	1110-1650	1405	133.00-145.00	140.28	Average
95	1225-1605	1395	160.00-173.00	168.30	Average Return to Feed
1	1550	1550	169.00	169.00	High
8	1428-1496	1470	173.00-174.00	173.38	High Return to Feed
5	1295-1440	1345	105.00-130.00	121.12	Low
10	1210-1570	1389	125.00-159.00	145.25	Low Return to Feed

**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>
3	1005-1325	1132	127.50-148.00	136.98	Average
15	985-1295	1152	155.00-169.00	162.30	Average Return to Feed
6	1105-1198	1177	167.50-172.00	170.79	High Return to Feed
13	1025-1255	1129	105.00-130.00	118.39	Low
9	891-943	906	95.00-121.00	113.18	Low Light Weight
14	863-1295	1083	135.00-163.00	147.79	Low Return to Feed
5	1005-1130	1058	75.00-102.50	92.36	Very Low
2	910-960	935	85.00	85.00	Very Low Light Weight

**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>
23	1460-2305	1885	178.00-192.00	183.35	Average
20	1653-1900	1830	186.00-197.00	195.27	Average Natural
1	1350	1350	182.00	182.00	Average Non-Traditional
12	1365-1980	1646	165.00-184.00	180.41	Average Return to Feed
1	2475	2475	193.50	193.50	High
8	1881	1881	198.50	198.50	High Natural
14	1485-2000	1690	134.00-179.00	164.33	Low
1	1235	1235	150.00	150.00	Low Light Weight
1	1210	1210	165.00	165.00	Low Non-Traditional
5	1405-1975	1666	152.50-182.50	171.52	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>



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## 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	82	803-980	882	257.50-322.00	298.60
2-4	O	108	825-1330	1064	184.00-310.00	244.00
2-4	O	3	1175-1425	1313	175.00-182.50	178.60
2-8	O	10	1180-1385	1252	171.00-190.00	177.16

### 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	8	896-1030	926	244.00-255.00	246.01
2-4	O	24	842-1280	989	180.00-280.00	231.12
2-4	O	1	935	935	185.00	185.00

Thin Fleshed

### STOCK COWS - Medium 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	1	760	760	292.50	292.50
2-4	O	1	890	890	265.00	265.00

### STOCK COWS - Medium 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>
2-4	O	1	1000	1000	185.00	185.00

### BRED 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>
>8	T1-2	4	1446	1446	165.00	165.00

Broken Mouth

### 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>
2-4	T1-2	9	1140-1385	1226	2650.00-2800.00	2742.05
5-8	T1-2	1	1115	1115	2500.00	2500.00
>5	T2-3	2	1345-1765	1555	2850.00-2950.00	2893.25
>8	T2-3	5	1361	1361	2650.00	2650.00

Broken Mouth

### BRED COWS - Medium and Large 1-2 (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	1	1495	1495	2550.00	2550.00
>8	T2-3	4	1225	1225	2375.00	2375.00
>8	T2-3	3	1190-1275	1230	2000.00	2000.00

Broken Mouth

Thin Fleshed



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**BRED HEIFERS - 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>
<2	T1	11	955	955	3025.00	3025.00
<2	T1	9	897	897	2700.00	2700.00 Non-Legible Bangs

**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)

Age - Numerical representation of age in years.