Sheep/Wool Market Reports
Compiled by USDA Market News Service • Greeley, Colo.-San Angelo,

Wool prices in cents per pound and foreign

currency per kilogram, sheep prices in dollars per hundredweight (cwt.) except some replace

NATIONAL WOOL REVIEW

(USDA Market News)

Greeley, Colo.

May 8

Domestic wool trading on a clean basis was

very slow this week. There were 154.135 lbs. of

confirmed trades. Demand was good. A steady U.S. dollar and optimism overseas have limited

the trading as growers are wanting to hold on to

wool during this latest upswing in the Australian

wool market to see just how far it may go. Cur-

rency still is a factor on a week to week basis and

currently is the part of the cause for the reduced

number of trades. Domestic wool trading on a

greasy basis was slow this week. There were

92,415 lbs. of confirmed trades. All trades report-

ed on a weighted average. Fleece States Ewe

Wool: 22 micron \$1.40: 23 micron \$1.08. Yearling

wools: 65-70mm 21 micron \$1.42; 60-65mm 25

micron \$1.01. Territory States Ewe Wool: 22 mi-

NATIONAL SHEEP SUMMARY

(USDA Market News)

San Angelo, Texas

Compared to May 1: Slaughter lambs were

steady to as much as \$30 lower, except at Ft.

Collins, Colo., they were \$15-17 higher. Slaugh

ter ewes were mostly steady to \$10 higher. Feed-

er lambs were weak to 5 lower, except at Sioux

Falls, S.D., they were \$5-10 higher. At San Ange

lo. Texas, 5.566 head sold in a one-day sale. No

sales in Equity Electronic Auction. In direct trad-

ing slaughter ewes were not tested and no com-

parison on feeder lambs. 4,000 head of negotiat-

ed sales of slaughter lambs under 170 lbs. were

\$2-3 higher, over 170 lbs. were not well tested

8.100 head of formula sales under 65 lbs. were

not well tested; 65-75 lbs. were sharply higher;

cron \$1.50: 23 micron \$1.22.

\$.60-.70

\$.50-.60

\$.40-.50

Domestic wool tags

No. 2

No. 3

animals on per head basis as indicated

Farm Market Report

Hay Market Reports Compiled by USDA Market News Service • St. Joseph, Mo.-Portland

Hay prices are dollars per ton or dollars per bale when sold to retail outlets. Basis is current delivery FOB barn or stack, or delivered

Grade guidelines used in this report have the following relationship to Relative Feed Value (RFV), Acid Detergent Fiber (ADF), TDN (Total Digestible Nutrients), or Crude Protein (CP) test num-

bers:							
Grade	RFV	ADF	TDN	CP			
Supreme	185+	<27	55.9+	22+			
Premium	170-185	27-29	54.5-55.9	20-22			
Good	150-170	29-32	52.5-54.5	18-20			
Fair	130-150	32-35	50.5-52.5	16-18			
Utility	<130	36+	<50.5	<16			
WASHINGTON-OREGON HAY							
(Columbia Basin)							
(USDA Market News)							
Moses Lake, Wash.							
May 8							

This week FOB Last week Last year 8,050 550 22,185 Compared to May 1: All grades of Alfalfa steady in a light test Trade slow on Alfalfa. First new crop sales reported this week. First cutting is widespread throughout the trade area this week. Trade moderate on second cutting old crop Timothy. Demand good for new crop high testing Alfalfa light to moderate on other grades. Retail/

reeastore not tested this week	k. Demand remai	ns gooa	
		Tons	Price
Alfalfa Large Square	Prem./Sup.	2000	\$220
	Fair/Good	750	\$150-160
Alfalfa Mid Square	Good/Prem.	1800	\$180-190
Timothy Grass Large Square	Fair/Good	3500	\$90-105
OREGO	ON AREA HAY		
(USDA	Market News)		
Port	tland, Ore.		
	May 8		
This week FOB La	Last week		.ast year
744	2,077		284
Compared to May 1: Prices	tranded general	lly etaad	v compared

this week. Most producers have sold all that they plan to sell for CROOK, DESCHUTES, JEFFERSON, WASCO COUNTIES Alfalfa Mid Square \$170 Good

to the same quality last week. Trade activity and demand was slow

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Square	Premium	4	\$270-275
Grass Mix-Five Way Small			
Square	Premium	10	\$275
KLAMATH BASIN			
Alfalfa Mid Square	Good/Prem.	75	\$205
AKE COUNTY			
Alfalfa Large Square	Supreme	68	\$250
	Premium	80	\$210
	Good	192	\$170-185
Small Square	Supreme	30	\$240
	Premium	90	\$230
	Good	30	\$175
Triticale Large Square	Good/Prem.	95	\$140
Forage Mix-Three Way			
Large Square	Good/Prem.	28	\$170
EASTERN OREGON: No new sai	les confirmed.		
HARNEY COUNTY: No new sale:	s confirmed.		
	YAH C		
(USDA Ma	rket News)		
Mococla	ka Wach		

Moses Lake, Wash May 8 This week FOB Last week Last year 11,799 5,900 6,000 Compared to May 1: All grades of Alfalfa weak in a light test. Trade active on new crop contracting on the stump, slow

mand moderate. Retail/feed store/horse not tested this week.						
		Tons	Price			
Alfalfa Large Square	Prem./Sup.	500	\$160			
	Good/Prem.	500	\$160			
	Fair/Good	500	\$125			
	Utility	300	\$75			
Alfalfa Standing	Prem./Sup.	3333	\$110-130			
	Good/Prem.	3333	\$110-130			
	Fair/Good	3333	\$110-130			
CALIFORNIA HAY						
(IISDA Market Nove)						

May 8 This week FOB Last week Last year 13,753 9,990 18.645 Compared to May 1: All classes traded active on good demand.

Moses Lake, Wash

Milk prices remained in the low-teens, which affected the demand from dairies for test hay. Exporters are still playing a big hand in the markets in region 6. According to U.S. Drought Monitor, the situation continues to deteriorate across northern California and Oregon as well. This is reflected by a slight expansion of D1-D2 to the west in extreme northwest California and extreme southwest Oregon Prices for top end alfalfa compared to last year at this time are \$50

Yuba, Sierra, Nevada, Placer, Yolo, El Dorado, Solano, Sacramento

REGION 2: Sacramento Valley Includes the counties of Tehama, Glenn, Butte, Colusa, Sutter

Tons Alfalfa Cubes Good \$280 Supreme Premium 75 \$240 200 \$200 Good/Prem. Good 75 \$150 **Orchard Grass** Premium 75 \$280 100 \$140 Rice Straw Good 150 \$100 REGION 3: Northern San Joaquin Valley

Includes the counties of San Joaquin, Calaveras, Stanislaus, Tuolumne, Mono, Merced and Mariposa.

Alfalfa	Supreme	900	\$240-265
		1025	\$280
		27	\$275
	Good	225	\$210-225
Oat	Good	350	\$160
Triticale	Good	250	\$140
REGION 4: Central San Joaquin	Valley		
		Tons	Price
Alfalfa	Supreme	170	\$295
	Premium	500	\$240
		350	\$275
Oat	Good	90	\$210
Wheat	Good	300	\$140
REGION 5: Southern California			
Includes the counties of Kern	Northeast Los	Angeles	and West-

ern San Bernardino Tons Price

Alfalfa	Supreme Premium	200 350 150	\$250 \$245 \$260
REGION 6: Southeast California		100	Ψ200
		Tons	Price
Alfalfa	Prem./Sup.	1116	\$220-226
	Premium	400	\$225

Grain Market Reports Compiled by USDA Market News Service • Portland

Grains are stated in dollars per bushel or hundredweight (cwt.) except feed grains traded in dollars per ton. National grain report

bids are for rail delivery unless truck indicated. PORTLAND GRAIN

(USDA Market News) Portland May 7

PACIFIC NORTHWEST MARKET SUMMARY

Orchard Grass Small

Cash wheat bids for May delivery ended the reporting week on Thursday, May 7, mixed, compared to April 30 noon bids. Bids for soft white wheat trended mixed, while hard red winter wheat bids were higher and dark northern spring wheat were lower.

May wheat futures ended the reporting week on Thursday, May 7, mixed as follows compared to May 30 closes: Chicago July wheat futures 1.25 cents lower at \$4.7275, Kansas City May wheat futures 8.50 cents higher at \$4.9875 and Minneapolis May wheat futures trended 5.25 cents lower at \$5.18. Chicago July corn futures trended 4.75 cents lower at 3.6150 while July soybean futures closed 1 cents lower at \$9.75.

Bids for U.S. 1 Soft White Wheat delivered to Portland in unit trains or barges during May for ordinary protein were mixed, from 1.25 cents lower to 5 cents per bushel higher from \$5.85-6.0275, mostly \$5.9075 compared to April 30 noon bids for May delivery of \$5.80-6.04, mostly \$5.91. There were no white club wheat premiums for this week and last.

One year ago bids for U.S. 1 Soft White Wheat any protein for May delivery by unit trains and barges to Portland were \$7.90-8.0775 and bids for White Club Wheat were \$8.3275-8.5775, mostly

Nearby bids for U.S. 1 Soft White wheat ordinary protein started reporting week on May 1 at \$5.91 then rose slightly to mostly \$5.9275 on May 4 before dropping lower to mostly \$5.8750 on May 5. On May 6, bids moved higher to mostly \$5.9725 and end the week May 7, lower at mostly \$5.9075.

Several exporters are not issuing bids for nearby delivery. Forward month bids for soft white wheat ordinary protein were as follows: June \$5.85-5.95, July \$5.8075-5.85, August New Crop \$5,7075-5.85 and September \$5,8075-5.85. One year ago, forward month bids for soft white wheat for any protein were as follows: June \$8.0275-8.1175, July \$7.7975-7.9150, August New Corp \$7.8550-7.9150 and September \$7.9050-7.9150.

Bids for U.S. 1 Soft White Wheat guaranteed maximum 10.5 percent protein during May trended mixed, from 1.25 cents lower to 16 cents per bushel higher from \$6.2275-6.55, mostly \$6.3475 per bushel compared to last week ranging from \$6.24-6.39, mostly

White club wheat premiums for guaranteed 10.5 percent protein were up to \$1.10. Nearby bids for U.S. 1 Soft White Wheat guaranteed 10.5 percent protein began the reporting week on Friday at mostly \$6.35, then rose slightly higher on Monday to mostly \$6.3675 then lower again on May 5 to mostly \$6.3150.

On May 6, bids moved higher to mostly \$6.4325, continuing fractionally higher May 7 to mostly \$6.3475. Forward month bids for soft white wheat guaranteed 10.5 percent protein were as follows: June \$6.30-6.55, July \$5.8075-5.95, August New Crop \$5.7075-6.23 and September \$5.8075-6.23.

Bids for 11.5 percent protein U.S. 1 Hard Red Winter Wheat for May delivery were 4.50 to 8.50 cents per bushel higher compared to last Thursday's for May noon bids. The Minneapolis May wheat futures supported bids while some exporters lowered their basis which offset the higher spring wheat futures for the week.

On May $\bar{7}$, bids were as follows: May \$5.9375-6.0375, mostly \$5.9875; June \$5.9975; July \$5.8975-5.9475 and August New Crop

Bids for non-guaranteed 14.0 percent protein U.S. 1 Dark Northern Spring Wheat for Portland delivery for May delivery were 5.25 cents per bushel lower in lining up with the lower Kansas City May wheat futures for the week.

On May 7, bids for non-quaranteed 14 percent protein were as follows: May \$6.93-7.58, mostly \$7.305; June \$7.0575-7.5075; July \$6.7075-7.2075; August New Crop \$6.5250-6.9250 and September \$6.4250-6.7250

COARSE FEEDING GRAINS

Bids for U.S. 2 Yellow Corn delivered full coast Pacific Northwest BN shuttle trains for May delivery were 0.25 to 1.25 cents higher from \$4.5650-4.5950 per bushel. Forward month corn bids for June \$4.5350-4.5950, July \$4.5525-4.5925, and August through November were \$4.67-4.69. Bids for U.S. 1 Yellow Sovbeans delivered full coast Pacific Northwest — BN shuttle trains for May delivery were 1 to 11 cents lower from \$10.50-10.55 per bushel. Forward month soybean bids for June \$10.50-10.55. October and November \$10.39-10.66 and December \$10.4225-10.6625. Bids for U.S. 2 Heavy Wheat Oats for May delivery held steady at 3.8475 per bushel

PACIFIC NORTHWEST EXPORT NEWS

There were seven grain vessels in Columbia River ports on Thursday, May 7, with three docked compared to three April 30 with two docked. There were no confirmed export sales this week from the Commodity Credit Corporation of the USDA

CALIFORNIA GRAINS (USDA Market News) Portland May 7

Prices in dollars per cwt., bulk Inc.= including; Nom.= nominal; Ltd.= limited; Ind.= indicated; NYE=Not fully estimated.

Price per cwt. Mode Destination BARLEY - U.S. No. 2 (46-lbs. per bushel) Stockton-Modesto-Oakdale-Turlock NA

	rulare county	14/1
Truck	Petaluma-Santa Rosa	\$9.75
	Stockton-Modesto-Oakdale-Turlock	\$9.75
	Kings-Tulare-Fresno Counties	NA
	Madera County	NA
	Solano County	NA
CORN - U.	S. No. 2 Yellow	
	FOB Turlock/Tulare	\$8.69
Rail	Single Car Units via BNSF	
	Chino Valley-Los Angeles	\$9.13
Truck	Petaluma-Santa Rosa	NA
	Stockton-Modesto-Oakdale-Turlock	\$8.99
	Los Angeles-Chino Valley	NA
	Kings-Tulare-Fresno Counties	NA
SORGHUN	И - U.S. No. 2 Yellow	
Rail	Los Angeles-Chino Valley	
	via BNSF Single	\$10.96
Truck	Modesto-Oakdale-Turlock	NA
OATS - U.S	S. No. 1 White	
Truck	Los Angeles-Chino Valley	NA
OATS - U.S	S. No. 2 White	
Truck	Petaluma	NA
Stockton-N	Nodesto-Oakdale-Turlock	NA
Rail	Petaluma	NA
WHEAT - U	J.S. No. 2 or better - Hard Red Winter	
	(Domestic Values for Flour Milling)	
	Los Angeles 12 percent Protein	\$12.30
	Los Angeles 13 percent Protein	\$12.50
	Los Angeles 14 percent Protein	\$12.70
Truck/Rail	Los Angeles 11-12 percent Protein	
	Los Angeles 12 percent Protein	\$10.75
	Los Angeles 13 percent Protein	NA
	Los Angeles 14 percent Protein	NA
WHEAT - U	J.S. Durum Wheat	
Truck	Imperial County	NA

Tulare County

Truck/Rail Los Angeles-Chino Valley \$12.05 Petaluma-Santa Rosa Stockton-Modesto-Oakdale-Turlock \$NA King-Tulare-Fresno Counties Merced County **Kern County**

Kings-Tulare-Fresno Counties

WHEAT - Any Class for Feed

FOB Tulare

Prices paid to California farmers, seven-day reporting period ending May 7

WHEAT, U.S. No. 1, Hard Amber Durum for Flour Milling						
Imperial	\$17.25	OC	Del Loca			
Imperial	\$14.25	NC	Del Loca			

Livestock Auctions

except some replacement animals per pair or head as indicated California

SHASTA (Shasta Livestock Auction) Cottonwood, Calif. May 8

Current week Last week 1.345 2.513 Compared to May 1: Slaughter cows & bulls

steady to \$1 lower. Cattle under 475 lbs. stronger. Good lots of 550-600 lbs. steers higher. Balance mostly \$3-9 lower than last week. Off lots and singles \$30-60 lower than top offerings.

Slaughter cows: Breakers \$102-109, \$110-120 high dress: Boning \$97-101: Cutters \$81-97.

Bulls 1 and 2: \$110-124; \$125-135 high dress Feeder steers: 300-400 lbs. \$280-335; 400-450 lbs. \$290-323: 450-500 lbs. \$265-290: 500-550 lbs. \$250-286; 550-600 lbs. \$238-273; 600-650 lbs. \$220-248: 650-700 lbs. \$210-243: 700-750 lbs. \$195-216: 750-800 lbs. \$189-215: 800-900 lbs.

Feeder heifers: 300-400 lbs. \$280-325: 400-450 lbs. \$317; 500-550 lbs. \$210-238; 550-600 lbs. \$200-225; 600-650 lbs. \$194-210; 650-700 lbs. \$194-207; 700-750 lbs. \$194; 750-800 lbs. \$180; 800-900 lbs. \$184.

Pairs: Full-mouth pairs \$2200-\$3100; Broken-mouth \$1700-2300.

Calvy cows: Full mouth \$1700-\$2400. Broken mouth butcher price to \$1700.

Agricultural Market Service

CALDWELL

(Treasure Valley Livestock)

May 1 Steers: 300-400 lbs. \$250; 400-500 lbs. \$256.25; 500-600 lbs. \$222.75; 600-700 lbs. \$221.25; 700-800 lbs. \$169.50; 800-900 lbs. \$165.25; 900-1000 lbs. \$178.75; 1000 lbs. and up \$168.

GRAIN DELIVERED

Heifers: 300-400 lbs. \$250: 400-500 lbs. \$223.50: 500-600 lbs \$198.25; 600-700 lbs \$172; 700-800 lbs. \$163.75; 800-900 lbs. \$156.75; 900-1000 lbs. \$155; 1000 lbs. and up \$120.25.

Cows (wt): 900-1000 lbs \$90.25: 1000-1100 lbs. \$101.25; 1100-1200 lbs. \$99.25; 1200-1300 lbs. \$98.75; 1300-1400 lbs. \$103.75; 1400-1500lbs. \$100.25; 1500-1600 lbs. \$101.25; 1600-1700 lbs. \$104; 1700-1800 lbs. \$105.75; 1800-1900 lbs.

Bull calves (wt): 300-400 lbs \$310: 700-800 lbs \$109; 800-900 lbs. \$157; 1400-1500 lbs. \$129. Pairs (hd.): 1000 lbs. and up \$1735.

Bred heifers (hd.): 800 lbs. and up \$1265 Stock cows (hd.): 800 lbs. and up \$1375. Bull calves (hd.): 100-200 lbs. \$635; 300-400 lbs.

\$1075. Heifer calves (hd.): 100-200 lbs. \$460; 200-300 lbs. \$490; 300-400 lbs. \$665.

Steer calves (hd.): 100-200 lbs. \$480: 200-300 lbs. \$420; 300-400 lbs. \$625; 400-500 lbs. \$700; 500-600 lbs. \$750.

> **TOPPENISH** nish Livestock Auction) (USDA Market News) Moses Lake, Wash

May 8 This week Last week Last vear 1,450 1,450 1,700 Compared to May 1 at the same market: Stocke

and feeder cattle firm in a light test. Trade active with

good demand. Slaughter cows and bulls \$2-3 high-

er. Trade active with good demand. Slaughter cows

55 percent, Slaughter bulls 10 percent, and feeders 35 percent of the supply. The feeder supply included 53 percent steers and 47 percent heifers. Near 54 percent of the run weighed over 600 lbs. Replace-

ment Cows: Pre-tested for pregnancy, and age. Feeder Steers: Medium and Large 1-2: 400-500 lbs. \$290-292.50; 500-600 lbs. \$245-252.50; 600-700 lbs. \$236.50-245; 600-700 lbs. \$216-223. Full: 700-800 lbs. \$197.50-200. Medium and Large 2-3: 700-800 lbs. \$195. Small and Medium 1-2: 400-500 lbs. \$272.50; 600-700 lbs. \$225. Small and Medium 2-3: 400-500 lbs. \$260; 600-700 lbs. \$215, Brahman X. Small 4: 200-300 lbs. \$400, Per Head.

Feeder Holstein Steers: Large 2-3: 300-400 lbs. \$220; 400-500 lbs. \$220; 600-700 lbs. \$205.

Feeder Heifers: Medium and Large 1-2: 400-500 lbs. \$250-258: 500-600 lbs. \$226-235: 600-700 lbs. \$225-227. Medium and Large 4: 900-1000 lbs. \$150. Large 1-2: 900-1000 lbs. \$170.50. Large 2-3: 400-500 lbs \$190: 500-600 lbs \$202 50: 600-700 lbs. \$187-200; 700-800 lbs. \$184.50; 800-900 lbs. \$174; 1100-1200 lbs. \$144; 1200-1300 lbs. \$137.50. Small and Medium 1-2: 400-500 lbs. \$238: 500-600 lbs. \$212.50-222. Small and Medium 2-3: 300-400 lbs. \$210. Small and Medium 4: 800-900 lbs. \$111-

Slaughter Cows: Boning 80-85 percent lean 1200-1900 lbs. \$104-110; Boning 80-85 percent lean 1200-1600 lbs. \$115-120; Lean 85-90 percent lean 1100-1500 lbs. \$103-109; Lean Light 90 percent lean 900-1250 lbs. Slaughter Bulls: Yield Grade 1-2 1600-2600 lbs

Cow/Calf (Per Pair): Medium and Large 1-2: Young (3 yrs. old) 950 lbs. lbs. with 100-125 lbs. calves \$2800. Mid-Aged 1100-1500 lbs. with 100-200 lbs. calves \$2275-2625; Broken Mouth 1100-1200 lbs. with 100-150 lbs. calves \$2275-2300.

> VALE (Producers Livestock Market)

April 29

Good demand on the upper end of quality cattle; somewhat software on medium/lower quality calves and feeder cattle

Steer calves: 300-400 lbs. \$284-326; 400-500 lbs. \$279-323: 500-600 lbs \$246-275 Heifer calves: 300-400 lbs. \$262-295; 400-500

lbs. \$251-277; 500-600 lbs. \$238-259. Yearling steers : 600-700 lbs. \$231-246; 700-800

Yearling heifers: 600-700 lbs. \$213-228; 700-800 lbs. \$182-203: 800-900 lbs. \$166-181. Stock cows (young): \$1650-1875; (older) \$1250-1685. 168-179.

Pairs: \$1375-2125. Butcher cows: \$93-104.

Thin shelly cows: \$82-93.

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Total receipts: 580 head. up slaughter levels, there are generally plenty of Comments: Fair offering on light grass calves with bearish attitudes still lurking about. moderate to good demand.

> continue to need a steady supply of feeders. over 600 lbs. and 42 percent heifers. AUCTIONS

167,000 180,200 159,200 WASHINGTON 2,200. 49 pct over 600 lbs. 43 pct heifers. Steers: Medium and Large 1-2 500-550 lbs. \$246.89; 600-650 lbs. \$239.62. Heifers: Medium and Large 1-2 400-450 lbs. \$248.53.

75-85 lbs, were \$4-5 higher and over 85 lbs, were 6-9 lower. 6,134 lamb carcasses sold with 45 lbs. and down \$7.56 lower; 45-55 lbs. \$10.49 higher; 55-65 lbs. \$3.88 lower; 65-75 lbs. \$.31 higher and 75 lbs. and up \$.83-2.02 lower.

SLAUGHTER LAMBS Choice and Prime 2-3: San Angelo: shorn and wooled 110-145 lbs. \$130-152.

SLAUGHTER LAMBS Choice and Prime 1: San Angelo: 40-60 lbs. \$214-224, few \$228; 60-70 lbs. \$200-214; 70-80 lbs. \$190-198, few \$204; 80-90 lbs. \$186-196, few \$216; 90-100 lbs. \$186-188.

DIRECT TRADING (Lambs with 3-4 percent shrink or equivalent):

4,000 Slaughter Lambs shorn and wooled 110-159 lbs. \$127-147 (wtd avg \$140.82); load 185-190 lbs. \$133.77.

California: 800 Feeder Lambs 110-120 lbs. new crop \$145. SLAUGHTER EWES:

San Angelo: Good 2-3 (fleshy) \$66-74; Utility and Good 1-3 (medium flesh) \$80-90; Utility 1-2 (thin) \$65-80; Cull and Utility 1-2 (very thin) \$55-63: Cull 1 (extremely thin) \$45-50

FEEDER LAMBS Medium and Large 1-2: San Angelo: new crop 40-60 lbs. \$202-216; 60-70 lbs. \$190-200: 70-80 lbs. \$186-194: 80-90 lbs. \$178-188; 90-105 lbs. \$176-182. old crop 60-70 lbs. \$166-178; 70-80 lbs. \$162-170; 80-115 lbs. \$150-158.

REPLACEMENT EWES Medium and Large

San Angelo: hair ewe lambs 65-75 lbs. \$238-246 cwt. NATIONAL WEEKLY LAMB CARCASS Choice

and Prime 1-4 Weight Wtd. avg. \$509.14 45-55 lbs. \$402.93 55-65 lbs.

\$345.23 65-75 lbs. \$321.56 75-85 lbs. \$304.05 85 lbs. and up \$287.40 Sheep and lamb slaughter under federal in-

spection for the week to date totaled 37,000 compared with 37,000 last week and 41,000 last year.

California Egg Reports Compiled by USDA Market News Service • Des Moines

Shell egg marketer's benchmark price for negotiated egg sales of USDA Grade AA and Grade AA in cartons, cents per dozen. This price does not reflect discounts or other contract terms

DAILY CALIFORNIA SHELL EGGS

(USDA Market News)

Des Moines, Iowa

May 8

Benchmark prices are steady. Asking prices for next week are 5 cents higher for Jumbo, unchanged for Extra Large and Large and 5 cents higher for Medium and Small. The undertone is mostly steady. Retail demand is moderate to fairly good with food service movement fairly good to good as Mother's Day

quickly approaches. Offerings and supplies are moderate. Market activity is moderate. Small benchmark price \$1.35 Range Size Range Size

Range 176-188

135-144

Extra large Jumbo 221 195 155 SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA Prices to retailers, sales to volume buyers, USDA Grade AA and Grade AA, white eggs in cartons,

Cattle Market Reports

Size

Extra large

Compiled by USDA Market News Service • Oklahoma City-Des Moines-St. Joseph, Mo.-Moses Lake, Wash.

Cattle prices in dollars per hundredweight (cwt.) except some replacement animals per pair or head

Range

213-225

Size

Jumbo

NATIONAL SLAUGHTER CATTLE (Federal-State Market News)

Oklahoma City-Des Moines May 8

Compared to May 1: Slaughter cattle trade was limited through May 8 and at the time of the report limited to no trades had occurred. Boxed beef prices May 8 averaged \$252.47, which is \$3.54 higher than May 1. The Choice/Select spread is \$11.29. Slaughter cattle on a national basis for negotiated cash trades through May 8 totaled about 5,575 head. The previous week's total head count was

Midwest Direct Markets: Live Basis: Steers and Heifers 35-80 Percent Choice, 1200-1400 lbs. few \$160: Dressed Basis: Steers and Heifers: few \$255. Slaughter Cows and Bulls (Average Yielding Prices): Slaughter cows and bulls mostly steady to \$2 higher USDA's Cutter cow carcass cut-out value Friday

afternoon was \$234.06 up \$.98 from May 1. NATIONAL FEEDER AND STOCKER CATTLE

(Federal-State Market News) St. Joseph, Mo. May 8

Last year This week Last week 302,700 258,600 220,000 Compared to May 1: Calves and yearlings sold fully steady to \$5 higher with instances \$6-8 higher and in most cases full advance placed on heavy yearlings over 800 lbs. Demand remains very good on yearlings as last week fed cattle prices saw packers come out and give mostly \$2-3 more ranging from \$160-163 to procure inventory. Despite lower boxed-beef prices last week and stepped

In the last couple of weeks the market has moved higher for feeders especially yearlings as feedlots Auction volume this week included 52 percent

This week Last week Last year

This week Last week Last year 66,400 62,300 SOUTHWEST (Arizona-California-Nevada) 2 400 No cattle over 600 lbs. No heifers. Holsteins: Large 3 Del October 275 lbs. \$323; August 300 lbs. \$280; October \$325 lbs. \$280; FOB September \$325.

NORTHWEST (Washington-Oregon-Idaho) 2,400. 43 pct over 600 lbs. 48 pct heifers. Steers Medium and Large 1-2 Future Delivery FOB Price 500-600 lbs. \$242-252 for September-November Idaho-Washington-Oregon; 600-700 lbs. \$237.50-240 calves for October-December Idaho-Washington-Oregon; 600 lbs. \$260 value added calves for November-December Washington. Heifers: Medium nd Large 1-2 Future Delive lbs. \$225-239 for October-December Idaho-Washington-Oregon; 550-600 lbs. \$248 value added for November-December Washington; 600 lbs. \$229.50-233.50 calves for November-December Idaho-Washington-Oregon. Future Delivery Delivered 900 lbs. \$196 for August-September Idaho.

> NORTHWEST DIRECT CATTLE (USDA Market News)

Moses Lake, Wash May 8 Last week

2.400 2.450 5,200 Compared to May 1: Feeder cattle steady to firm. Trade slow to moderate with more activity noted this week for contracting calves for fall delivery. Demand remains good. The feeder supply included 52 percent steers and 48 percent heifers. Near 43 percent of the supply weighed over 600 lbs. Prices are FOB weighing point with a 1-4 percent shrink or equivalent and with a 5-10 cent slide on calves and a 3-8 cent slide on yearlings. Delivered prices include freight, commissions and other expenses.

Current sales are up to 14 days delivery. Steers: Medium and Large 1-2: Future Delivery FOB Price: 500-600 lbs. \$242-252 for Sep-Idaho-Washington-Oregon tember-November Idaho-Washington-Oregon; 600-700 lbs. \$237.50-240 calves for October-December Idaho-Washington-Oregon; 600 lbs. \$260 value added calves for November-Decembe Washington.

Heifers: Medium and Large 1-2: Future Delivery FOB Price: 500-550 lbs. \$225-239 for October-De cember Idaho-Washington-Oregon; 550-600 lbs. \$248 value added for November-December Washington; 600 lbs. \$229.50-233.50 calves for November-December Idaho-Washington-Oregon



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(USDA Market News) Fresh Russet Potato Market Report May 9

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Market commentary: The Russet potato market has been quiet for the past four weeks, though packers have minor adjustments for some products

Prices are weekly averages of daily prices. All prices are in dollars per hundredweight (cwt.). FWA is a

weighted average of shipping point prices or common packs in each area. Weights differ by area. GRI is the Grower Returns Index for each individual area.

FRESH RUSSET POTATO MARKET REPORT (North American Potato Market News)

SHIPPING	AREA							
FWA .	Chg	GRI	Chg	70 ct	Chg	10 lb. Film	Chg	
IDAHO BU	IRBANKS							
\$12.55	\$0	\$5.44	\$0	\$28.50	\$0	\$5	\$0	
COLUMBIA	A BASIN							
\$13.94	-\$0.14	\$6.14	-\$0.09	\$25	\$0	\$6.50	\$0	
KLAMATH	BASIN							
\$15.62	\$0	\$6.99	\$0	\$29	\$0	\$7	\$0	

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