Farm Market Report

Orchard Grass

Brome Grass

Orchard Grass

Alfalfa

Wheat

Alfalfa

Orchard Grass

Wheat Straw

Wheat Straw

ern San Bernardino

Alfalfa

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REGION 2: Sacramento Valley

Includes the counties of Tehan

REGION 3: Northern San Joaquin Valley

REGION 4: Central San Joaquin Valley

REGION 5: Southern California

olumne, Mono, Merced and Mariposa.

Premium

Premium

Supreme

Premium Good 100

Supreme

Prem./Sup.

Good/Prem

Premium Good

Fair/Good

Premium

Good

Includes the counties of Kern, Northeast Los Angeles, and West-

Good

Good

Includes the counties of San Joaquin, Calaveras, Stanislaus, Tu-

Good

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

313

100

na, Glenn, Butte, Colusa, Sutter

150

300

450

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1400

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700

200

Tons Price

200

150

50

500

Tons

NA

\$8.50

\$8.84

\$9.09-9.12

\$8.54

1000

\$273-279

\$210

\$200

\$230

\$260

\$125

\$80

\$275-285

\$240-250

\$155-160 \$125

\$280

\$250

\$112

\$275

\$230

\$190

\$115

100 \$185

\$100-140

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 customer as indicated. 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 numbers:						
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 June 19

This wook FOR

This week FOB

1,484

THIS WOOK TOD	Last woon	Last year
2,895	4,832	25,402
Compared to June	12: New crop Premi	ium Alfalfa and Timo-
thy hay had no confir	med sales this week	. Trade was very slow
for both new crop Alt	falfa and Timothy ha	y. Most interests this
week continue to cur	t second cutting Alfa	alfa. Demand is good
for new crop high to	esting Alfalfa, light to	o moderate on other
grades. Retail/Feeds	tore was steady to \$	30 lower on new crop

first cutting Alfalfa in a light test. Demand remains good.							
		Tons	Price				
Alfalfa Large Square	Good	1000	\$170				
		200	\$170				
		750	\$175				
Mid Square	Good/Prem.	350	\$180				
Small Square	Premium	50	\$220				
		75	\$230				
		370	\$230-260				
Orchard Grass Small Square	Premium	100	\$250				
OREGON	AREA HAY						
(USDA Market News)							
Portland, Ore.							
June 19							

Compared to June 12: Prices trended generally steady compared to the same quality last week. Trade activity and demand increased a little this week, however many producers were still busy in the field with the new crop. Few sales of new crop hay. Most producers are still sold out for the season. All prices are in dollars per ton and FOB unless otherwise stated.

Last week

726

		Tons	Price		
CROOK, DESCHUTES, JEFFERSON, WASCO COUNTIES					
Alfalfa Large Square	Good	65	\$200		
Small Square	Premium	60	\$240		
Orchard Grass Small	Square Premium	60	\$245-26		

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	Good	60	\$220			
Orchard/Brome Small Square LAKE COUNTY	Good/Prem.	400	\$235			
Alfalfa Large Square	Supreme	36 200	\$250 \$275			
	Good/Prem. Good	63 120	\$190-200 \$170			
Small Square	Supreme	30	\$240			
	Premium	30	\$235			
	Fair	30	\$150			
Alfalfa/Orchard Mix						
Large Square	Premium	200	\$250			
Small Square	Good	30	\$175			
Barley Large Square	Premium	100	\$150			
EASTERN OREGON: No new sa	ales confirmed					
HARNEY COUNTY: No new sale	es confirmed.					
(LAMATH BASIN: No new sales confirmed						

IDAHO HAY (USDA Market News) Moses Lake, Wash. This week FOB Last week

3,300	155	8,846
Compared to June 1	2: There were not enoug	h sales last week for
accurate trends. Trade	e was moderate this wee	k. Producers contin-
ue to cut first cutting	and a few locations have	e started on second
cutting. Demand was I	ight to moderate. Retail/f	eed store/horse hay

was not tested this week

This week FOB

Alfalfa/Orchard Mix

Last year

1,510

olfo I orga Carrora	Cunromo	Tons	Price \$125	
alfa Large Square	Supreme	500	φ120	
	Prem./Sup.	200	\$210	
	Good/Prem.	\$170		
	Fair	600	\$110	
		1000	\$60-75	

CALIFORNIA HAY Moses Lake, Wash June 12 Last week

14,007	12,090	12,/512
Compared to June	12: All classes traded a	ctive on good demand.
According to the U.S	. Drought Monitor, for the	e ensuing 5-day period
(June 22-26), contir	nued above normal tem	peratures are favored
in most of the West	t, the Rockies, and the	Southeast. The water
shortage and late ra	ins are making this year	hard to get test hay in

quantities like years past REGION 1: North Intermountain Includes the c ou, Modoc, Shasta, Lassen, and Plumas. No new Alfalfa Premium

Premium

-	are favored	Allalla	Good/Fielli.	250	\$280
theast. The water d to get test hay in		Forage Mix-Three Way REGION 6: Southeast Californ	Good/Prem.	25	\$270
u to go	t tost nay in	Alfalfa	Premium	140	\$190-200
	es of Siskiy- s confirmed.		75	2100 \$220	\$200-205
Tons 100	Price \$300		Good/Prem.	1250 75	\$180 \$205
50	\$130	Bermuda Grass	Premium	75	\$190
100	\$316	Sudan	Premium	700	\$175

Solano County

FOB Turlock/Tulane

Single Car Units via BNSF

Chino Valley-Los Angeles

Los Angeles-Chino Valley

Petaluma-Santa Rosa

FOB Stockton-Modesto-Oakdale-Turlock

Stockton-Modesto-Oakdale-Turlock

CORN-U.S. No. 2 Yellow

Truck

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 Portland June 18

PACIFIC NORTHWEST MARKET SUMMARY

Pacific Northwest Market Summary: Cash wheat bids for June delivery ended the reporting week on Thursday, June 18 mixed, compared to June 11 noon bids for June delivery.

July wheat futures ended the reporting week on Thursday, June 18, lower as follows compared toJune 11 closes: Chicago wheat futures were 16.25 cents lower at \$4.88, Kansas City wheat futures were 25 cents lower at \$4.9825 and Minneapolis wheat futures trended 23 cents lower at \$5.3975. Chicago July corn futures trended 1.50 cents higher at \$3.58 while July soybean futures closed 37.75 cents higher at \$9.7775.

Bids for U.S. 1 Soft White Wheat delivered to Portland in unit trains or barges during June for ordinary protein were not available as most exporters were not issuing bids for nearby delivery. There were no white club wheat premiums. One year ago bids for U.S. 1 Soft White Wheat any protein for June delivery by unit trains and barges to Portland were \$6.77-7.12, mostly \$6.98 and bids for White Club Wheat were \$7.07-7.62, mostly \$7.43. Nearby bids for U.S. 1 Soft White wheat ordinary protein were not available, as most exporters were not issuing bids for June delivery. Forward month bids for soft white wheat ordinary protein were as follows: July not available, August New Crop and September \$5.85-5.9825 and October \$5.85-5.9725. One year ago, forward month bids for soft white wheat for any protein were as follows: July \$6.67-7.12, August New Crop \$6.90-7.1125, September \$6.9625-7.1125 and October \$7.0775-7.1775. Bids for U.S. 1 Soft White Wheat guaranteed maximum 10.5 percent protein during June were \$5.73-6.03, mostly \$5.88, 16.25 cents per bushel lower compared to \$5.8925-6.1925 mostly \$6.0425 last week. There were no white club wheat premiums for guaranteed 10.5 percent protein this week or last week Forward month bids for soft white wheat guaranteed 10.5 percent follows: July \$6.03-6.24 Au rust New Cron \$6 6.3325 and September \$6.1325-6.4325.

Bids for 11.5 percent protein U.S. 1 Hard Red Winter Wheat for June delivery were 25 cents per bushel lower compared to June 11 noon bids for June delivery. The lower Kansas City July wheat futures pressured bids during the week. On June 18, bids were as follows: June \$5.8325-6.0325, mostly \$5.9225; July \$5.7825-5.8825, August New Crop \$5.8275-5.8775 and September \$5.8275-6.0275

Bids for non-guaranteed 14.0 percent protein U.S. 1 Dark Northern Spring Wheat for Portland delivery for June delivery were two cents per bushel higher compared to June 11 noon bids for June delivery. On June 18, bids for non-guaranteed 14 percent protein were as follows: June \$7.1475-7.3975, mostly \$7.2775; July \$6.7975-6.9475; August New Crop \$6.8050-750 and September \$6,8050-6 9050

COARSE FEEDING GRAINS

Bids for U.S. 2 Yellow Corn delivered full coast Pacific North west - BN shuttle trains for June delivery were 9.50 to 11.50 cents higher from \$4.55-4.58 per bushel. Forward month corn bids for July \$4.4850-4.5550, August, September, October, November and December were \$4.5925-4.6325. Bids for U.S. 1 Yellow Soybeans delivered full coast Pacific Northwest - BN shuttle trains for June delivery were not available. Forward month soybean bids were as follows: September and October \$10.5425-10.5925, November \$10.5825-10.6025, December and January \$10.60-10.63. Bids for U.S. 2 Heavy Wheat Oats for June delivery held steady at \$3.8475

PACIFIC NORTHWEST EXPORT NEWS

There were eight grain vessels in Columbia River ports on Thursday, June 18, with three docked compared to eight last Thursday with three docked. There were no confirmed export sales this week from the Commodity Credit Corporation of the USDA.

CALIFORNIA GRAINS (USDA Market News) June 17

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

GRAIN DE	LIVERED	
Mode	Destination	Price per cwt.
BARLEY -	U.S. No. 2 (46-lbs. per bushel)	
Rail	Stockton-Modesto-Oakdale-Turlock	NA
	Tulane County	NA
Truck	Petaluma-Santa Rosa	NA
	Stockton-Modesto-Oakdale-Turlock	NA
	Kings-Tulare-Fresno Counties	\$9.25-9.50
	Madera County	NA
	Kern County	NA
	Glenn County	NA

Colusa County

Kings-Tulare-Fresno Counties \$8.84 SORGHUM-U.S. No. 2 Yellow Los Angeles-Chino Valley \$11.04-11.07 via BNSF Single Modesto-Oakdale-Turlock OATS-U.S. No. 1 White Los Angeles-Chino Valley NA Truck OATS-U.S. No. 2 White Petaluma \$12.50 Truck Petaluma WHEAT-U.S. No. 2 or better-Hard Red Winter (Domestic Values for Flour Milling) \$11.94 Los Angeles 12 percent Protein Los Angeles 13 percent Protein Los Angeles 14 percent Protein \$12.34 Truck/Rail Los Angeles 11-12 percent Protein Los Angeles 12 percent Protein \$11 64-11 80 Los Angeles 13 percent Protein Los Angeles 14 percent Protein NA WHEAT-U.S. Durum Wheat Imperial County Kings-Tulare-Fresno Counties NA **FOB Tulane** Truck/Rail Los Angeles-Chino Valley \$11.97 Petaluma-Santa Rosa Stockton-Modesto-Oakdale-Turlock King-Tulare-Fresno Counties Merced County NA Kern County Prices paid to California farmers, seven-day reporting period

ending June 17: WHEAT, U.S. No 1, Hard Amber Durum for Flour Milling

Livestock Auctions

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

California

SHASTA (Shasta Livestock Auction) Cottonwood, Calif. June 19

Last weel 2,203 Compared to June 11: Slaughter cows strong

on smaller supply. Few cattle below 500 lbs or above 700 lbs this week. Steers mostly steady with top end of heifers \$10-20 higher. Off lots and singles \$30-60 below top.

Slaughter cows: Breakers \$104-109, \$110-120 high dress; Boning \$100-103; Cutters \$85-99. Bulls 1 and 2: \$115-138; \$139-150 high dress

Feeder steers: 500-550 lbs. \$250-282: 550-600 lbs. \$255-289; 600-650 lbs. \$237-263; 650-700 lbs. \$220-251; 700-750 lbs. \$200-210; 800-900 lbs. \$186-199.50.

Feeder heifers: 400-450 lbs. \$262-295; 500-550 lbs. \$240-272.50; 550-600 lbs. \$225-270; 600-650 lbs. \$220-250; 650-700 lbs. \$195-230 Pairs: One set of broken-mouth pairs \$2235.

CALDWELL (Treasure Valley Livestock) June 5

Steers: 300-400 lbs. \$180.75; 400-500 lbs \$221.50; 500-600 lbs. \$217.50; 600-700 lbs. \$203.50; 700-800 lbs. \$181.25; 800-900 lbs. \$181; 900-1000 lbs. \$165.75; 1000 lbs. and up \$114.50.

Heifers: 400-500 lbs. \$165; 500-600 lbs. \$193; 600-700 lbs. \$171.25; 700-800 lbs. \$158; 800-900 lbs. \$150: 900-1000 lbs. \$146.25: 1000 lbs. and up \$118. Cows (wt.): 700-800 lbs. \$70; 800-900 lbs.

\$98.25: 900-1000 lbs. \$106: 1000-1100 lbs. \$97.25; 1100-1200 lbs. \$94.75; 1200-1300 lbs. \$98.50; 1300-1400 lbs. \$98.25; 1400-1500 lbs \$105.75: 1500-1600 lbs. \$100.25: 1600-1700 lbs. \$99.50; 1700-1800 lbs. \$103; 1800-1900 Bull calves (wt.): 300-400 lbs. \$250: 400-500

lbs. \$205; 500-600 lbs. \$180; 600-700 lbs. \$195. Bulls (wt.): 1600-1700 lbs. \$127.75; 1700-1800 lbs. \$126.50: 1800-1900 lbs. \$136.

Pairs (hd.): 1000 lbs. and up \$2100. Bred heifers (hd.): 800 lbs. and up \$1725 Stock cows (hd.): 800 lbs. and up \$1725. Bull calves (hd.): 100-200 lbs. \$420: 200-300 lbs. \$760; 300-400 lbs. \$600.

Heifer calves (hd.): 100-200 lbs. \$490; 200-300 lbs. \$540: 300-400 lbs. \$560. Steer calves (hd.): 100-200 lbs. \$650; 200-300

lbs. \$650; 300-400 lbs. \$635; 400-500 lbs. \$500; 500-600 lbs. \$725. Washington

EVERSON (Everson Livestock Auction) March 14

Total receipts: 352. Feeder cattle prices very strong today with a very strong demand.

Feeder steers: 300-400 lbs. \$180-232; 400-500 lbs. \$140-267: 500-600 lbs. \$140-255: 600-700 lbs. \$167.50-250; 700-800 lbs. \$180-235; 800-900 lbs. \$166-209; 900-1000 lbs. \$110-210; 1000-1100 lbs. \$108-205; 1100-1300 lbs. \$120-177.50; 1300-1500 lbs. \$110-125; 1500-2000 lbs. \$109-130

Started bull calves: \$50-550 head. Feeder bulls: \$149.05-270.

Slaughter cows: \$63-109. Slaughter heifers: 300-400 lbs. \$205-248: 400-500 lbs. \$175-240; 500-600 lbs. \$150-224; 600-700 lbs. \$170-213; 700-800 lbs. \$165-200; 800-900 lbs. \$150-184: 900-1000 lbs. \$97.50-97.50; 1000-1100 lbs. \$165-165; 1100-1300 lbs.

Bred Cows: \$125-1675.

Washington **TOPPENISH** enish Livestock Auction) (USDA Market News)

Moses Lake, Wash. This week Last week Last vear

1,162 1,160 Compared to last Thursday at the same market there was not enough stocker or feeder cattle for an accurate trend. Trade was active with good mand. Slaughter cows were 50 cents to \$1 higher. Slaughter bulls were steady. Trade was active with very good demand. Slaughter cows 73

percent, Slaughter bulls 5 percent, and feeders

22 percent of the supply. The feeder supply included 40 percent steers and 60 percent heifers. Near 58 percent of the run weighed over 600 lbs.

\$9.50

Feeder Steers: Large 1-2: 700-800 lbs. \$193. Feeder Holstein Steers: Medium and Large 2-3: 400-500 lbs. \$177.50-222; 500-600 lbs. \$201-205.

Feeder Heifers: Medium and Large 1-2: 300-400 lbs. \$235; 500-600 lbs. \$225; 600-700 lbs. \$204: 700-800 lbs \$213: 900-1000 lbs \$175 Large 2-3: 900-1000 lbs. \$162; 1000-1100 lbs. \$139; 1100-1200 lbs. \$140. Small and Medium 1: 900-1000 lbs. \$145. Small and Medium 1-2: 900-1000 lbs. \$160. Small and Medium 2-3: 300-400 lbs. \$202.50, Calves.

Heiferettes: Y.G. 1-2: Young 900-950 lbs. 100-

Slaughter Cows: Boning 80-85 percent lean 1300-1950 lbs \$97 50-105 50. Boning 80-85 percent lean 1200-1600 lbs. \$106.50-113.50; Lean 85-90 percent lean 1100-1700 lbs. \$98-105; Lean 85-90 percent lean 900-1525 lbs. \$102-111.50: Lean Light 90 percent lean 950-1300 lbs. \$88-

Slaughter Bulls: Yield Grade 1-2 1125-2475 lbs.

Feeder Cows: Large 2-3: 900-1000 lbs. \$100-110: 1400-1500 lbs. \$100.50.

Oregon

lbs. \$170-203.

EUGENE (Eugene Livestock Auction, Inc.) Junction City, Ore.

June 20 Total head count: 316.

Market conditions compared to June 13: Bulls steady: butcher cows off \$3-4; feeder calves off. yearlings steady.

Top cows: High dressers \$87.50-97.50, low dressers \$78-87: Top 10 \$90.35. Top bulls: High dressers \$102.50-145.

Feeder Bulls: 300-500 lbs. \$192-225; 500-700 lbs. \$152-180: 700-900 lbs. \$152-180. Choice steers: medium to large frame No. 1 and No. 2: 400-500 lbs. \$180-220; 500-600 lbs

\$180-220; 700-800 lbs. \$172.50-178.50; 800-900

Choice heifers: medium to large frame No. 1 and No. 2: 300-400 lbs. \$180 light test: 400-500 lbs. \$180-215; 500-600 lbs. \$186 light test;600700 lbs. \$170-191; 800 lbs. and up \$182.50 Bred Cows: \$1125-1400 head Pairs: \$1850-2250 pai

Head calves (up to 250 lbs.): Beef \$400-705 head, dairy \$40-210 head.

Feeder lambs: 50-90 lbs. \$120-172.50; 90-130 lbs \$110-157.50

Goats: owing to he diversity of goats breeds and sizes assume \$1.50/lb and be pleasantly surprisedwhen you get \$2-2.50 a pound. MADRAS

(Central Oregon Livestock Auction) June 17

Baby calves \$350-600.

Steers: 200-300 lbs. \$285-295; 300-400 lbs. \$295-306: 400-500 lbs \$260-275: 500-600 lbs \$225-265; 600-700 lbs. \$231-245; 700-800 lbs. \$205-220; 800-900 lbs. \$200-235.

Bulls: High vield, \$110-129; thinner \$95-101. Pairs: Full-mouth vacc \$2200-2650; broken-mouth vacc \$1800-2200.

Heifers: 200-300 lbs. \$250-280: 300-400 lbs. \$280-290; 400-500 lbs. \$240-255; 500-600 lbs. \$225-250; 600-700 lbs. \$219-223; 700-800 lbs. \$185-196

Heiferettes: 850-1000 lbs. \$175-180. Cows: Heiferettes \$150; Feeder cows \$95; high-yield \$115; medium-yield \$85; low-yield \$80

VALE (Producers Livestock Market) June 17 Total receipts: 361 head.

Comments: Smaller run again without a true test on most classes of feeders and calves. Smaller run this week with a small test on mos classes. Butcher cow and bull market stead to

Steer calves: 500-600 lbs. \$229-256. Heifer calves: 400-500 lbs. \$238-257: 500-600 lbs. \$224-238.

Yearling steers: 600-700 lbs. \$224-253; 700-800 lbs. \$213-229: 800-900 lbs. \$201-212: 900 1000 lbs. \$178-187. Yearling heifers: 600-700 lbs. \$2216-229; 700-

800 lbs. \$184-201: 800-900 lbs. \$163-174 Butcher cows: \$95-108. Thin shelly cows: \$81-93. Younger heiferettes: \$121-139 Butcher bulls: \$117-132.

Idaho group sues predator-control agency By KEITH RIDLER

Associated Press

conservation group has filed a lawsuit in federal court seeking to force a federal agency to turn over information about its methods and activities in killing wildlife in the state.

The Western Watersheds

The lawsuit contends the federal agency is violating the Freedom of Information Act by

"We're seeking more de-

group. "They're not very forthcoming on that." In a separate lawsuit filed in February, the Western Wa-

The lawsuit filed Monday is distinct from the one filed in February, Brooks said.

The U.S. Department of Jus-

tice didn't return a call from The Associated Press on June 22.

Potato Market Reports
Compiled by North American Potato Market News and USDA

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) (USDA Market News)

Market Commentary: Russet table potato prices came under additional pressure during the past week in spite of reduced shipments

SUILLING	AKEA						
FWA	Chg	GRI	Chg	70 ct	Chg	10 lb. Film	Chg
IDAHO BL	IRBANKS						
\$12.28	-\$0.23	\$5.27	-\$0.14	\$28.50	-\$1	\$4.50	\$0
COLUMBI	A BASIN						
\$13.41	-\$0.10	\$5.81	-\$0.06	\$25	\$0	\$6.25	-\$0.25
KLAMATH	BASIN						
\$14.78	-\$0.12	\$6.40	-\$0.09	\$28.50	\$0	\$6.50	\$0.50

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 replacement

animals on per head basis as indicated NATIONAL WOOL REVIEW (USDA Market News) Greeley, Colo. June 19

Domestic wool trading on a clean basis was at a standstill. There were no confirmed trades Most of the shearing is coming to a close and the majorities of the big wool runs are slowing down. Many will now start to collect small pools that will trade closer to fall as warehouses restock. China had been very active in buying wool recently as their inventories had been down at a low level They have been filling their pipeline over the last several weeks, but are now back to normal levels and have slowed in the buying process. Currency and is the only real struggle point at this time as the U.S. dollar remains high

Domestic wool trading on a greasy basis was at a standstill. There were no confirmed trades. All trades reported on a weighted average

Domestic wool tags \$.60-.70 No. 1 \$.50-.60 No. 2 \$.40-.50 NATIONAL SHEEP SUMMARY (USDA Market News)

June 19 Compared to June 12: Slaughter lambs were steady to as much as \$40 higher with most advance on light lambs. Slaughter ewes were mostly steady to \$5 lower. Feeder lambs were steady to 10 higher. At San Angelo, Texas, 6,083 head sold in a one day sale. No sales in Equity Electronic Auction. In direct trading slaughter ewes were not tested; feeder lambs were \$5 higher in a light test. 1, head of negotiated sales of slaughter

lambs were \$3-5 higher. 9,300 head of formula

San Angelo, Texas

sales under 65 lbs. were not well tested; 65-85 lbs. were \$2-4 lower and over 85 lbs. were \$7-15 higher, 5.472 carcasses sold with 45 lbs, and down \$14.70 lower; 45-55 lbs. \$8.32 lower; 55-65 lbs. \$.18 higher; 65-75 lbs. \$.16 lower; 75-85 lbs.

\$.28 higher and 85 lbs. and up \$.06 lower. SLAUGHTER LAMBS Choice and Prime 2-3: San Angelo: shorn and wooled 105-175 lbs. SLAUGHTER LAMBS Choice and Prime 1:

San Angelo: 40-60 lbs. \$230-242; 60-70 lbs. \$210-230, few \$238; 70-80 lbs. \$200-208; 80-90 lbs. \$182-192; 90-115 lbs. \$175-186. DIRECT TRADING (Lambs with 3-4 percent

shrink or equivalent): Slaughter Lambs shorn and wooled 128-153 lbs. \$130- 163 (wtd avg \$158.67). California: Feeder Lambs 130-140 lbs. \$155.

San Angelo: Good 2-3 (fleshy) \$60-70; Utility and Good 1-3 (medium flesh) \$65-81; Utility 1-2 (thin) \$60-70; Cull and Utility 1-2 (very thin) \$55-60; Cull 1 (extremely thin) \$45-52 FEEDER LAMBS Medium and Large 1-2:

San Angelo: 40-60 lbs. \$195-218; 60-90 lbs. REPLACEMENT EWES Medium and Large

San Angelo: hair ewe lambs 60-80 lbs. \$236-240 cwt; 82 lbs. \$202 cwt

NATIONAL WEEKLY LAMB CARCASS Choice and Prime 1-4: Wtd. avg. Weight 45 lbs. Down \$486.11 45-55 lbs. \$389.82 55-65 lbs. \$346.90 65-75 lbs. \$320.79

SLAUGHTER EWES:

75-85 lbs. \$301.52 85 lbs. and up \$283 Sheep and lamb slaughter under federal inspection for the week to date totaled 360 compared with 350 last week and 410 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)

Benchmark prices are steady. Asking prices for next week are 28 cents lower for Jumbo, 32 cents lower for Extra Large, 28 cents lower for Large and 8 cents lower for Medium and Small. The undertone

Medium

Extra large

Medium

is steady to instances lower. Retail demand is light to moderate. Food service movement is moderate to fairly good. Offerings are moderate. Supplies vary. Market activity is slow. Small benchmark price \$2.42. Size Range Size Range 325 Extra large Jumbo

242-251

Des Moines, Iowa

Large 302 SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA Prices to retailers, sales to volume buyers, USDA Grade AA and Grade AA, white eggs in cartons, delivered store door Size Range Range

Cattle Market Reports

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

284-296

as indicated NATIONAL SLAUGHTER CATTLE (Federal-State Market News) Oklahoma City-Des Moines

June 19 Compared to June 12: Live sales are \$3 to \$5 lower. Early dressed sales in Nebraska are mostly \$4 lower. Packers are holding firm on their offers as CME Live Cattle contracts for June fell over \$10 in the past month. Boxed beef prices June 19 averaged \$248.78 and is \$5.71 higher than June 12. The Choice/Select spread is \$5.09. Slaughter cattle on a national basis for negotiated cash trades through June 19 totaled about 41,000 head with no specific region reporting enough for an accurate market test. The previous week's total head count

was 71.776 head. Midwest Direct Markets: Live Basis: Steers and Heifers 35-80 Percent Choice, 1200-1400 lbs. \$150 Dressed Basis: Steers and Heifers: \$240. South Plains Direct Markets: Live Basis: Stee and Heifers 35-65 percent Choice, 1100-1400 lbs

\$150. Slaughter Cows and Bulls (Average Yielding Prices): Slaughter cows and bulls \$1 to \$2 higher USDA's Cutter cow carcass cut-out value Friday

ternoon was \$228.32 up \$.20 from June 12 NATIONAL FEEDER AND STOCKER CATTLE (Federal-State Market News)

St. Joseph, Mo. June 19 This week Last week Last year

276,200 Compared to June 12: Yearling feeder cattle sold steady to \$3 higher with steer and heifer calves trading steady to instances \$5 higher on a light test throughout the Midwest. Demand was good for all classes of feeder cattle, with the possible exception of fleshy/short weaned steer calves weighing between 600-700 lbs. In the Southeast feeder calves traded unevenly steady Direct trade was steady to \$4 higher mainly in Texas. There were few signs of market pressure for feeder cattle as last week's lower fed cattle prices with packers short bought status failing to produce leverage as trade was mostly \$3 lower June 12 at \$152-153 in Nebraska and with cattle futures also breaking hard to end last week Feeder cattle continue to hold up remarkably well despite these bearish fundamentals with many farmer/feeders in the market and no shortage of grass out in the country. At the Valentine, Neb. Livestock Market June 18 over 200 head of value added steers averaging 743 lbs. sold with a weight ed average price of \$265.33 and near 400 head of top quality 900-950 lb steers averaging 920 lbs. sold with a weighted price of \$222.75. Boxed beef values have strengthened this week with the 4th of July just around the corner this should have retailers looking to fill shelves with Father's Day this weekend hopefully will be good test for beef demand. Will cut-out values hold up into the summer months of July and August is a concern as usually beef demand has a tendency to be lackluster during this time period? Packers continue to keep slaughter levels small to help stabilize cut-out values and increase their margins rather than dip into the red to bid higher on slaughter cattle. Fed cattle prices on Friday traded mostly at \$150 on live prices \$3 lower than last week, dressed prices in Nebraska at \$240, \$4 lower than the previous week. The Cattle on Feed report was mostly neutral with Cattle on Feed for June 1st at 101 percent:

Placed in May at 90 percent; Marketing's for May

at 92 percent. May replacements were smaller than expected. Cut-out values have rebounded this week closing above the \$250 level on June 19 closing .49 cents higher at \$251.32 for Choice product after closing June 12 at \$245.72. On May 19 the Choice product closed at \$265.59 as prices rose quickly heading into Memorial Weekend, but these kinds of markets demonstrate that when prices rise too quickly and go too high consumers will back away. Tropical Storm Bill is adding much unwanted heavy rains to already saturated fields from east Texas up through the Ohio River Valley. Corn is likely looking at acres that will be lost or limited in production which has supported corn and soybean prices this week. The progress report had corn 91 percent emerged and 73 percent rated good to excellent. Soybeans roughly have around 11 million acres left to be panted with around 7 million of those acres in states that are very wet. Auction volume was 53 percent over 600 lbs. and

40 percent heifers. AUCTIONS This week 118 900 168,500 142,700 WASHINGTON 1,500. 48 percent over 600 lbs. 41 percent heifers. Steers: Medium and Large 1-2 pkg 650 lbs. \$224. Heifers: Medium and Large 1-2 650-700 lbs. \$211.91.

This week Last week Last year 54,800 34,600 77,100 SOUTHWEST (Arizona-California-Nevada) There were no direct sales reported.

NORTHWEST (Washington-Oregon-Idaho) 2,000. 100 percent over 600 lbs. 43 percent heif ers. Steers: Medium and Large 1-2 900-1000 lbs. \$208, Current FOB Idaho; 900-1000 lbs. \$201 July-August FOB Oregon; 900-1000 lbs. \$206 August-September FOB Oregon; 800-900 lbs. \$208 Current Del Idaho; 900-1000 lbs. \$209 Current De Idaho; 800-900 lbs. \$208 July Del Idaho; 900-1000 lbs. \$209 July Del Idaho. Heifers: Medium and Large 1-2 800-900 lbs. \$204 Current FOB Idaho; 800-900 lbs. \$194 July-August FOB Oregon; 800 900 lbs. \$200 August-September FOB Oregon; 800-900 lbs. \$199-205 Current Del Idaho; 800-900 lbs. \$203-205 July Del Idaho.

NORTHWEST DIRECT CATTLE (USDA Market News) Moses Lake, Wash June 19

This week Last week Last year 2,007 Compared to June 12: Feeder cattle were generally higher than the June 12 light test. Trade

was moderate this week. Demand was light to moderate. The feeder supply included 57 percent steers and 43 percent heifers. Near 100 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. Current sales are up to 14 days delivery. Feeder Steers: Medium and Large 1-2: 900-

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Project filed the 18-page lawtailed information on how they Idaho officials are violating suit Monday against the U.S. operate," said Talasi Brooks, environmental laws by killan attorney at Advocates for Department of Agriculture's ing wolves, coyotes and other BOISE, Idaho — An Idaho Wildlife Services. the West representing the Idaho

not supplying information the group asked for in five formal requests in February and March.

tersheds Project and four othgroups sued Wildlife Services contending federal and wildlife to protect livestock and