Farm Market Report

Hay Market Reports

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

EASTERN OREGON

Alfalfa Large Square

Timothy Grass Large Square

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 relation-
ship to Relative Feed Value (RFV), Acid Detergent Fiber (ADF)
TDN (Total Digestible Nutrients), or Crude Protein (CP) test num
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Grade	RFV	ADF	TDN	CP	
Supreme	185+	<27	55.9+	22+	Sn
Premium	170-185	27-29	54.5-55.9	20-22	Or
Good	150-170	29-32	52.5-54.5	18-20	
Fair	130-150	32-35	50.5-52.5	16-18	Oa
Utility	<130	36+	<50.5	<16	HA
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Alfalfa Large	e Square	Good	2600	\$160-180	
			2000	\$165-175	
			300	\$140	
		Utility/Fair	2500	\$155	_
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CROOK, DESCHUTES, JEFFEF	RSON, WASCO	COUN	TIES
Alfalfa Small Square	Supreme	66	\$240-255
	Premium	30	\$220
Orchard Grass Small Square	Premium	66	\$ 250
	Good	8	\$190
Grass Mix-Five Way Small			
Square	Premium	50	\$290

KLAMATH BASIN alfa Large Squar Premium 200 \$ 200 250 Fair \$120 400 all Square Good \$180 chard Grass Small Square Premium 250 \$240 \$230 75 t Small Square Good 150 \$100 ARNEY COUNTY 7000 falfa Large Square \$250 Premium KE COUNTY falfa Large Square 34 \$220 Premium Good 66 \$210 150 \$190 nall Square 30 \$250 Supreme \$ 260 45 30 \$220 \$ 200 Good 9 30 \$ 200 alfa/Bluegrass Mix Sma Good/Prem. 50 \$225 e Grass Small Square \$145 Good 25 icale Small Square Premium \$175 IDAHO HAY (USDA Market News) Moses Lake, Wash July 31 his week FOB Last week Last year 6,250 2,800 13,495 Compared to July 24: Premium Alfalfa steady. Trade active t ek. Demand good for organic hav light on commodity supplie tail/feed store/horse not tested this week Price Tons 12,500 \$260 Prem./Sup. falfa Large Square Good/Prem. 1500 \$150 Fair/Good 12,500 \$180 1500 \$150 neat Straw Large Square Fair/Good 8250 \$50 CALIFORNIA HAY (USDA Market News) Moses Lake, Wash July 31 This week FOB Last week Last year 11,703 6,297 24,170 Compared to July 24: All classes traded slow on moderate de Alfalfa mand. According to the U.S. Drought Monitor, frontal rains and leftover moisture from Hurricane Dolores brought above-norma precipitation to parts of California, Nevada, Montana, and the Pacific Sudar

250

300

250

240

Supreme

Fair/Good

Premium

Good

\$210

\$185

\$150

\$210

on the ground with chances of rain. Prices on dry cow hay continue to drop week to week while test hay is getting harder to find. **REGION 1: North Intermountain**

Includes the counties of Siskiyou, Modoc, Shasta, Lassen, and Plumas. Tono Drico

			Tons	Price
	Alfalfa	Good/Prem.	125	\$120
			50	\$ 170
		Good	400	\$ 245
			75	\$160
	Alfalfa/Orchard Mix	Premium	15	\$200
	Orchard Grass	Premium	90	\$290-300
		Good/Prem.	25	\$260
	Timothy Grass	Premium	575	\$320
	REGION 2: Sacramento Valley			
	Includes the counties of Teha	ma, Glenn, Bu	utte, Col	usa, Sutter,
	Yuba, Sierra, Nevada, Placer, Yol	o, El Dorado, S	Solano, S	Sacramento.
			Tons	Price
	Alfalfa	Supreme	120	\$220
		Prem./Sup.	430	\$230
		Good/Prem.		\$ 190
	Alfalfa/Orchard Mix	Premium	75	\$260
	REGION 3: Northern San Joaqui			
	Includes the counties of San Je		eras, Sta	nislaus, Tu-
	olumne, Mono, Merced and Mari	posa.		
			Tons	Price
	Alfalfa	Supreme	50	\$ 280
		Good	1000	\$ 155
		Fair/Good	1500	\$140
			200	180
	Wheat	Good	1500	\$ 75
	Forage Mix-Two Way	Fair	300	\$ 80
	Wheat Straw	Good	225	\$80
this	REGION 4: Central San Joaquin			
es.	Includes the counties of Mader	a, Fresno, King		
			Tons	Price
	Alfalfa	Good/Prem.		\$170
		Good	100	\$160
	Corn	Good	0	\$60
	REGION 5: Southern California			
	Includes the counties of Kern,	Northeast Los	Angeles	, and West-
	ern San Bernardino.		-	-
	A16-16-		Tons	Price
	Alfalfa	Good/Prem.	250	\$ 270
	Orchard Grass	Premium	225	\$ 320
	Forage Mix-Three Way	Good	63	\$260
	REGION 6: Southeast California		-	
		0 1/5	Tons	Price

Good/Prem 2600 \$165 \$150-160 550 Good 750 \$190 Premium 125 \$165 Good/Prem. 210 \$130

Tyson hit hard in 3Q by high costs, export issues

NEW YORK (AP) - Tyson Foods' third-quarter-profit leaped 32 percent, but that was still short of expectations and the company cut its outlook with high cattle costs expected to continue to weigh on revenue growth.

"Unless beef market conditions improve rapidly, we will not achieve our previous guidance," CEO Donnie Smith said Monday.

Tyson is also being hammered on exports with bans in some countries following a U.S. outbreak avian influenza, as well as a strong dollar.

Company shares slid 9 percent in early trading.

Net income for the quarter reached \$343 million, or 83 cents per share. Earnings, adjusted for non-recurring gains, came to 80 cents per share.

That was 15 cents shy of what industry analysts had expected, according to a poll by Zacks Investment Research.

Revenue rose 4 percent to \$10.07 billion and sales volume for the prepared foods unit climbed, thanks in part to the acquisition of Hillshire Brands last August.

But, the beef business overshadowed those numbers.

Smith said beef "under-delivered our expectations by \$84 million," in a conference call Monday. There was also an excess of beef on the market, forcing sales at lower prices, and a labor dispute at West Coast ports also disrupted business, Smith said.

The Springdale, Ark., company warned that the conditions would make it difficult to meet prior full-year guidance of \$3.30 to \$3.40 per share. The company cut its outlook to between \$3.10 and \$3.20 per share.

Shares of Tyson Foods Inc., which have risen 11 percent since the beginning of the year, fell \$3.60 to \$40.75.

Potato Market Reports

Compiled by North American Potato Market News and USDA Agricultural Market Service

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)

Aug. 1 Market Commentary: Northwest Russet table potato prices remain under pressure as the Columbia

SHIPPING	AREA						
FWA	Chg	GRI	Chg	70 ct	Chg	10# Film	Chg
IDAHO BU	RBANKS						
\$10.30	-\$0.26	\$4.09	-\$0.16	\$22	-\$2	\$4.50	\$0
COLUMBI/	A BASIN						
\$14.18	-\$1.30	\$6.40	-\$0.81	\$24	-\$2	\$7.50	-\$0.50

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

Texas

currency per kilogram, sheep prices in dollars per hundredweight (cwt.) except some replace animals on per head basis as indicated

(USDA Market News) Greeley, Colo. July 31

a standstill this week. There were no confirmed trades. Most are at a point where they are just collecting pools that were sheared late to store until the fall as warehouses restock and deliver previously sold contract wool from earlier in the year. The economic landscape in China is a current topic at hand as they import a lot of domestic wool. Most remain optimistic that the situation nere will change as well as the possibility of European markets having a greater demand later this fall. Domestic wool trading on a greasy basis was at a standstill. There were no confirmed trades this week. All trades reported on a weighted average

tested: feeder lambs were \$8 lower, 3,500 head of negotiated sales of slaughter lambs were steady to \$2 higher. 7,600 head of formula sales under 65 lbs, were not well tested; 65-75 lbs, were \$6-7 lower; 75-85 lbs. were \$8-10 higher; 85-95 lbs. were \$1-2 higher and over 95 lbs were \$6-7 lower, 5.243 carcasses sold with 45 lbs. and down \$4.03 higher; 45-65 lbs. \$2.24 3.19 lower; 65-75 lbs. \$5.69 higher; 75-85 lbs \$10.32 higher and 85 lbs. and up \$6.56 higher SLAUGHTER LAMBS Choice and Prime 2-3 San Angelo: shorn and wooled 100-140 lbs \$120-140.

SLAUGHTER LAMBS Choice and Prime 1: San Angelo: 40-60 lbs. \$210-230; 60-70 lbs \$190-210. 70-80 lbs \$168-175 few 186-192 80-90 lbs. \$160- 172; 90-110 lbs. \$150-168. SLAUGHTER EWES:

San Angelo: Good 2-3 (fleshv) \$62-68: Utility and Good 1-3 (medium flesh) \$76-84; Utility 1-2 (thin) \$58- 66.50; Cull and Utility 1-2 (very thin) \$50-60; Cull 1 (extremely thin) \$42-50

FEEDER LAMBS Medium and Large

Grain Market Reports

Compiled by USDA Market News Service • Portland

exc	Grains are stated in dollars per bushel or hund ept feed grains traded in dollars per ton. Nation s are for rail delivery unless truck indicated. CALIFORNIA GRAINS	
	(USDA Market News)	
	Portland	
	July 30	
	Prices in dollars per cwt., bulk Inc.= including;	
	.= limited; Ind.= indicated; NYE=Not fully estima	ted.
	AIN DELIVERED	
	de Destination	Price per cwt.
	RLEY – U.S. No. 2 (46-lbs. per bushel)	
Ra		NA
	Tulane County	NA
Tru		NA
	Stockton-Modesto-Oakdale-Turlock	NA
	Kings-Tulare-Fresno Counties	NA
	Madera County	NA
	Solano County	NA
CC	RN-U.S. No. 2 Yellow	
	FOB Turlock/Tulane	\$8.63
Ra	Single Car Units via BNSF	
	Chino Valley-Los Angeles	\$9.18
Tru	ck Petaluma-Santa Rosa	NA
	Stockton-Modesto-Oakdale-Turlock	\$8.93
	Los Angeles-Chino Valley	NA
	Kings-Tulare-Fresno Counties	\$9.47
SO	RGHUM-U.S. No. 2 Yellow	
Ra	Los Angeles-Chino Valley	
	via BNSF Single	\$11.18
Tru	ck Modesto-Oakdale-Turlock	NA
OA	TS-U.S. No. 1 White	
Tru	ck Los Angeles-Chino Valley	NA
OA	TS-U.S. No. 2 White	
Tru	ck Petaluma	NA
Ra	Petaluma	NA
\A/F	EAT U.S. No. 2 or better Hard Red Winter	

WHEAT-U.S. No. 2 or better-Hard Red Winter

YELLOW CORN, U.S. No 2 or better \$8.50 Spot Del Locally PORTLAND GRAIN (USDA Market News) Portland July 29 PACIFIC NORTHWEST MARKET SUMMARY

Glenn

Northwest this week. The Intermountain region has second cutting

Cash wheat bids for July delivery ended the reporting week on Thursday, July 30, moderately lower compared to July 23 noon bids for July delivery.

September wheat futures ended the reporting week on Thursday, July 30, lower as follows compared to July 23 closes: Chicago wheat futures were 25 cents lower at \$4.9650, Kansas City wheat futures were 26 cents lower at \$4.91 and Minneapolis wheat futures trended 26 cents lower at \$5.2675. Chicago September corn futures trended 30 cents lower at \$3.7325 while August soybean futures closed 19.75 cents lower at \$9.9025. Bids for U.S. 1 Soft White Wheat delivered to Portland in unit

trains or barges during July for ordinary protein were not available today or last week as most exporters were not issuing bids for nearby delivery.

There were no white club wheat premiums for the current or previous week

One year ago bids for U.S. 1 Soft White Wheat any protein for July delivery by unit trains and barges to Portland were \$6.2725-6.9525, mostly \$6.7625 and bids for White Club Wheat were

\$6.7725-7.8725, mostly \$7.4425. Nearby bids for U.S. 1 Soft White wheat ordinary protein were not available this week, as most exporters were not issuing bids

for July delivery. Forward month bids for soft white wheat ordinary protein were as follows: August and September \$5.3650-5.5150 and October and November \$5.4425-5.5425. One year ago, forward month

bids for soft white wheat for any protein were as follows: August New Crop \$6.7725-6.95, September \$6.7725-6.98, October \$6.7950-7.01 and November \$6.8450-7.04. Bids for U.S. 1 Soft White Wheat guaranteed maximum 10.5

mostly \$6.5150 the previous week.

percent protein the current or previous week.

dropping even lower to mostly \$6.2125 on July 29.

ber \$6.2925-6.4425, and November \$6.2925-6.4625.

protein during July were \$6.2150-6.33. 23.50 to 25 cents per bushel lower compared to 6.4650-6.5650,

There were no white club wheat premiums for guaranteed 10.5

Nearby bids for U.S. 1 Soft White wheat guaranteed maximum

10.5 percent protein began the reporting week on July 24 at

mostly \$6.4475, and then dropped to mostly \$6.3450 on July 27, moving slightly higher to mostly \$6.3575 on July 28, before

July 30, bids ended the reporting week fractionally higher at

mostly \$6.2150. Bids were influenced by the fluctuation Chicago

September wheat futures during the week. Forward month bids

for soft white wheat guaranteed 10.5 percent proteins were as

follows: August New Crop and September \$6,2650-6.38. Octo-

to July 23 noon bids. The lower Kansas City July wheat futures weighed on bids during the week. On July 30, bids were as follows: July 5.46-5.66, mostly 5.54; August New Crop 5.51-5.76; September 5.56-5.81; October 5.8075-5.8575 and November 8.8075-5.8875

Bids for non-guaranteed 14.0 percent protein U.S. 1 Dark Northern Spring Wheat for Portland delivery during July had 27 to 36 cents lower than July 23 noon bids. Some exporters were not issuing bids for nearby delivery. On July 30, bids for non-quaranteed 14 percent protein were as follows: July \$6.0675-6.1675, mostly \$6.1175; August New Crop \$6.0675 6.2675; September \$6.1175-6.2675; October; \$6.3375-6.5375; and November \$6.4375-6.5875 COARSE FEEDING GRAINS

Bids for U.S. 2 Yellow Corn delivered full coast Pacific Northwest - BN shuttle trains for July delivery were 24 to 28 cents lower from \$4.5125-4.5325 per bushel. Forward month corn bids were as follows: August \$4.5425-4.5825, September \$4.5725-4.6025, October \$4.5875-4.6475, November \$4.6375-4.6475 and December \$4.6475-4.6875. Bids for U.S. 1 Yellow Soybe delivered full coast Pacific Northwest - BN shuttle trains for July delivery were not available. Forward month soybean bids were as follows: September \$10.32-10.33, October \$10.35-10.37 November \$10.40-10.43, December \$10.4525-10.4625 and Jan-uary \$10.4625-10.4725. Bids for U.S. 2 Heavy Wheat Oats for July delivery held steady at \$3.8475 per bushel

OUTSTANDING EXPORT SALES

Outstanding U.S. white wheat export sales as of July 23, 2015 for the marketing year beginning June 1, 2015, and ending May 31, 2016, in 1000 MT, totaled 957.3 thousand MT compared to 974.2 thousand MT one week ago, and 1,022.1 thousand MT one year ago.

Outstanding white wheat export sales for the 2015-2016 marketing year were to the following countries in 1000 MT: Japan Philippines 131.0, South Korea 119.5, Nigeria 60.5, Sr Lanka 60.0, Thailand 46.2, Guatemala 41.5, Taiwan 34.9, Indonesia 30.0, El Salvador 10.9, Canada 1.9, Vietnam 1.3, Hong Kong 1.1. Malaysia 1.0. and total unknown white wheat export shipments as of July 23, 2015, in 1000 MT for the 2015-16 marketing year, totaled 322.9 compared to 546.2 one year ago. Outstanding U.S. barley export sales as of July 23, 2015, for the marketing year beginning June 1, 2015 and ending May 31 2016, in 1000 MT, totaled 5.9 compared to 5.8 last week and 8.8 one year ago. Outstanding barley export sales for the 2015-16 marketing year in 1000 MT were to the following countries in 1000 MT: Japan 3.5, South Korea 1.6 and Taiwan 0.8. Accumulated barley export shipments as of July 23, 2015 were 3.0 $\,$ thousand MT compared to 16.1 one year ago. PACIFIC NORTHWEST EXPORT NEWS

Wool prices in cents per pound and foreign

NATIONAL WOOL REVIEW

Domestic wool trading on a clean basis was at

	(Domestic Valu	es for Flo	ur Milling)		
	Los Angeles 12	percent	Protein	\$11.82	
	Los Angeles 13	percent	Protein	\$12.02	
	Los Angeles 14	percent	Protein	\$12.22	
Truck/Rail	Los Angeles 11	-12 perce	nt Protein		
	Los Angeles 13	percent	Protein	\$10.85	
	Los Angeles 14	percent	Protein	NA	
WHEAT-U.	S. Durum Wheat				
Truck	Imperial County	/		NA	
WHEAT-An	y Class for Feed				
	FOB Tulane			NA	
Truck/Rail	Los Angeles-Ch	nino Valle	у	\$10.68	
Truck	Petaluma-Santa	a Rosa		\$10.75	
	Kern County			NA	
Prices p	aid to California	farmers,	seven-day	reporting	period
ending July	30:				
BARLEY, L	I.S. No 2, 48 lbs p	oer bushel			
Solano	\$9.35	Spot		FOB Ra	nch

Bids for 11.5 percent protein U.S. 1 Hard Red Winter Wheat for July delivery were 16 to 26 cents per bushel lower compared **Livestock Auctions**

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

California

SHASTA (Shasta Livestock Auction) Cottonwood, Calif. July 24 Current week Last week 767 408

Compared to July 17: Slaughter cows \$2-4 lower. Most feeders offered over 700 lbs. Market mostly steady with top yearlings slightly higher. Off lots and singles \$40-80 below top offerings. Slaughter cows: Breakers \$100-104, \$105-110 high dress; Boning \$80-94.

Bulls 1 and 2: \$110-137; \$138-148 high dress Feeder steers: 550-600 lbs. \$210-237.50; 600-650 lbs. \$215-233; 650-700 lbs. \$200-216; 700-750 lbs. \$200-215; 750-800 lbs. \$200-209; 800-900 lbs. \$180-197.

Feeder heifers: 550-600 lbs. \$200-218; 600-

650 lbs. \$192-210; 700-750 lbs. \$185-209; 750-800 lbs. \$182-186: 800-900 lbs. \$163-165.50. Pairs: Too few for market test. Calvy cows: No market test.

Washington

TOPPENISH (Toppenish Livestock Auction) (USDA Market News) Moses Lake Wash July 31 This week Last week Last year 1.520 1.600 1,530 Compared to July 24 at the same market: Stocker steers less than 800 lbs. steady to \$6 higher. Stocker heifers and feeder cattle more than 800 lbs. weak to \$6 lower. Trade active with good demand. Slaughter cows steady to \$3 higher. Slaughter bulls \$2-3 lower. Trade active with good demand. Slaughter cows 51 percent, Slaughter bulls 10 percent, and feeders 39 percent of the supply. The feeder supply included 62 percent steers and 38 percent heifers. Near 87 percent of the run weighed over 600 lbs. Replacement Cows: Pre-tested for pregnancy, and age.

Feeder Steers: Medium and Large 1-2: 400-500 lbs. \$240; 500-600 lbs. \$225-235; 600-700 lbs. \$208-212.50; 700-800 lbs. \$203-210; 700-800 lbs. \$95-199, Full; 800-900 lbs. \$189.75-192. Medium and Large 2-3: 700-800 lbs. \$181-183.50. Large 1-2: 900-1000 lbs. \$175-181. Small and Medium 2-3: 500-600 lbs. \$127.50, Brahman X.

Feeder Heifers: Medium and Large 1-2: 400-500 lbs. \$237.50; 500-600 lbs. \$215-225; 600-700 lbs. \$195-205.50; 700-800 lbs. \$187-189.50; 800-900 lbs. \$181. Medium and Large 2-3: 600-700 lbs. \$173-183; 700-800 lbs. \$176. Large 1-2: 900-1000 lbs. \$160. Large 2-3: 900-1000 lbs. \$145.

Slaughter Cows: Boning 80-85 percent lean 1300-2000 lbs. \$94-99; Lean 85-90 percent lean 1100-1800 lbs. \$95-100; Lean Light 90 percent lean 900-1300 lbs. \$83-89.

Slaughter Bulls: Yield Grade 1-2 950-2300 lbs. \$132-140

Pacific Northwest Export News: There were five grain vessels in Columbia River ports on Thursday, July 23, with four docked compared to 7 last Thursday with four docked. There were no confirmed export sales this week from the Commodity Credit Corporation of the USDA.

Bred Heifers (Per Head): Medium and Large

Bred Cows (Per Head): Medium and Large 1-2:

Young (3-4 yrs. old) 1100-1500 lbs. \$1950-2200.

MADRAS

(Central Oregon Livestock Auction)

July 27

Steers: 300-400 lbs. \$250-270; 400-500 lbs

\$240-260; 500-600 lbs. \$230-250; 600-700 lbs.

\$210-230; 700-800 lbs. \$185-210; 800-900 lbs

high-yield \$110; medium-yield \$100; low-yield

1-2: 1016 lbs. \$1885 1-3 mos. bred.

Oregon

\$175-185

\$90

Baby calves: NA.

Domestic wool tags No. 1 \$.60-.70 No. 2 \$.50-.60 \$.40-.50 No. 3 NATIONAL SHEEP SUMMARY (USDA Market News)

San Angelo: 53 lbs. \$187; 60-80 lbs. \$180-184, set of reputation \$192; 80-95 lbs. \$175-180.

REPLACEMENT EWES Medium and Large 1-2:

San Angelo: hair ewe lambs 60-80 lbs. \$240-

282 cwt; 93 lbs. \$185 cwt. NATIONAL WEEKLY LAMB CARCASS Choice

ina Phine 1-4.	
Weight	Wtd. avg.
45 lbs. Down	\$488.29
45-55 lbs.	\$397
55-65 lbs.	\$340.74
65-75 lbs.	\$328.07
75-85 lbs.	\$315.57
85 lbs. and up	\$292.96
Sheep and lam	nb slaughter

At San Angelo, Texas, 4,096 head sold in a one-day sale. No sales in Equity Electronic Auction. In direct trading slaughter ewes were not

except at Ft. Collins steady to \$10 higher.

San Angelo, Texas

July 31 Compared to last week: Slaughter lambs were

very uneven, steady to \$20 higher at San Angelo

Texas: Ft. Collins, Colo., and Kalona, Iowa, and

steady to \$20 lower at New Holland, Pa., and

Sioux Falls, S.D. Slaughter ewes were steady to

\$10 higher except at New Holland steady to \$10

lower. Feeder lambs were steady to \$15 lower,

under federal inspection for the week to date totaled 36,000 compared with 36,000 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

July 31

Benchmark prices are steady. Asking prices for next week are unchanged on all sizes. The undertone is steady. Retail demand is in a full range of light to fairly good, mostly light to moderate. Food service movement is fairly good to good. Offerings are light. Supplies are light to moderate. Market activity is moderate to active. Small benchmark price \$2.97.

Bulls: High yield. \$132-137; mostly \$130; thin-	Size	Range	Size	Range
ner \$125-130.	Jumbo	364	Extra large	377
Heifers: 300-400 lbs. \$240-250; 400-500 lbs.	Large	361	Medium	317
\$225-240; 500-600 lbs. \$210-225; 600-700 lbs.		N CALIFORNIA		
\$185-210; 700-800 lbs. \$175-185.		,	olume buyers, USDA	Grade AA and Grade AA, white eggs in cartons,
Heiferettes: 850-1000 lbs. \$160-175.	delivered stor	e door.		
Cows: Heiferettes \$140; Feeder cows \$105;	Size	Range	Size	Range

delivered sto	ore door.				
Size	Range	Size	Range		

Size	Range	Size	Range
Jumbo	316-328	Extra large	303-315
Large	293-302	Medium	255-264

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 as indicated.

NATIONAL SLAUGHTER CATTLE (Federal-State Market News) **Oklahoma City-Des Moines** July 31

Compared to last week: Trading and demand are light to moderate in Kansas: live sales are \$2 higher. No Dressed sales listed at time of report. Boxed beef prices July 31 averaged \$231.48, which is \$1.47 higher than July 24. The Choice/ Select spread is \$3.96. Slaughter cattle on a national basis for negotiated cash trades through July 31 totaled about 3,000 head. The previous week's total head count was 65,613 head.

South Plains Direct Markets: Live Basis Steers and Heifers 35-65 percent Choice, 1100-1400 lbs. \$147.

Slaughter Cows and Bulls (Average Yielding Prices): Slaughter cows mostly \$1-3 lower. Slaughter bulls mostly steady. USDA's Cutter cow carcass cut-out value July 31 was \$221.66 down \$6.27 from July 24.

NATIONAL FEEDER AND STOCKER CATTLE					
(Federal-State Market News)					
St. Joseph, Mo.					
July 31					
This week	Last week	Last year			
144,500 162,600 281,700					
Compared to last week: Lower prices contin-					
ued in the feede	er cattle markets	as feeder cattle			

and calves traded mostly \$5-10 lower. Auction receipts were mostly light this week due to the hot weather and high humidity causing high heat index levels of near and over 110 degrees in areas across the Midwest and Southern Plains. Receipts for the most part continue to be dominated by yearling cattle over 700 lbs., which is where the best demand exists at this time. Demand remains moderate to good with best demand in the Northern Plains for yearlings as on Tuesday in Philip, S.D., at the Philip Livestock Auction sold near 3200 head of mostly yearling cattle with near 300 head of steers weighing between 850-900 lbs. averaging 884 lbs. sold with a weighted average price of \$212.74.

Demand was very good in Kearney, Neb., at the Huss Platte Valley Livestock Auction on July 29, where 228 head of yearling steers averaging 925 lbs. sold with a weighted average price of \$215.48. A number of good strings of calves and vearlings this week were on offer at the Superior Video Royale sale broadcast on July 27 from Ft. Worth, Texas, then moving to Winnemucca, Nev., on July 29 selling 137,000 head of cattle.

The previous week and into the current week Live Cattle and Feeder Cattle contracts took a pounding as long term bulls were nowhere to be found.

The cattle complex did finally pull off a positive day of trading on July 27 with triple-digit gains that extended with modest gains into July 28. But the sometimes upside potential has no sense of

urgency to rally much higher anytime soon.

USDA issued on July 24 its Cattle on Feed Report and the July 1 Cattle Inventory Report all had lots of information and data but little effect on market impact. There were few surprises and no really bullish news to report. Pretty much everybody in the industry knows expansion is well nderway, but it will be over a year before many of the heifers retained will calve.

Lower corn market this week is having little effect on Feeder Cattle contracts so far as the fed cattle market has plenty of red ink flowing as the fed cattle market tries to carve out its summer low

Boxed-beef prices are at their lowest levels since last June and have this week gained some footing hopefully finding their summer low Choice boxed-beef closed \$.09 lower on July 31 at \$233.25.

Retailers still seem to be a bit lax in buying product and slow to stimulate consumer buying A strong U.S. dollar and weaker export demand from the Pacific Rim countries especially Hong Kong and Japan have beef exports struggling; also beef exports to Mexico have been laboring as well. Competing meat prices are strikingly lower than year-ago levels as pork prices hit their all-time highs last summer during the PEDv outbreak and chicken prices were also stronger last year.

The attitudes of many in the commodity markets who are trading is getting to be a little bitter back on their heels and struggling with selling interest in the market place at this time.

This week Last week Last year 106.100 93.700 134.900 WASHINGTON 1,800. 87 pct over 600 lbs. 36 pct heifers. Steers: Medium and Large 1-2 650-700 lbs. \$211.32: 700-750 lbs. \$210.76: 750-800 lbs. \$205.63; 800-850 lbs. \$191.22; Lot 865 lbs. \$189.75. Heifers: Medium and Large 1-2 650-700 lbs. \$200.91; 750-800 lbs. \$187.34; Lot 810

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lbs. \$181.		
DIRECT		
This week	Last week	Last year
36,900	29,000	38,000
SOUTHWEST	(Arizona-California-Nevada)	
There were no direct sales reported.		

Northwest (Washington-Oregon-Idaho) 7500. 81 pct over 600 lbs. 27 pct heifers. Steers: Me dium and Large 1-2 Current FOB Price 850-900 lbs. \$195-196 Washington. Current Delivered Price: 800-900 lbs. \$209-211 Idaho. Future Delivery FOB Price 500-550 lbs. \$258 value added for October-November Oregon; 550-600 lbs. \$232-246 for October-November Washington-Oregon-Idaho; 600-650 lbs. \$227-240 calves for October-November Washington-Oregon-Idaho: 700-750 lbs. \$216-221 calves for November-December Washington-Idaho. Future Delivery Delivered Price 850-900 lbs. \$208-211 for September-November Idaho, Large 1-2 Future Delivery Delivered Price 900-1000 lbs. \$205.75-210 August-September Idaho. Heifers: Medium and Large 1-2 Current FOB Price 800-850 lbs. \$186-187 Washington. Current Delivered Price 800-850 lbs. \$204-205 ldaho. Large 1-2: 900 lbs \$198 Idaho, Future Delivery FOB Price 500-600 lbs. \$219-230 for October-November Washington-Idaho-Oregon; 510 lbs. \$240 thin fleshed fo October-November Oregon; 650-700 lbs. \$212 calves for November-December Oregon. Future Delivery Delivered Price 850 lbs. \$207 for October-November Idaho, Large 1-2 Future Delivery Delivered Price 950 lbs. \$200 Idaho.

NORTHWEST DIRECT CATTLE (USDA Market News) Moses Lake, Wash. July 24 This week Last week Last vear

4,500 2,300 7,500 Compared to July 24, feeder cattle \$10-15 lower, due in part to lower slaughter cattle and CME prices. Trade moderate to active with moderate to good demand at the lower prices. The feeder supply included 73 percent steers and 27 percent heifers. Near 81 percent of the supply

weighed over 600 lbs. Prices are FOB weigh

ing 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.

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Corn crop is now rated 70 percent good to excellent up 1 percent from last week, with 78 per-

cent in the silking stage. Corn prices have moved lower. Auction volume included 50 percent weighing over 600 lbs. and 37 percent heifers. AUCTIONS