## **Farm Market Report**

Alfalfa

Imperial.

Alfalfa

#### **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 deliv ered 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
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	(USI	DA Market Ne	ews)	

Portland, Ore. Jan. 20

This week FOB Last week Last year Compared to Jan. 13: Prices trended generally steady in a limited test compared to week ago prices. Most demand lays with the retail/

stable hay. According to some producers, horse owners prefer lower sugar, higher protein hay. The recent snows slowed movement as trucks can't get to the farms to get loaded CROOK, DESCHUTES, JEFFERSON, WASCO COUNTIES

Alfalfa Small Square	Premium	18	\$225
Orchard Grass Small Square	Premium	2	\$240
	Good	50	\$210-225
Meadow Grass Small Square	Premium	50	\$210
EASTERN OREGON			
Alfalfa Large Square	Fair	60	\$105
KLAMATH BASIN			
Alfalfa Large Square	Premium	400	\$165
		800	\$285
Small Square	Premium	700	\$160
	Fair/Good	4	\$130
Barley Straw Large Square	Utility	35	\$66
LAKE COUNTY	-		
Alfalfa Large Square	Supreme	1000	\$180
	Premium	32	\$150
		2396	\$160-170
	Fair	100	\$100
Small Square	Supreme	30	\$185
Alfalfa/Oat Mix Large Square	Premium	25	\$100

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Orchard Grass Small Square	Utility	50	\$65		
Oat Small Square	Fair		\$60		
Wheat/Oat/Barley/Pea					
Large Square	Premium	100	\$105		
Barley/Wheat/Alfalfa					
Large Square	Premium 100 \$105				
Triticale Large Square	Good	30	\$75		
Small Square	Premium	24	\$100		
HARNEY COUNTY: No new sale	es confirmed.				
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(LICDA M	oulcot Mouse)				

(USDA Market News) Moses Lake, Wash. Jan. 20 Last week

Last year

Compared to Jan. 13: Feeder Alfalfa firm. Trade remains slow with light to moderate demand. More interest on the buying side is starting to show up.

This week FOB

600 Alfalfa Mid Square Fair/Good \$85 \$70-85 Utility 1000 \$80 Utility/Fair 500 \$80 Fair/Good Mixed Grass Mid Square **CALIFORNIA HAY** (USDA Market News)

Jan. 20 This week FOB Last week Last year Compared to Jan. 13: All classes traded steady with moderate demand. Rain has encroached on all regions this week with more rain forecast for the coming weekend. Next week is forecast to offer

some much needed drying. All hay is reported FOB the stack or barn  $\,$ unless otherwise noted REGION 1: NORTHERN INTERMOUNTAIN Includes the counties of Siskiyou, Modoc, Shasta, Lassen, and 150 Alfalfa Fair/Good \$100 **Orchard Grass** 200 \$295 Premium REGION 2: SACRAMENTO VALLEY Includes the counties of Tehama, Glenn, Butte, Colusa, Sutter,

Rice Straw	Good	100	\$25				
REGION 3: NORTHERN SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY							
Includes the counties of Sa	n Joaquin, Calav	eras, Sta	anislaus, Tu-				
olumne, Mono, Merced and M	lariposa.						
Alfalfa	Good	25	\$180				
	Fair	25	\$165				
Wheat Hay	Premium	50	\$115				
	Good	50	\$85				
Wheat Straw	Good	25	\$20				
REGION 4: CENTRAL SAN J	OAQUIN VALLE	Υ					
Includes the counties of Ma	dera, Fresno, Kii	ngs, Tula	re, and Inyo.				
Alfalfa	Good/Prem	. 100	\$200				
REGION 5: SOUTHERN CAL	IFORNIA						
Includes the counties of Ke	rn, Northeast Lo	s Angele	s, and West-				
orn Con Dornardina							

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

Premium

50

\$200

No new sales confirmed REGION 6: SOUTHEAST CALIFORNIA

> \$90-100 275 Good WASHINGTON-OREGON HAY

(USDA Market News) Moses Lake, Wash. Jan. 20 This week FOB Last week

5.400 6.300 Compared to Jan. 13: Export Alfalfa steady, domestic not tested this week. Trade slow to moderate with light to moderate demand Very good demand noted for Timothy. On the higher quality export Alfalfa sellers pay to tarp it. Inclement weather and driving conditions and the Northwest hay expo this week affecting movement of hay in the trade area. All prices are dollars per ton and FOB the farm

(Columbia Basin)

		IONS	Price
Alfalfa Small Square	Premium	300	\$150
Timothy Grass Mid Square	Fair/Good	1000	\$110
Timothy Grass Small Square	Good/Prem.	100	\$200
Rye Grass Straw Mid Square	Fair	2000	\$55
Fescue Straw Mid Square	Fair	2000	\$55

### **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

PACIFIC NORTHWEST MARKET SUMMARY

Cash wheat bids for January delivery ended the reporting week on Thursday, Jan. 19, were mixed compared to Jan. 12 noon bids for January delivery.

March wheat futures ended the reporting week on Thursday, Jan. 19, mixed as follows compared to Jan. 12 closes: Chicago wheat futures were 2.75 cents lower at \$4.2350, Kansas City wheat futures were 2.50 cents lower at \$4.4225 and Minneapolis wheat futures trended 2.50 cents higher at \$5.7650. Chicago March corn futures trended eight cents higher at \$3.6625 and March soybean futures closed 30 cents higher at \$10.7025.

Bids for U.S. 1 Soft White Wheat delivered to Portland in unit trains or barges during January for ordinary protein trended steady to  $7.75\,$ cents lower compared to week ago prices for the same delivery period at \$4.56-4.6350. Some exporters were not issuing bids for nearby delivery. White club wheat premiums were zero to 25 cents per bushel over soft white wheat bids this week and last week.

One year ago bids for U.S. 1 Soft White Wheat any protein for January delivery by unit trains and barges to Portland were \$5.30-5.3450 and bids for White Club Wheat were also \$5.30- 5.3450. Forward month bids for soft white wheat ordinary protein were as follows: February \$4.56-4.6350, March \$4.3850-4.6350, April \$4.3925-4.53 and May \$4.3925-4.52

One year ago, forward month bids for soft white wheat for any protein were as follows: February and March \$5.30-5.3450, April and August New Crop not available.

Bids for U.S. 1 Soft White Wheat guaranteed maximum 10.5 percent protein during January trended 2.75 to 7.75 cents higher compared to week ago prices for the same delivery period at \$4.6850. Some exporters were not issuing bids for nearby delivery. White club wheat premiums for guaranteed maximum 10.5 percent protein soft white wheat this week were zero to 25 cents per bushel over soft white wheat bids this week and last week

One year ago bids for U.S. 1 Soft White Wheat guaranteed maximum 10.5 percent protein for January delivery by unit trains and barges to Portland were \$6.2450-6.45 and bids for White Club Wheat were \$7.4450-8.15. Forward month bids for soft white wheat quaranteed 10.5 percent proteins were as follows: February was not available, March \$4.3850-4.6850, April and May \$4.3925- 4.55. One year ago, forward month bids for soft white wheat for any protein were as follows: February and March \$6.2950-6.45, April \$6.29-6.45 and August New Crop \$5.50-5.5375.

Bids for 11.5 percent protein U.S. 1 Hard Red Winter Wheat for January delivery were 2.50 to 7.50 cents per bushel lower compared to last week's noon bids for the same delivery period. Some exporters were not issuing bids for nearby delivery. Bids were as follows January \$5.1225-5.3725, February and March \$5.2725- 5.3725 and April \$5,2425-5,3925.

Bids for non-guaranteed 14.0 percent protein U.S. 1 Dark Northern Spring Wheat for Portland delivery during January were 7.50 to 12.50  $\,$ cents per bushel higher than Jan. 12 noon bids for the same delivery period. Some exporters were not issuing bids for nearby delivery. Bids for non-guaranteed 14 percent protein were as follows: January February and March \$6.9150-7.0650 and April \$6.8425-6.8925. COARSE FEEDING GRAINS

Bids for U.S. 2 Yellow Corn delivered full coast Pacific Northwest BNSF shuttle trains for January delivery trended 33.00 cents higher from \$4.8125-5.0125. Some exporters were not issuing bids for nearby delivery. Forward month corn bids were as follows: February \$4.6425-4.8125, March \$4.5825-4.6525, April \$4.5125-4.5225, May \$4.5125 and June \$4.53-4.55. Bids for U.S. 1 Yellow Soybeans delivered full coast Pacific Northwest - BNSF shuttle trains for January delivery trended 35.00 to 37.00 cents higher from \$11.7025-11.8525. Some exporters were not issuing bids for nearby delivery. Forward month soybean bids were as follows: February \$11.6025-11.7025, March \$11.4825-11.5225, October \$11.1775 and November \$11.1475. Bids for U.S. 2 Heavy White Oats for January delivery trended steady at \$3.2650 per bushel PACIFIC NORTHWEST EXPORT NEWS

Destination

or ranch unless otherwise stated.

There were 28 grain vessels in Columbia River ports on Thursday, Jan. 19, with seven docked compared to 26 on Jan. 12 with five docked. There were no new confirmed export sales this week from the Commodity Credit Corporation (CCC) of the USDA.

**CALIFORNIA GRAINS** (USDA Market News) Portland Jan. 19

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

Stockton-Modesto-Oakdale-Turlock Kings-Tulare-Fresno Counties CORN-U.S. No. 2 Yellow FOB Turlock-Tulare \$8.34 Kings-Tulare-Fresno \$7.55 Single Car Units via BNSF \$8.70 Chino Valley-Los Angeles Stockton-Modesto-Oakdale-Turlock \$8.65 Kings-Tulare-Fresno Counties \$8.65 \$8.25-8.30 Glenn County SORGHUM-U.S. No. 2 Yellow Los Angeles-Chino Valley via BNSF Single \$8.40 OATS-U.S. No. 2 White Petaluma \$10.75-11.25 Stockton-Modesto-Oakdale-Turlock \$10.75-11.25 Tulare-Kern-Merced WHEAT-LLS Durum Wheat FOB Kings-Tulare-Fresno Counties \$8.90

Prices paid to California farmers, seven-day reporting period YELLOW CORN, U.S. No. 2 or better

Del Locally

#### **Livestock Auctions**

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

Oregon

LEBANON (Lebanon Auction Yard)

Jan. 20 Total Receipts: 340.

Top conventional cow: \$80.50, Top 10 avg.: \$78.33, avg. all: \$59.15. Top conventional bull: \$86

Top organic cow: \$64. Feeder steers: 400-500 lbs. \$107.50-\$141;

500-600 lbs.\$67.50-\$136.75; 600-700 lbs. \$120-

Feeder Heifers: 400-500 lbs. \$107.50-\$128; 500-600 lbs. \$90-\$122.

Bred cows: \$440-870 per head. Goats: \$155-190 per head

> MADRAS (Central Oregon Livestock Auction)

Jan. 16 Total head count: 669.

Baby calves: NA.

Steers: 300-400 lbs. \$155-165; 400-500 lbs. \$155-165; 500-600 lbs. \$145-155; 600-700 lbs. \$138-145; 700-800 lbs. \$132-137; 800-900 lbs.

Bulls: High yield. \$77-87; Mostly \$75-77; Thin-

Heifers: 300-400 lbs. \$145-155; 400-500 lbs. \$140-145; 500-600 lbs. \$130-140; 600-700 lbs. \$125-130; 700-800 lbs. \$120-126.50 Heiferettes: 850-1000 lbs. \$110-120

Cows: High-yield \$60; fleshy cows \$60; medium-yield \$55; low-yield \$55.

VALE (Producers Livestock Market)

Jan. 18

Total receipts: 305 head. Stronger market on the heavier weight big calves and yearlings somewhat steady to softer

on the lighter weight calves. Steer calves: 300-400 lbs. \$136-177; 400-500 lbs. \$149-169; 500-600 lbs. \$129-155. Heifer calves: 300-400 lbs. \$132-148: 400-500

lbs. \$129-142; 500-600 lbs. \$118-135. Yearling steers: 600-700 lbs. \$124-139; 700-800 lbs. \$119-132; 800-900 lbs. \$108-123; 900-1000 lbs. \$106-121.

Yearling heifers: 600-700 lbs. \$119-126; 700-800 lbs. \$106-116

Light Holstein steers, 600 lbs. and under: NA. Light Holstein steers, 700 lbs. and over: NA.

Butcher cows: \$51-57 Thin shelly cows: \$37-49. Butcher bulls: \$56-66

(Woodburn Livestock Exchange)

Jan. 16-17 Total receipts: 1123 cattle

Top slaughter cows: \$66.55-78.67. Top certified organic cattle: \$83.

600 lbs. \$115-128. Top beef heifers: 400-500 lbs. 100-115, 500-

600 lbs \$110-120 Bred cows: \$885-1275/head.

Block hogs: \$45-78. Sows: \$6-30.

Thin ewes: \$50-70

Fleshy ewes: \$65-100. Ewe-lamb pairs: \$65-70/head. Goats: 10-40 lbs. \$22.50-95, 40-70 lbs. \$42.50-155, 70-150 lbs. \$145-307.50/head.

(Eugene Livestock Auction)

ers slightly stronger. Top cows: High dressers \$60-68, low dressers \$50-59; top 10 cows 61.30.

Choice steers: Medium to large frame No. 1 and No. 2: 400-500 lbs. \$109-135.50; 500-600 lbs. \$115-141.50; 600-700 lbs. \$110-127.50; 700-800 lbs. \$100-112; 800-900 lbs. \$90-107.

Choice heifers: Medium to large frame No. 1 and No. 2: 300-400 lbs. \$90-115; 400-500 lbs. \$105-134; 500-600 lbs. \$110-128; 600-700 lbs. 100-114.50; 700-800 lbs. 85-100; 800 lbs. and

is expected to add to the snowpack that is ahead of average

amounts. The precipitation is a positive sign that adequate irriga-

However, the cold, wet conditions are reducing cow comfort and

subduing milk production a bit. At this point, manufacturers are not

very concerned because milk intakes appear to be in pretty good

Milk pooled on Pacific Northwest Order 124 totaled 579.7 mil-

lion pounds in December 2016. Class I utilization accounted for

about 29 percent of producer milk. The uniform price was \$16.37,

up \$1.30 from last month and \$.69 above one year ago. Accord-

ing to the DMN National Retail Report-Dairy for the week of Jan

13-19, the national weighted average advertised price for one

gallon of milk is \$3.06, up 32 cents from last week and 44 cents

higher than a year ago. The weighted average regional price in

In the West, moderate to heavy condensed skim intakes contin-

ue clearing into dryers. Demand from ice cream makers is grad-

ually improving. Western cream supplies are readily available

The competition for cream between butter churners and Class

II (Class 2) processors is expected to increase in the next few

Therefore, an uptick in cream premiums is also anticipated. This

week, multiples for all classes are mixed, ranging from 1.00 to

veeks as the Super Bowl approaches.

the Southwest and Northwest are \$2.74 and \$1.79, respectively.

tion water may be available for the growing season.

balance with processing needs.

Head calves (up to 250 lbs.): Beef \$90-200

Feeder lambs: 50-90 lbs \$140-182 50: 90-130

Idaho

CALDWELL (Treasure Valley Livestock) Dec. 30

Steers (hd.): 300-400 lbs. \$175. Heifers (wt.): 700-800 lbs. \$59; 800-900 lbs.

Cows (wt.): 900-1000 lbs. \$35.

California

SHASTA (Shasta Livestock Auction) Cottonwood, Calif.

Current week Last week 923

higher. Off lots and singles \$25-50 below top. high dress; Boning \$53-59; Cutters \$40-53.

Bulls 1 and 2: \$60-80

\$125-131. Feeder heifers: 300-400 lbs. \$131-146; 400-450 lbs. \$131-153; 450-500 lbs. \$130-148.50; 500-550 lbs. \$125-150; 550-600 lbs. \$125-134; 600-650 lbs. \$118-129.75; 650-700 lbs. \$115-

Calvy cows: Too few to test Pairs: Few pen lots all ages. \$1,200-1,685. TURLOCK

(Turlock Livestock Auction Yard) Turlock, Calif.

Total receipts: 799 head. Dairy replacements steady to \$75 lower due to weather conditions. Weigh Cows and Bull market

1-2 cents softer than Jan. 13. Springers: No. 1 Holstein springer \$1600-1925; No. 2 Holstein springer \$1400-1575; No. 1 Jersey springer \$1600-1700; No. 1 Jersey cross springer \$1400-1750

Weigh beef cows: High yielding no test; Med yielding \$51-56; Low yielding \$42-50 Weigh dairy cows: High yielding \$56-61.50; Med yielding \$50-55; Low yielding \$40-49 Weigh bulls: High Yielding \$72-77; Med yielding \$62-71; Low yielding \$55-61. Holstein barren heifers: \$62-78

Washington

TOPPENISH (Toppenish Livestock Auction) (USDA Market News) Moses Lake, Wash Jan. 20

Last week This week Last year 800 Compared to Jan. 13 at the same market: Not enough stocker or feeder cattle last week for ac curate trends as this was the first true test of the market for 2017. Trade active with good demand and good buyer attendance. Slaughter cows and bulls \$2-8 lower. Inclement weather conditions in the trade area affecting movement of livestock. Slaughter cows 40 percent, slaughter bulls 10 percent, and feeders 50 percent of the supply The feeder supply included 65 percent steers and 35 percent heifers. Near 74 percent of the run weighed over 600 lbs. Replacer

Pre-tested for pregnancy, and age. Feeder Steers: Medium and Large 1-2: 300-400 lbs. \$159; 400-500 lbs. \$156-158; 500-600 lbs. \$142.75-151.75; 600-700 lbs. \$134.50-142.85; 600-700 lbs. \$123, Full; 700-800 lbs. \$133.50-139; 700-800 lbs. \$124.50, Full; 800-900 lbs. \$125-130. Large 1: 900-1000 lbs. \$117-126; 900-1000 lbs. \$110, Full; 1000-1100 lbs. \$109. Small and Medium 4: 300-400 lbs. \$81; 400-500 lbs. \$84.50.

Feeder Holstein Steers: Large 2-3: 400-500 lbs. \$77.50; 500-600 lbs. \$80-83.50.

Feeder Heifers: Medium and Large 1-2: 300-400 lbs. \$139; 400-500 lbs. \$135.75-141; 500-600 lbs. \$134-135.75; 600-700 lbs. \$125.50-134 600-700 lbs. \$117, Full; 700-800 lbs. \$120-127; 800-900 lbs. \$115.50-122.50. Large 1: 900-1000 lbs. \$110. Large 2-3: 300-400 lbs. \$79.

Slaughter Cows: Boners 80-85 percent lean 1300-1900 lbs. \$59-64; Lean 85-90 percent lean 1200-1800 lbs. \$58-64; Lean Light 90 percent lean 1000-1400 lbs. \$47-51 Slaughter Bulls: Yield Grade 1-2 1800-2100

Bred Heifers (Per Head): Medium and Large

1-2: Few 850-900 lbs. 700 1-3 mos

# 190,000 bees from Montana beekeeper

tana beekeeper says thieves got away with 488 bee hives he had taken to California to pollinate almond trees.

bune it appeared the thieves used semitrailers to steal about 190,000 bees sometime between Monday night and Tuesday morning in Yuba City, Calif. He said he was storing the bees on a fellow beekeeper's property before moving them to Fresno, where he had a contract to pollinate almond trees.

#### **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)

 ${\it Market Commentary: Columbia \ Basin \ packers \ managed \ to \ boost \ 50-80 \ count \ carton \ prices \ by \ \$0.50}$ per cwt last week. All othe Russet prices were flat.

SHIPPING AREA								
FWA	Chg	GRI	Chg	70 ct	Chg	10 lb. Film	Chg	
IDAHO BURBANKS								
\$10.89	\$0	\$4.29	\$0	\$13.50	\$0	\$9	\$0	
IDAHO NORKOTAHS								
\$9.97	\$0	\$3.54	\$0	\$11.50	\$0	\$9	\$0	
COLUMBIA	BASIN							
\$11.19	\$0.15	\$4.46	\$0.10	\$14	\$0.50	\$8.50	\$0	

#### **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 animals on per head basis as indicated NATIONAL WOOL REVIEW

(USDA Market News) Greeley, Colo. Jan. 20

Domestic wool trading on a clean basis was at a standstill this week. There were no confirmed trades reported. Domestic wool trading on a greasy basis was at a standstill this week. There were no confirmed trades reported. Domestic wool tags

No. 2 \$.50-.60 \$.40-.50 NATIONAL SHEEP SUMMARY (USDA Market News) San Angelo, Texas

Compared to Jan. 13: Slaughter lambs were \$1 lower to sharply lower, except at San Angelo, Texas, \$5-10 higher. Slaughter ewes were steady to \$5 higher, except at Newell, S.D., \$3-13 lower Feeder lambs were steady to \$10 lower. At San Angelo, Texas, 2,777 head sold. No sales in Equity Electronic Auction. In direct trading slaughter ewes and feeder lambs were not tested. 2,500 head of negotiated sales of slaughter lambs were steady to \$2 lower. 11,100 head of formula sales had no trend due to confidentiality. 4,170 lamb carcasses sold with 45 lbs. down \$3.36 lower; 45-55 lbs. no trend due to confidentiality; and 55 lbs up \$3.76-5.91 lower

SLAUGHTER LAMBS Choice and Prime 2-3: San Angelo: shorn and wooled 110-155 lbs \$132-148, few \$152.

SLAUGHTER LAMBS Choice and Prime 1: San Angelo: 40-60 lbs. \$248-260; 60-70 lbs. \$234-256; 70-80 lbs. \$218-236, few \$244-250; 80-90 lbs. \$192-220; 90-110 lbs. \$184-196.

DIRECT TRADING (Lambs with 3-4 perce

shrink or equivalent):
2,500 Slaughter Lambs shorn and wooled 139-185 lbs. \$127.94-141.47 (wtd avg \$136.37). SLAUGHTER EWES:

and Good 1-3 (medium flesh) \$88-98; Utility 1-2 (thin) \$70-78; Cull and Utility 1-2 (very thin) \$66; Cull 1 (extremely thin) \$30. FEEDER LAMBS Medium and Large 1-2:

San Angelo: Good 2-3 (fleshy) no test; Utility

San Angelo: 66-70 lbs. \$197; 78 lbs. \$181; 90 REPLACEMENT EWES Medium and Large

San Angelo: baby tooth wooled 158 lbs. \$120 cwt; solid mouth wooled 140-175 lbs. \$100-105 cwt; yearling hair ewes \$170 per head; mixed age hair ewes 90-140 lbs. \$100-122 cwt. NATIONAL WEEKLY LAMB CARCASS Choice

and Prime 1-4: Weight Wtd. avg. 45 lbs. Down \$469.24 Price not reported 45-55 lbs. due to confidentiality 55-65 lbs. 338.75

65-75 lbs.

75-85 lbs. \$289.21 \$278.50 85 lbs. and up Sheep and lamb slaughter under federal inspection for the week to date totaled 38,000 compared with 39,000 last week and 35,000

\$293.39

## **California Egg Reports**

needs. Market activity is moderate to active. Small benchmark price 85 cents

Size

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

Jan. 20 Benchmark prices are steady. Asking prices for next week are 17 cents higher for Jumbo, 23 cents higher for Extra Large, 25 cents higher for Large and 21 cents higher for Medium and Small. Trade sentiment is mostly steady. Offerings are light for Medium and light to moderate on the balance of sizes. Demand is in a full range of moderate to good. Supplies are moderate to closely balanced for anticipated

Jumbo 146 Extra large Large 130 Medium 105

Range

DIRECT

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

Range

Size

Size Range Size Range Extra large 115-124 86-97

## **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 Oregon head as indicated.

NATIONAL FEEDER AND STOCKER CATTLE (Federal-State Market News) St. Joseph, Mo.

Jan. 20 This week Last week Last year 392,000 499,700 331,200 Compared to Jan. 13: Steer and heifer calves suitable for summer turnout sold steady to \$5

higher in the Plains, while those were steady to \$3 lower in the Southeast. Steers and heifers over 600 lbs, were steady to \$3 higher. Demand was reported to be good to very good in many locations nationwide this week in spite of trying weather and conditions through the center part of the country. Cancellations of regular scheduled sales or severely curtailed receipts were common place in early week action in the Southern and Northern Plains if ice had accumulated any at all. Order buyers got back in the saddle mid to late week and paid up with higher prices in a vast majority of auctions

On Jan. 18 in Bassett, Neb., a load of 810 lb. steers with all the bells and whistles sold for \$141.25 while a load of 630 lb. replacement quality heifers rung the bell at \$150. Optimism was prevalent this week again as fed cattle continue to surge in the post holiday trading weeks. This week, fed cattle rose another \$3 to \$4 as live trading transpired at \$122 to \$123 and dressed sales were \$5 higher at \$195. A pattern has come to light the past couple weeks that after fed cattle trade occurs, there is a sell off on the CME Board

Market participants are protecting their positions to take advantage of this recent run-up in the market since Thanksgiving. Along with the handsome prices paid to producers, packers took on some inventory again as over 100K was sold in the 5 Area again this week. Since the week before Christmas, live sales have gained \$7 and dressed sales have increased \$15.

During that same time frame, Choice Boxed beef has risen from around \$197 to over \$203 between the Holidays to close at \$190.42 today. January to December 2016 commercial red meat production was 50.4 billion pounds, up 4 percent from 2015. Accumulated beef production was up 6 per cent from last year and pork was up 2 percent

from last year. For calendar year 2016, average

steer weight was reported at 891 lbs, down 1 lb.

from a year ago; while the average yearly heifer weight is reported at 822 lbs., up 4 pounds from the previous year This would suggest that feedlots are keeping their marketings current at the present time and if packers continue to put more dollars in the pocket of the producers, they will continue to push cattle through the pipeline. After the very short cattle harvest of 69,000 head on Jan. 16, packers still harvested 569,000 for the week Had it not been for ice in the Plains on the weekend, there would be no doubt that harvest

would've been over 600,000 this week. Auction

volume this week included 54 percent weighing

**AUCTIONS** This week Last week Last year 367,500 223,800 WASHINGTON 2,000. 74 pct over 600 lbs 35 pct heifers. Steers: Medium and Large 1-2 450-500 lbs. \$157.64; 500-550 lbs. \$147.94 550-600 lbs. \$144.88; 600-650 lbs. \$137.69; 650-700 lbs. \$141.58; 700-750 lbs. \$139; 750-800 lbs. \$135.75; 850-900 lbs. \$127.98. Large 1

over 600 lbs. and 41 percent heifers.

half load 926 lbs. \$126; 950-1000 lbs. \$118.92. Heifers: Medium and Large 1-2 450- 500 lbs \$138.73; 500-550 lbs. \$135.29; 600-650 lbs. \$127.70; 700- 750 lbs. \$125.25; 750-800 lbs. \$122.98; 850-900 lbs. \$118.50.

This week Last week Last year 60,200 53400 45,200 (Arizona-California-Nevada) SOUTHWEST 4,200. No cattle over 600 lbs. No heifers. Holsteins: Large 3 Del Feb-Mar 300 lbs. \$123: May 300 lbs. \$121; Del Current 325 lbs. \$121. NORTHWEST (Washington-Oregon-Idaho) 2,200. 100 pct over 600 lbs. 16 pct heifers.

Steers: Medium and Large 1 FOB Current 600-650 lbs. \$140; 800-850 lbs. \$125. Large 1 900-950 lbs. \$125. Medium and Large 1 Del Current 700-800 lbs. \$130-138; 800-900 lbs. \$128.75-130. February 850 lbs. \$126. Large 1 900-950 lbs. \$127.75 for current Idaho. Heifers: Medium and Large 1 Del Current 650-700 lbs. \$122; 700-750 lbs. \$128. Del February 800-825 lbs. \$118. NATIONAL SLAUGHTER CATTLE

(USDA Market News) Oklahoma City, Okla. Jan. 20

Slaughter cattle trade demand was moderate, with trades in the Midwest and south plains \$3 to \$4 higher at midday on Jan. 20. Dressed basis cattle in Nebraska sold \$5 higher. Boxed beef prices were lower on light demand and lighter as the week progressed.

Boxed Beef prices as of Jan. 20 averaged \$188.53 down \$7.48 From Jan. 13. The Choice/ Select spread is \$3.78. Slaughter cattle on a national basis for negotiated cash trades through Friday afternoon totaled about 117,000 head. The previous week's total head count was

Midwest Direct Markets: Live Basis: Steers and Heifers: \$121-122.50. Dressed Basis: Steers and Heifers \$195. South Plains Direct Markets: Live Basis:

Steers and Heifers \$121-123. Slaughter Cows and Bulls (Average Yielding Prices): Slaughter cows 1-2 higher and bulls \$1

Cutter Cow Carcass Cut-Out Value Jan. 20 was \$163.98 up \$.64 from Jan. 13.

NORTHWEST DIRECT CATTLE

(USDA Market News) Moses Lake, Wash Jan. 20 Last week This week Last year

2,200 2.050 2.350 Compared to Jan. 20: Feeder cattle firm. Trade slow to moderate with good demand following recent advances on slaughter cattle prices. The feeder supply included 84 percent steers and 16 percent heifers. Near 76 percent of the supply veighed over 600 lbs. Prices are FOB weigh ing point with a 1-4 percent shrink or equivalent and with a 5-12 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.

Feeder Steers: Medium and Large 1: Current

FOB Price: 600-650 lbs. \$140 Idaho; 800-850 lbs. \$125 Washington. Large 1: 900-950 lbs. \$125 Washington. Medium and Large 1: Current Delivered Price: 700-800 lbs. \$130-138 Idaho; 800-900 lbs. \$128.75- 130 Idaho. Future Delivery Delivered Price: 850 lbs. \$126 for Feb Idaho Large 1: 900-950 lbs. \$127.75 for current Idaho. Feeder Heifers Medium and Large 1: Current Delivered Price: 650-700 lbs. \$122 Idaho; 700-750 lbs. \$128 Idaho. Future Delivery Delivered Price: 800-825 lbs. \$118 for February Idaho.

# Dairy report

slightly suppressed milk yields in California

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FLUID MILD AND CREAM REVIEW - WEST (USDA Market News) Jan. 19 Due to the current wet conditions, muddy dairy paddocks have

However, milk intakes are adequate for processing needs.

Class 1 demand from educational institutions is steady as most

school pipelines are full. Interest for Class 2 is improving, but

The Sierra Nevada snowpack is well above normal. Therefore, some dairy operators expect sufficient water for the upcoming growing season. Alfalfa hay fieldwork remains dormant through

In the Pacific Northwest, last week's winter storms dumped heavy snows and rain in parts of the region. The storms caused delays in transportation and deliveries of milk to some dairy facilities. In addition, the cold, wet weather suppressed milk production Although transportation and deliveries have returned to normal

week are less than ideal for providing good cow comfort. Bottling demand is steady and adequate milk is available for most pro-In the mountain states of Idaho, Colorado and Utah, more snow

continued periods of rain, ice or snow through the end of the

Stock cows: NA young; \$670-825 older. Pairs, young: NA.

WOODBURN

All certified organic cattle ave: \$60-86.50. All slaughter bulls: \$60-86.50. Top beef steers: 400-500 lbs. \$110-120, 500-

Feeder pigs: \$25.50-100/head.

Lambs: 40-70 lbs. \$165-194, 75-150 lbs. \$160-

Jan. 21 Total head count: 344. Market conditions compared to last week Butcher cows and bulls off from last week; feed-

Top bulls: High dressers \$70-75 Feeder Bulls: 300-500 lbs. \$109-126; 500-700 lbs. \$77-124; 700-900 lbs. \$86-106.

up \$89-100. Bred Cows: \$525-950 head. Pairs \$810-1140 Steers (wt.): 600-700 lbs. \$46.25. Heifers (hd.): 400-500 lbs. \$160.

2.557 Compared to Jan. 13: Feeder market \$2-10 Slaughter cows: High yielding \$60-65; \$66-70

Feeder steers: 300-400 lbs. \$163-181; 400-450 lbs. \$150-181.50; 450-500 lbs. \$150-179; 500-550 lbs. \$140-161; 550-600 lbs. \$131-153; 600-650 lbs. \$134-149.50; 650-700 lbs. \$126-144; 700-750 lbs. \$130-137.50; 750-800 lbs. \$122-134; 800-900 lbs. \$120-134; 900-1,000 lbs.

129; 700-750 lbs. \$118-126.50; 750-800 lbs. \$115-124; 800-900 lbs. \$112-118.

Jan. 20

California thieves take

Lloyd Cunniff tells the Great Falls Tri-

dreds of thousands of dollars in income. The hives were insured.

# GREAT FALLS, Mont. (AP) — A Mon-

Cunniff says the theft will cost him hun-