Farm Market Report

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Hay Market Reports

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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.
Jan. 27

This week FOB	Last week	Last year
4,200	5,400	7,980

Compared to Jan. 20: Export and domestic Alfalfa firm in a light test. Trade remains slow as most producers are getting over severe winter weather the last few weeks. 2015 supplies still being sold. Very good demand noted for Timothy. On the higher quality export Alfalfa sellers pay to tarp it. Retail/Feedstore hay steady.

		Tons	Price
Alfalfa Mid Square	Premium	600	$120
		800	$100
	Good/Prem.	100	$120
	Fair/Good	200	$90-100
		2000	$80
Alfalfa Small Square	Premium	100	$150
Timothy Grass Small Square	Premium	300	$220
	Good/Prem.	100	$200

OREGON AREA HAY
(USDA Market News)
Portland, Ore.
Jan. 27

This week FOB	Last week	Last year
2,562	6,031	600

Compared to Jan. 20: Prices trended generally steady in a limited test compared to week ago prices. Most demand is 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.

		Tons	Price
CROOK, DESCHUTES, JEFFERSON, WASCO COUNTIES			
Alfalfa Large Square	Fair	60	$90
Small Square	Premium	11	$240-250
	Good	30	$200
Orchard Grass Small Square	Premium	44	$230-250
Meadow Grass Small Square	Premium	50	$210
Mixed Grass Five-Way Small Square	Premium	20	$250
Oat Small Square	Good/Prem.	25	$160
Wheat Large Square	Good	160	$80
EASTERN OREGON			
Alfalfa Large Square	Good	380	$130
Alfalfa/Orchard Mix Large Square	Good	300	$100
Small Square	Premium	15	$165
Timothy Grass Large Square	Premium	120	$180
Oat Large Square	Fair	100	$90
HARNEY COUNTY			
Alfalfa Small Square	Premium	200	$150
	Good	250	$105
	Fair/Good	175	$100
LAKE COUNTY			
Alfalfa Large Square	Supreme	100	$225
	Fair	200	$100
Small Square	Supreme	132	$185-195
	Premium	90	$185
Alfalfa/Triticale Mix Large Square	Good	100	$95

KLAMATH BASIN: No new sales confirmed.

IDAHO HAY
(USDA Market News)
Moses Lake, Wash.
Jan. 27

This week FOB	Last week	Last year
1,000	3,850	27,025

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

		Tons	Price
Alfalfa Mid Square	Fair/Good	1000	$90

CALIFORNIA HAY
(USDA Market News)
Moses Lake, Wash.
Jan. 27

This week FOB	Last week	Last year
2,400	1,525	1,356

Compared to Jan. 20: All classes traded steady with moderate demand. Region 6 will be trying to put new hay up in the coming weeks, but with cooler temps and more days to cure means a longer process to get it put up.

According to the U.S. Drought Monitor, according to the San Joaquin precipitation index (an average across that region), January was the wettest ever observed in 112 years of record, and 4- to 5-year precipitation totals climbed dramatically from approximately the 2 percentile level as of early January to around the 20th percentile through this week.

Statewide average snowpack (snow water equivalent) is almost twice normal for late January, and somewhat more than twice normal in the southern Sierra Nevada. Amounts actually exceed those typically recorded April 1 (snowpack climatological maximum).

		Tons	Price
REGION 1: NORTHERN INTERMOUNTAIN			
Includes the counties of Siskiyou, Modoc, Shasta, Lassen, and Plumas.			
Alfalfa	Premium	150	$165
	Good	600	$125-135
		75	$260
Orchard Grass	Premium	25	$240
REGION 2: SACRAMENTO VALLEY			
Includes the counties of Tehama, Glenn, Butte, Colusa, Sutter, Yuba, Sierra, Nevada, Placer, Yolo, El Dorado, Solano, Sacramento.			
Alfalfa	Premium	125	$200
	Fair	50	$60
Orchard Grass	Premium	25	$200
Oat	Good	50	$90
Rice Straw	Good	25	$53
		200	$67
REGION 3: NORTHERN SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY			
Includes the counties of San Joaquin, Calaveras, Stanislaus, Tuolumne, Mono, Merced and Mariposa.			
No sales confirmed.			
REGION 4: CENTRAL SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY			
Includes the counties of Madera, Fresno, Kings, Tulare, and Inyo.			
No sales confirmed.			
REGION 5: SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA			
Includes the counties of Kern, Northeast Los Angeles, and Western San Bernardino.			
		Tons	Price
Alfalfa	Premium	250	$190
Forage Mix-Three Way	Good	300	$180
		25	$200
REGION 6: SOUTHEAST CALIFORNIA			
Includes the counties of Eastern San Bernardino, Riverside, and Imperial.			
Alfalfa	Premium	300	$150

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.
Jan. 27

Current week	Last week
3,270	2,557

Compared to Jan. 20: Slaughter cows and bulls steady. Steers steady to $3 lower, except 5-weights, $3 higher. Heifers under 600 lbs. $5-10 higher, over 600 lbs. to $5 lower. Off lots $25-50 lower.

Slaughter cows: High yielding $60-64; $65-69 high dress; Boning $52-59; Cutters $40-51.

Bulls 1 and 2: $60-74; $75-81 high dress.

Feeder steers: 400-450 lbs. $161-175; 450-500 lbs. $145-166; 500-550 lbs. $140-165; 550-600 lbs. $135-157.50; 600-650 lbs. $135-151; 650-700 lbs. $124-142; 700-750 lbs. $127-134.50; 750-800 lbs. $127-130.25; 800-900 lbs. $115-129.50; 900-1,000 lbs. $113-120.

Feeder heifers: 300-400 lbs. $140-166; 400-450 lbs. $140-164; 450-500 lbs. $135-157; 500-550 lbs. $130-150; 550-600 lbs. $125-142; 600-650 lbs. $115-132; 650-700 lbs. $117-123.50; 700-750 lbs. $114-123; 750-800 lbs. $110-117; 800-900 lbs. $112-119.

Calvy cows: Full mouth $1,300-1,800. Broken mouth mostly $925-1,080. Pairs: Full mouth pairs, mostly 3 in 1. $1,800-2,375

TURLOCK
(Turlock Livestock Auction Yard)
Turlock, Calif.
Jan. 24

Total receipts: 630 head.

Light test on most classes of feeders. Mostly singles and plainer offerings. Weigh cows and bulls $2-3 lower. Many thanks to all our Customers for your quality consignments throughout the year and a big thanks to all the buyers for your continued support.

No. 2 medium and large frame steers: 300-400lbs. $95-144; 400-500 lbs. $110-149; 500-600 lbs. $105-143; 600-700 lbs. $95-132; 700-800 lbs. $90-130; 800-900 lbs. $75-115.

No. 2 medium and large frame heifers: 300-400 lbs. $90-134; 400-500 lbs. $85-131; 500-600 lbs. $80-124; 600-700 lbs. $80-114; 700-800 lbs. $75-109; 800-900 lbs. $75-104.

No. 1 Holstein Steers: 400-500 lbs.. $60-78; 500-600 lbs.. $60-75; 600-700 lbs.. $60-75; 700-800 lbs.. $60-77; 800-900 lbs.. $60-77.

Weigh beef cows: High yielding 55-64; Med yielding $51-54; Low yielding $40-50.

Weigh dairy cows: High yielding $53-58; Med yielding $64-69; Low yielding $40-49.

Washington

TOPPENISH
(Toppenish Livestock Auction)
(USDA Market News)
Moses Lake, Wash.
Jan. 27

This week	Last week	Last year
1,500	2,000	1,300

Compared to Jan. 20: Stocker and feeder cattle steady in a light test. Trade active with good demand. Slaughter cows $2-4 higher. Slaughter bulls $5-7 higher. Trade very active with very good demand. Slaughter cows 47 percent, slaughter bulls 10 percent, 30 percent replacement cows, and feeders 13 percent of the supply. The feeder supply included 60 percent steers and 40 percent heifers. Near 61 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. $160.50; 500-600 lbs. $149; 600-700 lbs. $137-137.50; 600-700 lbs. $120, Full; 700-800 lbs. $119-126; 800-900 lbs. $114. Small and Medium 2-3: 300-400 lbs. $130; 400-500 lbs. $410, Per Head.

Feeder Holstein Steers: Large 2-3: 300-400 lbs. $84; 400-500 lbs. $81.50.

Feeder Heifers: Medium and Large 1-2: 500-600 lbs. $124-129.50; 600-700 lbs. $115-124; 800-900 lbs. $105, Full. Large 1: 900-1000 lbs. $110.75. Small and Medium 2-3: 200-300 lbs. $225, Per Head.

Slaughter Cows: Boners 80-85 percent lean 1300-1950 lbs. $61-66; Lean 85-90 percent lean 1200-1900 lbs. $62-68; Lean Light 90 percent lean 1000-1500 lbs. $51-55.

Slaughter Bulls: Yield Grade 1-2 1600-2200 lbs. $72-75.

Cow/Calf Pairs (Per Pair): Medium and Large 1-2: Few Young (3 yrs. old) 1150-1200 lbs. $1725 with 200-250 lbs. calves.

Bred Heifers (Per Head): Medium and Large 1-2: Few 1100-1150 lbs. $1160-1350 6-9 mos.

Bred Cows (Per Head): Medium and Large 1-2: Young (3-4 yrs. old) 1300 lbs. $1450 6-9 mos.; Mid-Aged (6-8 yrs. old) 1200-1600 lbs. $1275-1400 6-9 mos.; Aged to Broken Mouth 1300-1600 lbs. $900-1075 6-9 mos.

Idaho

CALDWELL
(Treasure Valley Livestock)
Jan. 26

Steers (wt.): 300-400 lbs. $70; 400-500 lbs. $61; 500-600 lbs. $54; 600-700 lbs. $48.25; 800 lbs and up $48.

Steers (hd.): 100-200 lbs. $60; 300-400 lbs. $200; 400-500 lbs. $85; 500-600 lbs. $240.

Heifers (wt.): 400-500 lbs. $100. Heifers (hd.): 200-300 lbs. $200.

Bull Calf (wt.): 500-600 lbs. $56.

Cows (wt.): 900-1000 lbs. $41.75; 1000-1100 lbs. $37.50; 1100-1200 lbs. $46; 1200-1300 lbs. $47.75; 1300-1400 lbs. $51.75; 1400-1500 lbs. $44.75; 1500-1600 lbs. $51.25; 1600-1700 lbs. $51.75; 1700-1800 lbs. $53.25; 1800-1900 lbs. $50; 2000 lbs and up $56.

Holstein Bulls (wt.): 1000-1100 lbs. $46; 1100-1200 lbs. $46.50.

Oregon

LEBANON
(Lebanon Auction Yard)
Jan. 26

Total Receipts: 287.

Top conventional cow: $66.50, Top 10 avg.: $65.49, avg. all: $46.58.

Top conventional bull: $52.50

Feeder steers: 300-400 lbs. $122-130; 400-500 lbs.$135-136.

Feeder Heifers: 400-500 lbs. $123-134; 500-600 lbs. $101-128.

Feeder Bulls: 700-800 lbs.: $62.50-115. Weaner Pigs: $7.50-30 per head. Feeder Pigs: $30-70 per head. Sows: $30-70 per head. Goats: $50-180 per head.

VALE
(Producers Livestock Market)
Jan. 18

Total receipts: 690 head.

Good activity on "hay fed" "green" grass calves (400-600 lbs. weights) heavy yearling cattle also steady to strong.

Steer calves: 300-400 lbs. $137-169; 400-500 lbs. $153-176; 500-600 lbs. $134-160.

Heifer calves: 300-400 lbs. $126-141; 400-500 lbs. $124-142; 500-600 lbs. $126-140.

Yearling steers: 600-700 lbs. $127-137; 700-800 lbs. $126-136; 800-900 lbs. $114-121.

Yearling heifers: 600-700 lbs. $113-126.50; 700-800 lbs. $105-124.50; 800-900 lbs. $101-111.

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

Butcher cows: $51-57. Thin shelly cows: $35-49. Butcher bulls: $45-59.

WOODBURN
(Woodburn Livestock Auction)
Jan. 24

Total receipts: 723.

Top 10 slaughter cows $56.31; top 50 slaughter cows $52.41; top 100 slaughter cows $49.25.

All certified organic cattle average price: $46.43

Top beef steers: 300-400 lbs. $120-135; 400-500 lbs. $127.50-141; 500-600 lbs. $125-140; 600-700 lbs. $115-127; 700-800 lbs. $92.50-100.50; 800-900 lbs. $90-99.

Top beef heifers: 300-400 lbs. $120-132; 400-500 lbs. $125-135; 500-600 lbs. $120-134; 600-700 lbs. $110-123.50; 700-800 lbs. $90-100; 800-900 lbs. $5-87.50.

Cow/calf pairs: $1100-1200. Bred cows: $650-800. Day-old beef cross calves: $125-150. Day-old dairy calves: $5-50.

Hogs: Block hogs $45-78; feeder pigs $22.50-100 per head; sows $6-30.

Sheep: Lambs 40-70 lbs. $165-194, 75-150 lbs. $160-170; thin ewes $50-70; fleshy ewes $65-100; ewe/lamb pairs $65-70 per head.

Grain Market Reports

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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
Jan. 26

PACIFIC NORTHWEST MARKET SUMMARY

Cash wheat bids for January delivery ended the reporting week on Thursday, Jan. 26, were mixed compared to Jan. 20 noon bids for January delivery.

March wheat futures ended the reporting week on Thursday, Jan. 26, mixed as follows compared to Jan. 20 closes: Chicago wheat futures were 3.50 cents higher at $4.27, Kansas City wheat futures were two cents lower at $4.4025 and Minneapolis wheat futures trended 9.75 cents lower at $5.6675. Chicago March corn futures trended 2.50 cents lower at $3.6375 and March soybean futures closed 20.75 cents lower at $10.4950.

Bids for U.S. 1 Soft White Wheat delivered to Portland in unit trains or barges during January for ordinary protein trended 3.50 to 10 cents higher compared to week ago prices for the same delivery period at $4.66-4.67. 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 $5.30-5.4975 and bids for White Club Wheat were also $5.30- 5.4975.

Forward month bids for soft white wheat ordinary protein were as follows: February $4.66-4.67, March $4.52-4.67, April and May $4.5050-4.66.

One year ago, forward month bids for soft white wheat for any protein were as follows: February and March $5.30-5.4975, April and August New Crop not available.

Bids for U.S. 1 Soft White Wheat guaranteed maximum 10.5 percent protein during January trended 3.50 cents higher compared to week ago prices for the same delivery period at $4.72. 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 $6.30-6.45 and bids for White Club Wheat were $7.3475-8.15.

Forward month bids for soft white wheat guaranteed 10.5 percent proteins were as follows: February was not available, March $4.52-4.72, April and May $4.5050-4.60.

One year ago, forward month bids for soft white wheat for any protein were as follows: February and March $6.30-6.45, April $6.40-6.45 and August New Crop $5.49-5.6375.

Bids for 11.5 percent protein U.S. 1 Hard Red Winter Wheat for January delivery were mixed, from two cents lower to 13 cents per bushel higher compared to Jan. 20 noon bids for the same delivery period. Some exporters were not issuing bids for nearby delivery. This week, bids were as follows: January $5.1025-5.5025, February and March $5.2525-5.4525, April $5.2750-5.4250 and May $5.2750-5.3750.

Bids for non-guaranteed 14.0 percent protein U.S. 1 Dark Northern Spring Wheat for Portland delivery during January were 9.75 to 12.75 cents per bushel lower than Jan. 20 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 $6.8175-6.9375, April and May $6.8850-6.9850.

COARSE FEEDING GRAINS

Bids for U.S. 2 Yellow Corn delivered full coast Pacific Northwest - BN shuttle trains for January delivery trended 7.50 to 17.50 cents lower from $4.7375-4.8375. Some exporters were not issuing bids for nearby delivery. Forward month corn bids were as follows: February $4.6075-4.7875, March $4.5375-4.5875, April $4.48-4.51, May $4.48-4.49 and June $4.51-4.52. Bids for U.S. 1 Yellow Soybeans delivered full coast Pacific Northwest - BN shuttle trains for January delivery trended 15.75 to 25.75 cents lower from $11.4450-11.6950. Some exporters were not issuing bids for nearby delivery. Forward month soybean bids were as follows: February $11.2950-11.4950, March $11.1950-11.2450, April $11.19, October $11.1325-11.1525 and November $11.1325. Bids for U.S. 2 Heavy White Oats for January delivery trended steady at $3.2650 per bushel.

PACIFIC NORTHWEST EXPORT NEWS

There were 37 grain vessels in Columbia River ports on Thursday, Jan. 26, with six docked compared to 28 last week with seven 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. 27

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

GRAIN DELIVERED

Mode	Destination	Price per cwt.
BARLEY – U.S. No. 2 (46-lbs. per bushel)		
Rail	Stockton-Modesto-Oakdale-Turlock	$8.25-9.25
	Kings-Tulare-Fresno Counties	$7.70
Truck	Stockton-Modesto-Oakdale-Turlock	$8.25
	Kings-Tulare-Fresno Counties	$7.70
CORN-U.S. No. 2 Yellow		
FOB	Turlock-Tulare	$8.46
	Kings-Tulare-Fresno	$7.50
Rail	Single Car Units via BNSF Chino Valley-Los Angeles	$8.64-8.67
Truck	Stockton-Modesto-Oakdale-Turlock	$8.76
	Kings-Tulare-Fresno Counties	$8.76
	Glenn County	$8.30
SORGHUM-U.S. No. 2 Yellow		
Rail	Los Angeles-Chino Valley via BNSF Single	$8.35-8.37
Truck/Rail	Los Angeles 11-12 percent Protein	
WHEAT-Any Class for Feed		
FOB	Kings-Tulare-Fresno Counties	$8.90

Prices paid to California farmers, seven-day reporting period ending Jan. 26:

YELLOW CORN, U.S. No. 2 or better			
Glenn	$8.30	Spot	Del Locally

Cattle Market Reports

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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. 27

This week	Last week	Last year
364,000	392,000	300,700

Compared to Jan. 20: Steer and heifer calves in areas affected greatly by ice and snow storms and the Southeast region were steady to $5 higher, while the other areas that got to take advantage of having larger sales last week were steady to $4 lower.

With that thaw, also brought reports of muddy pens and cattle carrying "tag" on sale day. Some reports of near a foot of snow along the South Dakota-Nebraska line were commonplace. Even though it was cold outside in the North midweek, demand was good from the buyers in the crowd, even though some receipts were curtailed due to road conditions. Recent precipitation has backgrounders optimistically planning for spring and summer grazing on grass pastures.

On Jan. 24 in Philip S.D., 3 loads of steers weighing from 808 to 826 pounds sold at $142 and in Bassett Neb., on Jan. 26, a load of 705 pound top quality heifers rang the bell at $156. Live fed cattle trade on Jan. 26 called steady to $2 lower at $120 to $122 while dressed sales were $1 lower at mostly $194. Cattle feeders appear to have a better return on investment recently compared to most of 2016.

Cattle on Feed Report was released this afternoon with Jan. 1 reported at 100 percent; placements at 118 percent and marketings at 107 percent with placements being a considerably higher and the rest coming close to industry analyst estimates.

Choice boxed beef closed this week at $192.70, $2.28 higher than Jan. 20 close. Total red meat supplies in freezers were up 1 percent from the previous month but down 2 percent from last year. Total pounds of beef in freezers were up 7 percent from the previous month and up 11 percent from last year. Frozen pork supplies were down 8 percent from the previous month and down 13 percent from last year. Stocks of pork bellies were down 4 percent from last month and down 67 percent from last year. Additionally, the Dow Jones Industrial Average broke through the illustrious 20,000 level. Auction volume this week included 54 percent weighing over 600 lbs and 41 percent heifers.

AUCTIONS

This week	Last week	Last year
289,700	248,400	237,100

WASHINGTON 1,900. 70 pct over 600 lbs. 35 pct heifers. Steers: Medium and Large 1-2 600-650 lbs. $135.50; 650-700 lbs. $128.49; 700-750 lbs. $127.73; 750-800 lbs. $125.06. Heifers: Medium and Large 1-2 500-550 lbs. $129.49; 550-600 lbs. $123.77; 600-650 lbs. $123.08.

DIRECT

This week	Last week	Last year
69,600	60,200	56,700

SOUTHWEST (Arizona-California-Nevada) 1,600. No cattle over 600 lbs. No heifers. Holsteins: Large 3 300 lbs. $129-135 February-March Del; 300 lbs. $121 June Del; 325 lbs. $117 February-March Del.

NORTHWEST (Washington-Oregon-Idaho) 4,400. 100 pct over 600 lbs. 38 pct heifers. Steers: Medium and Large 1 Current FOB Price 700-750 lbs. $128-135.50 Idaho-Washington; 800-900 lbs. $125.50-128 Washington. Current Delivered Price 750 lbs. $133.50 Idaho; 800-900 lbs. $127.50-132 Idaho. Large 1 900 lbs. $128 Idaho. Future Delivery Delivered Price Large 1 900 lbs. $123 for May-June Idaho. Heifers: Medium and Large 1 Current FOB Price 700 lbs. $126 Washington; 800 lbs. $119-119.50 Washington. Current Delivered Price 700-750 lbs. $126 Idaho; 800-850 lbs. $117.50-125 Idaho. Future Delivery Delivered Price 850 lbs. $117.50 for May-June Idaho. Large 1 900 lbs. $123 for May-June Idaho.

NORTHWEST DIRECT CATTLE
(USDA Market News)
Moses Lake, Wash.
Jan. 27

This week	Last week	Last year
4,400	2,200	1,900

Compared to Jan. 20: Feeder cattle steady. Trade moderate with good demand following recent advances on slaughter cattle prices. The feeder supply included 62 percent steers and 38 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 5-12 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: 700-750 lbs. $128-135.50 Idaho-Washington; 800-900 lbs. $125.50-128 Washington. Current Delivered Price: 750 lbs. $133.50 Idaho; 800-900 lbs. $127.50-132 Idaho; Large 1: 900 lbs. $128 Idaho. Future Delivery Delivered Price: Large 1: 900 lbs. $123 for May-June Idaho.

Feeder Heifers Medium and Large 1: Current FOB Price: 700 lbs. $126 Washington; 800 lbs. $119-119.50 Washington; Current Delivered Price: 700-750 lbs. $126 Idaho; 800-850 lbs. $117.50-125 Idaho. Future Delivery Delivered Price: 850 lbs. $117.50 for May-June Idaho. Large 1: 900 lbs. $123 for May-June Idaho.

Replacement Heifers: Medium and Large 1: 700 lbs. $126 Idaho.

NATIONAL SLAUGHTER CATTLE
(USDA Market News)
Oklahoma City, Okla.
Jan. 27

Slaughter cattle trade demand was light on lighter demand, with trades in the Midwest and south plains steady to $1 lower Jan. 27. Dressed basis cattle in Nebraska sold $1 lower. Boxed beef prices were higher at the beginning of the week then came down a bit as light and moderate demand and lighter offerings came later but ultimately an overall increase sustained.

Boxed Beef prices as of Jan. 27 averaged $190.82 up $2.29 from Jan. 20. The Choice/Select spread is $3.76. Slaughter cattle on a national basis for negotiated cash trades through Jan. 27 totaled about 93,947 head. The previous week's total head count was 123,448 head.