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Hay Market Reports

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

ADF

<27

27-29

29-32

32-35

36+

WASHINGTON-OREGON HAY

(Columbia Basin)

(USDA Market News)

Sept. 8

Last week

8350 tons

Mid Square

Supreme

Premium

Premium

Small Square

Mid Square

Fair Export

Utility Export

Small Square

Mid Square

Good Export

Mid Square

Good Export

OREGON AREA HAY

(USDA Market News)

Sept. 8

Fair

Premium Export

Export

Fair

ents), or Crude Protein (CP) test numbers

RFV

185+

170-185

150-170

130-150

<130

GRADE

SUPREME

PREMIUM

GOOD

UTILITY

This week FOB

7350 tons

tested this week

Alfalfa

Alfalfa

Oat

Sudar

Timothy Grass

Timothy Grass

compared to prior reports.

This week FOB

ise stated

FAIR

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

TDN

55.9+

54.5-55.9

52.5-54.5

50.5-52.5

<50.5

Tons

1500

500

1400

1000

300

200

500

800

200

150

800

120 TRUCKS IN STOCK!

Potato Market Reports

FIND NEW ROADS

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) Sept. 9							
Shipping A	vrea						
FWA	Chg	GRI	Chg	70 ct	Chg	10# Film	Chg
Idaho Norl	kotahs						
\$19.66	-\$1.84	\$10.71	-\$1.38	\$30.00	-\$5.00	\$11.00	-\$0.50
San Luis \	/alley						
\$20.11	\$0.00	\$12.64	\$0.00	\$34.00	\$0.00	\$14.50	\$0.00
Columbia	Basin						
\$20.42	-\$0.38	\$10.11	-\$0.23	\$32.00	-\$1.00	\$12.00	\$0.00
Wisconsin							
\$19.86	-\$0.25	\$11.87	-\$0.20	\$38.00	-\$2.00	\$14.50	\$0.00

Sheep/Wool Market Reports

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)

Greelev, Colo

Sept. 8

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. All trades reported on a weighted average. Domestic wool tags

> \$.60-.70 \$.50-.60 \$.40-.50

No. 1

No. 2

No. 3

Size

Jumb

Large

NATIONAL SHEEP SUMMARY (USDA Market News)

San Angelo, Texas Sept. 8

Compared to Sept. 1: Slaughter lambs were steady to 7.00 lower, except at San Angelo, Texas, firm to 5.00 higher.

Slaughter ewes were steady to 10.00 lower except at Newell, S.D., steady to 10.00 higher.

Feeder lambs were steady to 10.00 lower At San Angelo, 2925 head sold. Equity Electronic Auction sold 335 slaughter lambs in North

Dakota In direct trading slaughter ewes and feeder

lambs were not tested. 3100 head of negotiated sales of slaughter lambs were steady to 3.00 lower, 2.329 lamb carcasses sold with all weights no trend due to confidentiality. All sheep sold per hundred weight (cwt) un-

less otherwise specified. Slaughter Lambs: Choice and Prime 2-3 90-160 lbs

Compiled by USDA Market News Service • Greeley, Colo.-San Angelo, Texas

San Angelo: Shorn and wooled 100-130 lbs 130.00-140.00 Ft. Collins, Colo.: wooled 130-145 lbs

148.00-158.00; 160-180 lbs 137.00-40.00. Slaughter Lambs: Choice and Prime 1-2

San Angelo: 40-60 lbs 180.00-202.00, few 202.00-212.00; 60-70 lbs 178.00-194.00, few 200.00-202.00; 70-80 lbs 170.00-186.00; 80-90 lbs 170.00-180.00; 90-110 lbs 168.00-176.00. Et Collins: 30-60 lbs 200 00-225 00: 70-80

lbs 205.00-212.00; 80-90 lbs 191.00-202.00; 90-100 lbs 187.50-190.00.

Direct Trading: (lambs FOB with 3-4 percent shrink or equivalent) 5100: Slaughter Lambs shorn and wooled 115-196 lbs 145.00-193.61 (wtd avg 168.50).

Slaughter Ewes

San Angelo: Good 3-4 (very fleshy) no test: Good 2-3 (fleshy) 60.00-70.00; Utility and Good 1-3 (medium flesh) 70.00-80.00; Utility 1-2 (thin) 56.00-66.00; Cull and Utility 1-2 (very thin) 40.00-56.00; Cull 1 (extremely thin) 24.00-40.00

Ft. Collins: Good 3-5 (very fleshy) 65.00-77.50; Good 2-3 (fleshy) 68.00-77.50; Utility 1-2 (thin) 42.50-47.50; Cull 1 (extremely thin) no test

Billings: Good 3-4 (very fleshy) no test; Good 2-3 (fleshy) no test; Utility 1-2 (thin) no test; Utility and Cull 1-2 no test; Cull 1 no test.

Feeder Lambs: Medium and Large 1-2 San Angelo: 40-70 lbs 160.00-168.00; 87 lbs 160.00: 92 lbs 150.00.

Ft. Collins: 79 lbs 162.50.

Billings: no test.

Sheep and lamb slaughter under federal inspection for the week to date totaled 29,000 compared with 37,000 last week and 37,000 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)

Sept. 1

Benchmark prices are unchanged. Asking prices for next week are 12 cents higher for Jumbo. 20 cents higher for Extra Large, 21 cents higher for Large and 18 cents higher for Medium and Small Trade sentiment is mostly steady. Demand into all channels is fairly good to good. Offerings are light to moderate, mostly light and confidently held. Floor stocks are light to instances moderate. Market activity

ciale,	mostly light and co	muentiy neiu. 1 1001	Slocks are
is mod	derate to active. Sm	all benchmark price	83 cents.
	Range	Size	Range
00	141	Extra large	130
е	125	Medium	103
THED			

report have the following relationship to Relative Feed Value (RFV), Acid Detergent Fiber (ADF), TDN (Total Digestible Nutri-Retail/Stable Five-Way Mixed Grass Small Square Premium 25 CP Klamath Basir 22+ Alfalfa Large Square 20-22 Premium 250 18-20 Small Square 16-18 20 Fair <16 **Orchard Grass** Small Square Premium 400 Fescue Grass Small Square 50 Good Lake County Last year Alfalfa Large Square 5450 tons 35 Supreme Compared to Sept. 1: All grades of Alfalfa and Timothy steady Premium/Supreme 1440 Heavy smoke continues to dominate the trade area. Trade slow Premium Export 7300 to moderate with good demand. Retail/Feedstore steady not Good 900 Small Square All prices are dollars per ton and FOB the farm or ranch unless Supreme 100 Premium 90 Price Small Square Alfalfa/Orchard Mix 30 Premium 170.00 Retail/Stable 140.00 Large Square Triticale 153.57 Good/Premium 500 135.00 Eastern Oregon: No New Sales Confirmed Harney County: No New Sales Confirmed. 190.00 **IDAHO HAY** (USDA Market News) 200.00 Sept. 8 170.00 This week FOB Last week Last year 21,700 5470 2100 240.00 Compared to Sept. 1: Domestic and export Alfalfa steady to 10.00 higher. Timothy not tested this week. Trade active with 80.00 good demand, especially for organic and premium Alfalfa. Alfalfa Mid Square 140.00 Premium Organic 12,000 180.00 90.00 300 Good Export 2000 6300 Fair Utility Organic 500 Compared to Sept. 1: Prices trended generally steady. All pric-Weedv 600 es reported today are 2017 crop, unless otherwise noted. Most CALIFORNIA HAY producers are done with first and second cutting and out in the (USDA Market News) Sept. 8 This week FOB Last week Last year 14,253 6295 16,030 Compared to Sept. 1: All classes traded steady with moderate demand. Alfalfa fields continued to be irrigated and baled.

Sorghum for silage was in various stages of development. Corn silage continued to be harvested. Cotton was being irrigated and bolls continued to develop. Black-eyed beans were drying and nearing harvest. All hay is reported FOB the stack or barn unless otherwise

defined at bottom of report. THERN INTERMOUNTAIN nties of Siskiyou, Modoc, Shasta, Lassen and

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 Sept. 7

PACIFIC NORTHWEST MARKET SUMMARY

Cash wheat bids for September delivery ended the reporting week on Thursday, Sept. 7, were steady to higher compared to week ago noon bids for September delivery.

December wheat futures ended the reporting week on Thursday. Sept. 7, higher as follows compared to week ago closes: Chicago wheat futures were 2.75 cents higher at 4.3725, Kansas City wheat futures were 5.50 cents higher at 4.4175 and Minneapolis wheat futures trended 9.25 cents higher at 6.4975. Chicago December corn higher than week ago prices for the same delivery period from 4.90-5.20. 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 cents per bushel over

soft white wheat bids this week and last week One year ago bids for US 1 Soft White Wheat guaranteed maximum 10.5 percent protein for September delivery by unit trains and barges to Portland were 4.65-4.8775 and bids for White Club Wheat

were 4.65-4.8775. Forward month bids for soft white wheat guaranteed 10.5 percent proteins were as follows: October and November 5.00-5.20. December 5.00-5.25 and January 5.17-5.30.

One year ago, forward month bids for soft white wheat for any protein were as follows: October 4.7775, November 4.65-4.8275 and December 4.65-4.7775. Bids for 11.5 percent protein US 1 Hard Red Winter Wheat for Sep-

to week ago noon bids for the same delivery period. Some exporters

This week, bids were as follows: September 5.1675-5.6175, Octo-

Bids for non-quaranteed 14.0 percent protein US 1 Dark Northern

Spring Wheat for Portland delivery during September were 9.25 to

31.25 cents per bushel higher than week ago noon bids for the same

delivery period. Some exporters were not issuing bids for nearby de-

livery. This week, bids for non-guaranteed 14 percent protein were as

follows: September 7.3975-7.5975, October 7.5975-7.6975, Novem-

Coarse feeding grains: Bids for US 2 Yellow Corn delivered full

coast Pacific Northwest - BN shuttle trains for September delivery

were had no recent price comparison available as week ago bids

were not available. Some exporters were not issuing bids for nearby

September 4.0225-4.1425, October 4.2325-4.2725, November

4.2025-4.2525, December 4.2725, January and February 4.3975.

Bids for US 1 Yellow Sovbeans delivered full coast Pacific Northwest

delivery. Forward month corn bids were as follows:

tember delivery were five to 33.00 cents per bushe

were not issuing bids for nearby delivery.

ber and December 7.5975-7.7475.

ber, November and December 5.4175-5.6675.

- BN shuttle trains for September delivery were trended 23.50 to 29.50 cents higher than week ago bids. Some exporters were not issuing bids for nearby delivery. Forward month soybean bids were as follows: September 10.4675-10.5675, October 10.4875-10.5475, November 10 4675-10 5475 December 10 5650-10 6250 and January 10 5450-10.6250. Bids for US 2 Heavy White Oats for September delivery trended steady at 3.12 per bushel

Pacific Northwest Export News: There were five grain vessels in Columbia River ports on Thursday, Sept. 7, with four docked compared to 12 last week 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)

Sept. 7 Prices in dollars per cwt., bulk inc.= including; Nom.= nominal; Ltd.=

Prices were not available with the exception of the following cat-

Not fully e

10.00

6.85

8.04

8.36

8.34

8.34

8.81

7.65-7.95

field working on third cutting. Fires and smoke throughout the state have slowed movement of hay due to highway closures and fire mitigation. Retail/Stable type hay remains the largest demanded hay. The export market demand has increased as Last year 210.00 25

11,273 7471 CROOK, DESCHUTES, JEFFERSON, WASCO COUNTIES Alfalfa Small Square Premium Orchard Grass Small Square

Last week

Meadow Grass

Premium Small Square	50	220.00	REGION 1: NOR Includes the coun
Premium	30	210.00	Plumas.

230.00	Alfalfa	Supreme	Tons	Price

Contracted

Premium

Organic

Premium

Premium

Premium

Premium

Supreme

Premium

Good

Fair

Del Grassy

Premium

Premium

Includes the counties of Madera, Fresno, Kings, Tulare and

Premium

Delivered Utility

Includes the counties of Kern, Northeast Los Angeles and

Good Rain Damage

20% Alfalfa

Good Del

Supreme

Premium

REGION 5: SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

Fair

Good

REGION 4: CENTRAL SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY

Includes the counties of San Joaquin, Calaveras, Stanislaus,

Premium/Supreme

Del Contracted

Good

REGION 3: NORTHERN SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY

Includes the counties of Tehama, Glenn, Butte, Colusa, Sut-

ter, Yuba, Sierra, Nevada, Placer, Yolo, El Dorado, Solano and

REGION 2: SACRAMENTO VALLEY

Tuolumne, Mono, Merced and Mariposa

Premium/Supr

Rain Damage

CAPITOL CHEVROLET YOUR TRUCK HEADQUARTERS

325

500

50

500

800

300

25

300

400

150

25

25

225

50

503

50

250

575

500

400

300

400

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180.00

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160.00

250.91

165.00

175.00

175.00

150.00

105.00

220.00

205.00

240.00

175.00

MOST MODELS ON SALE!

Small Square

22

6

200.00

260.00

180.00

140.00

275 00

175.00

215.00

200.00

180.00

160.00

200.00

185.00

185.00

110.00

180.00

125.00

139.52

120.00

95.00

Orchard Grass

Meadow Grass

Sacramento

Alfalfa/Orchard Mix

Alfalfa

Alfalfa

Orchard Grass

Meadow Grass

Inyo.

Alfalfa

Sudan

Alfalfa

Alfalfa/Grass Mix

Western San Bernardino

GRAIN DELIVERED

CORN US No 2 Yellow

BARLEY US No 2 (46 lbs. per bushel)

Stockton-Modesto

Kings-Tulare-Fresno

Los Angeles-Chino

Stockton-Modesto-

Oakdale-Turlock

Turlock/Tulare

Valley via BNSF

Oakdale-Turlock

Fresho Counties

Los Angeles-Chino

Valley via BNSF

Glenn County

SORGHUM US No 2 Yellow (Milo)

Kings-Tulare-

egories

Truck

FOB

Rail

Truck

Rail

Forage Mix-Three Way

Premium

Good

ires trended 2.50 cents lower at futures closed 23.25 cents higher at 9.6875.

Bids for US 1 Soft White Wheat delivered to Portland in unit trains or barges during September for ordinary protein trended steady to eight cents per bushel higher compared to week ago prices for the same delivery period from 4.90-5.20.

Some exporters were not issuing bids for nearby delivery.

White club wheat premiums were zero to five cents per bushel over soft white wheat bids this week compared and last week

One year ago bids for US 1 Soft White Wheat any protein for September delivery by unit trains and barges to Portland were 4.65-4 8275 and bids for White Club Wheat were 4 65-4 87

Forward month bids for soft white wheat ordinary protein were as follows: October and November 5.00-5.20, December 5.00-5.25 and January 5.17-5.30.

One year ago, forward month bids for soft white wheat for any protein were as follows: October 4.7275-4.81, November 4.65-4.86 and December 4.65-4.91.

Bids for US 1 Soft White Wheat guaranteed maximum 10.5 percent protein during September trended steady to eight cents per bushel

Dairy Report

Compiled by USDA Market News Service • Madison, Wis.

FLUID MILK AND CREAM REVIEW – WEST (USDA Market News) Sept. 7

In California, milk output is steady, following normal seasonal production schedules. Currently, milk supplies are adequate for post-holiday orders. Bottling demand from educational institutions has plateaued as their pipelines are full. Intakes from restaurants and grocery stores remain stable.

Milkfat components are steady this week The August 4a price (butter/powder) in California is \$16.68, up \$0.27 from the previous month, and \$2.69 higher from a year ago. This compares to the Federal Order Class IV price of \$16.61 for August.

The August 4b price (cheese) is \$16.26, up \$0.97 from the previous month, but \$0.08 below a year ago. This compares to the Federal Order Class III price for August at \$16.57.

In Arizona, milk production is unchanged from last week. Contacts report that milk supplies are in balance with processing needs. Milk intakes from

Washington

TOPPENISH

(Toppenish Livestock Auction)

Sept. 7

day. Trade very active with very good demand.

Slaughter cows and bulls 1.00-7.00 lower. Trade

active with good demand. Slaughter cows 50 per-

cent, slaughter bulls 10 percent, and feeders 40

percent of the supply. The feeder supply included 75

percent steers and 25 percent heifers. Near 56 per-

cent of the run weighed over 600 lbs. Replacement

Feeder Steers: Medium and Large 1-2: 500-600

lbs 142.75-147.50: 600-700 lbs 146.75-148.00:

700-800 lbs 145.50-149.00; 800-900 lbs 140.50-

144.50. Large 1: 900-1000 lbs 140.00; 1000-1100

lbs 109.00. Small and Medium 1-2: 400-500 lbs

134.00-145.00; 500-600 lbs 136.00-142.00; 600-

700 lbs 134.50-137.50. Small and Medium 2-3:

500-600 lbs 122.00. Small 4: 300-400 lbs 59.00;

Feeder Holstein Steers: Medium and Large 1-2:

500-600 lbs 118.00. Large 2-3: 300-400 lbs 106.00;

400-500 lbs 93.00; 500-600 lbs 90.50. Small and

400-500 lbs 55.00.

Medium 3-4: 300-400 lbs 88.00.

Cows: Pre-tested for pregnancy, and age.

Receipts: 2000 HD

Livestock Auctions

grocery stores are trending higher. However, re-

quests from schools are stable. Milk going into ice cream manufacturing continues to move strong. Milk production in New Mexico is steady to decreasing. Intakes for some Classes were higher this week. Fluid milk demand from schools increased as they prepare for the fall session. Class I intakes by the food services and retailers are up. Ice cream manufacturers are showing a great interest for Class II. Class III demand is rapidly trending down. Contacts report that manufacturing plants in the area where Hurricane Harvey took place reopened and are taking milk from New Mexico to fill their current orders

Pacific Northwest milk production is edging back along seasonal trends. Parts of the region have had serious wildfires resulting in the diversion of milk loads, but little disruption to production or processing. School pipelines are getting filled and have taken some pressure off dairy processing. Manufacturers report no trouble getting the milk wanted for most processing needs. The region has had warm temperatures and continued dry conditions

Pasture and rangeland are in good or excellent condition in only 8 percent of Oregon and 9 percent of Washington. Milk production in the mountain states of

higher compared

Idaho, Utah and Colorado is steady. Although the region has had warm weather, the higher temperatures have done little to slow the heavy flow of milk.

Handlers are struggling to find a home for all of the milk. Some milk is moving into neighboring states, but often at discounted prices of \$2 to \$4 under Class. Industry contacts suggest with cooler temperatures in the next few weeks and plenty of good guality feedstocks, it may be some time before the milk volumes diminish.

Pasture and rangeland are in good or excellent condition in 63 percent of Colorado, 57 percent of Utah and 47 percent of Idaho.

active in the West. Class II and Class III processors are taking in steady volumes.

into ice cream manufacturing. Some contacts report that a lot of cream moved to the churn this week due to many plants being closed on Labor Day

As the initial start of the baking season approaches, processors expect cream demand to increase. Cream multiples for all Classes are 1.06-1.25.

port-Dairy for the week of Sept. 1-7, the national weighted average advertised price for one gallon of milk is \$2.60, up \$0.24 from last week, but

Northwest is 1.99, with no price range reported According to the NASS Dairy Products report, hard ice cream production in the West region for July 2017 is 16.3 million gallons, 6.2 percent lower than a month ago, and 0.8 percent below the previous year.

10, \$70.20; Avg. All Organic: \$60.79.

Bulls: Conventional: Top Bull, \$93.50; Avg. All Bulls, \$84.58. Feeder Steers: 700-800 lbs \$111.00-113.00. Feeder Heifers: 600-700 lbs \$67.50-111.00.

Feeder Pias: \$65.00-75.00 HD Goats: \$70.00-115.00 HD

WOODBURN

(Woodburn Livestock Exchange) Sept. 5

Receipt: 273, 269 Cattle Top 10 Slaughter Cows A/P: 72.85 cwt Top 50 Slaughter Cows A/P: 68.25 cwt Top 100 Slaughter Cows A/P: 60.80 cwt Back To The Country Cows: 70.00 cwt Certified Cows: 80.00-140.00 cwt Top Certified Organic Cattle: 60.00-80.00 cwt All Slaughter Bulls: 70.00-93.50 cwt Day Old Dairy Calves: 9.00-90.00 HD Block Hogs: 69.00-84.00 cwt Feeder Pigs: NT Sows: 10.00-20.00 cwt Weaner Pigs: 40.00-45.00 HD Lambs 40-70 lbs 160.00-215.00 cwt; 75-150 lbs 135.00-187.50 cwt Thin Ewes: 40.00-99.00 cwt Fleshy Ewes: 56.00-90.00 cwt Goats: 10-39 lbs 23.00-72.50 HD: 40-69 lbs 45.00-210.00 HD; 70-79 lbs 100.00-220.00 HD; 80-89 lbs 125.00-200.00 HD; 90-99 lbs 130.00-170.00 HD: 100-199 lbs 130 00-295 00 HD

Prices to retailers, sales to volume buyers, USDA Grade AA and Grade AA, white eggs in cartons, del

Cattle Market Reports

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

NATIONAL FEEDER AND STOCKER CATTLE (Federal-State Market News)

St. Joseph, Mo. Sept. 8

This week Last week Last year 351,300 178,300 156,600 Compared to Sept. 1: Feeder steers and heifers were mostly steady to 5.00 higher, with instances 6.00 to 8.00 higher. The full incline was observed mid-week as futures provided support to auction sales. Demand was moderate to very good, with moderate to active trade. Early-week auctions were sparse this week, as many auction harns were closed in observance of Labor Day. On Monday, Russell Livestock Market in Rus-

sell, Iowa, held their 10th Anniversary Labor Day Auction There were 6.052 head on offer with nearly 1,800 head of steers over 800 pounds.

Hub City Livestock in Aberdeen, South Dakota, had some notable sales on Wednesday, with nearly two loads of thin fleshed steers coming off grass averaging 910 pounds sold at 156.25. A load of their bigger brothers weighing 1,001

pounds sold at 148.20

CME live and feeder cattle futures started the week lower; however, this was followed by closes in positive territory Wednesday through Friday. Compared to last Friday, October live cattle futures closed 2.18 higher at 107.33 and December was 3.38 higher at 112.85.

Feeder cattle futures for September closed at 147.88, up 5.16 for the week and October was 4.88 higher at 148.43. As of this writing, there has been some trade in Nebraska, with live sales at 105.00 and early dressed sales at 166.00. Last week, live trades were mostly at 105.00 in Kan sas and Nebraska and from 104.00-105.00 in the Texas Panhandle.

Adverse weather and conditions are affecting many throughout the U.S. Texas and Louisiana are dealing with the ramifications of Hurricane Harvey, while those in Florida and the surrounding states are preparing for Hurricane Irma, with Jose on its heels.

Florida has more than 1.6 million cattle and calves and is 17th nationally for cattle production. Although less flooding is expected in Florida, ranchers are preparing fencing supplies to open fences in order to allow livestock access to higher ground.

In the West, nine states are facing wildfires. As of Aug. 28, nearly 1.5 million acres were actively burned or are burning, with Montana holding almost 545,000 of those acres.

Drought has played a major factor in many of the fires, with 25 percent of Montana experiencing exceptional drought.

On a positive note, the Midwest and Southern Plains are experiencing cooler weather and/or plenty of moisture for this time of year.

This has allowed farmers in the Southern Plains to begin working ground and planting wheat, which is 1 to 2 weeks earlier than previous years. A milestone was met on Sept. 1, with the first shipment of U.S. beef entering China by sea. This may signify a new chapter for bilateral trade and create a normalization of large-scale beef imports.

USDA's Economic Research Service released monthly export data for July, with U.S. beef exports totaling 239.4 million pounds. This amount is slightly higher than the month of June and 10 percent higher than a year ago. Boxed-beef prices were firm this week, as packers were faced with a short work week due to the Labor Day holiday.

All primal cuts trended upward, with the excep tion of the rib primal which was slightly lower

Large supplies continue to be traded on the sport market for

50 percent beef trimmings pushing prices lower. Compared to last Friday, Choice boxed-beef closed at 191.88, up 53 cents and Select boxedbeef closed at 189.97, down 68 cents, bringing the Choice-Select spread to 1.91.

Auction volume this week included 56 percent weighing over 600 lbs and 40 percent heifers.

National Slaughter Cattle Summary (USDA Market News) Sept. 8

Slaughter cattle on very limited offerings sold on a live basis sold steady to 3.00 lower, dressed sells mostly 2.00 lower.

Boxed Beef prices as of Friday afternoon averaged 190.93 down 0.07 from last Friday. The Choice/Select spread is 1.91. Slaughter cattle on a national basis for negotiated cash trades through Friday afternoon totaled about 14.887 head.

Last week's total head count was 62.213 head.

Midwest Direct Markets: Live Basis: Steers and Heifers: 105.00. Dressed Basis: Steers and Heifers 163.00.

South Plains Direct Markets: Live Basis: Steers and Heifers 102.00-105.00.

Slaughter Cows and Bulls (Average Yielding Prices): Slaughter cows and bulls sold mostly 2.00 to lower with exception of the Southeast trading steady to 2.00 lower this week.

Cutter Cow Carcass Cut-Out Value Friday was 181.32 down 0.16 from last Friday.

NORTHWEST DIRECT CATTLE (USDA Market News) Moses Lake, Wash. Sept. 8

This Week Last Week Last Year 1600 4250 400

Compared to Sept. 1: Feeder steers not tested this week, heifers firm to 2.00 higher.

Trade slow this holiday shortened week. De mand remains very good.

The feeder supply included 100 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 3-8 cent slide on yearlings. Current sales are up to 14 days delivery.

Feeder Heifers Medium and Large 1: Current FOB Price: 800-900 lbs. 127.00-135.00 OR-ID. Large 1: Current Delivered Price: 900-950 lbs. 128.00-133.00 ID. Medium and Large 1: Future Delivery Delivered Price: 800-850 lbs. 800-850 lbs. 138.00 ID for Oct-Nov.

Feeder Heifers: Medium and Large 1-2: 200-300 lbs 460.00, Per Head; 300-400 lbs 140.00; 400-500 lbs 142.00; 500-600 lbs 135.50-136.00; 600-700 lbs 135.50-139.00; 700-800 lbs 139.00; 800-900 lbs 135.00, Guaranteed Open. Medium and Large 2-3: 700-800 lbs 127.50. Large 1: 900-1000 lbs Compared to Aug. 31 at the same sale: Stocker 110.00. Small and Medium 1-2: 400-500 lbs 125.00; and feeder cattle 10.00-11.00 higher as feedlots ig-500-600 lbs 130.00. Small 3-4: 400-500 lbs 118.00. nored a lower slaughter cattle market and focused Slaughter Cows: on the CME futures market closing limit up vester-

Bred Cows (Per Head): Medium and Large 1-2: Few Young (4 yrs. old) 1283 lbs. 975.00 1-3 mos. bred.

California

TURLOCK (Turlock Livestock Auction Yard) Sept. 5

Receipts: 886 HD

Comment: Holiday sale following Labor Day with a light test on most classes with 35 percent feeders and 65 percent weigh cows. Steady compared to a week ago.

No. 1 Med. & Large Frame Steers: 400-499 lbs NT: 500-599 lbs \$150.00-160.50; 600-699 lbs \$140.00-156.50; 700-799 lbs \$122.00-132.00; 800-899 lbs NT

No. 2 Med. & Large Frame Steers: 300-399 lbs \$100.00-155.00; 400-499 lbs \$105.00-157.00; 500-599 lbs \$100.00-149.00; 600-699 lbs \$95.00-135.00; 700-799 lbs \$90.00-121.00; 800-899 lbs \$75.00-122.00

No. 1 Med. & Large Frame Heifers: 400-499 lbs \$130.00-142.00; 500-599 lbs \$128.00-139.00; 600-699 lbs NT; 700-799 lbs NT; 800-899 lbs NT No. 2 Med. & Large Frame Heifers: 300-399

lbs \$110.00-140.00; 400-499 lbs \$107.00-129.00; 500-599 lbs \$105.00-127.00; 600-699 lbs \$100.00-124.00; 700-799 lbs \$95.00-117.00; 800-899 lbs \$92.00-112.00

No. 1 Holstein Steers: 300-399 lbs NT: 400-499 lbs \$70.00-99.00; 500-599 lbs \$80.00-95.00; 600-699 lbs \$80.00-92.00; 700-799 lbs \$80.00-88.00; 800-899 lbs \$75.00-87.00; 900-999 lbs \$75.00-85.00

Holstein Barren Heifers: \$65.00-85.00

Weigh Beef Cows: High Yielding \$73.00-\$79.50; Med Yielding \$55.00-\$72.00; Low Yielding \$40.00-\$54.00

Weigh Dairy Cows: High Yielding \$68.00-\$75.00; Med Yielding \$60.00-\$67.00; Low Yielding \$35.00-\$59.00

Weigh Bulls: High Yielding \$85.00-\$96.50; Med Yielding \$75.00-\$84.00; Low Yielding \$58.00-\$74.00

Oregon LEBANON

(Lebanon Auction Yard Market) Sept. 7 Total Receipts: 304 Butcher Cows: Conventional: Top Cow, \$77.50;

Top 10 Cows, \$75.20; Top 50 Cows, \$71.57; Top

100 Cows, \$63.18; Organic: Top Cow, \$78.00; Top

Condensed skim demand continues to be

In the West, cream continues to move strongly

According to the DMN National Retail Re-

\$0.20 lower from a year ago. The weighted average regional price in the

Southwest is \$2.44, with a price range of \$1.89 \$2.99. The weighted average regional price in the