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# **Hay Market Reports**

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

Hay prices are dollars per ton or dollars per bale when sold to retail outlets. Basis is current delivery FOB barn or stack, or delivered customer as indicated. Grade guidelines used in this report have the following relationship to Relative Feed Value (RFV), Acid Detergent Fiber (ADF), TDN (Total Digestible Nutrients), or Crude

Protein (CP)	test numbers	:			
GRADE	RFV	ADF	TDN	CP	
SUPREME	185+	<27	55.9+	22+	
PREMIUM	170-185	27-29	54.5-55.9	20-22	
GOOD	150-170	29-32	52.5-54.5	18-20	
FAIR	130-150	32-35	50.5-52.5	16-18	
UTILITY	<130	36+	<50.5	<16	
WASHINGTON-OREGON HAY					
(Columbia Basin)					

(Columbia Basin)				
(USDA Market News)				
	Dec. 8			
his week FOB	Last week	Last year		
3100 Tons	1020 Tons	1700 Tons		
Compared to last w	eek: Fair/Good and Supr	eme Alfalfa steady		
a light test. Trade sl	ow this week. Demand re	emains good for al		
des of Alfalfa, Incre	ased demand for feeder	hav was noted this		

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Alfalfa

Comp teady in a ligh for all grades week also. Timothy for export remains slow as export demand has decreased with some plants only running 3 days a week. Retail/ Feedstore not tested this week. Price

Good Export 2200 142 73 Fair Tarped 300 135.00 OREGON AREA HAY (USDA Market News) Dec. 8 Compared to Dec 1: Prices trended generally steady in a limited test. Retail/Stable type hay remains the largest demanded hay.

Mid Square Supreme Tarped

600

187.00

		Tons	Price
1094 Tons	1453 Tons	321 To	าร
CROOK, DESCHUTES	, JEFFERSON, WASCO	COUN	TIES
		Tons	Price
Alfalfa	Large Square		
	Supreme	100	140.00
	Small Square		
	Prem/Retail/Stable	15	210.00

Many hav producers have sold out for the year. Recent and up

coming holidays have and will continue to slow movement

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		Tons	Price		
Orchard Grass	Small Square				
	Prem/Retail/Stable	5	250.00		
	Good/Premium	17	225.59		
Meadow Grass	Small Square				
	Prem/Retail/Stable	50	210.00		
Wheat	Large Square				
	Good	125	100.00		
Bluegrass Straw	Large Square				
	Utility	60	60.00		
EASTERN OREGON:	ounty		00.00		
Alfalfa	Large Square				
	Good	200	125.00		
Alfalfa/Orchard Mix	Small Square				
	Prem/Retail/Stable	45	180.56		
Klamath Basin:	T TOTAL TOTA		100.00		
Fescue Grass	Small Square				
	Good	45	140.00		
LAKE COUNTY:	0000	40	140.00		
Alfalfa	Large Square				
Allullu	Good/Premium	200	180.00		
	Good	28	130.00		
		34	150.00		
	Rain Damage	34	150.00		
	Small Square	00	405.00		
	Good/Premium	90	185.00		
	Good	30	150.00		
Oat	Small Square				
	Good/Premium	50	125.00		
HARNEY COUNTY: NO NEW SALES CONFIRMED.					
IDAHO HAY					
(US	SDA Market News)				

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This week FOB	Last week	L	ast year.	
1650 Tons	3100 Tons	1	600 Tons	
Compared to Dec. 1	1: Alfalfa steady. Trade	slow this	s week as	
some interests still have 2016 hay that hasn't been shipped yet with good demand especially for higher testing Alfalfa. Most trading this week took place on the eastern part of the state. Retail/Feedstore not tested.				
		Tons	Price	

		Tons	Price
Alfalfa	Mid Square		
	Premium	1000	125.0
	Fair Rain Damage	200	90.00
	Tarped	450	98.33

### CALIFORNIA HAY (USDA Market News) Dec. 8

Compared to Dec. 1: All classes traded steady with moderate demand. Growers continued to prepare fields for fall planting of wheat, barley and oats. Silage corn grew well and harvesting was ongoing. Black-eyed beans were being harvested and processed

Recent rain helped germinate planted forage.					
This week FOB	Last week	L	.ast year		
2425 Tons	3125 Tons	7	200 Tons		
<b>REGION 1: NORTHER</b>	N INTERMOUNTAIN				
Includes the counties of Siskiyou, Modoc, Shasta, Lassen and Plumas.					
		Tons	Price		
Alfalfa	Premium/Supreme	150	210.00		
Wheat Straw	Good	50	65.00		
REGION 2: SACRAMENTO VALLEY					

Includes the counties of Tehama, Glenn, Butte, Colusa, Sutter Yuba, Sierra, Nevada, Placer, Yolo, El Dorado, Solano and Sacramento Prem/Retail/Stable 50 240.00

Allalla	i ieii/itelaii/olabie	50	240.00
Orchard Grass	Prem/Retail/Stable	50	200.00
<b>REGION 3: NORTHERN</b>	SAN JOAQUIN VALLE	Υ	
Includes the counties	of San Joaquin, Cala	veras,	Stanislaus
Tuolumne, Mono, Merce	d and Mariposa.		
Alfalfa	Premium Del	500	294.00
	Good Del	25	265.00
Orchard Grass	Premium Del	50	300.00
Oat	Good Del	150	157.50
REGION 4: CENTRAL S	AN JOAQUIN VALLEY		
Includes the counties of	Madera, Fresno, Kings	, Tulare	and Inyo.
Alfalfa	Premium Del	100	300.00
	Good/Prem/Del	75	260.00
REGION 5: SOUTHERN	CALIFORNIA		

Includes the counties of Kern, Northeast Los Angeles and Western San Bernardino: No New Sales Confirmed. REGION 6: SOUTHEAST CALIFORNIA

Includes the co	ounties of Eastern San Berna	ardino, Riv	erside an
Imperial.			
Alfalfa	Supreme	400	200.00
	Premium Export	100	200.00

Imperial.			
Alfalfa	Supreme	400	200.00
	Premium Export	100	200.00
		625	210.80
	Good/Premium	100	169.00

NA

NA

**LA-Chino Valley** 

Stockton

## **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 Dec. 7

Pacific Northwest Market Summary: Cash wheat bids for December delivery ended the reporting week on Thursday, Dec. 7, were mixed compared to week ago noon bids for December delivery.

March wheat futures ended the reporting week on Thursday, Dec. 7, lower as follows compared to week ago closes: Chicago wheat futures were 11.50 cents lower at 4.2150, Kansas City wheat futures were 10.75 cents lower at 4.2075 and Minneapolis wheat futures trended 10.75 cents lower at 6.11. Chicago December corn futures trended 9.75 cents higher at 3.5150 and January soybean futures closed 6.25 cents higher at 9.92.

Bids for US 1 Soft White Wheat delivered to Portland in unit trains or barges during December for ordinary protein trended mixed, 6.50 cents lower to 10.00 cents per bushel higher compared to week ago prices for the same delivery period from 5.0650-5.30. Some exporters were not issuing bids for nearby delivery.

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

One year ago bids for US 1 Soft White Wheat any protein for December delivery by unit trains and barges to Portland were 4.46-4.77 and bids for White Club Wheat were 4.51-4.95. Forward month bids for soft white wheat ordinary protein were

as follows: January 5.1150-5.30, February 5.1450-5.30, March 5.1750-5.30 and April 5.20-5.34.

One year ago, forward month bids for soft white wheat for any protein were as follows: January 4.46-4.77, February and March 4.46-4.74, and April 4.4750-4.71

Bids for US 1 Soft White Wheat guaranteed maximum 10.5 percent protein during December trended mixed, 4.50 cents lower to 10.00 cents per bushel higher than week ago prices for the same delivery period from 5.0650-5.30. Some exporters were not issu-

ing bids for nearby delivery. White club wheat premiums for guaranteed maximum 10.5 percent protein soft white wheat this week were zero to five 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 December delivery by unit trains and barges to Portland were 4.46-4.60 and bids for White Club Wheat were 4.46-4.76. Forward month bids for soft white wheat guaranteed 10.5 per-

cent proteins were as follows: January 5.1150-5.30, February 5.1450-5.30 and March 5.1750-5.30. One year ago, forward month bids for soft white wheat for any protein were as follows: January, February and March 4.51-4.60 and April 4.4750-4.65. Bids for 11.5 percent protein US 1 Hard Red Winter Wheat for December delivery trended 8.75 to 10.75 cents per bushel lower than week ago bids for the same delivery period. Some exporters

were not issuing bids for nearby delivery. This week, bids were as follows: December 5.6575-5.8075, January and February 5.6575-5.7575 and March 5.7075-5.7575.

Bids for non-guaranteed 14.0 percent protein US 1 Dark North-

ern Spring Wheat for Portland delivery during December trended mixed, 5.75 cents lower to 9.25 cents per bushel higher than week ago bids for the same delivery period. Some exporters were not issuing bids for nearby delivery.

This week, bids for non-guaranteed 14 percent protein were as follows: December 7.31-7.36, January, February and March 7.26-7.46.

Coarse feeding grains: Bids for US 2 Yellow Corn delivered full coast Pacific Northwest - BNSF shuttle trains for December delivery trended 6.75 to 9.75 cents higher than week ago offers for the same delivery period from 4.2750-4.3350. Some exporters were not issuing bids for nearby delivery. Forward month corn bids were as follows: January 4.3350-4.3550, February 4.3450-4.36504075, March 4.3550-4.3750 and April 4.34-4.36.

Bids for US 1 Yellow Soybeans delivered full coast Pacific Northwest - BNSF shuttle trains for November delivery trended 1.25 to 4.25 cents higher than week ago bids for the same delivery period

Some exporters were not issuing bids for nearby delivery. Forward month soybean bids were as follows: January 10.69-10.70, and February 10.6825-10.7225. Bids for US 2 Heavy White Oats for November delivery trended 7.25 cents lower at 3.0475 per bushel.

Pacific Northwest Export News: There were nine grain vessels in Columbia River ports on Thursday, Dec. 7, with four docked compared to nine last week with six docked. There were no new confirmed export sales this week from the Commodity Credit Corporation (CCC) of the USDA CALIFORNIA GRAINS

# (USDA Market News)

Paid by feed manufacturers and other users, delivered plant or receiving station. All prices are offers for prompt shipment unless otherwise stated Dollars Per Cwt.

DAILLI	20 140 Z (40-103. pci busilci)	
FOB	Solano County	NA
	Colusa County	NA
	Tehema County	NA
Rail: Any 0	Origin - via BNSF and U.P.	
	LA	NA
	Stockton-Modesto-	
	Oakdale-Turlock	NA
	Tulare County	NA
Truck	Petaluma-Santa Rosa	NA
	Stockton-Modesto-	
	Oakdale-Turlock	NA
	Kings-Tulare-	
	Fresno Counties	NA
	Kern County	NA
	Colusa County	NA
	Glenn County	NA
CORN US	No 2 Yellow	
FOB	Stockton-Modesto-	
	Oakdale-Turlock	NA
	Modesto-Oakdale-Turlock	NA
	Kings-Tulare-Fresno	NA
	Turlock/Tulare	8.19

	Oakdale-Turlock	8.49
	Kings-Tulare-Fresno Counties	8.49
	Glenn County	NA
	Hanford County	NA
	Kern County	NA
SC	DRGHUM US No 2 Yellow (Milo)	
Ra	ill: LA-Chino Valley	NA
Tro	uck Modesto-Oakdale-Turlock	NA
	Turlock County	NA
	Glenn County	NA
	Kings-Tulare-Fresno	NA
O/	ATS US No 1 White (40-lbs. per bushel)	
	uck LA-Chino Valley	NA
US	S No 2 White (38-lbs. per bushel)	
Ra	, , ,	NA
Tro	uck Petaluma	NA
	Stockton-Modesto-	
	Oakdale-Turlock	NA
	Colusa County	NA
W	HEAT US No 2 or better-Hard Red Winter	
(D	omestic Values for Flour Milling)	
FC	DB <b>Kern</b>	NA
	Fresno	NA
	Merced	NA
Tre	uck (California Origin)	
	LA 12% Protein	NA
	LA 13% Protein	NA
	LA 14% Protein	NA
	Colusa County	NA
Ra	ill-Truck (Out of State Origin)	
	LA Guaranteed 12% Protein	NA
	LA Guaranteed 13% Protein	NA
	LA Guaranteed 14% Protein	NA
W	HEAT US Durum Wheat	
FC	DB Imperial County	NA
Tri	uck Imperial County	NA
	Kern County	NA
	Kings-Tulare-Fresno Counties	NA
W	HEAT Any Class for Feed	
FC	B: Kings-Tulare-Fresno Counties	NA
	Kern County	NA
	Merced County	NA
Ra	il-Truck LA-Chino Valley	NA
Tr	uck Petaluma-Santa Rosa	NA
	Stockton-Modesto-Oakdale-Turlock	NA

# Petaluma-Santa Rosa

# Kings-Tulare-Fresno Counties NA

### **Livestock Auctions**

Oregon **EUGENE** Eugene Livestock Auction) Dec. 9

Head Count: 275 Compared To Last Week: Cows and bulls off \$3-4. Feeder cattle steady. High Dressers: 55.00-63.00 Top 10 10 Cows: 57.75

Low Dressers: 47.00-54.00 Bulls: Top Bulls High Dressers: 68.00-79.00 Feeder Bulls: 300-500 lbs: 90.00-130.00; 500-700 lbs: 82.50-130.00; 700-900 lbs:

65.00-123.00 Choice Steers Medium To Large Frame No. 1&2s:

Feeder Steers: 300 to 400 lbs NT; 400 to 500 lbs 131.00-140.00; 500 to 600 lbs

120.00-140.00; 600 TO 700 lbs NT; 700 to 800 lbs 125.50-126.00; 800 to 900 lbs 120.50 Choice Heifers Medium To Large Frame No. 1&2s: Feeder Heifers: 300 to 400 lbs 110.00-

500 to 600 lbs 110.00-124.00; 600 to 700 lbs 110.00-125.50; 700 to 800 lbs 100.00-116.00; 800 and up 100.00-110.00 Bred Cows: 575-875 HD

Pairs: NT

Head Calves (up to 250 lbs) Beef: 50.00-300.00 HD; Dairy: no test HD Feeder Lambs: 50-90 lbs 130.00-147.00

Total Receipts: 449 Top Cow: \$64.50 Top 10 Cows: \$60.82 Top 50 Cows: \$57.87

Organic: Butcher Cows: Top Cow \$86.00; Top 10 \$80.26; Avg. All org. \$56.87 Bred cows: \$525-\$1025 HD Cow-calf pairs: \$550-\$1225 per pair

MADRAS (Central Oregon Livestock Auction)

Steers: 300-400 lbs NT; 400-500 lbs \$165-

180; 500-600 lbs \$150-165; 600-700 lbs

\$135-155; 700-800 lbs \$125-135; 800-900

Rail: Single Car Units via BNSF

Heifers: 300-400 lbs NT; 400-500 lbs \$150-165; 500-600 lbs \$135-150; 600-700 lbs \$125-135; 700-800 lbs \$115-125; 800-900

Bred Cows: Full mouth vacc: \$1250-1550 Broken mouth vacc: \$800-1000 Butcher Cows: High Yield: \$60-65; Med

Bulls: High Yield: \$77-81: Med Yield: \$72-77; Feeder: \$65-72

### (Woodburn Livestock Exchange) Dec. 4-5

Total Receipts: 849, 475 cattle Top 10 Slaughter Cows A/P: 63.55 cwt Top 50 Slaughter Cows A/P: 59.11 cwt Top 100 Slaughter Cows A/P: 56.45 cwt Back To The Country Cows: 70.00 cwt

All Slaughter Bulls: 40.00-78.00 cwt

Top Beef Steers: 200-300 lbs 145.00-165.00 cwt; 300-400 lbs 135.00-154.00 cwt; 400-500 lbs 135.00-150.00 cwt: 500-600 lbs 130.00-145.00 cwt; 600-700 lbs 110.00-135.00 cwt; 700-800 lbs 110.00-135.00 cwt; 800-900 lbs NT

Top Beef Heifers: 200-300 lbs NT; 300-400 lbs 130.00-147.00 cwt; 400-500 lbs 130.00-147.00 cwt; 500-600 lbs 125.00-143.00 cwt; 600-700 lbs 100.00-125.00 cwt; 700-800 lbs 95.00-107.00 cwt; 800-900 lbs 90.00-104.00

Cow/Calf Pairs: NT Bred Cows: 700.00-900.00 HD Day Old Beef Cross Calves: NT Day Old Dairy Calves: 5.00-40.00 HD Block Hogs: 85.00-92.00 cwt Feeder Pigs: 21.00-67.50 HD Sows: 35.00-82.00 cwt Weaner Pigs: 27.50-32.50 HD Lambs 40-70 lbs 135.00-145.00 cwt Lambs 75-150 lbs 134.00-157.50 cwt Thin Ewes: 65.00-125.00 cwt Fleshy Ewes: 50.00-90.00 cwt Ewe/Lamb Pairs: NT Goats: 10-39 lbs 25.00-47.50 HD; 40-69 lbs 35.00-117.50 HD; 70-79 lbs 87.50-157.50

HD: 80-89 lbs 95.00-155.00 HD: 90-99 lbs 122.50-170.00 HD; 100-199 lbs 80.00-260.00

TOPPENISH

Dec. 7

Compared to Nov. 30: Stocker and feeder cattle weak to 6.00 lower following trends on slaughter cattle prices. Trade active with light to moderate demand. Slaughter cows and bulls 3.00-4.00 lower as supply exceeds demand. Trade active with light to moderate demand. Slaughter cows 70 percent, Slaughter bulls 5 percent, and feeders 25 percent of the supply. The feeder supply included 48 percent steers and 52 percent heifers. Near 59 percent of the run weighed over 600 lbs. Feeder Steers: Medium and Large 1-2 300-400 lbs 179.00; 400-500 lbs 160.00-

165.00; 500-600 lbs 139.00-148.00; 600-700 lbs 145.00-150.00 Calves: 700-800 lbs 148.00; 800-900 lbs 135.00-140.00. Medium and Large 2-3 800-900 126.75 Brahman X. Large 1 900-1000 lbs 124.50; 1200-1300 lbs 100.00. Small and Medium 1-2 500-600 lbs 124.00-128.00.

600 lbs 129.50; 600-700 lbs 130.00 Calves. Feeder Heifers: Medium and Large 1-2 400-500 lbs 140.00-145.00; 500-600 lbs 138.75-140.50; 600-700 lbs 134.00-137.00 Calves: 700-800 lbs 135.00-140.00: 800-900 lbs132.00; 800-900 lbs 108.00

Heiferettes: Medium and Large 2-3 1000-1100 lbs 88.00 Large 1 900-1000 lbs 115.75-125.50.

Slaughter Cows: Boners: 80-85 Pct. Lean 1400-2000 lbs Avg Dressing 57.00-62.00 Low Dressing 49.00-

Dressing 56.00-62.00 High Dressing 62.75 Low Dressing 48.00-56.00 Lean: 90 Pct. Lean 900-1300 lbs Avg Dressing 44.00-48.00 Low Dressing 40.00-

44.00

Slaughter Bulls: Yield Grade 1-2: 1600-2200 lbs Avg Dressing 70.00-76.00 High Dressing 83.00 Low Dressing 64.00-70.00

1100 lbs Ava Dressina 69.50

Fresno

Merced County

Colusa County

Kern County

report is reflective of the majority of classes and grades of livestock offered for sale. There may be instances where some sales do not fit within reporting quidelines and therefore will not be included in the report.

Please Note: The USDA LPGMN price

### California

Holstein Open Heifers:

21 Hd. 310 lbs. @ \$575.00; 16 Hd. 331 lbs. @ \$575.00; 30 Hd. 391 lbs. @ \$700.00; 20 Hd. 442 lbs. @ \$760.00; 42 Hd. 595 lbs. @ \$875.00; 91 Hd. 724 lbs. @ \$1100.00; 32 Hd. 851 lbs. @ \$1085.00

\$1150.00; 41 Hd. 1052 lbs. 3-4 @ \$1375.00; 23 Hd. 1086 lbs. 5 mos @ \$1375.00; 27 Hd. 1219 lbs. 6 mos @ \$1425.00; 38 Hd. 1243 lbs. 7 mos. @ \$1525.00

625.00; 23 Hd. 449 lbs. @ \$785.00; 15 Hd. 532 lbs. @ \$900.00

@ \$1160.00; 17 Hd. 763 lbs. 3-4 @ \$1325.00; 11 Hd. 778 lbs. 5-6 @ \$1460.00; 7 Hd. 1008 lbs. 7-8 @ \$1550.00 Springers: # 1 Hol Spr. \$1500.00-2000.00;

#2 Hol Spr. \$1200.00-1475.00: #1 Jer Spr. \$1350.00-1600.00; #1 Jer X Spr. \$1300.00-

Yielding \$52.00-\$57.00; Low Yielding \$40.00-

Weigh Dairy Cows: High Yielding \$54.00-59.50; Med Yielding \$48.00-53.00; Low Yielding \$35.00-47.00 Weigh Bulls: High Yielding \$74.00-79.00;

Holstein Barren Heifers: \$65.00-95.00

# **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)

Dec. 9 Shipping Area							
IDAHO BU	RBANKS						
\$18.80	\$0.23	\$8.95	\$0.14	\$25.50	\$0.00	\$14.00	\$0.50
IDAHO NO	RKOTAHS						
\$17.34	\$0.03	\$8.97	\$0.02	\$23.50	\$0.00	\$13.00	\$0.00
SAN LUIS	VALLEY						
\$17.50	\$0.41	\$10.37	\$0.36	\$24.00	\$2.00	\$15.00	\$0.00
COLUMBIA	A BASIN						
\$16.49	-\$0.09	\$7.67	-\$0.06	\$20.00	\$0.00	\$12.00	\$0.00

### Sheep/Wool Market Reports

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

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) Dec. 8

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

NATIONAL SHEEP SUMMARY (USDA Market News) San Angelo, Texas Dec. 8

Compared to last week: Slaughter lambs were mostly steady. Slaughter ewes were steady to 5.00 lower. Feeder lambs were steady. At San Angelo, Texas, 4612 head sold. Equity Electronic Auction sold 266 slaughter lambs in Nebraska. In direct trading slaughter ewes and feeder lambs were not tested. 3700 head of negotiated sales of slaughter lambs were steady to 2.00 lower. 3,515 lamb carcass es sold with all weights no trend due to confidentiality. All sheep sold per hundred weight (CWT) unless otherwise specified

Slaughter Lambs: Choice and Prime 2-3 90-160 lbs: San Angelo: Shorn and wooled 100-160 lbs

130.00-140.00 Ft. Collins, Colo.: wooled 110-155 lbs 145.00-150.00

South Dakota: Shorn and wooled 115-150 lbs 123.00-128.50. Slaughter Lambs: Choice and Prime 1-2: **San Angelo:** 220.00-240.00, few 254.00; 70-80 lbs 192.00-210.00, few 220.00-224.00;

80-90 lbs 180.00-200.00; 90-110 lbs 166.00-

174.00, few 210.00. Ft. Collins: 50-60 lbs 214.00-220.00; 60-70 lbs 215.00-220.00, few 230.00; 70-80 lbs 190.00-212.50; 80-90 lbs 185.00-192.50, few 205.00; 90-105 lbs 170.00-185.00.

Direct Trading: (lambs fob with 3-4 percent

shrink or equivalent) 3700: Slaughter Lambs shorn and wooled 117-177 lbs 117.00-156.20 (wtd avg 132.24).

Slaughter Ewes: San Angelo: Good 3-4 (very fleshy) no test; Good 2-3 (fleshy) no test; Utility and Good 1-3 (medium flesh) 80.00-96.00, few 98.00; Utility 1-2 (thin) 73.00-78.00; Cull and Utility 1-2 (very thin) 50.00-64.00; Cull 1 (extremely thin) 40.00-

Ft. Collins: Good 3-5 (very fleshy) 75.00-85.00; Good 2-3 (fleshy) 70.00-77.50; Utility 1-2 (thin) 35.00-48.00; Cull 1 (extremely thin) no test. Billings, Mont.: Good 3-4 (very fleshy) no

test; Good 2-3 (fleshy) no test; Utility 1-2 (thin) no test; Cull 1 no test. S. Dakota: Good 3-4 (very fleshy) 82.00-88.00; Good 2-3 (fleshy) 63.00-76.00; Utility 1-2

(thin) 61.00-75.00; Cull 1 70.00. Feeder Lambs: Medium and Large 1-2: San Angelo: 60-70 lbs 208.00-216.00: 70-80 lbs 178.00-182.00; 87 lbs 170.00.

Ft. Collins: 75 lbs 157.50; 97 lbs 155.00; 100-110 lbs 129.00-137.00; 110-115 lbs 128.00-140.00; 121 lbs 132.50

Billings: No test.

S. Dakota: 55 lbs 192.00: 69 lbs 198.00: 71 lbs 196.00; 80-90 lbs 180.50-192.00; 90-95 lbs 156.00-157.00; 100-110 lbs 125.50-130.00;

120-130 lbs 120.00-124.00. Replacement Ewes: Medium and Large 1-2: San Angelo: Mixed age hair ewes 80-130 lbs

90.00-120.00 cwt. Ft. Collins: No test

Billings: No test.

S. Dakota: No test. Sheep and lamb slaughter under federal inspection for the week to date totaled 43,000 compared with 42,000 last week and 42,000

### California Egg Reports

Compiled by USDA Market News Service • Des Moines

Shell egg marketer's benchmark price for negotiated egg sales of USDA Grade A 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) Dec. 8

Benchmark prices are unchanged. Asking prices for next week are 2 cents higher for Jumbo, 2

cents lower for Extra Large, 3 cents lower for Large and 2 cents lower for Medium and Small. Trade sentiment is steady to lower. Retail demand is moderate to good with food service movement mostly moderate. Warehouse buyers continue to purchase on an as needed basis. Offerings and suppl are light to moderate. Market activity is moderate. Small benchmark price \$1.48. Size Range Range

235 Medium 168 Large SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA Prices to retailers, sales to volume buyers, USDA Grade AA and Grade AA, white eggs in cartons

Extra large

delivered store door. Size Range Size Range Extra large 222-226 Jumbo 220-228

# Cattle Market Reports

Moines-St. Joseph, Mo.-Moses Lake, Wash.

Compiled by USDA Market News Service • Oklahoma City-Des

Medium

NATIONAL FEEDER AND STOCKER CATTLE St. Joseph, Mo. Dec. 8

Size

NA

NA

NA

NA

This week Last week Last year 354,400 306,100 395 800 Compared to Dec. 1: Steers and heifers traded mostly steady to 4.00 lower, with a few auctions nationwide quoting some individual weight

ranges higher. Those weight ranges that were higher were isolated to sales that were on the low end of prices last week.

Nice runs of longtime weaned calves along with fewer calves right off the cow reported at most sales in the country this week.

Most offerings now have now been fully preconditioned, however, weaned calves in addition to the bawling calves displayed a little extra flesh this week. Cattle feeders accepted lower prices this week as the Southern Plains market was 3.00 to 4.00 lower at 117.00 while Northern Plains feedyards sold 3.00 lower at 187.00.

Packers have been aggressive in purchasing cattle even though margins are not as desirable that they once were. Choice Boxed Beef wavered higher mid-week

and closed at 205.59 today, 0.40 lower than last Friday. Weekly actual data for week ending Nov. 25 revealed steer carcass weights are 12 lbs under a year ago.

Fed cattle slaughter has ramped up in current weeks with demand still good for beef ribs for the holidays.

In Valentine, Neb., on Thursday, a load and a half of 651 lb steers with all the bells and whistles sold at 193.00. Also on Thursday at Ogallala, Neb., a load and a half of 716 lbs steers sold at 181.00. Replacement quality females were also in demand at Valentine. A load of 646 lbs reputation heifers sold for \$1150.00/head. Their bigger sisters weighing 686 lbs sold at

\$1155.00/head. The cattle complex suffered sharp losses late last week and slipped lower all week long. The market was the most active on those heavier calves weighing over 650 lbs that will finish be-

fore the summer months Compared to last Friday's close, the front five Live Cattle contracts were from 1.65 to 3.67 lower. For the same time period, the first four Feeder Cattle futures were from 3.70 to 5.10 lower. Auction volume this week included 44 percent weighing over 600 lbs and 40 percent heifers.

### National Slaughter Cattle Summary (USDA Market News)

Dec. 8
Slaughter cattle trade in all feeding regions sold mostly 4.00-5.00 lower. Nebraska dressed sales fully 4.00 lower.

Boxed Beef prices as of Friday afternoon averaged 195.78 up 0.98 from last Friday. The Choice/Select spread is 19.62. Slaughter cattle on a national basis for negotiated cash trades through Friday afternoon totaled 108,688 head. Last week's total head count was 119,330 head. MIDWEST DIRECT MARKETS:

Live Basis: Steers and Heifers: 116.00-Dressed Basis: Steers and Heifers 186.00-

118.00.

### **Dairy Report** Compiled by USDA Market News Service • Madison, Wis. FLUID MILK AND CREAM REVIEW - WEST

(USDA Market News) Dec. 7 In California milk output is flat to up. Industry contacts suggest that current spot prices are

slightly lower due to milk supplies being more available. Sales into Class 1 production are steady this week as schools reopened last week after the

Thanksgiving holiday and filled their pipelines. The November 4a price (butter/powder) in California is \$13.62, down \$0.89 from the previous month, and \$0.07 lower from a year ago. This compares to the Federal Order Class IV price of \$13.99 for November. The November 4b price (cheese) is \$15.52, down \$0.65 from the previous month, and \$1.93 lower from a year ago.

This compares to the Federal Order Class III price for November at \$16.88.

Farm milk production in Arizona is increasing due to night time temperatures settling into a comfortable range for dairy cows. Overall, milk

is abundant in the state of Arizona, and proces sors are actively balancing. Class I demand is moderate as some indus-

try contacts believe that more milk loads were pulled in the first week of November compared to December. Class III intakes are reported steady to decreasing due to maintenance and repair workloads at some cheese plants. New Mexico milk production is trending down

Sales into Class I operations rebounded as retailers restock their shelves. Although some Class III processing plants had maintenance and repair issues that forced

them to decrease their daily orders, total Class III sales picked up this week. Class II demand Pacific Northwest milk production continues to follow seasonal patterns without any surpris-

es. Manufacturers have plenty of milk available for processing. Industry contacts report milk is in good balance with processing needs and very little, if any, milk is leaving the immediate area Bottling demand is steady

# 130.50; s400 to 500 lbs 118.00-1256.00;

### 90-130 lbs 110.00-145.00 LEBANON (Lebanon Auction Yard)

Avg. All: \$47.93 Top Bull: \$83.00 Avg. All: \$68.56

Receipts: 514 HD

Dec. 4

lbs \$115-125

lbs \$105-115

Yield: \$55-60; Low Yield: \$50-55 Feeder: \$75-90 Heiferettes: \$95-110

# WOODBURN

Certified Cows: 80.00-140.00 cwt Top Certified Organic Cattle: 50.00-74.00

HD; 200-300 lbs 107.50-135.00 HD Washington

(Toppenish Livestock Auction) Receipts: 2000

Feeder Bulls: Medium and Large 1-2 500-

Lean: 85-90 Pct. Lean 1200-1700 lbs Avg

Feeder Cows Medium and Large 1-2: 1000-

TURLOCK (Turlock Livestock Auction Yard) Special Dairy Heifer Sale Dec. 8 Live through the Ring

Holstein Bred Heifers: 39 Hd. 991 lbs. 1-2 @ Jersey Open Heifers: 11 Hd. 365 lbs. @

Jersey Bred Heifers: 12 Hd. 724 lbs. 1-2+

Weigh Beef Cows: High Yielding NT; Med

Med Yielding \$70.00-73.00; Low Yielding \$50.00-69.00