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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)
Jan. 26

This week FOB	*Last week*	*Last year*
4800	1290	4200 Tons

Compared to Jan. 19: Alfalfa steady in a light test. Trade slow this week with light to moderate demand. Demand remains good for feeder hay. Retail/Feedstore not tested this week.

		Tons	Price
Alfalfa	Mid Square		
	Good/Tarped	700	
140.00			
	Fair/Rain Dam	1000	125.00
	Tarped	500	125.00
Alfalfa	Small Square		
	Good/Export	400	65.00
Wheat Straw	Mid Square		
	Good	2200	43.45

OREGON AREA HAY
(USDA Market News)
Jan. 26

Compared to Jan. 19: Prices trended generally steady in a limited test. Retail/Stable type hay remains the most demanded hay. Export sales have slightly increased compared to last report. Many hay producers have sold out for the growing year.

This week FOB	*Last week*	*Last year*
4183	2718	2562 Tons

CROOK, DESCHUTES, JEFFERSON, WASCO COUNTIES

		Tons	Price
Orchard Grass	Small Square		
	Prem/Ret/Stab	4	230.00
Meadow Grass	Small Square		
	Prem/Ret/Stab	25	210.00
EASTERN OREGON:			
Alfalfa	Large Square		
	Premium	200	130.00
Alfalfa/Orchard Mix	Small Square		
	Prem/Ret/Stab	40	177.50
Orchard Grass	Small Square		
	Prem/Ret/Stab	20	175.00
Oat	Large Square		
	Good/Premium	100	100.00
HARNEY COUNTY:			
Alfalfa	Large Square		
	Premium	134	177.54
Triticale	Large Square		
	Good/Premium	42	95.00
KLAMATH BASIN:			
Alfalfa	Large Square		
	Supreme	25	230.00
Fescue Grass	Small Square		
	Good	15	150.00
LAKE COUNTY:			
Alfalfa	Large Square		
	Supreme	100	215.00
	Premium	1683	169.80
	Export	1000	170.00
	Rain Damage	300	165.00
	Small Square		
	Premium	60	185.00
	Retail/Stable	30	185.00
Alfalfa/Orchard Mix	Small Square		
	Premium	30	185.00
Alfalfa/Oat Mix	Small Square		
	Good/Premium	30	125.00
Meadow Grass	Large Square		
	Good/Premium	120	100.00
Alfalfa/Trit Mix	Large Square		
	Good/Premium	225	130.56

IDAHO HAY
(USDA Market News)
Jan. 26

This week FOB	*Last week*	*Last year*
14,350	1430	1000 Tons

Compared to Jan. 19: Alfalfa mixed this week. Alfalfa going to California, firm. Alfalfa staying in Idaho to dairies, weak in a light test. Trade turned active this week. Demand good to California interests, light to Idaho interests. Most cow/calf operations still have 2 months before they can turn out. Retail/Feedstore not tested.

		Tons	Price
Alfalfa	Mid Square		
	Prem/Supr/Contr	1500	180.00
	Organic	1000	200.00
	Rain Damage	450	125.00
	Prem/Org	500	160.00
	Good/Prem/Dam	450	125.00
	Tarped	450	125.00
	Good	8000	115.00
	Tarped	2000	135.00

CALIFORNIA HAY
(USDA Market News)
Jan. 26

Compared to Jan. 19: All classes traded steady with good demand. Retail hay is in high demand due to lack of hay in barns this year. Alfalfa fields were being replanted with new rains, and previously planted alfalfa was growing well.

This week FOB	*Last week*	*Last year*
4160	1321	2400 Tons

REGION 1: NORTHERN INTERMOUNTAIN

Includes the counties of Siskiyou, Modoc, Shasta, Lassen and Plumas: No New Sales Confirmed.

REGION 2: SACRAMENTO VALLEY

Includes the counties of Tehama, Glenn, Butte, Colusa, Sutter, Yuba, Sierra, Nevada, Placer, Yolo, El Dorado, Solano and Sacramento.

Alfalfa	Fair/Del	1000	235.00
Oat	Good/Del	100	95.00

REGION 3: NORTHERN SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY

Includes the counties of San Joaquin, Calaveras, Stanislaus, Tuolumne, Mono, Merced and Mariposa.

Alfalfa	Prem/Del	130	272.50
	Good/Del/Org	130	217.50
Wheat	Good/Del	100	135.00

REGION 4: CENTRAL SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY

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

Alfalfa	Supr/Del	300	298.33
	Prem/Del	300	275.00

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 counties of Eastern San Bernardino, Riverside and Imperial.

Alfalfa	Supreme	300	200.00
	Prem/Ret/Stab	1100	221.82
	Good	400	185.00
	Fair	300	170.00

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
Jan. 25

Pacific Northwest Market Summary: Cash wheat bids for January delivery ended the reporting week on Thursday, Jan. 25, were mixed compared to week ago noon bids for January delivery.

March wheat futures ended the reporting week on Thursday, Jan. 25, mixed as follows compared to week ago closes: Chicago wheat futures were 9.25 cents higher at 4.3450, Kansas City wheat futures were 5.50 cents higher at 4.35 and Minneapolis wheat futures trended 0.25 of a cent lower at 6.1025. Chicago March corn futures trended 3.75 cents higher at 3.5525 and March soybean futures closed 19.25 cents higher at 9.9225.

Bids for US 1 Soft White Wheat delivered to Portland in unit trains or barges during January for ordinary protein trended steady to 10 cents per bushel higher compared to week ago prices for the same delivery period from 5.30-5.32. 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 and last week.

One year ago bids for US 1 Soft White Wheat any protein for January delivery by unit trains and barges to Portland were 4.6450-4.66 and bids for White Club Wheat were 4.84-4.8950.

Forward month bids for soft white wheat ordinary protein were as follows: February 5.30-5.3550, March 5.30-5.4050, April and May 5.32-5.38.

One year ago, forward month bids for soft white wheat for any protein were as follows: February 4.6450-4.66, March 4.3950-4.66, April and May 4.4850-4.66.

Bids for US 1 Soft White Wheat guaranteed maximum 10.5 percent protein during January trended 0.50 of a cent to ten cents per bushel higher than week ago prices for the same delivery period from 5.30-5.3050. 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 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 January delivery by unit trains and barges to Portland were 4.6950 and bids for White Club Wheat were 4.6950-4.9450.

Forward month bids for soft white wheat guaranteed 10.5 percent proteins were as follows: February 5.25-5.3550, March 5.30-5.4050, April and May 5.3725-5.38.

One year ago, forward month bids for soft white wheat for any protein were as follows: February not available, March 4.3950-4.6950, April and May 4.4850-4.60.

Bids for 11.5 percent protein US 1 Hard Red Winter Wheat for January delivery trended 5.50 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 were as follows: January, February, March 5.85-6.00, April and May 5.9450-6.0450.

Bids for non-guaranteed 14.0 percent protein US 1 Dark Northern Spring Wheat for Portland delivery during January trended 0.25 of a cent per bushel lower 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: January 7.2525-7.4525, February and March 7.2525-7.5025, April and May 7.4050-7.6050.

Coarse feeding grains: Bids for US 2 Yellow Corn delivered full coast Pacific Northwest BNSF shuttle trains for January delivery trended mixed, from 1.25 cents lower to 0.75 of a cent higher than week ago bids for the same delivery period from 4.4525-4.4925.

Some exporters were not issuing bids for nearby delivery.

Forward month corn bids were as follows: February and March 4.4525-4.5025, April 4.4375-4.4875, May 4.4375 and June 4.3875-4.4375. Bids for US 1 Yellow Soybeans delivered full coast Pacific Northwest BNSF shuttle trains for November delivery trended 14.25 cents higher than week ago bids for the same delivery period at 10.7225.

Some exporters were not issuing bids for nearby delivery. Forward month soybean bids were as follows: February 10.7725 and March 10.7225-10.7425.

Bids for US 2 Heavy White Oats for November delivery trended steady at 3.0475 per bushel.

Pacific Northwest Export News: There were 21 grain vessels in Columbia River ports on Thursday, Jan. 25, with eight docked compared to 16 last week with eight docked.

There were no new confirmed export sales this week from the Commodity Credit Corporation (CCC) of the USDA.

California Weekly
Grain Report
Jan. 25

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.

BARLEY US No 2 (46-lbs. per bushel)		
FOB	**Stockton-Modesto-Oakdale-Turlock**	Del 10.50
CORN US No 2 Yellow		
FOB	**Glenn County**	8.00
SORGHUM US No 2 Yellow (Milo)		
Rail	**Glenn County**	8.00
WHEAT Any Class for Feed		
FOB	**Kings-Tulare-Fresno Counties**	9.25
	Stockton-Modesto-Oakdale-Turlock	9.50

Dairy Report

Compiled by USDA Market News Service • Madison, Wis.

FLUID MILK AND CREAM REVIEW – WEST
(USDA Market News)
Jan. 25

California current milk output is rising on a weekly basis. However, production volumes are lower compared to last year. Milk prices are declining as well.

Due to disruptions at a couple of plants last week and this week, condensed skim and milk are moving from California to Fallon, Nev. One of the disrupted plants is producing butter as needed, but stopped producing nonfat dry milk.

Contacts report that finding the trucking necessary for milk hauling is a challenge.

Class 1 sales remain steady throughout the week. According to California Department of Food and Agriculture, December 2017 pool receipts of milk in the state total 3.18 billion pounds. This is 1.5 percent lower compared to the same month a year ago. From January through December 2017, unadjusted receipts are 2.7 percent lower from the comparable period in 2016. The Value at Test price is $15.45, $1.27 lower than the previous month, and $2.02 below a year ago.

The percentage of receipts used in Class 1 products is 13.20 percent. The November quota price is $15.40 and the over quota price is $13.70. These prices are $1.32 below last month and $2.10 lower from a year ago.

In Arizona, processing plants have been receiving heavy supplies of milk and are working harder to balance it. Milk production is continuously increasing and getting close to the flush levels.

Class I accounts are requesting steady volumes of milk as schools are back in session and their intakes are easy to predict.

In New Mexico, milk production continues its higher trend. Class I needs are slightly up while Class II sales decreased. Class III intakes increased despite downtime at one of the cheese plants.

Overall, milk supplies are up and processing plants continue to work at full capacity.

Pacific Northwest milk production is following seasonal patterns. Bottlers and dairy manufacturers have sufficient milk for processing needs.

Industry contacts report milk is mostly finding a home within the region, but a few loads are moving into neighboring states to find processing space.

In the mountain states of Colorado, Idaho and Utah there is still a lot of milk.

However, the access to processing capacity is what determines the perception of whether supplies are heavy or in balance.

Industry contacts say there is processing capacity available in Colorado and the southern part of the region.

The available room helps extenuate the heavy milk flows, and milk intakes are in good balance with processing needs.

Across Idaho and the northern part of the region, available space in manufacturing facilities is more limited and distressed loads offered at $3 to $4 under Class are not uncommon.

Western condensed skim is readily available in the spot market. Some manufacturers are selling condensed skim instead of drying it to accommodate disruptions resulting from repair/maintenance workloads.

Cream demand is steady to lower depending on the regions. Some processing plants are actively churning, as they are unable to sell all their supplies.

According to the DMN National Retail Report-Dairy for the week of Jan. 19-25, the national weighted average advertised price for one gallon of milk is $2.39, down $0.28 from last week, but steady from a year ago. The weighted average regional price in the Southwest is $2.28, with a price range of $1.99-$2.49.

The weighted average regional price in the Northwest is $1.99, with no price range. The NASS Milk Production report noted December 2017 milk production in the 23 selected states was 17.0 billion pounds, 1.2 percent above a year ago. Milk cows in the 23 selected states totaled 8.74 million head, 54,000 head more than a year ago.

Livestock Auctions

Oregon

LEBANON
(Lebanon Auction Yard)
Jan. 25

Total receipts: 346

Butcher Cows: Conventional: Top Cow, $69.50; Top 10 Cows, $66.89; Top 50 Cows, $62.06; Avg. All Cows, $50.44; Organic: Top Cow, $78.00; Avg. All Organic: $58.38.

Bulls: Conventional: Top Bull, $74.

Dairy Heifers: 225-325 lbs $97-$115 Per cwt.

Replacement Heifers: 600-800 lbs $330-$1625 Per Head; 800-1000 lbs $300-1550 HD; 1000-1400 lbs $425.00-$1050.00 HD

MADRAS
(Central Oregon Livestock Auction)
Jan. 22

Steers: 300-400 lbs $185-210; 400-500 lbs $175-200; 500-600 lbs $165-180; 600-700 lbs $150-168; 700-800 lbs $130-150; 800-900 lbs $125-135

Heifers: 300-400 lbs 165-180; 400-500 lbs $158-168; 500-600 lbs $148-158; 600-700 lbs $138-148; 700-800 lbs $128-138; 800-900 lbs $118-128

Butcher Cows: Fleshy $60-70; Lean $60-65; Low Yield $50-60; Feeder $60-65; Heiferettes $80-110

Bulls: High Yield $80-85; Med Yield $75-80; Feeder $80-88

WOODBURN
(Woodburn Livestock Exchange)
Jan. 23

Total Receipts: 263, 246 Cattle

Top 10 Slaughter Cows A/P: 63.49 cwt

Top 50 Slaughter Cows A/P: 60.23 cwt

Top 100 Slaughter Cows A/P: 54.04 cwt

Back To The Country Cows: 70.00 cwt

Certified Cows: 80.00-140.00 cwt

Top Certified Organic Cattle: 55.00-67.00 cwt

All Slaughter Bulls: 61.50-74.00 cwt

Top Beef Steers: 200-300 lbs 145.00-165.00 cwt; 300-400 lbs 135.00-153.50 cwt; 400-500 lbs 140.00-150.00 cwt; 500-600 lbs 140.00-150.00 cwt; 600-700 lbs 135.00-142.00 cwt

Top Beef Heifers: 200-300 lbs NT; 300-400 lbs NT; 400-500 lbs 130.00-147.00 cwt; 500-600 lbs 130.00-143.00 cwt; 600-700 lbs 125.00-134.00 cwt

Cow/Calf Pairs: NT

Bred Cows: NT

Lambs: 40-70 lbs 150.00-191.00 cwt; 75-150 lbs 160.00-193.00 cwt

Thin Ewes: 58.00-172.50 cwt

Fleshy Ewes: 50.00-101.00 cwt

Ewe/Lamb Pairs: NT

Goats: 10-39 lbs 10.00-52.52 HD; 40-69 lbs 45.00-165.00 HD; 70-79 lbs 105.00-177.50 HD; 80-89 lbs 80.00-167.50 HD; 90-99 lbs 160.00-190.00; 100-199 lbs 50.00-255.00 HD; 200-300 lbs NT

EUGENE
(Eugene Livestock Auction
Jan. 27

Head Count: 244

Compared to last week: Cows and bulls up $5. Light feeders $3-5 stronger.

High Dressers: 58.00-67.00

Top 10 Cows: 60.75

Low Dressers: 50.00-58.00

Top Bulls High Dressers: 83.00-84.00

Feeder Bulls: 300-500 lbs: 120.00-140.00; 500-700 lbs: NT; 700-900 lbs 130.00-131.00

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

Feeder Steers: 300 to 400 lbs 140.00-163.50; 400 to 500 lbs 148.00-167.50; 500 to 600 lbs 140.00-166.50; 600 to 700 lbs NT; 700 to 800 lbs NT; 800 to 900 lbs 114.50

Choice Heifers Medium To Large Frame No. 1&2s:

Feeder Heifers: 300 to 400 lbs 130.00-153.00; 400 to 500 lbs 120.00-149.00; 500 to 600 lbs 130.00-147.00; 600 to 700 lb 143.50; 700 to 800 lbs NT; 800 lbs and up NT

Bred Cows: 710-835 HD

Pairs: NT

Head Calves (Up to 250 lbs):

Beef: 175.00-320.00 HD

Dairy: 85.00 HD

Feeder Lambs: 50-90 lbs 150.00-192.50; 90-130 lbs 130.00-167.50

Washington

TOPPENISH
Jan. 25
(Toppenish Livestock Auction)

Receipts: 1325 HD

Compared to Jan. 18: Stocker cattle firm to 9.00 higher in a light test. Not enough feeder cattle for accurate trends. Trade active with good demand for all classes. Slaughter cows and bulls 3.00-9.00 higher. Trade very active with very good demand due in part to calving season is in full swing and beef type cows are in short supply. Slaughter cows 57 percent, slaughter bulls 5 percent, and feeders 38 percent of the supply. The feeder supply included 37 percent steers and 63 percent heifers. Near 74 percent of the run weighed over 600 lbs.

Feeder Steers: Medium and Large 1-2: 400-500 lbs 187.00; 500-600 lbs 188.00; 600-700 lbs 157.00-161.00; 700-800 lbs 154.00. Small and Medium 1-2: 600-700 lbs 132.50

Feeder Holstein Steers: Large 2-3: 300-400 lbs 85.00-97.00; 500-600 lbs 90.50

Feeder Heifers: Medium and Large 1-2: 400-500 lbs 168.00; 500-600 lbs 149.00; 600-700 lbs 145.00-153.00; 700-800 lbs 138.00. Medium and Large 3-4: 900-1000 lbs 81.00; 1000-1100 lbs 80.50; 1100-1200 lbs 79.00; 1200-1300 lbs 80.00

Medium and Large 4: 900-1000 lbs 69.00-72.00. Large 2-3: 1000-1100 lbs 80.00-89.50; 1100-1200 lbs 83.50; 1200-1300 lbs 82.50-84.00. Small and Medium 3-4: 700-800 lbs 60.00-64.00.

Slaughter Cows:

Boners: 80-85 Pct. Lean; 1300-2000 lbs; Avg Dressing 65.00-71.00; High Dressing 74.00; Low Dressing 60.00-65.00

Lean: 85-90 Pct. Lean; 1300-1700 lbs; Avg Dressing 64.00-70.00; Low Dressing 59.00-64.00

Lean: 90 Pct. Lean; 900-1400 lbs; Avg Dressing 55.00-59.00; Low Dressing 50.00-55.00

Slaughter Bulls:

Yield Grade 1-2: 1500-1850 lbs; Avg Dressing 75.00-84.00; High Dressing 106.00; Low Dressing 65.00-75.00

Please Note: The USDA LPGMN price 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 guidelines and therefore will not be included in the report.

California

TURLOCK
(Turlock Livestock Auction Yard)
Jan. 26

Receipts: 806 HD

Comments: Dairy replacements steady with a week ago. Weigh Cows and Bull market 3-4 cents better compared to a week ago.

Springers:

No. 1 Hol Spr. $ 1400.00-1775.00

No. 2 Hol Spr. $ 1100.00-1375.00

No. 1 Jer Spr. $ 1350.00-1425.00

No.1 Jer X Spr. $ 1300.00-1400.00

Weigh Beef Cows:

High Yielding: NT

Med Yielding: $48.00-$55.00

Low Yielding: $40.00-$47.00

Weigh Dairy Cows

High Yielding $54.00–63.50

Med Yielding $47.00-53.00

Low Yielding $35.00-46.00

Weigh Bulls

High Yielding $74.00–80.00

Med Yielding $70.00-73.00

Low Yielding $ 50.00-69.00

Holstein Barren Heifers:$65.00-85.00

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)
Jan. 27

SHIPPING AREA

FWA	*Chg*	*GRI*	*Chg*	*70 ct*	*Chg*	*10# Film*	*Chg*
IDAHO BURBANKS							
$17.16	-$0.48	$7.97	-$0.29	$24.50	$0.00	$11.50	-$1.00
IDAHO NORKOTAHS							
$16.57	-$0.08	$8.40	-$0.06	$23.00	$0.50	$12.00	-$0.50
SAN LUIS VALLEY							
$18.84	$0.00	$11.53	$0.00	$26.00	$0.00	$16.00	$0.00
COLUMBIA BASIN							
$16.72	$0.06	$7.81	$0.04	$21.00	$0.00	$12.00	$0.00
WISCONSIN							
$18.63	$0.00	$10.88	$0.00	$29.00	$0.00	$15.50	$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)
Jan. 26

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
Jan. 26

Compared to Jan. 19: Slaughter lambs mostly steady to 5.00 higher, except at New Holland, Pa., steady to 10.00 lower. Slaughter ewes steady to 5.00 lower. No comparison on feeder lambs.

At San Angelo, Texas, 5490 head sold. No sales in Equity Electronic Auction.

In direct trading slaughter ewes and feeder lambs were not tested. 3500 head of negotiated sales of slaughter lambs were 2.00-3.00 lower. 2,356 lamb carcasses sold with all weights no trend due to confidentiality.

All sheep sold per hundredweight unless otherwise specified.

Slaughter Lambs: Choice and Prime 2-3 90-160 lbs:

San Angelo: shorn and wooled 110-185 lbs 125.00-146.00.

Ft. Collins, Colo.: wooled 186 lbs 112.00.

Billings, Montana: no test.

Slaughter Lambs: Choice and Prime 1-2:

San Angelo: 40-60 lbs 260.00-276.00; 60-70 lbs 240.00-266.00; 70-80 lbs 212.00-236.00, few 242.00-248.00; 80-90 lbs 192.00-218.00; 90-110 lbs 170.00-196.00.

Ft. Collins: 50-70 lbs 225.00-235.00; 70-85 lbs 195.00-220.00; 90-110 lbs 165.00-187.00.

Billings: no test.

Direct Trading: (lambs fob with 3-4 percent shrink or equivalent)

3500: Slaughter Lambs shorn and wooled 143-209 lbs 122.51-152.17 (wtd avg 131.07).

Slaughter Ewes:

San Angelo: Good 3-4 (very fleshy) no test; Good 2-3 (fleshy) 74.00-76.00; Utility and Good 1-3 (medium flesh) 80.00-90.00, few 92.00; Utility 1-2 (thin) 70.00-80.00; Cull and Utility 1-2 (very thin) 60.00-66.00; Cull 1 (extremely thin) 32.00-50.00.

Ft. Collins: Good 3-5 (very fleshy) 70.00-75.00; Good 2-3 (fleshy) 68.00-77.50; Utility 1-2 (thin) no test; 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; Cull 1 no test.

Feeder Lambs: Medium and Large 1-2:

San Angelo: 60 lbs 228.00; 77 lbs 204.00.

Ft. Collins: no test.

Billings: no test.

Replacement Ewes: Medium and Large 1-2:

San Angelo: wool ewes and lambs 120.00 per head; hair ewes and lambs 50.00-96.00 per head; mixed age hair ewes 80-130 lbs 90.00-146.00 cwt.

Ft. Collins: no test.

Billings: no test.

Sheep and lamb slaughter under federal inspection for the week to date totaled 40,000 compared with 40,000 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 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)
Jan. 26

Benchmark prices are unchanged. Asking prices for next week are 13 cents higher for Jumbo, 36 cents higher for Extra Large, 38 cents higher for Large and 15 cents higher for Medium and Small. Trade sentiment is steady to higher. Demand continues moderate to good into all sectors, mostly fairly good to good. Offerings are light. Supplies are very light to in close balance for immediate needs. Market activity is active. Small benchmark price $1.46.

Size	*Range*	*Size*	*Range*
Jumbo	199	**Extra large**	188
Large	182	**Medium**	166

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

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

Size	*Range*	*Size*	*Range*
Jumbo	186-198	**Extra large**	176-183
Large	170-177	**Medium**	154-161

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.
Jan. 26

This week	*Last week*	*2017*
387,400	78,500	364,000

Compared to Jan. 19: Steer calves sold 5.00 to 10.00 higher, yearlings and all heifers sold steady to 5.00 higher. Blizzard conditions early in the trading period hampered cattle movement in Nebraska.

Several barns in the southern half of the state quoted higher trends, but most of them had two weeks worth of gains to make up for following no sales or a very light test of the market last week because of weather.

The supply of feeders was moderate to heavy this week made up of mostly fall calves in the 500-750 lb. range.

Receipts are always generally heavy if weather cooperates this time of year, but dry conditions and lack of water are causing several producers to market cattle a few weeks earlier than they might typically prefer.

Missouri is not alone in this situation as states like Oklahoma and Kansas have seen wheat pastures disappear and cattle are being pulled off those winter pastures as well although not all of those are changing ownership.

Cattle that are coming to the barns are being eagerly absorbed as many orders exist for summer grazing cattle as there is plenty of optimism that rains will come and grass will grow.

Beef demand has been very supportive of the markets as shown by the cold storage report released last week.

Even with a larger herd nationwide the industry is doing a great job keeping product moving and the good news is much of this beef is being consumed domestically.

As of Thursday's close boxed beef cutouts were about a buck higher for the week with the Choice at 206.77 holding just a bit more than a 5.00 spread over the Select.

Feedlot trade has yet to develop this week. Sales developed very late last week at mostly 123.00 live and 195.00 dressed.

The outlook was very positive for higher sales this week until the futures posted significant lower closes Thursday which may or may not affect sales.

Auction volume this week included 60 percent weighing over 600 lbs and 41 percent heifers.

National Slaughter
Cattle Summary
Jan. 26

Slaughter cattle trade developed late Friday afternoon.

Trade in Texas and Kansas 4.00 higher. Dressed sales in Nebraska 5.00 higher.

Boxed Beef prices as of Friday afternoon averaged 204.33 up 1.82 from last Friday.

The Choice/Select spread is 5.00. Slaughter cattle on a national basis for negotiated cash trades through Friday afternoon totaled 25,000 head.

Last week's total head count was 98,591.

Midwest Direct Markets: Live Basis: Steers and Heifers: N/A; Dressed Basis: Steers and Heifers: 200.00

South Plains Direct Markets: Live Basis: Steers and Heifers 127.00

Slaughter Cows and Bulls (Average Yielding Prices): Slaughter cows and bulls sold steady to 5.00 higher.

Packer demand very good as cow numbers were lighter at most sales this week.

Cutter Cow Carcass Cut-Out Value Friday was 171.93 up 1.83 from last Friday.

Northwest Weighted
Direct Feeder Cattle
Jan. 26

This week	*Last week*	*2017*
4,773	2,566	4,400

Compared to Jan. 19: Feeder steers 2.00-3.00 higher. Feeder heifers steady to 5.00 higher.

Demand good as cattle futures showed improvement through most of the trading period and slaughter cattle prices advanced 3.00.

The feeder supply included 100 percent over 600 lbs and 27 percent heifers.

Unless otherwise stated prices are FOB weighting points with 2-3 percent shrink or equivalent and a 5-10 cent slide on calves and a 4-12 cent slide on yearlings from base weights.

Current sales are up to 14 days delivery.

Feeder Steers Medium and Large 1:

H407 Head; 700-730 lbs; 153.25-159.10; Current Del

984 Head; 750-785 lbs; 147.00-155.10; Current Del

135 Head; 800 lbs; 148.00; Current Del

130 Head; 850 lbs; 145.50; Current Del

180 Head; 900 lbs; 143.00; Current Del

1200 Head; 750 lbs; 155.00; Feb Del

90 Head; 825 lbs; 147.00; Feb Del

350 Head; 850 lbs; 149.75; Mar Del

Feeder Heifers Medium and Large 1:

513 Head; 675-685 lbs; 149.10-152.00; Current Del

444 Head; 715-725 lbs; 140.85-145.10; Current Del

180 Head; 750-775 lbs; 142.00-143.00; Current Del

160 Head; 775 lbs; 140.00; Feb Del