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Alfalfa

Alfalfa

Orchard Grass

EASTERN OREGON Alfalfa/Orchard Mix

KLAMATH BASIN Alfalfa

Orchard Grass

LAKE COUNTY:

Alfalfa

CROOK, DESCHUTES, JEFFERSON, WASCO COUNTIES

Good

Large Square

Small Square Prem/Ret/Stab

Small Square Prem/Ret/Stab

Small Square

Prem/Ret/Stab

Small Square Good

Small Square

Large Square

IDAHO HAY

Good

Supreme 68 HARNEY COUNTY: NO NEW SALES CONFIRMED.

Price

140.00

220.00

234.00

185.00

170.00

170.00

215.00

Tons

100

15

35

35

15

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

Hav 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)

50,199		775		4065 tons			
This week F	ЭВ	Last week		Last year			
		April 20					
	(US	SDA Market Ne	ews)				
		Columbia Bas					
WASHINGTON-OREGON HAY							
UTILITY	<130	36+	<50.5	<16			
FAIR	130-150	32-35	50.5-52.5	16-18			
GOOD	150-170	29-32	52.5-54.5	18-20			
PREMIUM	170-185	27-29	54.5-55.9	20-22			
SUPREME	185+	<27	55.9+	22+			
GRADE	RFV	ADF	TDN	CP			
test numbers:							

Compared to April 13: Export and feeder Alfalfa firm in a light test. Feeder hay supplies remain tight. More interest was noted this week for contracting new crop export Alfalfa. Most new crop contracts are for all cuttings with minimum RFV values and 20 percent down or scheduled payments. Trade very active on new crop contracts, slow on domestic feeder hav due to low supplies. Demand remains very good for all classes. Most feeder hay buyers are looking for large volumes to purchase. Retail/Feedstore not tested

		Tons	Price
Alfalfa	Mid Square		
	Good/Prem/New	22,833	165.00
	Fair/Good/Exp	400	145.00
	New	22,833	145.00
	Util/Fair/New	2833	125.00
	Tarped	1000	160.00
Timothy Grass	Mid Square		
	Good/Exp	300	135.00
	OREGON AREA HAY		
	(USDA Market News)		
	April 20		
Compared to Apri	1.13. Prices trended den	orally sto	adv in an

extremely limited test. Retail/Stable type hay remains the most demanded hay. Most hay producers are sold out for the growing

This week FOB Last year Last week 1436 tons 276 360

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.

delivery.

19, lower as follows compared to week ago closes: Chicago wheat futures were 4.25 cents lower at 4.7675, Kansas City wheat futures were 12.25 cents lower at 4.9525 and Minneapolis wheat futures trended 9.75 cents lower at 6.1325. Chicago May corn futures trended 6.75 cents lower at 3.82 and May soybean futures closed 23.25 cents lower at 10.3725.

Bids for US 1 Soft White Wheat delivered to Portland in unit trains or barges during April for ordinary protein trended one to two cents per bushel lower compared to week ago prices for the same delivery period from 5.80-5.90. Some exporters were not issuing bids for nearby delivery.

White club wheat premiums 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 any protein for April delivery by unit trains and barges to Portland were 4.39-4.75 and bids for White Club Wheat were 4.39-4.80.

Forward month bids for soft white wheat ordinary protein were as follows: May 5.8175-5.90, June 5.85-5.8775, July 5.75-5.87 and August New Crop 5.50-5.7850.

One year ago, forward month bids for soft white wheat for any protein were as follows: May 4.39-4.75, June 4.4450-4.75, July 4.4450-4.6950 and August New Crop 4.4850-4.6850.

(USDA Market News) April 20 This week FOB Last week Last year 950 325 700 Compared to April 13: Alfalfa feeder hay firm in a light test. No new contracts for new crop reported this week. Trade slow with good demand. Most interests are waiting for new crop. Old crop feeder hay is still available in the trade area. Retail/Feedstore not tested this week Tons Price Alfalfa Mid Square Fair/Org 100 190.00 Tarped 200 105 00 Util/Rain Dam 600 85.00 Alfalfa/Grass Mix Mid Square Fair/ Tarped 50 160.00 CALIFORNIA HAY (USDA Market News) April 20 Compared to April 13: All classes traded steady with very good demand. The warm temperatures and recent precipitation helped

winter forage crops' maturation. Alfalfa cutting began in the Central Valley. Corn fields were prepared and planted as weather and

forage. This week FOB	Lastweek	,	
6075	Last week 8905		.ast year
	RN INTERMOUNTAIN	ð	400 tons
	ties of Siskiyou, Modoc	Shacta L	accon and
Plumas:	lies of Siskiyou, Mouoc	, onasia, L	
No New Sales Cor	nfirmed		
REGION 2: SACRA			
	ies of Tehama, Glenn,	Butte. Colu	sa. Sutter.
	a, Placer, Yolo, El Dorad		
mento.	,,,	-,	
Alfalfa	Premium		
	Retail/Stable	25	280.00
	Fair	2500	215.00
Rye Grass	Good	1000	125.00
Rice Straw	Good/Del	200	115.00
REGION 3: NORTHI	ERN SAN JOAQUIN VA	LLEY	
Includes the coun	ties of San Joaquin, C	alaveras, S	Stanislaus,
Tuolumne, Mono, Me	erced and Mariposa.		
Alfalfa	Supr/Del	425	297.00
Grass	Good/Org	100	145.00
	AL SAN JOAQUIN VALL		
	ities of Madera, Fresn	o, Kings, T	ulare and
Inyo. No New Sales Cor	C		
REGION 5: SOUTHE			
San Bernardino	es of Kern, Northeast Los	s Angeles al	ia western
No New Sales Cor	afirmod		
REGION 6: SOUTH			
	ies of Eastern San Bern	ardino Riv	erside and
Imperial.			5. 5140 UTU
Alfalfa	Supreme	50	233.00
	Prem/Supr	1450	222.57
	Export	75	230.00
	Prem/Ret/Stab	200	230.00

Bermuda Grass Prem/Ret/Stab 50 220.00

Some exporters were not issuing bids for nearby delivery Forward month corn bids were as follows: May 5.00-5.12, June

5.07-5.11, July 5.03-5.06 and August 5.0550-5.0650. Bids for US 1 Yellow Sovbeans delivered full coast Pacific Northwest - BN shuttle trains for April delivery trended 13.50 to 15.50 cents per bushel lower than week ago bids for the same delivery period from 11.3525-11.3725. Some exporters were not issuing bids for nearby delivery.

Forward month soybean bids were as follows: May 11.3225, June and July 11.39-11.44 and October 11.3550-11.3850. Bids for US 2 Heavy White Oats for April delivery trended steady at 3.63 per bushe

Outstanding Export Sales: Outstanding U.S. white wheat export sales can be found at the following link: https://apps.fas.usda.gov/ export-sales/wheat.htm

Outstanding U.S. barley export sales can be found at the following link: https://apps.fas.usda.gov/export-sales/barley.htm

Pacific Northwest Export News: There were 28 grain vessels in Columbia River ports on Thursday, April 19, with five 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 WEEKLY GRAIN REPORT April 19 Only one transaction was reported for the week WHEAT Any Class for Feed

> Stockton-Modesto-10.25 Del Oakdale-Turlock

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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) April 21							
Shipping Ar	ea						
FWA	Chg	GRI	Chg	70 ct	Chg	10# Film	Chg
IDAHO BURI	IDAHO BURBANKS						
\$15.44	\$0.00	\$6.94	\$0.00	\$26.00	\$0.00	\$9.00	\$0.00
SAN LUIS VA	SAN LUIS VALLEY						
\$19.09	\$0.08	\$11.75	\$0.07	\$27.50	\$0.50	\$16.00	\$0.00
COLUMBIA BASIN							
\$17.43	\$0.03	\$8.25	\$0.02	\$25.50	\$0.00	\$12.00	\$0.00
WISCONSIN	WISCONSIN						
\$20.26	\$0.20	\$12.19	\$0.16	\$31.00	\$0.00	\$17.50	\$0.25

Sheep/Wool Market Reports

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

60 lbs 260.00-280.00, few 280.00-295.00; 60-70

lbs 255.00-275.00, few 280.00-290.00; 70-80 lbs 245.00-275.00, few 275.00-285.00; 80-90 lbs

Kalona, IA: 40-50 lbs 222.50-250.00; 50-60 lbs 220.00-235.00; 60-70 lbs 220.00-235.00; 70-

80 lbs 225.00-234.00; 80-90 lbs 224.00-236.00.
 Ft. Collins:
 40-60
 lbs
 222.00-250.00;
 60-80

 Ibs
 230.00-240.00;
 80-90
 lbs
 235.00-255.00;
 60-80

Missouri: 60-70 lbs 230.00-240.00; 70-105

Virginia: 30-60 lbs 237.50-240.00; 60-80 lbs 221.00-250.00; 80-110 lbs 189.00-213.00. South Dakota: 90-100 lbs 143.00-145.00.

Billings, MT: 70-80 lbs 182.00-185.00; 80-90 lbs 177.50-178.00; 107 lbs 161.00.

Direct Trading: (lambs fob with 3-4 percent shrink or equivalent) 3100: Slaughter Lambs shorn and wooled

San Angelo: Good 3-4 (very fleshy) no test

Good 2-3 (fleshy) 64.00-75.00; Utility and Good 1-3 (medium flesh) 76.00-85.00; Utility 1-2 (thin)

65.00-75.00; Cull and Utility 1-2 (very thin) 60.00 65.00; Cull 1 (extremely thin) 20.00-59.00. Pennsylvania: Good 3-4 (very fleshy) 50.00

100.00: Good 2-3 (fleshy) 72.00-135.00; Utility

1-2 (thin) 75.00-120.00; Cull 1 no test. **Ft. Collins:** Good 3-5 (very fleshy) 77.50-

88.50; Good 2-3 (fleshy) 80.00-92.50; Utiliy 1-2 (thin) 55.00-57.50; Cull 1 (extremely thin) no test. Billings, MT: Good 3-4 (very fleshy) 48.00-

53.00; Good 2-3 (fleshy) 56.00-70.00; Utility 1-2 (thin) 54.00-66.00; Cull 1 48.00-58.00.

So Dakota: Good 3.4 (very fleshy) no test; Good 2-3 (fleshy) 45.00-53.00; Utility 1-2 (thin) 42.00-54.00; Cull 1 37.00.

Missouri: Utility and Good 1-3 (medium flesh)

Virginia: Good 2-4 80.00-94.00; Utility 1-2

82.00; Cull 1 64.00. Kalona: Good 3-4 (very fleshy) no test; Good 2-3 (fleshy) 60.00-82.50; Utility and Good 1-2

(medium flesh) 65.00-73.00; Utility 1-2 (thin) 58.00-74.00; Cull 1 no test.

San Angelo: 50-90 lbs 198.00-226.00; 98 lbs 218.00.

Billings: old crop 87 lbs 180.00; 90-100 lbs

Feeder Lambs: Medium and Large 1-2:

134-159 lbs 135.00-158.84 (wtd avg 148.82)

245.00-272.00, few 270.00-290.00.

100-105 lbs 230.00-232.50.

lbs 200.00-225.00.

Slaughter Ewes:

50.00-85.00

Virginia: no test. Ft. Collins: no test

175.00-177.50.

Sheep prices in dollars per hundredweight (cwt.) except some replacement animals on per head basis as indicated

NATIONAL WOOL REVIEW (USDA Market News

April 20 Domestic wool trading on a clean basis was very active for bidding this week. Close to 1 million pounds of wool were bid on Thursday, though confirmation of sales could not be determined for this report. The results of confirmed sales will be included on the report next week. Domestic wool trading on a greasy basis was at a standstill this week. No confirmed trades were reported.

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

April 20 Compared to last week slaughter lambs were 10.00-20.00 lower, instances 20.00-40.00 lower. Slaughter ewes were weak to 5.00 lower, instances 10.00-20.00 lower. Feeder lambs weak in light test. At San Angelo, Texas, 6808 head sold. Equity Electronic Auction sold 1200 slaughter lambs in California. In direct trading slaughter ewes and feeder lambs not tested. 3100 head of negotiated sales of slaughter lambs were steady to 1.00 lower, 2.653 lamb carcasses 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: shom and wooled 110-155 lbs 120.00-134.00, few 138.00-142.00. VA: wooled 90-110 lbs 188.00.

PA: shorn and wooled 90-110 lbs 270.00-285.00; 110-130 lbs 232.00-275.00; 130-150 lbs 215.00-240.00; 150-200 lbs 190.00-225.00. Ft. Collins, CO: wooled 145-175 lbs 130.00-

160.00. South Dakota: shorn and wooled 140-155 lbs

- 141.00-143.00. Kalona, IA: no test.
- Billings, MT: no test. Missouri: no test.

Equity Elec: shorn 145-165 lbs 143.50.

Slaughter Lambs: Choice and Prime 1-2: San Angelo: 40-60 lbs 208.00-226.00; 60-70

- lbs 196.00-222.00; 70-80 lbs 194.00-202.00, few
- 207.00-210.00; 80-90 lbs 190.00-202.00; 90-110

lbs 180.00-196.00, few 199.00. Pennsylvania: 40-50 lbs 265.00-287.00; 50-

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) April 20

Benchmark prices are unchanged. Asking prices for next week are unchanged for Jumbo, Extra

cent protein during April trended steady to two cents per bushel lower than week ago prices for the same delivery period from 5.80-5.90. 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 April delivery by unit trains and barges to Portland were 4.39-4.75 and bids for White Club Wheat

Forward month bids for soft white wheat guaranteed 10.5 percent proteins were as follows: May 5.8175-5.90, June 5.85-5.8775, July 5.75-5.8275 and August New Crop 5.50-5.7850. One year ago, forward month bids for soft white wheat for any

protein were as follows: May 4.39-4.75, June and July 4.4450-4.75 and August New Crop 4.4850-4.75. Bids for 11.5 percent protein US 1 Hard Red Winter Wheat for

April delivery trended 12.25 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: April and May 6.4025-6.5525, June 6.4450-6.5950, July 6.3750-6.4450 and August New Crop 6.3350-6.4350.

Bids for non-guaranteed 14.0 percent protein US 1 Dark Northern Spring Wheat for Portland delivery during April trended 9.75 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 for non-guaranteed 14 percent protein were as follows: April 7.4825-7.7325, May 7.4325-4.6325, June 7.5925, July 7.4925-7.5925 and August New Crop 7.49-7.54.

Coarse feeding grains: Bids for US 2 Yellow Corn delivered full coast Pacific Northwest - BN shuttle trains for April delivery trended mixed, from 6.75 cents lower to 3.25 cents per bushel higher than week ago bids for the same delivery period at 5.05-5.22.

Bids for US 1 Soft White Wheat guaranteed maximum 10.5 per

were 4.39-4.79

(USDA Market News Portland April 19

PORTLAND GRAIN

May wheat futures ended the reporting week on Thursday, April

mixed, mostly lower, compared to week ago noon bids for April

Pacific Northwest Market Summary: Cash wheat bids for April delivery ended the reporting week on Thursday, April 19, were

Dairy Report

Compiled by USDA Market News Service • Madison, Wis. facturing needs. Some processors are doing

FLUID MILK AND CREAM REVIEW – WEST (USDA Market News) April 19

California milk production is active this week, following typical seasonal output levels for this time of the year. Balancing pressure is slowly declining in response to slight drops in milk vol umes produced.

Some milk is still finding its way out of California to meet tight processing deadlines. Class 1 sales as well as the retail sector sales are flat According to some contacts, water reservoirs in California are beyond the previous year's levels. The last winter's record rain as well as the last

snows have brought the reservoirs to 80 percent of normal. Milk production is slowly dropping in Arizona as the state's climate is warming up and cows are starting to feel the heat. The weather has also been dry and windy to the point where there is a red flag warning for potential fires.

Milk supplies are enough to meet all manu-

Livestock Auctions

Oregon EUGENE

(Eugene Livestock Auction) April 21

Head Count: 422 Market Conditions Compared to Last Week: Butcher cows and bulls off \$3-5. Feeder cattle

- steady and strong. High Dressers: 65.00-73.00 Top 10 Cows: 68.65 Low Dressers: 55.00-64.50 Bulls: top Bulls High Dressers: 71.50-88.00 Feeder Bulls: 300-500 lbs 100.00-151.00; 500-
- 700 lbs 100.00-142.00; 700-900 lbs 95.00 Choice Steers Medium to Large Frame No. 1 &

Feeder Steers: 300 to 400 lbs 151.00-152.00; 400 to 500 lbs 152.50-181.00; 500 to 600 lbs 140.00-164.50; 600 to 700 lbs 144.50-160.00; 700 to 800 lbs 141.00-151.00; 800 to 900 lbs 102.00 Light Tes Choice Heifers Medium to Large Frame No. 1 &

- 25 Feeder Heifers: 300 to 400 lbs 140.00-185.00; 400 to 500 lbs 140.00-164.00; 500 to 600 lbs 125.00-154.00: 600 to 700 lbs 125.00-142.00: 700 to 800 lbs 120.00-136.50; 800 and up 100.00-107.00 light test Bred Cows: 760-1000 Hd Pairs: 950-1285 Pr
- Head Calves (Up to 250 lbs): Beef: 155-480 Hd Dairy: 37.50 Hd

Feeder Lambs: 50-90 lbs 180.00-212.50; 130 lbs 120.00-194.00

LEBANON

(Lebanon Auction Yard)

- April 19 Total receipts: 312 Butcher Cours
- Conventional: top Cow, \$74.00; top 10 Cows, \$71.19: top 50 Cows, \$67.36; top 100 Cows, \$59.71.
- Organic: top Cow, \$95.00; top 10 Organic, \$92.75; Avg. All Organic, \$71.42.
- Bulls: Conventional: top Bull, \$96.00; Avg. All Bulls, \$85.24.

Cow/Calf Pairs: \$1375.00-1710.00 WOODBURN

(Woodburn Livestock Exchange)

April 17 total Receipts: 377, 372 Cattle top 10 Slaughter Cows A/P: 73.75 cwt top 50 Slaughter Cows A/P: 69.05 cwt top 100 Slaughter Cows A/P: 64.64 cwt Back to The Country Cows: 70.00 cwt Certified Cows: 80.00-140.00 cwt top Certified Organic Cattle: 60.00-81.00 cwt All Slaughter Bulls: 74.50-95.50 cwt

top Beef Steers: 200-300 lbs 145.00-165.00 cwt: 300-400 lbs 150.00-180.00 cwt; 400-500 lbs 143.00-180.00 cwt; 500-600 lbs 130.00-175.00 cwt; 600-700 lbs 120.00-165.00 cwt; 700-800 lbs NT; 800-900 lbs 120.00-150.00 cwt top Beef Heifers: 200-300 lbs NT; 300-400 lbs

preventive repairs/maintenance work as well as

managing incoming milk loads. Bottling milk in-

takes have remained steady. Due to aphids and

erratic weather conditions, the yields on the first

two cuttings of alfalfa hay were low in southern

In New Mexico, milk holdovers are increas-

ing again because maintenance and cleaning

schedules have disrupted normal processing

However, sales are mixed across the Class-

es of milk. Class I sales are down, but intakes

into Class II are up. Class III demand has not

The sales of some dairies in California and in

other western states did not have much effect on

the alfalfa hav market because of tight supplies.

In the West, the acres used to grow alfalfa hay

are down by 2 percent. Therefore, some market

participants believe this will negatively impact

schedules. Milk production is slightly up.

changed much from a week ago.

2018 alfalfa hay production.

California and in Arizona

140.00-165.00 cwt: 400-500 lbs 130.00-155.00 cwt; 500-600 lbs 128.00-145.00 cwt; 600-700 lbs 120.00-140.00 cwt; 700-800 lbs 100.00-137.00 cwt; 800-900 lbs NT

- Cow/Calf Pairs: 735.00-1280.00 Hd Bred Cows: 685.00-1000.00 Hd Day Old Beef Cross Calves: 95.00-190.00 Hd Day Old Dairy Calves: 10.00-52.50 Hd Block Hogs: 41.00-74.00 cwt Feeder Pigs: 50.00-115.00 Hd Sows: 10.00-54.00 cwt Weaner Pigs: NT Lambs: 40-70 lbs 150.00-192.50 cwt; 75-150 lbs 140.00-185.00 cwt Thin Ewes: 52.00-97.50 cwt Fleshy Ewes: 69.00-78.00 cwt Ewe/Lamb Pairs: 50.00-112.50 Hd Goats: 10-39 lbs 17.50-55.00 Hd; 40-69 lbs 52.50-157.50 Hd; 70-79 lbs 142.50-180.00 Hd; 80-89 lbs 165.00-190.00 Hd; 90-99 lbs 170.00-202.50 Hd; 100-199 lbs 115.00-222.50 Hd; 200-300 lbs NT KLAMATH FALLS (Klamath Falls Livestock Auction) April 17 Choice Steers: 300-400 lbs 172.00-198.00; 400-500 lbs 150.00-185.00; 500-600 lbs 149.00-157.00; 600-700 lbs 130.00-154.00; 700-800 lbs 110.00-
- 26.00; 800-900 lbs 115.00-130.00 Choice Heifers: 300-400 lbs 138.00-169.00; 400-500 lbs 121.00-145.00; 500-600 lbs 114.00-131.00; 600-700 lbs 110.00-129.00; 700-800 lbs 110.00-129.00; 800-900 lbs 1NT Top Cow: 71.50 Top Bull: 92.00 Slaughter Bulls: High Yield 73.00-92.90 Slaughter Cows: High Yield 64.00-71.50; Med Yield 59.00-63.00; Low Yield 40.00-58.00 Feeder Hieferettes: NT Cow Calf Pairs: 1250.00-1875.00

Bred Cows: 700.00-1190.00 Washington

TOPPENISH (Toppenish Livestock Auction)

April 19 Receipts: 1150 Hd Compared to April 12 at the same market: Stocker and feeder cattle steady in a light test, due in part to small lots and singles being offered today. Trade

Milk production is generally well-balanced with processing needs in the Pacific Northwest. Cow comfort has not been an issue. Even though cool, wet weather covers the region, milk volumes are following seasonal patterns. Bottling demand is steady.

Milk production in the mountain states of Idaho. Utah and Colorado remains strong. Even with the flush at hand in the southern part of the region, loads of milk from surrounding states are finding their way to processors. Milk volumes are climbing steady in the northern areas of the region. Industry contacts are anticipating an early flush. Massive volumes of condensed skim continue to clear into nonfat dry milk.

Western cream demand has ticked up a bit. Cream availability is good, but not as overwhelming as a few weeks ago. Adverse weather conditions are influencing ice cream makers' intakes of cream. Butter producers are still churning, but some have reduced their churning schedules. Cream multiples for all usages range

active with good demand for small producers to fill

small pasture needs. Slaughter cows 5.00-6.00 lower, most pressure on Holstein cows. Slaughter

hulls steady in a light test. Trade active with good

demand. Slaughter cows 69 percent, slaughter bulls

5 percent, and feeders 29 percent of the supply. The

feeder supply included 49 percent steers and 51

percent heifers. Near 70 percent of the run weighed

Holstein Steers: Medium and Large 2-3 1000-

Feeder Bulls: Medium and Large 1-2 600-700 lbs

127.50. Feeder Heifers: Medium and Large 1-2 400-500 Ibs 149.50-160.00; 500-600 lbs 145.00-147.00; 600-700 lbs 131.50-140.00; 700-800 lbs 139.00 Replacement; 800-900 lbs 114.00. Medium and

Large 2-3 700-800 lbs 124.75. Large 2-3 600-700 lbs 85.00; 700-800 lbs 84.50; 1300-1400 lbs 85.50.

Slaughter cows: Boners: 80-85 Pct. Lean; 1500-2000 lbs; Avg Dressing 65.00-70.00; High Dressing; 70.75-78.75;

Low Dressing 60.00-65.00 Lean: 85-90 Pct. Lean; 1200-1700 lbs; Avg Dress-

ing 64.00-69.00; Low Dressing 59.00-64.00 Lean: 90 Pct. Lean; 900-1450 lbs; Avg Dressing

Yield Grade 1-2: 1400-2200 lbs; Avg Dressing 98.00-102.75; Low Dressing 85.00-98.00

California

COTTONWOOD

(Shasta Livestock Market)

April 20

Compared to Last Sale: Weigh-up cows and bulls

\$3 lower. Good light cattle market; call it steady.

Off lots and singles \$25-\$40 below top offerings

Feeder Steers (Top Offerings and Pen Lots):

300-400 lbs 205.00-223.00 (few); 400-450 lbs

190.00-209.00: 450-500 lbs 165.00-198.00:

500-550 lbs 160.00-186.00; 550-600 lbs 150.00-

170.00; 600-650 lbs 140.00-165.00; 650-700

lbs 150.00-162.50 (few); 700-750 lbs 126.00-

147.00 (few); 750-800 lbs 125.00-136.00 (few);

800-900 lbs 125.00-130.00 (few)

Small and Medium 2-3 400-500 lbs 146.00.

56.00-59.00; Low Dressing 49.00-56.00

over 600 lbs.

1100 lbs 106.00

Slaughter Cows:

Slaughter Bulls:

Receipts: 704

127.50.

600-700 lbs 88.00-90.00.

from 1.03 to 1.24

According to the DMN National Retail Report-Dairy for the week of April 13-19, the national weighted average advertised price for one gallon of milk is \$2.35, down \$0.32 from last week, and down \$1.43 from a year ago. The weighted average regional price in the Southwest is \$2.45 with a price range of \$2.29-\$2.49. The weighted average regional price in the Northwest is \$2.58 with a price range of \$1.99-\$2.99.

Milk pooled on the Arizona Order 131 totaled 441.6 million pounds in March 2018. Class utilization accounted for about 25.1 percent of producer milk. The uniform price was \$14.02, up \$0.11 from last month, but \$2.00 below one year ago.

Milk pooled on the Pacific Northwest Order 124 totaled 635.0 million pounds in March 2018 Class I utilization accounted for about 25.3 percent of producer milk. The uniform price was \$13.88, up \$0.22 from last month, but \$2.05 below one year ago.

Feeder Heifers (Top Offerings and Pen Lots): 300-400 lbs 160.00-186.00 (few); 400-450 lbs 160.00-181.00; 450-500 lbs 140.00-165.00; 500-550 lbs 140.00-165.00; 550-600 lbs 130.00-157.00: 600-650 lbs 130.00-147.00 (few): 650-700 lbs 135.00-143.50; 700-750 lbs 127.00-147.00 (1 set); 750-800 lbs NT; 800-900 lbs NT Pairs: NT

Calvy Cows: NT TURLOCK

Feeder Steers: Medium and Large 1-2 400-500 lbs 182.00-183.00; 500-600 lbs 180.00; 600-700 lbs 154.50: 800-900 lbs 139.00Value Added. Medium (Turlock Livestock Auction Yard) and Large 2-3 700-800 lbs 125.50. Steers Large 2-3 Receipts: 1641 HD

Comments: Good volume with active bidding and stockers and feeders. Pairs and breds steady to softer. Weigh cows and bulls softer on high yielding cows, steady on medium yielding. No. 1 Med and Large Frame Steers: 300-399 lbs 175.00-192.00: 400-499 lbs 165.00-189.00: 500-599 lbs 160.00-178.00; 600-699 lbs 152.00-170.50; 700-799 lbs 140.00-152.00; 800-899 lbs 130.00-141.50

No. 2 Med and Large Frame Steers: 300-399 lbs 140.00-174.00; 400-499 lbs 135.00-184.00; 500-599 lbs 125.00-159.00; 600-699 lbs 120.00-149.00; 700-799 lbs 110.00-139.00; 800-899 lbs 102.00-125.00

No. 1 Med and Large Frame Heifers: 300-399 Ibs 160.00-177.50; 400-499 Ibs 155.00-176.00; 500-599 lbs 145.00-161.00; 600-699 lbs 140.00-153.25; 700-799 lbs 125.00-136.00; 800-899 lbs 115.00-130.00

No. 2 Med and Large Frame Heifers: 300-399 lbs 130.00-158.00; 400-499 lbs 125.00-154.00; 500-599 lbs 120.00-154.00; 600-699 lbs 115.00-139.00; 700-799 lbs 110.00-124.00; 800-899 lbs 100.00-114.00

No. 1 Holstein Steers: 300-399 lbs 80.00-95.00; 400-499 lbs 80.00-90.00; 500-599 lbs 75.00-90.00; 600-699 lbs 75.00-88.00; 700-799 lbs 70.00-88.00; 800-899 lbs 70.00-85.00 Weigh Beef Cows: High Yielding 64.00-72.00:

Med Yielding 58.00-63.00; Low Yielding 42.00-52.00 Weigh Dairy Cows: High Yielding 63.00-68.25; Med Yielding 61.00-66.00: Low Yielding 45.00-60.00

Weigh Bulls: High Yielding 86.00-94.00; Med Yielding 78.00-85.00; Low Yielding 65.00-72.00

Large and Large and 2 cents higher for Medium and Small Offerings are mostly moderate. Demand is in a full range of light to fairly good. Supplies are light to moderate. Market activity is slow to moderate. Small benchmark price \$1.27.

Size	Range	Size	Range	
Jumbo	212	Extra large	202	
Large	196	Medium	147	
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Size	Range	Size	Range
Jumbo	199-211	Extra large	190-197
Large	184-191	Medium	135-142

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NATIONAL FEEDER AND STOCKER CATTLE (Federal-State Market News) St. Joseph, Mo. April 20 Last week This week

2017 246.000 277.300 265.400 Compared to April 13: Feeder steers and heifers sold steady to 4.00 higher in the North and South

Plains while the Southeast sold 3.00 to 6.00 higher. The North Plains region is starting to dig out from the blizzard over last weekend. Some main transmission lines left many producers without power for days as remnants of the winter storm stretched from Montana through Minnesota, encompassing a vast area that would have just started their calving

seasons. Many Northern-tiered states are content to start their calving seasons later as they are accustomed to having a severe winter blast in the month of March. Occasionally April weather wreaks havoc and brings everyone back to reality and Mother Nature shows who is still in control.

Calving has been challenging for a wide area of producers this spring with temperature fluctuations and excessive moisture being reported. Pens in South Dakota and Nebraska have been reported to be in muddy conditions for the last several weeks and this one was no different. With the extra slogging around the pen a fed steer must do, it just burns up mega-calories that normally goes into gain.

Live Cattle futures are trying to rally back after a continual slide through the month of March.

However, on Thursday of this week, futures were weak despite higher negotiated cash trade. Fed cattle in the Southern Plains sold 2.00 to 4.00 higher at 121.00 to 122.00.

Analysts are expecting the fed cattle prices to have downward pressure in the coming months as calf-feds make their way to the packing plant. The winter wheat pasture grazing programs that backgrounders had relied on for years was virtually nonexistent due to drought in the Southern Plains this year. The marketing pattern of those cattle has yet to be determined; however, those cattle probably were on a finishing ration sooner than normal due to lower cost feed ingredients.

With all those factors to take into consideration the Southern Plains feedlots will probably see a rise in marketings in the next month or so. Calf prices are still lofty in the country this week

On Monday at the Russell Livestock Market in Russell lowa, a package of 708 lb steers sold at 166.50. On Tuesday at Lolli Brothers Livestock in Macon, Mo., three small packages that combined to make a half load weighing 702-706 lbs sold for a weighted average of 170.73. The bigger brothers there weighing 758 lbs sold at 158.50.

On Wednesday at Green City Livestock Auction in Green City, Mo., a package of 560 lb thin steers sold at 199.00, while the St Joseph. Mo., Stockvards sold a half load of 815 lb steers at 154.00.

On Thursday at Pratt Livestock in Pratt, Kan., a half load of 751 lb steers brought 152.00, while a load of 861 lb steers at Valentine Livestock in Valentine Neb., sold at 142.25.

Top quality heifers are still in demand with breeding season getting closer every day. On Monday at Tri-State Livestock in McCook, Neb., a load of 736 Ib replacement heifers sold at 150.50.

On Thursday in Valentine Neb., a short load of 517 lb heifers sold at 187.00 while another short load of their thinner, bigger sisters weighing 685 lb sold at 157 25

The Cattle-on-Feed for April 1 released today were all within industry guesses and would be viewed as a neutral report. On Feed reported at 107 percent of a year ago; Placements at 91 percent and Marketings at 96 percent.

Auction volume this week included 53 percent weighing over 600 lbs and 42 percent heifers

NATIONAL SLAUGHTER CATTLE SUMMARY April 20

Slaughter cattle traded mostly 3.00-4.00 higher for live in Texas and Kansas while Nebraska was mostly steady live, dressed trades where up to 5.00 higher. Boxed Beef prices as of Friday at afternoon averaged 206.06 down 0.20 from last Friday. The Choice/Select spread is 11.85.

Slaughter cattle on a national basis for negotiated cash trades through Friday afternoon totaled 99,346 head. Last week's total head count was 55.023.

Midwest Direct Markets: Live Basis: Steers and Heifers: 120.00-122.00.

Dressed Basis: Steers and Heifers: 190.00-195.00.

South Plains Direct Markets:

Live Basis: Steers and Heifers 120.00-122.00. Slaughter Cows and Bulls (Average Yielding Prices):

Slaughter cows 2.00-5.00 lower, slaughter bulls sold steady to 3.00 lower. Packer demand moderate to good. Cutter Cow Carcass Cut-Out Value on Friday 172.47.

NORTHWEST WEIGHTED			
DIRECT FEEDER CATTLE			
April 20			
This week	Lastweek	2017	
1,532	1,352	3,150	

Compared to last week: Feeder steers and heifers had no FOB current trades to compare. The feeder supply included 100 percent over 600 lbs and 47 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 vearlings from base weights. Current sales are up to 14 days delivery.

Feeder Steers Medium and Large 1: 175 Head: Avg Wt 775 lbs; Avg Price 138.00; Current Del 292 Head: Avg Wt 822 lbs; Avg Price 140.18; Current Del 220 Head: Avg Wt 888 lbs; Avg Price 129.45; Current Del

120 Head: Avg Wt 900 lbs; Avg Price 129.00; Current Del Feeder Heifers Medium and Large 1: 165 Head: Avg Wt 750 lbs; Avg Price 127.21; Current Del 440 Head: Avg Wt 820 lbs; Avg Price 127.18; Current Del 120 Head: Avg Wt 850 lbs: Avg Price 124.00: Current Del