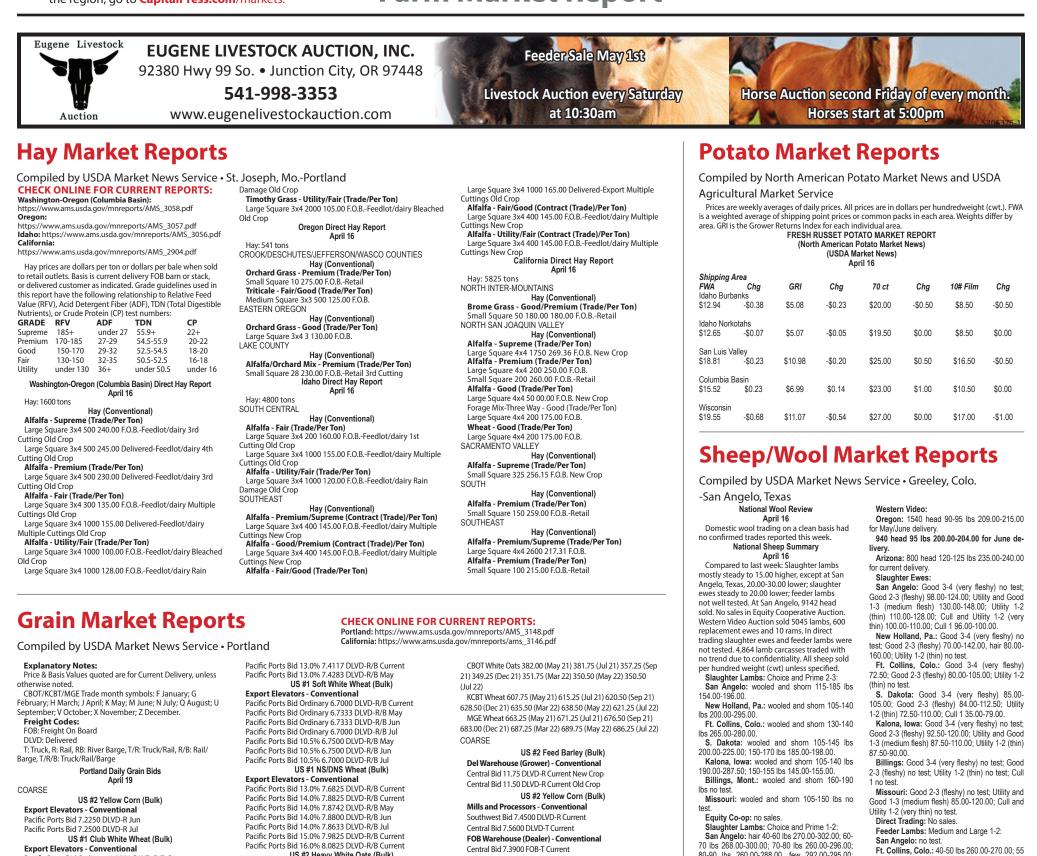
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Farm Market Report



Export Elevators - Conventional Pacific Ports Bid Ordinary 6.8750 DLVD-R/B Current US #1 Hard Red Winter Wheat (Bulk)

Export Elevators - Conventional Pacific Ports Bid Ordinary 7.0117 DLVD-R/B Current Pacific Ports Bid 11.0% 7.2117 DLVD-R/B Current Pacific Ports Bid 11.5% 7.2950 DLVD-R/B Current Pacific Ports Bid 11.5% 7.3283 DLVD-R/B May Pacific Ports Bid 11.5% 7.3817 DLVD-R/B Jun Pacific Ports Bid 11.5% 7.2983 DLVD-R/B Jul Pacific Ports Bid 12.0% 7.3450 DLVD-R/B Current Pacific Ports Bid 12.0% 7.3617 DLVD-R/B May

California Egg Reports

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Daily California Eggs

April 16 Benchmark prices are unchanged. Asking prices for next week are unchanged for Jumbo 5 cents lower for Extra Large, 7 cents lower for Large and unchanged for Medium and Small. The undertone is barely steady. Retail demand is light to instances moderate and reported as sluggish. Loose egg demand is moderate to good. Offerings continue light for Medium and moderate to heavy for Extra Large and Large. Supplies are moderate to fully adequate. Market activity is slow. Small benchmark price \$1.11. CALIFORNIA:

US #2 Heavy White Oats (Bulk) Export Elevators - Conventional Pacific Ports Bid 3.6300 DLVD-R/B Current California Grain Bids

CBOT Soybeans 1418.25 (May 21) 1411.00 (Jul 21) 1372.50 Aug 21) 1303.25 (Sep 21) 1269.00 (Nov 21) 1268.25 (Jan 22) (Aug 21) 1303.25 1243.00 (Mar 22)

Central Bid 7.3900 FOB-T Current

US #2 Sorghum (Bulk) Mills and Processors - Conventional Southwest Bid 9.8500 DLVD-R Current US #1 Milling Hard Red Winter Wheat (Bulk)

Del Warehouse (Grower) - Conventional Central Bid 13.0% 11.75 FOB-T Jun - Jul New Crop

US #1 Milling Soft White Wheat (Bulk) Del Warehouse (Grower) - Conventional

Central Bid 13.0% 11.75 FOB-T Jun - Jul New Crop

San Angelo: hair 40-60 lbs 270.00-302.00; 60-70 lbs 268.00-300.00; 70-80 lbs 260.00-296.00; 80-90 lbs 260.00-288.00, few 292.00-295.00; 90-110 lbs 250.00-270.00, few 282.00-293.00. wooled and shorn 40-60 lbs 278.00-308.00; 60-70 lbs 272.00-310.00; 70-80 lbs 266.00-298.00; 80-90 lbs 262.00-287.00; 90-105 lbs 256.00-258.00

New Holland: wooled and shorn 40-50 lbs 345.00-350.00; 50-60 lbs 320.00-357.00, few 370.00-385.00; 60-70 lbs 335.00-355.00; 70-80 lbs 310.00-355.00; 80-90 lbs 315.00-355.00; 90-100 lbs 295.00-315.00, few 342.00-355.00. Hair 40-50 lbs 310.00-335.00; 50-60 lbs 300.00-340.00: 60-70 lbs 295.00-340.00: 70-80 lbs 320.00-332.00; 80-90 lbs 300.00-340.00; 90-100 lbs 290.00-346.00.

Ft. Collins, Colo.: wooled and shorn 70-80 lbs 290.00-335.00; 80-90 lbs 280.00-340.00; 95 lbs 280.00. hair 40-50 lbs 285.00-290.00; 50-60 lbs 285.00-295.00. few 305.00.

Kalona, lowa: wooled and shorn 40-50 lbs 287.50-315.00; 50-60 lbs 285.00-327.50; 60-70 lbs 293 00-321 00 70-80 lbs 295 00-320 00 80-90 lbs 297.50-322.50; 90-100 lbs 282.50-305.00. hair 40-50 lbs 292.50-300.00; 50-60 lbs 307.50-317.50; 60-70 lbs 302.50-310.00; 70-80 lbs 287.50-305.00; 82 lbs 290.00.

S. Dakota: wooled and shorn 40-50 lbs 265.00-365.00; 50-60 lbs 260.00-325.00; 60-70 lbs 265.00-295.00; 70-80 lbs 255.00-277.50; 80-90 lbs 247. -270.00; 90-100 lbs 245.00-260.00 Billings. Mont.: no test. Missouri: hair 40-60 lbs 270.00-285.00; 60-70 lbs 272.50-275.00; 78 lbs 255.00; 80-90 lbs 235.00-265.00, wooled and shorn 40-50 lbs 275.00-282.50; 50-60 lbs 275.00-285.00; 60-75 lbs 270.00-285.00; 80 lbs 250.00; 92 lbs 225.00.

lbs 247.50; 60-70 lbs 265.00-275.00. **S. Dakota:** 44 lbs 315.00; 59 lbs 307.00; 75 lbs

221.00; 87 lbs 221.00; 103 lbs 191.00 Kalona, lowa: no test

Billings, Mont .: no test

Missouri: 30-40 lbs 250.00-275.00.

Equity Co-op: no sales. Western Video: Oregon: 465 head 105 lbs 197.00 for June

delive

Califoirnia: 460 head 105 lbs 234.00 for current delive

Utah: 840 head 105 lbs 194.00 for Sep/Oct deliverv

Replacement Ewes: Medium and Large 1-2: San Angelo: yearlings 107 lbs 175.00/cwt; young 113 lbs 182.00/cwt; mixed age hair 80-115 lbs 154.00-180.00/cwt.

Ft. Collins: ewes with lambs 230.00-350.00/

family S. Dakota: bred young 217.50-330.00/head; bred middle age 185.00-280.00/head; ewes with

lambs 240.00/family. Kalona, lowa: no test

Billings, Mont.: no test.

Missouri: no test

Western Video:

167-181 Jumbo 134-145 Large Medium

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.

175 Extra Large 152 131

Jumbo 147 Large Medium SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

Prices to retailers, sales to volume buyers, USDA Grade AA white eggs in cartoons, delivered store door, cents per dozen.

Extra Large 140-151 117-132

April 15 Futures Settlements CBOT Corr 590.00 (May 21) 576.75 (Jul 21) 530.50 (Sep 21) 512.25 (Dec 21) 519.25 (Mar 22) 523.25 (May 22) 525.25 (Jul 22)

CBOT Wheat 653.75 (May 21) 655.50 (Jul 21) 657.00 (Sep 21) 661.75 (Dec 21) 666.00 (Mar 22) 662.25 (May 22) 637.25 (Jul 22)

Livestock Auctions

Oregon EUGENE (Eugene Livestock Auction) April 17

Receipts: 1168

Comments: Another strong week of sheep and goats with over 600 HD. Feeder cattle off slightly due to warmer weather, short of rain as well as not a lot of better quality calves. Slaughter cows and bulls steady.

Top Cows: High Dressers 68.00-72.00; Low Dressers 34.00-50.00

Top 10 Cows: 70.42

Top Bulls: High Dressers 87.00-96.00 Feeder Bulls: 300-500 lbs 120.00-132.00; 500-700 lbs 118.00-132.50; 700-900 lbs 94.00-105.50

Choice Feeder Steers: Medium-Large Frame No. 1&2s: 300-400 lbs NT: 400-500 lbs 110.00-125.00; 500-600 lbs 110.00-120.00; 600-700 lbs 120.00-142.00; 700-800 lbs 118.00-138.00: 800-900 lbs 115.00-131.50

Choice Feeder Heifers Medium-Large Frame No. 1&2s: 300-400 lbs 113.00-122.50; 400-500 lbs 115.00-137.00; 500-600 lbs 124.00-137.00; 600-700 lbs 115.00-132.00; 700-800 lbs 110.00-125.75; 800-900 lbs 107.00-115.00

Bred Cows: 500.00-775.00 HD; 870.00-1350.00 PR

Head Calves (Up to 250 lbs) Beef: 175.00-230.00; Dairy: 5.00-110.00

Feeder Lambs: 50-90 lbs 2.50-2.75 lb: 90 to 130 lbs 1.70-2.62 lb

Feeder Goats: 50-90 lbs 3.10-3.80 lb; 90 to 130 lbs 2.70-3.62 lb MADRAS (Central Oregon Livestock Auction)

April 12 Head: 275

Top quality pen lots with 2 series of vaccines.

Steers LT: 300-400 lbs 180.00-200.00; 400-500 lbs 170.00-190.00; 500-600 lbs 160.00-175.00; 600-700 lbs 138.00-160.00; 700-800 lbs 130.00-140.00; 800-900 lbs 120.00-133.00

Heifers LT: 300-400 lbs 160.00-175.00; 400-500 lbs 160.00-181.00; 500-600 lbs 138.00-155.00: 600-700 lbs 127.00-137.00: 700-800 lbs 120.00-126.00; 800-900 lbs 116.00-126.00 Bred Cows: Full Mouth Vacc: NT; Broken

Mouth Vacc: NT Pairs: Full Mouth Vacc: NT; Broken Mouth

Vacc: NT

Butcher Cows: High Yield Lean 70.00-75.00; High Yield Fleshy 68.00-74.00; Med Yield 63.00-67.00; Low Yield 53.00-63.00 Feeder Cows: 75.00-90.00 Heiferettes: 90.00-105.00

Bulls: High Yield 89.00-93.00; Med Yield 85.00-89.00; Feeder 80.00-85.00 LEBANON

(Lebanon Auction Yard) April 15

Receipts: 653 cattle, 201 sheep, 61 goats Comment: The big yearling type continues to sell extremely well. All classes of feeder cattle were pretty active. The pairs sold extremely well. Butcher cows were \$5-8 cheaper. The organic cows sold steady. Steers (Average-Top): 300-400 lbs NT; 400-500 lbs 139.43-146.00; 500-600 lbs 144.23-164.00; 600-700 lbs 116.88-146.00; 700-800 lbs 124.87-148.00; 800-900 lbs 127.00-132.50; 900-1000 lbs 123.89-132.50; 1000-1100 lbs NT; 1100-1200 lbs 123.00-

133.00; 1200-1300 lbs NT Heifers (Average-Top): 300-400 lbs NT; 400-500 lbs 119.81-138.00; 500-600 lbs 125.58-139.00; 600-700 lbs 131.58-141.00; 700-800 lbs 105.43-119.00; 800-900 lbs NT; 900-1000 lbs 108.17-121.00; 1100-1200 lbs NT Holstein Steers: 500-600 lbs 92.00; 600-700

lbs 76.00 Dairy x Feeders, Jersey x Limo 500-600 lbs

129.50; 600-700 lbs 125.00

Dairy Heifers: 500-600 lbs 124.75 Top Beef Cows: 71.00-74.00 Top 10 Cows: 71.30 Top 50 Cows: 66.83 Top 100 Cows: 63.00 Top 150 Cows: 59.77 Top 200 Cows: 56.56 Bulls: No. 1 109.00; No. 2 91.00-98.00; No. 3 74.00-84.00 Top Organic Cow: No. 1 100.00-103.00: No. 2 90.00-100.00; No. 3 79.00-90.00; No. 4

50.00-66.00 Off Quality 40.00-50.00 Pairs: No. 1 1500.00-1575.00; No. 2 800.00-900.00 Bred Cows: No. 1 1065.00-1175.00: No. 2

1100.00-1200.00; No. 3 875.00-925.00 Old or Off Quality: weigh price to 50.00

Day-old Calves: Dairy 50.00; Beef 275.00 HERMISTON

(Northwest Livestock Commission)

April 13 Heifers: Under 300 lbs 130.00-385.00 HD; 300-400 lbs 134.00-160.00; 400-500 lbs 120.00-165.00; 500-600 lbs 121.00-150.00; 600-700 lbs 118.00-133.00; 700-800 lbs 13.00-135.00; 800-900 lbs 100.00-138.00; 900-1000 lbs 79.00-91.00; 1000-1100 lbs 84.00-122.00; 1100-1200 lbs 70.00-82.00; over 1200 lbs 70.00-82.00

Steers: 300-400 lbs 145.00-197.00; 400-500 lbs 132.00-174.00; 500-600 lbs 134.00-163.00; 600-700 lbs 129.00-158.00; 700-800 lbs 126.00-137.00; 800-900 lbs 114.00-133.00; 900-1000 lbs 100.00-118.00; 1000-1100 lbs 89.00-112.00; 1100-1200 lbs 75.00-84.00; over 1200 lbs 87.00-124.00 Cows: 700-800 lbs 50.00-67.00; 800-900 lbs 40.00-71.00; 900-1000 lbs 49.00-74.00; 1000-1100 lbs 56.00-87.00; 1100-1200 lbs 50.00-77.00; over 1200 lbs 53.00-80.00 Bred Cows: 900-1000 lbs 975.00; 1000-1100 lbs 1352.00-1400.00; 1100-1200 lbs 1025.00: over 1200 lbs 1200.00 Butcher Bulls: 800-900 lbs 79.00-100.00; 900-1000 lbs 70.00-96.00; 1000-1100 lbs 66.00-94.00: 1100-1200 lbs 60.00-94.00: over 1200 lbs 79.00-107.00 Good Quality Cutting Bulls: 300-400 lbs 125.00-146.00; 400-500 lbs 120.00-155.00; 500-600 lbs 125.00-132.00; 600-700 lbs 100.00-112.00; 700-800 lbs 101.00-102.00 Pairs: 900-1000 lbs 1385.00; 1000-1100 lbs 1575.00; 1100-1200 lbs 1075.00-1550.00; over 1200 lbs 1100.00-1400.00 Doe Goat: 100.00-150.00 Ewes: 100.00-120.00

Lambs: 55.00-120.00 Kid Goats: 70.00-110.00 Buck Goat: 102.00-130.00

Idaho JEROME (Producers Livestock Marketing Association) April 13

Head Count: 1415 Hol Bull Cfs: 15.00-40.00 Hol Hfr Cfs: NT Started Bull & Str Cfs: 100.00-230.00 Started Hfr Cfs: 120.00-210.00 Brk/Ut/Com Cows: 67.00-79.75 Cut/Bon Cows: 60.00-66.00 Shelly/Lite Cows: 50.00-58.00 Slaughter Bulls: 80.00-104.00 Heiferettes: 82.00-95.00 Holstein Strs: 275-400 lbs 92.00-103.00; 400-500 lbs 79.00-99.00; 500-600 lbs 79.00-99.00; 600-700 lbs NT; 700-800 lbs 82.00-94.00; 800-1000 lbs 89.00-94.50 Holstein Hfrs: 275-999 lbs 82.00-90.00 1000 lbs 82.00-91.00 Jersey Hfrs: NT Choice Strs: 300-400 lbs NT; 400-500 lbs NT; 500-600 lbs 131.00-160.50; 600-700 lbs 131.00-160.50; 700-800 lbs 115.00-139.00;

800-1000 lbs 115.00-139 00 Choice Hfrs: 300-400 lbs NT; 400-500 lbs 153.00-166.00; 500-600 lbs 153.00-166.00; 600-700 lbs NT; 700-800 lbs NT; 800-1000 lbs NT Stock Cows: NT

Pair Stock Cows: 1350.00-1425.00 California

TURLOCK (Turlock Livestock Auction Yard)

April 13 Receipts: 2010 HD Comment: Good volume due to grass conditions. Sale consisted of 850 feeders and 1150 weigh cows and bulls. Market was

active with out-of-state buyers participating. No. 1 Med and Large Frame Steers (2 rounds of shots): 300-400 lbs 170.00-190.00; 400-500 lbs 162.00-176.00; 500-600 lbs 155.00-169.00; 600-700 lbs 140.00-151.00; 700-800 lbs 130.00-138.00; 800-900 lbs 125.00-132.00

No. 2 Med and Large Frame Steers (1 round of shots): 300-400 lbs 130.00-169.00; 400-500 lbs 125.00-161.00; 500-600 lbs 122.00-154.00; 600-700 lbs 115.00-139.00; 700-800 lbs 105.00-129.00: 800-900 lbs 95.00-124.00

No. 1 Med and Large Frame Heifers (2 rounds of shots): 300-400 lbs 145.00-162.50; 400-500 lbs 142.00-165.00: 500-600 lbs 140.00-149.00; 600-700 lbs 125.00-137.00; 700-800 lbs 115.00-125.00; 800-900 lbs 110.00-115.00

No. 2 Med and Large Frame Heifers (1 round of shots): 300-400 lbs 125.00-144.00; 400-500 lbs 120.00-141.00; 500-600 lbs 115.00-139.00; 600-700 lbs 108.00-124.00; 700-800 lbs 100.00-114.00; 800-900 lbs 90.00-109.00

No. 1 Holstein Steers: 300-400 lbs NT; 400-500 lbs NT; 500-600 lbs 705.00-82.00; 600-700 lbs 75.00-84.00; 700-800 lbs 75.00-87.00; 800-900 lbs 74.00-85.25

Weigh Beef Cows: High Yielding 67.00-71.25; Med Yielding 62.00-66.00; Low Yielding 45.00-61.00 Weigh Dairy Cows: High Yielding 65.00 72.75; Med Yielding 60.00-64.00; Low Yielding 42.00-59.00

Weigh Bulls: High Yielding 90.00-112.00: Med Yielding 82.00-89.00; Low Yielding 62.00-81.00 Holstein Barren Heifers: 70.00-85.75

Washington CHEHALIS (Chehalis Livestock Market)

April 9 Totals: 435 HD cattle, 47 HD pigs, goats,

sheep Top SLA Cows: 55.00-75.00 Average SLA Cows: 40.00-50.00 Top 10 Average: 72.60 Top 20 Average: 72.00 Top 50 Average: 67.00 Shells, Thin, Small: 40.00 and down Top SLA Bulls: 90.00-100.00 Average SLA Bulls: 73.00-83.50 Best Steers: 300-450 lbs 142.00-175.00: 500-650 lbs 136.00-175.00; 700-850 lbs 106.00-145.00; Heavy 95.00-118.00 Best Heifers: 300-450 lbs 130.00-158.00; 500-650 lbs 125.00-154.00; 700-850 lbs 117.00-125.00; Heavy 71.00-100.00 Holstein Steers: 1HD 495 lbs 62.00; 5 HD 1043 lbs 56.50 Feeder Bulls: 300-450 lbs 130.00-175.00; 500-650 lbs 120.00-132.00; 700-850 lbs 90.00-115.00; Heavy NT Bred Cow Best: NT HD; Average 750.00-950.00 HD Beef Pairs Best: 1275.00-1285.00 HD;

Average: 925.00 HD Average: 925.00 HD Dairy Cattle: Top Springers 1075.00-1100.00 HD; Top 5 Ave Springers NT HD; Average Dairy Springer NT; Bred Hols Heifers NT; Open Hol Hfrs 64.00-70.00 Baby Calves: Hol Bulls Small NT HD; Med

NT HD; Large NT HD; Hol Heifers NT HD; X-bred beef NT HD; Started Beef NT HD

Weiner Pigs: 120.00-165.00 HD (under 80 lbs)

Feeder Pigs: NT HD (80-100 lbs) Block Hogs: NT HD (over 100 lbs) Sows: 300.00-370.00 HD Boars: 5.00-10.00 HD Goats: Small 15.00-45.00 HD; Med 150.00-190.00 HD; Large 160.00-205.00 HD Lambs 150.00 HD Ewes: 155.00-210.00 HD heavy; 105.00-

Ewes: 155.00-2... 140.00 HD light Ram: 90.00-240.00 HD TOPPENISH

(Toppenish Livestock Commission) April 15

2459 HD Choice Steers: 300-400 lbs 110.00-215.00; 400-500 lbs 90.00-205.00; 500-600 lbs 90.00-185.00; 600-700 lbs 90.00-170.00; 700-800 lbs 90 00-155 00 800-900 lbs 85 00-145 00 900-1000 lbs 80.00-135.00; 1000-1100 lbs NT; 1100-1300 lbs NT: 1500-2000 NT

Choice Heifers: 300-400 lbs 105.00-166.00 400-500 lbs 85.00-170.00; 500-600 lbs 85.00 160.00; 600-700 lbs 85.00-150.00; 700-800 lbs 85.00-140.00; 800-900 lbs 80.00-115.00; 900-1000 lbs 80.00-120.00 Holstein Steers: 300-400 lbs 70.00-105.00;

400-600 lbs 65.00-85.00; 600-800 lbs 70.00-87.50; 800-1000 lbs 70.00-88.00 Feeder Bulls: 400-600 lbs 55.00-120.00;

600-800 lbs 55.00-105.00: 800-1000 lbs 50.00-100.00; 1000-1200 lbs 50.00-90.00 Butcher Cows: top cows 70.00-83.00; C&Cs 60.00-70.00: Shells 50.00-60.00 Butcher Bulls: High Yield 95.00-110.00; Low Yield 75.00-85.00

Stock Cows: No. 1 Pairs 1500.00-1800.00; No. 2 Pairs 1050.00-1350.00; No. 1 Bred Cows 1350.00-1725.00; No. 2 Bred Cows

850.00-1250.00 DAVENPORT (Stockland Livestock Auction)

April 12 Receipts: 425 HD

Comments: Monday's feeder special featured a good run of calves and yearlings and a strong market with excellent demand. Slaughter cows were stronger as well, with the best of the cows bringing 84 cents, with an average price of 69 cents per pound. Feeder cattle were stronger with a good offering of light calves and yearlings, both to go to grass and on feed. 400-500 weight steers brought 179.00, with an average of 155.78, while same weight heifers brought 160.00, with an average of 149.30. 600-700 weight steers brought 176.00, with an aver-age of 156.61, while heifers brought 143.00, with an average of \$134.15. We also had a good run of cow calf pairs, with 3-5-year-old cows with fresh calves at side brought between \$1250 and \$1450 per pair. Baby Calf: under 50 lbs 85.00-325.00 HD: Bull Calf: 300-400 lbs 180.00-189.00.00; 400-500 lbs 160.00; 500-600 lbs 137.00-152.00: 600-700 lbs 131.00: 700-800 lbs 116.00-125.00 Bred Heifer: 1000-1100 lbs 1075.00 HD

Bull: 800-900 lbs 112.00 HD: 900-1000 lbs 109.00 HD; 2000-2500 lbs 84.00 Cow-Calf Pair: 800-900 lbs 1125.00 PR; 900-1000 lbs 1225.00 PR: 1000-1100 lbs

1250.00; 1100-1300 lbs 1085.00-1325.00; 1300-1500 lbs 1100.00-1450.00; 1500-2000 lbs 1225.00-1375.00

Cow: 800-900 lbs NT; 900-1000 lbs 59.50-89.00; 1000-1100 lbs 52.00-83.00; 1100-1300 lbs 57.00-84.00: 1300-1500 lbs 53.00-74.00: 1500-2000 lbs 65.00-75.00 Heifer: 300-400 lbs 141.00-158.00; 400-500 lbs 52.00-160.00; 500-600 lbs 123.00-149.25; 600-700 lbs 124.00-143.00; 700-800 lbs 112.00-129.00; 800-900 lbs 124.25-125.75 Steers: 300-400 lbs 122.00-193.00: 400-500 lbs 119.00-179.00; 500-600 lbs 162.00-165.00; 600-700 lbs 79.00-176.00; 700-800 lbs 81.00-148.00; 800-900 lbs 131.00-134.50; 1100-1300 lbs 100.00

Dairy Report

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Fluid Milk and Cream - Western U.S.

April 15 Milk production in California is steady and following seasonal patterns. Rate of increase seems to be slowing, leading some industry contacts to believe output is hitting peak flush this week. Class I demand is steady. The spot market is tight, and milk sale outlets are still limited on finding open drying capacity.

Class I demand is high in Arizona. Some pro-cessors are bringing in milk from out of state. Local cream supply is tightening a little as the weather warms up, but temperatures dropped slightly this week. Cows are comfortable in this respite from the heat, and milk output is ample

Milk output in New Mexico is steady, and Class I orders are flat. Holdover numbers are high but dropping as balancing plants main-tain active schedules to work through heavy volumes of milk.

Cattle Market Reports

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are steady.

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

AND STOCKER CATTLE (Federal-State Market News) St. Joseph. Mo. April 19 RECEIPTS This Week Last Week Last year 343,600 195,200 291,800

Compared to last week, steers and heifers sold 1.00 to 3.00 lower, with the exception of steers and heifers in the Southeast region being steady to 2.00 higher.

Cattle producers are being inventive in ways to cut cost of gains as they see current ration costs just skyrocket compared to what they were a year ago. Corn prices in major produ ing areas are near double from a year ago with distillers prices about the same. Last summer distillers prices traded significantly lower than the yearly high realized in April.

new owner compensatory gain. On Wednesday at Huss Livestock Market (Kearney NE), a part-load of 705 lb steers that

negotiated cash fed cattle moved higher. Ultimately, the convergence of futures and cash stopped the tendering of certificates fo CME Live Cattle Delivery. This week, the April Live Cattle contract was 2.575 lower to close at 120.85, with cash cattle trading mostly on Thursday and Friday at 120.00 to 121.00 in the Southern Plains. So far this month, there were 119 loads tendered for delivery, with 74 loads of those actually delivered (the balance being reclaimed the week after tendering).

hit this week with the April through August contracts being over 5.00 lower for the week and the September through November contracts being between 4.00 and 5.00 lower on the week.

The August Feeder contract has now retraced downward to closing prices posted the week of March 15.

Demand for beef continues to rally the Choice and Select boxes and beef packer 185.00/head for Apr/May delivery. 10 head blackface rams 900.00/head for Apr/

May delivery. Sheep and lambs slaughter under federal inspection for the week to date totaled 35.00 com-

pared with 35,000 last week and 36,000 last year.

Component levels are high and milk produc

tion is up in the Pacific Northwest. However much of the additional output is being ab-

sorbed. Oregon public schools are refilling pipelines as in-person instruction resumes,

following the shortage of milk jug resin. Cow comfort is optimal in the mountain states of Idaho, Utah, and Colorado. Milk

and bottling operations are playing catchup

production is increasing. Bottling is steady, and other dairy manufacturing activity is high

Contracted condensed skim is steady; spot

sales, and requests for spot sales, are limited. Western cream is plentiful. Some is moving

out of the region, but limited tanker availabil

ity prevents heavier volumes from traveling east. Cream demand is leveling off; industry

contacts anticipating more pullback after the

spring holidays have relayed that this has not

happened yet. Cream multiples for all classes

margins are soaring to year ago levels as

cash fed cattle prices are not surging as fast

as wholesale beef prices. Choice boxed beef

while Select was 5.03 higher at 269.10. The

Choice-Select spread was published at 6.95.

3, 2021 was reported at 894 lbs, 5 lbs lower

than a year ago.

RECEIPTS

This Week

1429

than the previous week and only 5 lbs heaver

Cattle Slaughter under federal inspection

estimated at 640K for the week, 1K less than

Auction volume this week included 53 percent

weighing over 600 lbs and 45 percent heifers.

Northwest Weighted Average Direct Feeder

Cattle

Weekly Summary WA-OR-ID-UT

April 16

Last Week

866

Compared to last week: Not enough trades

this week for a trend. Demand moderate.

Supply included: 100% Feeder Cattle (36.5%

Steers. 63.5% Heifers). Feeder cattle supply

noted, Feeder Cattle prices FOB based on net

a 4-8 cent slide > 600 lbs. Livestock report-

ed this week originated from ID, OR, UT. Steers — Medium and Large 1

17 Head: 825 lbs, 138.00 Current DEL

25 Head: 800 lbs, 146.00 Jul DEL

180 Head: 950 lbs, 136.00 Jul DEL

300 Head: 950 lbs, 138.00 Aug DEL

115 Head: 825 lbs, 128.00 Current DEL

Heifers — Medium and Large 1

72 Head: 800 lbs, 137.00 Jul DEL

420 Head: 900 lbs, 130.00 Jul DEL

300 Head: 900 lbs, 132.00 Aug DEL

weights after a 2-3% shrink or equivalent, with

over 600 lbs was 100%. Unless otherwise

Last year

365

last week, and 154K more than a year ago.

Steer dressed weight for week ending April

values closed the week 3.88 higher at 276.05,

NATIONAL FEEDER

Backgrounders continue to fight for cattle that have a high probability of providing the

will be going to grass sold at 171.50. As the CME Cattle Complex moved lower,

The Feeder Cattle contracts were the hardest