

# Public Auction Yards Livestock Cattle Auction - Billings, MT (Fri) AMS Livestock, Poultry, & Grain Market News Montana Dept of Ag Mrkt News

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Livestock Weighted Average Report for 1/17/2025 - Final

AUCTION			
	This Week	Last Reported 12/13/2024	Last Year
Total Receipts:	4,900	1,579	1,521
Feeder Cattle:	4,833(98.6%)	1,465(92.8%)	1,474(96.9%)
Slaughter Cattle:	49(1.0%)	92(5.8%)	27(1.8%)
Replacement Cattle:	18(0.4%)	22(1.4%)	20(1.3%)

Compared to last sale (12-13-24): The last Friday feeder special was in the middle of December and market conditions have improved constantly since then. Feeder steer calves under 700 lbs sold 10.00-18.00 higher; steers over 700 lbs were too lightly tested last sale to develop an accurate market trend, however higher undertones were noticed. Heifer calves under 450 lbs were too lightly tested last sale to develop an accurate market trend, steady undertones were noticed. Heifers 450-649 lbs sold mostly 10.00-15.00 higher; heifers over 650 lbs were too lightly tested to develop an accurate market trend, however higher undertones were noticed. Demand for all feeder calves was good. Offerings were heavy. While prices were higher than last months feeder special, it is worth noting that calf prices were slightly lower compared to similar special feeder calf sales last week. Calf quality was mixed from plain to very attractive. Most calves were weaned from 45 -100 days. Demand for all calves to go to grass remains good to very good. Package sizes were mixed today, however buyers showed good demand for all calves on offer. Demand remained constant throughout the sale which stretched well into the evening. A moderate size buyer pool was on hand for todays sale and buyers bid rapidly on feeders as they pushed to fill loads. Market activity was mostly active today. Weigh up cows and bulls were too lightly tested to develop any market trend. Demand was mostly light for very light offerings. Slaughter cows sold on mostly light demand as buyers were concerned about leaving cows over the weekend due to subzero temperatures. Cow quality today was mostly average. Weigh up conditions were mostly below average as most cows filled up due to very cold conditions. Slaughter bulls sold on mostly moderate demand as quality was attractive. Supply included: 99% Feeder Cattle (59% Steers, 39% Heifers, 2% Bulls); 1% Slaughter Cattle (69% Cows, 19% Bulls, 11% Dairy Cows); 0% Replacement Cattle (75% Stock Cows, 25% Bred Cows). Feeder cattle supply over 600 lbs was 43%.

#### FEEDER CATTLE

STEERS - Medium and Large 1 (Per Cwt / Actual Wt)

<u>Head</u>	Wt Range	<u>Avg Wt</u>	Price Range	Avg Price	
5	300-333	322	470.00-510.00	483.30	
10	357	357	475.00	475.00	
5	386	386	447.50	447.50	Unweaned
93	409-440	415	394.00-449.00	428.85	
188	457-491	471	370.00-391.00	382.25	
177	500-548	532	347.00-374.00	359.52	
360	550-593	570	330.00-354.00	345.19	
429	600-639	622	314.00-336.50	326.76	
49	603	603	341.50	341.50	Thin Fleshed
242	655-699	685	290.00-310.00	300.73	
145	704-748	722	280.00-303.00	294.70	
23	758-788	771	270.00-284.00	275.23	
122	824-845	834	262.00-270.00	266.95	

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8	881-895	883	261.00-264.00	263.62
30	931	931	256.00	256.00

# STEERS - Medium and Large 1-2 (Per Cwt / Actual Wt)

<u>Head</u>	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price	
3	342	342	470.00	470.00	
17	363-398	378	415.00-435.00	425.31	
11	428-446	441	377.50-387.50	384.85	
47	455-496	474	352.50-367.50	364.09	
8	474	474	315.00	315.00	Unweaned
8	505-535	519	321.00-332.50	327.37	
62	556-599	590	290.00-321.00	303.99	
23	576	576	281.00	281.00	Unweaned
22	609-631	619	287.00-301.00	293.49	
5	608	608	271.00	271.00	Unweaned
13	666-669	667	279.00-289.00	285.14	
7	725-738	732	275.00-280.00	277.12	
3	757	757	278.00	278.00	

# STEERS - Medium and Large 2 (Per Cwt / Actual Wt)

<u>Head</u>	Wt Range	<u>Avg Wt</u>	Price Range	Avg Price
5	589	589	297.50	297.50

# STEERS - Large 1 (Per Cwt / Actual Wt)

<u>Head</u>	<u>Wt Range</u>	<u>Avg Wt</u>	<u>Price Range</u>	<u>Avg Price</u>
15	601-619	606	277.00-299.00	282.99
40	704-736	709	272.50-286.00	274.60
14	792-795	794	254.00-276.00	271.30

# STEERS - Large 1-2 (Per Cwt / Actual Wt)

<u>Head</u>	Wt Range	<u>Avg Wt</u>	Price Range	Avg Price
7	540	540	312.50	312.50

# STEERS - Medium 1 (Per Cwt / Actual Wt)

<u>Head</u>	Wt Range	<u>Avg Wt</u>	<u>Price Range</u>	Avg Price
11	430	430	367.50	367.50
11	458-492	477	350.00-363.00	357.32
15	531-535	534	320.00-345.00	338.37
115	567-599	578	316.50-328.00	323.09
48	637	637	305.00	305.00
11	750	750	265.00	265.00

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HEIFERS - Medium and Large 1 (Per Cwt / Actual Wt)					
<u>Head</u>	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price	
5	392	392	385.00	385.00	
60	415-447	442	349.00-390.00	350.60	
89	472-490	481	329.00-352.00	341.64	
287	500-545	519	319.00-346.00	329.73	
74	504	504	348.50	348.50	Thin Fleshed
252	550-588	578	297.00-324.00	303.71	
69	554	554	339.50	339.50	Replacement
206	602-648	626	285.00-299.50	296.92	
110	657-696	677	266.00-287.00	271.26	
15	651	651	293.00	293.00	Fancy
42	703-746	717	255.00-264.00	261.05	
30	778	778	257.00	257.00	Fancy
29	817	817	247.00	247.00	
20	874	874	238.00	238.00	

# HEIFERS - Medium and Large 1-2 (Per Cwt / Actual Wt)

<u>Head</u>	Wt Range	<u>Avg Wt</u>	Price Range	Avg Price
2	368	368	370.00	370.00
27	406-414	410	347.50	347.50
29	505-545	535	306.00-317.50	310.08
17	558-593	577	285.00-294.00	288.64
8	600-645	623	244.00-270.00	262.02
14	661-683	672	256.00-260.00	258.03
6	907	907	202.00	202.00
10	974	974	215.00	215.00

# HEIFERS - Medium and Large 2 (Per Cwt / Actual Wt)

<u>Head</u>	Wt Range	<u>Avg Wt</u>	<u>Price Range</u>	<u>Avg Price</u>
5	443	443	320.00	320.00
4	545	545	267.50	267.50

# HEIFERS - Large 1 (Per Cwt / Actual Wt)

<u>Head</u>	Wt Range	<u>Avg Wt</u>	Price Range	Avg Price
17	443	443	312.50	312.50
19	481-484	482	310.00	310.00
15	534-540	537	294.00-295.00	294.53
13	570-578	574	280.00-286.00	282.79
17	600	600	278.00	278.00
6	840	840	220.00	220.00
22	1062-1068	1067	205.00-208.00	207.32

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<u>Head</u>	Wt Range	<u>Avg Wt</u>	<u>Price Range</u>	Avg Price
3	365	365	320.00	320.00
17	413-430	424	312.50-340.00	328.60
9	462	462	315.00	315.00
6	530	530	312.00	312.00
3	569	569	292.50	292.50

#### HEIFERS - Medium 1-2 (Per Cwt / Actual Wt)

<u>Head</u>	Wt Range	<u>Avg Wt</u>	Price Range	Avg Price
6	398	398	312.50	312.50
21	432	432	285.00	285.00

#### BULLS - Medium and Large 1 (Per Cwt / Actual Wt)

<u>Head</u>	Wt Range	<u>Avg Wt</u>	Price Range	Avg Price
6	456	456	372.50	372.50
18	591-597	594	274.00-309.00	293.48
12	758	758	244.00	244.00

#### BULLS - Medium and Large 1-2 (Per Cwt / Actual Wt)

<u>Head</u>	Wt Range	<u>Avg Wt</u>	<u>Price Range</u>	<u>Avg Price</u>
14	519	519	320.00	320.00
3	622	622	280.00	280.00

# BULLS - Large 1 (Per Cwt / Actual Wt)

<u>Head</u>	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
6	433	433	345.00	345.00
5	561	561	305.00	305.00

# **SLAUGHTER CATTLE**

# COWS - Breaker 75-80% (Per Cwt / Actual Wt)

<u>Head</u>	<u>wt Kange</u>	<u>Avg Wt</u>	<u>Price Range</u>	Avg Price	<u>Dressing</u>
1	1940	1940	120.00	120.00	Low Return to Feed

# COWS - Boner 80-85% (Per Cwt / Actual Wt)

<u>Head</u>	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price	<u>Dressing</u>
1	1425	1425	106.00	106.00	Average
1	1560	1560	115.00	115.00	High
3	1330-1425	1362	97.00-102.00	100.26	Low
1	1485	1485	110.00	110.00	Low Return to Feed

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<u>Head</u>	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price	<u>Dressing</u>
10	1166-1261	1223	120.00-121.00	120.62	Average Return to Feed
1	1205	1205	98.00	98.00	Low
6	1025-1103	1085	105.00-110.00	105.79	Low Return to Feed
1	1150	1150	67.50	67.50	Verv Low

#### DAIRY COWS - Boner 80-85% (Per Cwt / Actual Wt)

<u>Head</u>	Wt Range	<u>Avg Wt</u>	Price Range	Avg Price	<u>Dressing</u>
2	1683	1683	92.00	92.00	Low

#### DAIRY COWS - Lean 85-90% (Per Cwt / Actual Wt)

<u>Head</u>	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price	<b>Dressing</b>
2	1310	1310	108.00	108.00	Average

#### BULLS - 1-2 (Per Cwt / Actual Wt)

<u>Head</u>	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price	<u>Dressing</u>
3	1840-1960	1920	142.00-143.00	142.68	Average
1	1110	1110	145.00	145.00	Average Return to Feed
3	1590-1695	1657	123.00-133.00	129.12	Low

#### REPLACEMENT CATTLE

#### STOCK COWS - Medium and Large 1-2 (Per Cwt / Actual Wt)

<u>Age</u>	<u>Stage</u>	<u>Head</u>	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
<2	Ο	2	820-905	863	175.00-180.00	177.62
2-4	0	1	1280	1280	131.00	131.00

#### BRED COWS - Medium and Large 1-2 (Per Unit / Actual Wt)

<u>Age</u>	<u>Stage</u>	<u>Head</u>	Wt Range	<u>Avg Wt</u>	Price Range	Avg Price
5-8	T2-3	1	1440	1440	2050.00	2050.00

#### Please Note:

The above 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. Prices are reported on an FOB basis, unless otherwise noted.

# **Explanatory Notes:**

Stage (Cattle) - Represents pregnancy stage (O = open; T1 = 1st Trimester, 1 to 3 months; T1-2 = 1st/2nd trimester, 1 to 6 months; T2 = 2nd Trimester, 4 to 6 months; T2-3 = 2nd/3rd Trimester, 4 to 9 months; T3 = 3rd Trimester, 7 to 9 months; T1-3 = all trimesters, 1 to 9 months)

Age - Numerical representation of age in years.

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