



### **MORNING November 17, 2020 Livestock Report**

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### **CATTLE**

**USDA FEDERAL CATTLE SLAUGHTER** 

NOVEMBER 16, 2020 119,000 WEEK AGO 117,000 YEAR AGO 119,000

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	CHOICE	SELECT
BOXED BEEF FINAL	226.95	212.35
CHANGE FROM PRIOR DAY	0.97	2.89
CHOICE/SELECT SPREAD:	14.60	
TOTAL LOAD COUNT	128	
5 DAY SIMPLE AVERAGE:	222.99	207.42

PREVIOUS WEEK 11/13/2020 CHOICE SELECT BOXED BEEF FINAL PRICE 225.98 209.46

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Based on negotiated prices and volume of boxed beef cuts delivered within 0-21 days and on average industry cutting yields. Values reflect U.S. dollars per 100 pounds

FINAL NOVEMBER 16, 2020		
Primal Rib	428.32	359.94
Primal Chuck	190.07	186.35
Primal Round	189.52	189.98
Primal Loin	279.98	252.98
Primal Brisket	152.52	152.63
Primal Short Plate	125.66	125.66
Primal Flank	105.25	103.31
FINAL NOVEMBER 13, 2020		
Primal Rib	424.98	357.00
Primal Chuck	188.98	183.42
Primal Round	188.58	188.04
Primal Loin	279.69	248.18
Primal Brisket	152.15	148.26
Primal Short Plate	125.84	125.84
Primal Flank	105.65	102.18

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#### LOAD COUNT AND CUTOUT VALUE SUMMARY FOR PRIOR 5 DAYS

						CHOICE	SELECT
Date	Choice	Select	Trim	<b>Grinds</b>	Total	600-900	600-900
11/13	123	11	27	9	171	225.98	209.46
11/12	51	13	12	13	90	226.50	208.24
11/11	90	29	5	23	147	222.84	208.46
11/10	96	20	13	8	136	222.25	208.55
11/09	64	20	18	21	122	217.39	202.37

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NATIONAL BOXED BEEF CUTS - NEGOTIATED SALES FOB Plant basis negotiated sales for delivery within 0-21-day period. Prior days sales after 1:30pm are included. CURRENT VOLUME - (one load equals 40,000 pounds)

Choice Cuts	66.18 loads	2,647,249 pounds
Select Cuts	16.16 loads	646,259 pounds
Trimmings	8.97 loads	358,836 pounds
<b>Ground Beef</b>	36.71 loads	1,468,322 pounds

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USDA BY-PRODUCT DROP VALUE (STEER) FOB CENTRAL U.S. HTTPS://WWW.AMS.USDA.GOV/MNREPORTS/NW LS441.TXT

#### **NOVEMBER USDA LIVESTOCK REPORTS**

CATTLE ON FEED REPORT NOVEMBER 20, 2020 AT 2:00PM CENTRAL TIME COLD STORAGE REPORT NOVEMBER 23, 2020 2:00PM CENTRAL TIME

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**USDA POSTED CATTLE PRICES ON 11/16/2020** 

IA/MN - CASH No Reportable Trade.- DRESSED 170.00 ON 38 HEIFERS

**NE - CASH - No Reportable Trade..- No Reportable Trade.** 

KS – CASH No Reportable Trade. DRESSED No Reportable Trade.

TX/OK/NM - No Reportable Trade.

CO – Information not available due to confidentiality

\*\*\*National Daily Direct Cattle November 16, 2020 (5 day accumulated weighted avg)

Weight Price Head

Live Steer: 1492 \$109.52 54,150 Live Heifer: 1316 \$109.53 19,682

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Dressed Steer: 976 \$171.65 16,671 Dressed Heifer: 874 \$171.56 4,999

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Weights are beginning to come down. Average steer weights on the 5 day average dropped 19 pounds. If the drop continues, it will at least put less beef on the market especially for beef in big demand trimmings and grindings. Another positive factor for the cattle market is that Select cattle that were bunched up a month ago are cleaned up.

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COVID 19 is surging in the agricultural states in the US and for the livestock complex what might happen if packers slowdown or even have to stop to do some super cleaning has to be kept at the forefront for every trader, hedgers and speculators. Many rural hospitals are full, and the virus is not expected to peak any time soon. Packers claim they have available workers and are staffing facilities with health services and nurses. But as it happened last spring, there was also a transportation breakdown and the lack of truckers. For now, packing and processing facilities are keeping shackles filled on the kill floor and tables filled on processors. The big question has to be, can it last? Another unknow, how long will beef demand remain strong?

Be prepared for any possible situation that might happen to the upside or downside because of COVID 19.

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Monday, it was a slow trading day. Over the coming week, traders are going to wait to see what happens for the cash cattle trade and see what happens on the Cattle on Feed Report on November 20<sup>th</sup> before making any big moves. Feedlots, want at least \$2.00 more and packers will use for their reasoning the cattle bought this week are for next week's slaughter will have one day less because of Thanksgiving on November 26<sup>th</sup>.

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Countries such as China are inspecting shipments for the virus. Over the weekend the virus was found on more shipments from Brazil and Argentina. This meat is rejected by China but it is not being destroyed. Other countries will buy it and as it happened in Germany when China and a few other countries banned pork because of African Swine Fever in wild hogs, it didn't take but two weeks for Germany to export the pork to other countries. Several countries including the US are importing beef from Brazil, and when China rejects beef or pork, US importers could be a country to take some of it.

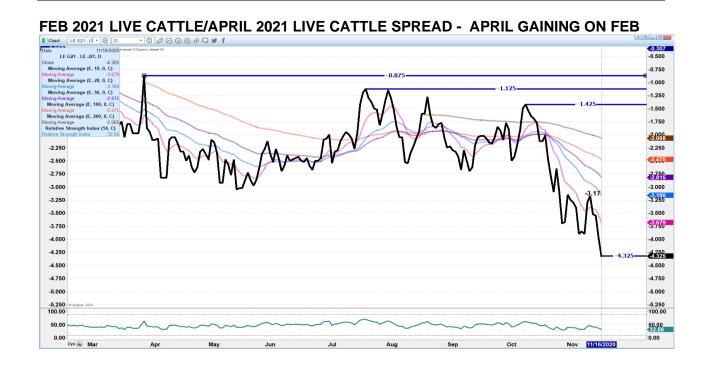
Many countries over the past few weeks have closed borders and shut down cities. As it happened last spring, it is possible they might delay shipments.

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<u>As of November 10, 2020,</u> dressed steer and heifer weights were 891.2 compared to previous week at 900.9 down 9.7 pounds from week ago and 18 pounds over a year ago compared to a week ago up 24 pounds. Grading percent was 81.6%, down compared to previous week at 81.5%.



DECEMBER 2020 LIVE CATTLE - Hard to break December with strong cash beef and cattle market. Resistance at 112.95 to 113.25 Support at 109.10







FEBRUARY 2021 LIVE CATTLE - Closed below all moving averages on Monday. Volume just 21,898 Next support at 110.87 Resistance at 112.70 to 113.20



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### **Feeder Cattle**

108.000

107.000

100.00

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THE CME FEEDER INDEX ON 11/12/2020 WAS 137.35 UP .65 FROM PREVIOUS DAY – AS OF 7:00 AM NO UPDATES FOR 11/13/2020 FROM CME

108.000

107.000

100.00

11/16/2020

NOVEMBER 2020 FEEDER CATTLE FUTURES SETTLED ON NOVEMBER 16, 2020 AT \$137.27

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NATIONAL FEEDER & STOCKER SUMMARY - WEEK ENDING 11/13/2020

<b>RECEIPTS:</b>	<b>AUCTIONS</b>	DIRECT	VIDEO/INTERNET	TOTAL
THIS WEEK:	305,300	75,100	10,400	390,800
LAST WEEK:	222,900	26,800	18,800	268,500
YEAR AGO:	299,000	51,200	4,000	354,200

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COMPARED TO LAST WEEK, STEERS AND HEIFERS SOLD 2.00 TO 5.00 HIGHER, WITH INSTANCES OF SOME INDIVIDUAL LIVESTOCK AUCTIONS BEING REPORTED 7.00 TO 10.00 HIGHER. THOSE AUCTIONS WOULD NOT HAVE BEEN PRIVY TO THE FULL INCREASE FROM LAST WEEK'S HIGHER TREND. DEMAND WAS GOOD FOR STEER AND HEIFER CALVES AS WELL AS TRUE YEARLINGS

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JANUARY 2021/MARCH 2021 FEEDER CATTLE SPREAD - SPREAD WIDENING A BIT BUT STILL NARROW AND FRIENDLY TO FEEDERS



NOVEMBER 2020 FEEDER CATTLE = SUPPORT AT 135.97 REISTANCE AT 140.20

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#### **LEAN HOGS**

#### **USDA ESTIMATED FEDERAL HOG SLAUGHTER**

NOVEMBER 16, 2020 491,000 WEEK AGO 493,000 YEAR AGO 493,000

\*\*REVISED SATURDAY HOG SLAUGHTER..283,000 PREVIOUS ESTIMATE 288,000 NEW WEEK TO DATE..2,683,000\*\* PREVIOUS ESTIMATE 2,688,000

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CME CASH HOG INDEX 11/12/2020 AT 70.84 DOWN .48 FROM PREVIOUS DAY

CME CASH PORK CUTOUT INDEX 11/13/2020 AT 83.00 DOWN .77 FROM PREVIOUS DAY

CME CASH FRESH BACON INDEX ON 11/13/2020 WAS 141.67 COMPARED TO 11/06/2020 WAS 158.37.

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2021 is the Year of the OX in China, but in reality it will be the year of the butcher hog when China is in its largest expansions in hog production. By mid-2021 plans for expansion are to have 50% more hogs on feed than pre-African Swine Fever. With investments in China from building multi story hog facilities, to expansion in regions built specifically for hog production similar to the dairy cities in northern China and Mongolia, to expansion in Viet Nam, Brazil and Ukraine, it is likely the goal will be met.

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The cash pork cutout gained 1.01 Monday mostly due to hams up 1.98 and ribs up 3.44. Loins were down 14 cents and bellies were up 1.16 cents but remain below \$100. Loins losing to hams is like an anchor on pork,

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#### **USDA MARKET NEWS**

Based on negotiated prices and volume of pork cuts delivered within 14 days and on average industry cutting yields.

Calculations for 215 lb Pork Carcass. 55-56% lean, 0.55"-0.70" BF Last Rib

NATIONAL DAILY PORK REPORT FOB PLANT - NEGOTIATED SALES NOVEMBER 16, 2020

**LOADS OF PORK CUTS: 309.03** 

LOADS TRIM/PROCESSED PORK: 37.64

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**FINAL** 

Date Loads Carcass Loin Butt Pic Rib Ham Belly 11/16/2020 346.67 81.15 72.80 82.61 75.65 134.23 81.76 96.35 CHANGE: 1.01 -0.14 2.80 1.47 3.44 1.98 1.16 Five Day Average --82.10 73.35 81.29 71.02 132.73 84.11 101.25

**FINAL PREVIOUS WEEK'S CLOSE** 

**Date** Pic Rib **Belly Loads Carcass Loin** Butt Ham 95.19 11/13/2020 354.83 72.94 79.78 80.14 79.81 74.18 130.79

NATIONAL DAILY DIRECT HOG PRIOR DAY REPORT - SLAUGHTERED SWINE SLAUGHTER DATA FOR NOVEMBER 13 AND 14, 2020

Average live weight - 289.09 Average carcass - 216.05

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DAILY DIRECT HOGS PLANT DELIVERED AS OF 1:30 PM November 16, 2020

NATIONAL NEGOTIATED PURCHASE BASE CARCASS PRICES

Carcass Base Price: \$53.00 - \$59.66,

Weighted Average: \$59.27

Change from Prior Day: 0.45 lower

**HOGS SOLD: 4,612** 

SWINE OR PORK MARKET FORMULA PURCHASE (Including Packer Sold)

PRICE RANGE: \$58.49 - \$77.19 Weighted Average: \$68.42 Previous Day: \$68.90 HOGS SOLD: 230,619

https://www.ams.usda.gov/mnreports/lm\_hg203.txt

FEBRUARY 2021/DECEMBER 2020 LEAN HOG SPREAD - DEC GAINING ON FEB AS DECEMBER MOVED CLOSER TO CME INDEX AT 70.84 BUT WITH INDEX DROPPING SPREAD COULD REVERSE. NO REASON FOR DEC TO GAIN ON FEB

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## DECEMBER 2020 LEAN HOGS - DECE MOVING SIDEWAYS AS IT WAITS FOR INDEX TO CONVERGE. SUPPORT AT 64.15 TO 61.52



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# FEBRUARY 2021 LEAN HOGS – DROPPED THROUGH SUPPORT AT 64.22 NEXT SUPPORT AT 61.47 RESISTANCE AT 65.97



# APRIL 2021 LEAN HOGS - DROPPED TO SUPPORT AT 67.27 NEXT SUPPORT AT 66.07 RESISTANCE AT 69.27



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