

Daily Futures Market Commentary Livestock Outlook

THURSDAY MORNING JUNE 17, 2021 LIVESTOCK REPORT

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<u>CATTLE</u>			
JUNE 16, 2021	120,000		
WEEK AGO	120,000		
YEAR AGO	119,000		
WEEK TO DATE (EST)	357,000		
SAME PERIOD LAST WEEK (EST)	355,000		
SAME PERIOD LAST YEAR (ACT)	352,000		
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		CHOICE	SELECT
BOXED BEEF FINAL		329.17	289.96
CHANGE FROM PRIOR DAY:		(5.26)	(8.32)
CHOICE/SELECT SPREAD:		39	.21
TOTAL LOAD COUNT (CUTS, TRIMM	IINGS, GRINDS	5): 14	1
5 DAY SIMPLE AVERAGE:		336.87	305.03
FRIDAY JUNE 11, 2021			
BOXED BEEF FINAL		337.56	305.21
FINAL JUNE 16, 2021			
PRIMAL RIB		514.04	365.89
PRIMAL CHUCK		256.99	247.26
PRIMAL ROUND		258.01	256.13
PRIMAL LOIN		469.47	379.61
PRIMAL BRISKET		275.40	280.34
PRIMAL SHORT PLATE		245.91	245.91
PRIMAL FLANK		177.88	173.27

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FINAL JUNE 15, 2021		
PRIMAL RIB	538.55	410.22
PRIMAL CHUCK	255.46	251.51
PRIMAL ROUND	258.50	258.53
PRIMAL LOIN	479.07	385.17
PRIMAL BRISKET	292.95	290.56
PRIMAL SHORT PLATE	243.50	243.50
PRIMAL FLANK	180.11	171.80

CME BOXED BEEF INDEX FOR 06/15/2021 WAS AT 327.71 DOWN 2.40 FROM PREVIOUS DAY

						CHOICE	SELECT
Date	Choice	Select	Trim	Grinds	Total	600-900	600-900
06/15	65	42	16	5	128	334.43	298.28
06/14	45	15	12	9	80	335.47	303.41
06/11	39	16	11	11	78	337.56	305.21
06/10	63	15	10	22	110	338.25	310.40
06/09	65	17	12	9	102	338.65	307.87
06/08	62	28	9	9	108	338.61	306.18

LOAD COUNT AND CUTOUT VALUE SUMMARY

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	76.10 loads	3,043,808 pounds
Select Cuts	35.07 loads	1,402,926 pounds
Trimmings	21.24 loads	849,682 pounds
Ground Beef	8.67 loads	346,862 pounds

BEEF AND PORK EXPORT HIGHLIGHTS AT BOTTOM OF REPORT

JUNE 2021 LIVESTOCK REPORTS

WEDNESDAY JUNE 22, 2021 COLD STORAGE REPORT 2:00PM CENTRAL TIME THURSDAY JUNE 24, 2021 HOGS AND PIGS REPORT 2:00PM CENTRAL TIME FRIDAY JUNE 25, 2021 CATTLE ON FEED REPORT 2:00PM CENTRAL TIME

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DELIVERY NOTICE SERVED – JUNE 2021 - LIVE CATTLE SETTLEMENT: JUNE 16, 2021 - \$122.30 OLDEST LONG: 12/18/20 SETTLEMENT AT \$114.07 0 DELIVERIES FIRM # FIRM NAME

Noticeable in cattle that are being priced that feedlots are moving cattle in the Midwest that aren't finished. It is unusual to see groups of cattle being sold grading 65% to 80%. Boxed beef is certainly reflecting it with Choice/Select spread out to \$39.21 severely discounting Select when selling beef.

Feedlots may be moving because of high feed costs, and likely because heat is affecting rates of gain. The average grade last week was 81.9% and grade has been dropping over the past several weeks.

Packers paying more for cash cattle but are being picky who gets the high prices. Heavy high Choice bring the best prices. Have to see if like the previous couple weeks, they buy with the highest prices beginning of the week and back off the latter part.

There are two weeks before the 4th of July break. Beef market breaking with large drop on rib and loins. It is hard to say what they will need after the 4th of July. Cutout kicking Select beef. Consumers may be over the pent up demand for grilling steaks and going out to eat.

(It's about time, cattle stopped trading sideways.)

A reversal move is happening in the cattle. Spreads have reversed from bear spreads and moving to bull spreads. Funds and big specs use spreads and most trade multiple leg spreads. If you don't trade spreads, learn how to trade them.



October/December 2021 Live Cattle Spread

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As of June 15, 2021 dressed steer and heifer weights were 856.3 compared to previous week at 861.6, down 5.3 pounds for the week . Grading percent was 81.8% down .9% compared to previous after dropping 1.9% the previous week. Drop in grade shows cattle are current and are being bought for slaughter as soon as packer can take them.

USDA POSTED SUMMARY CATTLE PRICES ON 06/16/2021

IA/MN – CASH – 124.00 - 125.00 1,427.4 weighing 1,427.4. 80% plus Choice 65% to 80% 121.50 - 121.50 DRESSED - 193.00 - 195.00

NE – CASH 124.00 taking cattle from 65% Choice to 80% plus DRESSED – 195.00

KS – CASH 121.00 - 122.00 cattle from 65% Choice to 80% plus DRESSED – No Trade

TX/OK/NM – 121.00 - 122.50 65% - 80% Choice DRESSED No Reportable Trade

CO – **Not reported due to confidentiality** DRESSED **Not reported due to confidentiality**

***National Daily Direct Cattle 06/16/21 5 day accumulated weighted avg)

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	Weight Price	Head
Live Steer:	1442 \$120.65	34,420
Live Heifer:	1295 \$121.20	17,758
Dressed Steer:	947 \$193.33	11,283
Dressed Heifer:	816 \$180.84	3,504

AUGUST LIVE CATTLE/AUGUST LEAN HOGS – CATTLE GAINING ON HOGS LOOK FOR QUICK REVERSAL BEFORE NEST MOVE TO UPSIDE



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AUGUST/OCTOBER 2021 LIVE CATTLE SPREAD – WATCH SPREAD. IF AUGUST LOSES TO OCTOBER IT IS BEARISH



JUNE 2021 CATTLE – GAP HIGHER. RESISTANCE WEDNESDAY HIGH TO CONTRACT HIGH SUPPORT AT 118.95



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AUG LIVE CATTLE - Premium to June Bear spreading Resistance at 125.77 Support at 121.95

OCTOBER 2021 LIVE CATTLE - 130.50 resistance Support at 126.32



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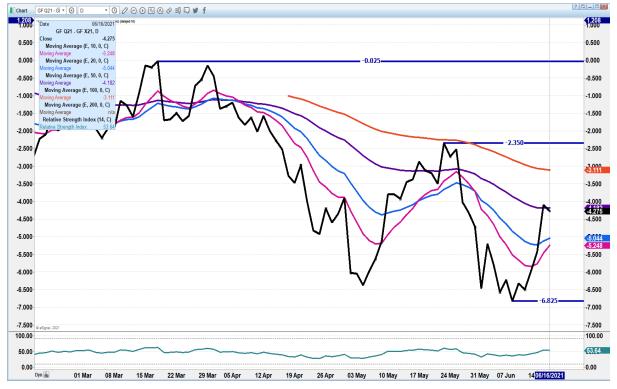
Feeder Cattle

THE CME FEEDER INDEX ON 06/15/2021 WAS 140.35 UP 13 CENTS FROM PREVIOUS DAY -

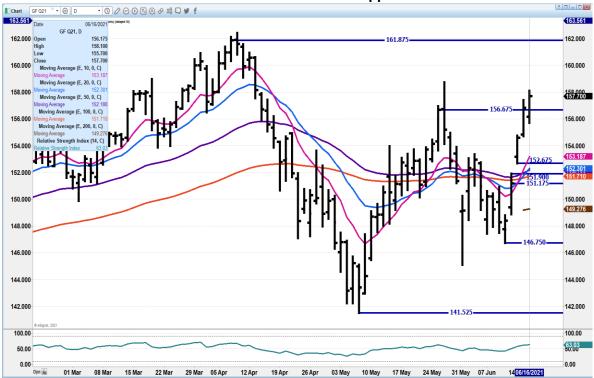
AUGUST 2021 FEEDER CATTLE FUTURES SETTLED ON JUNE 16, 2021 \$157.70

THERE IS A LONG TIME BEFORE AUGUST IS A SPOT MONTH. THE CME INDEX AND AUGUST FUTURES HAVE NO CORRELATION AT THIS TIME

AUGUST/NOVEMBER 2021 – AUGUST GAINING ON NOVEMBER IS FRIENDLY. A CONTINUATION IF AUGUST GAINS IS BULLISH



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AUGUST 2021 FEEDER CATTLE – Resistance 158.72 Support at 152.30

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LEAN HOGS

USDA ESTIMATED FEDERAL HOG SLAUGHTER

JUNE 16, 2021	483,000
WEEK AGO	485,,000
YEAR AGO	464,000
WEEK TO DATE (EST)	1,441,000
SAME PERIOD LAST WEEK (EST)	1,448,000
SAME PERIOD LAST YEAR (ACT)	1,381,000

CME CASH LEAN HOG INDEX 06/14/2020 AT 122.68 UP 79 CENTS FROM PREVIOUS DAY

CME CASH PORK CUTOUT INDEX 06/15/2021 AT 129.99 DOWN 2.95 CENTS FROM PREVIOUS DAY

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CME CASH FRESH BACON INDEX ON 6/11/2021 WAS 253.28 COMPARED TO 6/04/2021 WAS 238.7

CME PORK INDEX TO CME LEAN HOG INDEX 7.31

Pork Index to the Lean Hog Index has been contracting since last week. Pork losing to hogs is negative for packers

How strange that June 2021 Lean Hogs went off the board at \$122.87 and the following day, July 2021 hogs dropped limit settling at \$115.50.

First it was Tuesday afternoon with fresh bellies dropping \$48.35. They did recover Wednesday morning \$36.71 cents but were still close to \$8.00 down. But the pork cutout took another hit Wednesday morning with pork loins falling \$9.10, hams off \$3.47 and ribs down \$4.18. Butts and Picnics were also lower. From falling off extreme highs a week ago, suddenly the pork cutout appears to be going into the gutter. However, it should be remembered that a movement of 197 loads of pork Wednesday morning is a drop in the bucket of the total amount of loads moved in the day.

What to watch -

Increasing loads of pork sold on the daily market. Throughout the spring load movement has been light. Packers have been able to push pork prices higher because they needed pork to fill previously contracted orders. Daily buyers paid the packers price.

Recent drop in price could have a valid reason

- Previous contract order(s) were cancelled and was sold on daily market. Maybe a seller found pork that they thought was sold but wasn't. When mistake realized, then it was sold and taken at lower prices. After all, pork moved is a small amount of actual pork slaughtered. A drop in a load of loins, hams and bellies is just a small part of total movement but it is the only price posted.
- A seller could have been holding pork and primal prices reversed from one trading period to the next.
- Packers are cleaning inventory from storage. The end of June is half way through a year and it is "house cleaning." I am sure most of you would be surprised to see how much meat gets lost in storage across the various cooler facilities, eventually found and then sold at deeply discounted prices. There are meat brokers that just broker partial trucks, full loads to shiploads of meat from reasons to missing a load, sent to wrong locations, being resold, to being found frozen and not the year it was first put into storage.
- There are many valid reasons a sudden price drop might happen

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The US hog inventory is down in 2021, but increases are taking place in China, Brazil, and the EU. Both the EU and Brazil have trade agreements with China. Both are selling more pork to China in 2021 and China is taking the pork. China's pork and hog prices have been tumbling. There is not a shortage of pork in China.

Pork hasn't been short in the US. The pork prices going up have been because of the miniscule amount of pork that is available on the daily market. Like beef, packers know what they need to meet contracts, the majority of meat sold, and they control the amount of cattle and hogs needed they have to buy on the open market. When packers sell an average of 100 loads a beef a day or a little over 300 loads of pork, they can get the prices they want and that is what they have been doing.

It is doubtful the exact reason pork and beef prices have turned off the highs will be known. It was bound to happen.

The control of the meat industry is in a few powerful hands. Trading means going with the flow of the big money

Not only is the inventory growing in China, but because of trade agreements, China is taking Brazilian pork, and hogs from Ukraine. China isn't looking back at what happened because of African Swine Fever but at the goal to increase.

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 JUNE 16, 2021 LOADS OF PORK CUTS: 336.57 TRIM/PROCESSED PORK: 41.97

FINAL							
DATE LO	ADS CARCASS	LOIN	BUTT	PIC	RIB	HAM	BELLY
06/16/2021 378	8.53 120.52	118.11	200.75	83.83	250.37	80.08	151.09
CHANGE	-1.99	-7.40	-1.16	-1.24	-10.60	1.25	2.11
FIVE DAY AVERAGE	127.66	124.63	197.39	86.89	249.64	83.21	181.04
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DATE LO	ADS CARCASS	LOIN	BUTT	PIC	RIB	HAM	BELLY
06/15/2021 219	9.23 124.62	116.41	200.77	82.05	256.79	75.36	185.69

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CHANGE		2.11	-9.10	-1.14	-3.02	-4.18	-3.47	36.71
FIVE DAY AVERAG	E	128.48	124.29	197.40	86.54	250.93	82.27	187.96
FINAL								
DATE	LOADS	CARCASS	LOIN	BUTT	PIC	RIB	HAM	BELLY
06/15/2021	357.06	122.51	125.51	201.91	85.07	260.97	78.83	148.98
CHANGE		-6.17	2.48	8.61	-2.80	5.10	-0.76	-48.35
FIVE DAY AVERAG	E	130.43	125.60	196.56	87.22	251.75	87.16	191.05

A User's Guide to USDA's LMR Hog Price Reports https://www.ams.usda.gov/sites/default/files/media/LMRSwineReportingHandout.pdf

DAILY DIRECT AFTERNOON HOG REPORT FRIDAY JUNE 16, 2021 National Negotiated Carcass Price Lowest price: 113.09 Highest price: 137.00 Weighted Average Price: 128.45 Head Count: 11,475 On a National basis, compared to the previous day, 5.73 higher (11.56 in 2 days)

Other Market Formula (Carcass) Lowest Base Price 67.82 Highest base price: 125.48 Weighted Average Price: 104.38 Head Count: 32,424

Swine/Pork Market Formula (Carcass) Lowest base price: 83.93 Highest Base Price: 135.20 Weighted Average Price: 118.92 Head Count: 150,709

Other Purchase Arrangement (Carcass) Lowest base price: 73.09 Highest base price: 133.13 Weighted Average Price: 111.81

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HEAD COUNT: 55,638

https://www.ams.usda.gov/mnreports/ams 2511.pdf

Past Highs on Lean Hogs		
Contract Month & Year	Contract High	Date
April 2014	\$128.77	April 2, 2014
June 2014	\$133.42	March 18, 2014
July 2014	\$133.90	July 15, 2014
August 2014	\$133.37	July 1, 2014
October 2014	\$118.35	July 7, 2014
December 2014	\$105.50	July 9, 2014
February 2015	\$100.00	June 22, 2014



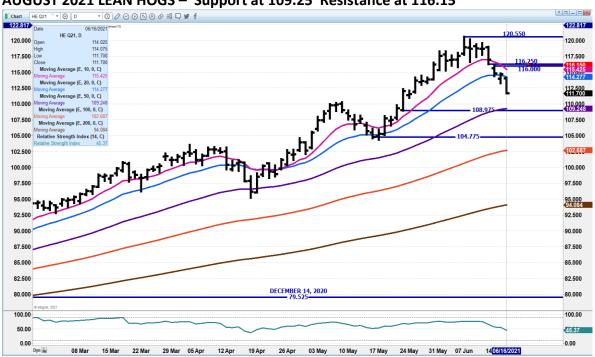
JULY/AUGUST LEAN HOG SPREAD - July if continues to gain on August is bullish

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AUGUST/DECEMBER 2021 LEAN HOG SPREAD -

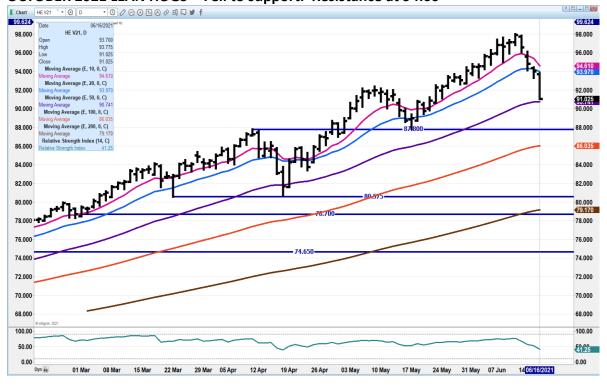


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AUGUST 2021 LEAN HOGS - Support at 109.25 Resistance at 116.15

OCTOBER 2021 LEAN HOGS - Fell to support. Resistance at 94.60



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Beef: Net sales of 12,800 MT reported for 2021 were down 20 percent from the previous week and 36 percent from the prior 4-week average. Increases primarily for Japan (4,400 MT, including decreases of 600 MT), China (3,600 MT, including decreases of 100 MT), South Korea (1,700 MT, including decreases of 500 MT), Taiwan (1,200 MT, including decreases of 200 MT), and Canada (600 MT, including decreases of 200 MT), were offset by reductions for Turks and Caicos Islands (100 MT). Exports of 17,800 MT were down 16 percent from the previous week and 2 percent from the prior 4-week average. The destinations were primarily to Japan (5,300 MT), South Korea (4,900 MT), China (3,000 MT), Taiwan (1,300 MT), and Mexico (1,000 MT).

Pork: Net sales of 29,300 MT reported for 2021 were up 49 percent from the previous week and 8 percent from the prior 4-week average. Increases primarily for Mexico (19,100 MT, including decreases of 700 MT), Japan (5,300 MT, including decreases 200 MT), South Korea (2,300 MT, including decreases of 200), Canada (1,100 MT, including decreases of 600 MT), and the Dominican Republic (700 MT), were offset by reductions for China (400 MT). Exports of 38,100 MT were up 39 percent from the previous week and 4 percent from the prior 4week average. The destinations were primarily to Mexico (15,600 MT), China (8,800 MT), Japan (4,500 MT), South Korea (2,900 MT), and Canada (1,500 MT).

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