



WEDNESDAY MORNING JANUARY 10, 2024 LIVESTOCK REPORT

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CATTLE

JANUARY 9, 2024	94,000
WEEK AGO	126,000
YEAR AGO	128,000
WEEK TO DATE (EST)	198,000
SAME PERIOD LAST WEEK (EST)	126,000
SAME PERIOD LAST YEAR (ACT)	255,000

REVISED MONDAY CATTLE SLAUGHTER.. 104,000 PREVIOUS ESTIMATE 115,000

2:00 PM JANUARY 9, 2024

BOXED BEEF CHOICE SELECT CURRENT CUTOUT VALUES: 280.16 262.83 CHANGE FROM PRIOR DAY: 1.33 3.47

CHOICE/SELECT SPREAD: 17.33
TOTAL LOAD COUNT (CUTS, TRIMMINGS, GRINDS): 101

5 DAY SIMPLE AVERAGE: 278.85 259.08

CME BOXED BEEF INDEX ON 01/08/2024 WAS 274.17 DOWN 1.70 FROM PREVIOUS DAY

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PRIMAL RIB 448.35 401.74 PRIMAL CHUCK 237.30 235.55 PRIMAL ROUND 222.26 214.23 PRIMAL LOIN 371.95 333.83 PRIMAL BRISKET 266.05 236.49 PRIMAL SHORT PLATE 175.87 175.83 PRIMAL FLANK 131.99 127.76	
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2:00 PM JANUARY 8, 2024	
PRIMAL RIB 457.85 394.60	0
PRIMAL CHUCK 231.83 228.49	5
PRIMAL ROUND 219.31 14.60	
PRIMAL LOIN 372.90 332.18	8
PRIMAL BRISKET 264.33 235.84	4
PRIMAL SHORT PLATE 172.96 172.96	6
PRIMAL FLANK 130.66 126.40	6

LOAD COUNT AND CUTOUT VALUE SUMMARY

Date	Choice	Select	Trim	Grinds	Total		
01/08	73	30	5	23	131	278.83	259.36
01/05	61	18	6	22	106	FRIDAY 277.16	259.53 FRIDAY
01/04	139	26	16	20	201	275.90	258.82
01/03	108	30	6	16	160	278.03	258.85
01/02	79	27	12	21	139	284.34	258.86

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.

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Choice Cuts 53.69 loads 2,147,733 pounds

Select Cuts23.90 loads955,903 poundsTrimmings3.98 loads159,205 poundsGround Beef19.48 loads779,253 pounds

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WEEKLY FUTURES PRICE CHANGE

	01/05/2023	01/12/2024	CONTRACT HIGH
FEBRUARY 2024 LIVE CATTLE	170.57		196.60 9/19/2023
APRIL 2024 LIVE CATTLE	173.40		199.82 9/15/2023
JUNE 2024 LIVE CATTLE	170.55		194.02 9/15/2023
AUGUST 2024 LIVE CATTLE	171.57		192.45 9/15/2023
OCTOBER 2024 LIVE CATTLE	176.42		194.67 9/15/2023
DECEMBER 2024 LIVE CATTLE	181.00		197.47 9/15/2023
FEBRUARY 2025 LIVE CATTLE	184.80		199.57 9/20/2023
APRIL 2025 LIVE CATTLE	186.92		195.35 11/02/2023
(APRIL 2025 LIVE CATTLE OPENED ON OCTOB	ER 31, 2023 AT 192.80)		

JANUARY 2024 USDA LIVESTOCK REPORTS

CATTLE ON FEED REPORT - JANUARY 19, 2024 COLD STORAGE REPORT - JANUARY 24, 2024 CATTLE INVENTORY REPORT - JANUARY 31, 2024 ALL REPORTS 2:00PM CST

Rain turning to snow and a big drop in temperatures slowed cattle and hog s to the packer Monday and more so on Tuesday. Monday's cattle and hog slaughter were revised lower and Tuesday's slaughter showed lower kills. Monday and Tuesday the cattle slaughter is estimated to be down 57,000 head compared to the same period in 2023 and hog slaughter is estimated to be down 89,000 head.

Load movement on beef sales is also down. Tuesday on early sales only 27 loads of Choice cuts sold and 12.5 loads of Select beef sold. Of course it doesn't necessarily mean it was moved out of the packing plant and it is also possible retailers might have received earlier sold loads on Tuesday with loads moved from 0 through 21 days. In other words, beef or pork sold on Tuesday January 9th may not be delivered until the end of the month.

On the light kill, Choice was up \$1.33 and Select was up \$3.47.

Dropping temperatures and strong winds are expected and it will cause blowing snow over the next week. It will slow movement of livestock and meat.

At this time, it might not be as friendly to higher prices. The weather conditions also cause a backup of livestock. Cattle will come to town for slaughter. The slower movement of beef is what packers need to slow the falling cutout. Consumers have slowed buying the high priced Choice cuts in favor of cheaper Choice primals, Select beef and ground beef.

Tuesday, December 26, 2023 the Choice to Select Spread was \$31.75. It has now narrowed to \$17.31.

Packers are working with negative margins.

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Severe cold is predicted to last about 10 days with night temperatures below zero in many areas across the Midwest. There will be some death loss and feed conversions will drop but currently carcass weights are 16.5 pounds above a year ago.

USDA NATIONAL STEER & HEIFER ESTIMATED GRADING PERCENT REPORT

https://www.ams.usda.gov/mnreports/nw_ls196.txt Full Report

For Week Ending: December 30, 2024

	Nebraska	Kansas	Texas
Prime	14.25%	7.74%	4.54%
Choice	73.59%	77.62%	66.42%
Select	7.85%	12.08%	27.11%
Other	4.30%	2.57%	1.94%

For Week Ending: 12/23/2023

	Nebraska	Kansas	Texas		
Prime	12.20%	7.28%	4.47%		
Choice	72.54%	76.89%	67.85%		
Select	9.51%	12.87%	25.71%		
Other	5.75%	2.96%	1.97%		

EXPORTS

For week ending December 28, 2023 net exports were 9,500 MT. China was the largest buyer with 3,200 MT followed by China at 2200 MT and Mexico 2,100 MT. Net sales for 2024 were just 7100 MT.

Exports ended the year down and 2024 is starting out looking like it will be another poor year.

Week Ending December 21, 2023 2,100 MT
Week ending December 14, 2023 9700 MT
Week Ending December 7, 2023 10,600 MT
Week Ending November 30, 2023 200 MT
Week Ending November 23, 2023 6,300 MT

HTTPS://APPS.FAS.USDA.GOV/EXPORT-SALES/HIGHLITE.HTM

NATIONAL WEEKLY FED CATTLE COMPREHENSIVE REPORT JANUARY 9, 2024

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As of January 9, 2024, dressed steer and heifer carcasses averaged 899.2 pounds down 4.1 pounds from previous week but <u>up 16.5 pounds from a year ago</u>. The grading percent as of 01/09/24 was 83.4 % compared to previous week at 83.6 % down .2%. On January 10, 2023 carcasses weighed 882.7 pounds and graded 84.1 % .

https://www.ams.usda.gov/mnreports/ams_2700.pdf

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***NATIONAL DAILY DIRECT CATTLE 01/09/2024 5 DAY ACCUMULATED WEIGHTED AVG

WEIGHT PRICE HEAD

LIVE STEER: 1509 \$173.97 29,315 LIVE HEIFER: 1364 \$173.77 12,009 DRESSED STEER 951 \$274.81 13,148 DRESSED HEIFER: 868 \$274.35 2,874

USDA POSTED SUMMARY CATTLE PRICES ON 01/09/2024 STEER AND HEIFER COMBINED PRICES

IA/MN - CASH FOB - NO REPORTABLE TRADE.

DRESSED DELIVERED – NO REPORTABLE TRADE LIVE DELIVERED – NO REPORTABLE TRADE DRESSED FOB - NO REPORTABLE TRADE.

- NE CASH FOB NO REPORTABLE TRADE

 DRESSED FOB NO REPORTABLE TRADE

 DRESSED DELIVERED NO REPORTABLE TRADE
- KS CASH NO REPORTABLE TRADE

 DRESSED DELIVERED NO REPORTABLE TRADE

TX/OK/NM CASH – NO REPORTABLE TRADE
LIVE DELIVERED – NO REPORTABLE TRADE

COLORADO - **INFORMATION NOT AVAILABLE DUE TO CONFIDENTIALITY**

APRIL 2024 LIVE CATTLE/ APRIL 2024 LEAN HOGS – APRIL 2024/JUNE 2024 LIVE CATTLE SPREAD – FEBRUARY 2024 LIVE CATTLE – JUNE 2023 LIVE CATTLE -

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FEEDER CATTLE

CME FEEDER INDEX ON 01/08/2024 WAS 227.69 DOWN 1.33 FROM PREVIOUS DAY

JANUARY 2024 FEEDER CATTLE FUTURES SETTLED ON 01/09/2024 AT \$223.77

NATIONAL FEEDER & STOCKER CATTLE SUMMARY - WEEK ENDING 01/06/2024

RECEIPTS: Auctions Direct Video/Internet Total This Week: 180,900 16,900 14,400 212,200 12/26/2023: 103,100 36,300 1,300 140,700 Year Ago: 262,300 43,500 32,900 338,700

Compared to last reported (two weeks ago), steer and heifer calves sold 8.00 to 12.00 higher, while yearlings sold 2.00 to 5.00 higher. Demand was good to very good throughout the week and it usually is the first couple weeks of the new year as buyers are ready to get back to business as usual. This week was still an abbreviated week as there were several barns that took a full two weeks off for the holidays. Demand was good to very good as buyers were ready to get back to filling orders following the holidays and there were no major weather issues interrupting transportation in most of the nation. Buyers continue to want cattle that have had vaccination and weaning programs. Some buyers now have orders for calves that are required to have a 60-day weaning period, up from the typical 45-day period that was standard not that long ago.

FULL REPORT

https://www.ams.usda.gov/mnreports/sj_ls850.txt

WEEKLY FUTURES PRICE CHANGE

	01/05/2023	01/12/2024	CONTRACT HIGH
JANUARY 2024 FEEDER CATTLE	225.55		268.50 SEPTEMBER 15, 2023
MARCH 2024 FEEDER CATTLE	223.47		270.10 SEPTEMBER 15, 2023
APRIL 2024 FEEDER CATTLE	229.15		273.60 SEPTEMBER 19, 2023
MAY 2024 FEEDER CATTLE	234.32		272.47 SEPTEMBER 15, 2023
AUGUST 2024 FEEDER CATTLE	250.22		282.92 SEPTEMBER 20, 2023
SEPTEMBER 2024 FEEDER CATTLE	253.10		285.90 SEPTEMBER 28, 2023
NOVEMBER 2024 FEEDER CATTLE	255.30		257.00 NOVEMBER 21, 2023

APRIL 2024 FEEDER CATTLE/MAY 2024 FEEDER CATTLE SPREAD –
JANUARY 2024 FEEDER CATTLE –
MARCH 2024 FEEDER CATTLE –

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HOGS

USDA ESTIMATED FEDERAL HOG SLAUGHTER

JANUARY 9, 2024	395,000
WEEK AGO	492,000
YEAR AGO	463,000
WEEK TO DATE (EST)	863,000
SAME PERIOD LAST WEEK (EST)	492,000
SAME PERIOD LAST YEAR (ACT)	952,000

^{**}Revised Monday Hog Slaughter.. 468,000** Previous Estimate 489,000

CME LEAN HOG INDEX ON 01/05/2023 WAS 65.74 DOWN 11 CENTS FROM PREVIOUS DAY

CME PORK CUTOUT INDEX 01/08/2024 AT 84.26 UP 5 CENTS FROM PREVIOUS DAY

THE CME LEAN HOG INDEX IS MINUS \$18.52 TO THE CME PORK INDEX. 01/09/2024

WEEKLY FUTURES PRICE CHANGE

	01/05/2023	01/12/2024	CONTRACT HIGH
FEBRUARY 2023 LEAN HOGS	70.00		88.35 FEBRUARY 21, 2023
APRIL 2023 LEAN HOGS	76.37		91.60 FEBRUARY 23, 2023
JUNE 2024 LEAN HOGS	91.35		103.95 DECEMBER 14, 2022
JULY 2024 LEAN HOGS	93.12		102.60 FEBRUARY 22, 2023
AUGUST 2024 LEAN HOGS	93.17		96.90 JUNE 26, 2023
OCTOBER 2024 LEAN HOGS	81.80		85.20 MAY 15, 2023
DECEMBER 2024 LEAN HOGS	75.17		80.65 JUNE 21, 2023

Two days of lighter slaughter didn't do much for pork sales Tuesday morning Pork was up 62 cents. The 5 days pork carcass is down 11 cents. Hams average \$79.09 and loins average 81.34.

The positive news is how the CME Lean Hog Index and the CME Pork Index continue to widen, currently at \$18.52. This is positive for packers and when hogs come to the packer as the winds and snow stop blowing, they will push delayed hogs through the line.

What Do Mexico's Duty Exemptions Mean for Imported Pork, Beef and Poultry?

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https://www.drovers.com/news/beef-production/what-do-mexicos-duty-exemptions-mean-imported-pork-beef-and-poultry

This is good news for pork. Last year it was Mexico that pushed up US pork exports. As of the end of November 2023 pork exports were up 8% with Mexican exports up 13% for all pork products, muscle cuts up 11% and variety meats up 29%.

EXPORTS

FOR WEEK ENDING DECEMBER 28, 2023 NET EXPORTS WERE 17,800 MT. SOUTH KOREA WAS THE LARGEST BUYER TAKING 11,900MT WITH MEXICO TAKING JUST 2,700MT FOR 2024 NET SALES WERE 9,900MT WITH JAPAN TAKING 4000MT AND MEXICO WITH 3100MT

WEEK ENDING DECEMBER 21, 2023 NET EXPORTS WERE 23,800 MT WEEK ENDING DECEMBER 14, 2023 NET EXPORTS WERE 37,500 MT WEEK ENDING DECEMBER 7, 2023 NET EXPORTS SALES WERE 28,200 MT. WEEK ENDING NOVEMBER 30, 2023 NET EXPORTS SALESWERE 25,900 MT WEEK ENDING NOVEMBER 23, 2023 NET EXPORT SALES WERE 21,200 MT WEEK ENDING NOVEMBER 16, 2023 NET EXPORT SALES WERE 26,300 MT

FOB PLANT - NEGOTIATED SALES

<u>Based on negotiated prices and volume of pork cuts delivered within 14 days</u> and on average industry cutting yields. Calculations for 215 lb. Pork Carcass. 55-56% lean, 0.55"-0.70" BF Last Rib

Loads PORK CUTS: 322.80

Loads TRIM/PROCESS PORK: 26.99

2:00 PM	LOADS	CARCASS	LOIN	BUTT	PIC	RIB	HAM	BELLY
01/09/2024	349.79	84.53	81.98	101.12	66.61	121.13	78.40	109.54
CHANGE:		-0.49	-1.14	-2.00	-3.25	0.41	-1.71	5.17
FIVE DAY AVERAGE		84.21	81.34	102.25	71.40	119.16	79.09	103.46

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11:00 AM	LOADS	CARCASS	LOIN	BUTT	PIC	RIB	HAM	BELLY
01/09/2024	186.07	85.64	82.93	102.79	65.54	120.50	82.07	109.22
CHANGE:		0.62	-0.19	-0.33	-4.32	-0.22	1.96	4.85
FIVE DAY AVERAGE		84.43	81.53	102.59	71.19	119.04	79.83	103.40
2:00 PM	LOADS	CARCASS	LOIN	BUTT	PIC	RIB	HAM	BELLY
01/08/2024	302.45	85.02	83.12	103.12	69.86	120.72	80.11	104.37
CHANGE:		0.82	2.02	1.44	-1.09	1.11	-0.84	3.12
FIVE DAY AVERAGE		84.32	81.28	103.35	73.50	118.17	79.19	102.09

HOG REPORT - PLANT DELIVERED PURCHASE JANUARY 09, 2024

National Negotiated Carcass Price

Head Count: 8,319 Lowest price: 41.00 Highest price: 47.00 Weighted Average 45.31

Change from Previous Day 0.41 HIGHER

Other Market Formula (Carcass)

Head Count: 52,041 Lowest Base Price: 62.50 Highest Base Price: 93.18 Weighted Average Price: 79.81

Swine/Pork Market Formula (Carcass)

Head Count 150,807 Lowest base price: 45.88 Highest Base Price: 78.43 Weighted Average Price 66.10

Other Purchase Arrangement (Carcass)

HEAD COUNT: 60,876 Lowest base price: 53.75 Highest base price: 104.26 Weighted Average Price: 75.11

https://www.ams.usda.gov/sites/default/files/media/LMRSwineReportingHandout.pdf

SLAUGHTER DATA - JANUARY 8, 2024

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^{*}NATIONAL DAILY DIRECT HOG PRIOR DAY REPORT - SLAUGHTERED SWINE

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^{**}PRODUCER SOLD:

HEAD COUNT 237,701

AVERAGE LIVE WEIGHT 288.75

AVERAGE CARCASS WEIGHT 216.06

PACKER SOLD:
HEAD COUNT 32,384
AVERAGE LIVE WEIGHT 287.56
AVERAGE CARCASS WEIGHT 215.53

PACKER OWNED:
HEAD COUNT 165,072
AVERAGE LIVE WEIGHT 284.46
AVERAGE CARCASS WEIGHT 217.53

FEBRUARY/APRIL LEAN HOG SPREAD –
FEBRUARY 2024 LEAN HOGS –
APRIL 2024 LEAN HOGS –
JUNE 2024 LEAN HOGS –

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