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Daily Futures Market Commentary Livestock Outlook

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BEEF AND PORK EXPORT HIGHLIGHTS ON THE LAST PAGE

CATTLE

MAY 02, 2024	120,000
WEEK AGO	125,000
YEAR AGO	120,174
WEEK TO DATE	480,000
PREVIOUS WEEK	488,000
2023 WEEK TO DATE	493,689
2024 YEAR TO DATE	10,629,013
2023 YEAR TO DATE	11,149,653
PERCENT CHANGE YEAR TO DATE	-4.7%

https://www.ams.usda.gov/mnreports/ams_3208.pdf

2:00 PM MAY 02 ,2024

BOXED BEEF	CHOICE	SELECT
CURRENT CUTOUT VALUES:	292.90	287.98 296.92
289.66		
CHANGE FROM PRIOR DAY:	(0.64)	(0.09)
CHOICE/SELECT SPREAD:		4.92
TOTAL LOAD COUNT (CUTS, TRIMMINGS, GRINDS):		164
5 DAY SIMPLE AVERAGE:	295.90	289.32

CME BOXED BEEF INDEX ON 05/01/2024 WAS 294.44 DOWN 52 CENTS FROM PREVIOUS DAY

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2:00 PM MAY 02, 2024

PRIMAL RIB	431.79	425.19
PRIMAL CHUCK	244.50	241.25
PRIMAL ROUND	241.91	245.97
PRIMAL LOIN	399.47	380.29
PRIMAL BRISKET	231.27	230.64
PRIMAL SHORT PLATE	223.40	223.40
PRIMAL FLANK	149.85	149.90

2:00 PM MAY 01, 2024

PRIMAL RIB	426.49	423.06
PRIMAL CHUCK	246.42	243.03
PRIMAL ROUND	243.41	244.48
PRIMAL LOIN	401.48	381.66
PRIMAL BRISKET	232.37	230.44
PRIMAL SHORT PLATE	221.93	221.93
PRIMAL FLANK	148.79	148.83

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LOAD COUNT AND CUTOFF VALUE SUMMARY

Date	Choice	Select	Trim	Grinds	Total		
05/01	138	22	3	23	186	293.54	288.07
04/30	69	22	0	19	110	294.37	289.95
04/29	64	16	10	14	104	297.53	290.21
04/26	88	25	3	9	125	FRIDAY 297.14	288.72 FRIDAY
04/25	84	14	4	18	120	296.92	289.66

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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.

MAY 02, 2024

Choice Cuts	107.18 loads	4,287,257 pounds
Select Cuts	29.61 loads	1,184,256 pounds
Trimming	6.70 loads	267,849 pounds
Ground Beef	20.89 loads	835,669 pounds

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WEEKLY FUTURES PRICE CHANGE

	04/26/2023	05/03/2024	CONTRACT HIGH
APRIL 2024 LIVE CATTLE	184.67	EXPIRED 04/30/24 \$185.00	199.82 9/15/2023
JUNE 2024 LIVE CATTLE	178.57		194.02 9/15/2023
AUGUST 2024 LIVE CATTLE	176.77		192.45 9/15/2023
OCTOBER 2024 LIVE CATTLE	180.60		194.67 9/15/2023
DECEMBER 2024 LIVE CATTLE	184.87		197.47 9/15/2023
FEBRUARY 2025 LIVE CATTLE	188.37		199.57 9/20/2023
APRIL 2025 LIVE CATTLE	190.75		196.40 3/14/2024

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Cash cattle in the Midwest sold Thursday on light sales \$1.00 higher from \$186.00 to \$187.00 and dressed prices \$295.00. As of Thursday no sales in the Southwest.

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Cattle slaughter is down and boxed beef prices are also dropping. Killing fewer cattle isn't helping the beef market. Normally less supply would help prices. Increasing beef imports and consumers buying alternative proteins are impacting prices.

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Live Cattle reversed Wednesday's downturn. 30 samples of ground beef the USDA tested Wednesday did not have H5N1. Exports were also up 38% on the 4 week average.

30 samples from retail stores from the 9 states where dairy herds have been found with H5N1 is a small sample. The USDA has more studies from dairy cows that were condemned by inspectors and studies on beef patties cooked at various temperatures to see if the H5N1 virus is killed off during cooking.

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Traders continue to bull spread. Spreads are differentials and not the price of the commodity. With a month before delivery, the futures may drop but with spreading a major part of trading, it is friendly to have bull spreading.

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The report does a very good job explaining Avian Flu .

WHAT IS AVIAN INFLUENZA?

https://www.ccohs.ca/oshanswers/diseases/avian_influenza.html

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This is an ideal time to use strategies that help to protect risk. Using options and futures are tools to protect possible volatile changes.

May is a non-trading month and it is over a month from June Live Cattle first trading day. Don't try to second guess what formula driven trades might do.

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Slaughter last week was 7000 less than the previous week. Year to date slaughter is off 504,794 head. Choice boxed beef gained \$1.47 mostly with gains on Chucks as buyers buy needs for Memorial Day about a month away. Memorial Day is the first big summer holiday.

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EXPORTS WEEK

FOR WEEK ENDING APRIL 25, 2024 NET EXPORTS WERE UP 22,500 MT UP 38% ON THE 4 WEEK AVERAGE. SOUTH KOREA AS THE LARGEST BUYER TAKING 9600 MT COMPARED TO A WEEK AGO AT 1,900 MT, JAPAN BOUGHT 5,200 MT COMPARED TO LAST WEEK AT 2,500 MT AND TAIWAN WITH 2,500 MT. CHINA BOUGHT 1,600 MT WHERE LAST WEEK THEY TOOK 4,600 MT.

WEEK ENDING APRIL 18, 2024	15,200 MT
WEEK ENDING APRIL 11, 2024	17,700 MT
WEEK ENDING APRIL 4, 2024	13,600 MT
WEEK ENDING MARCH 28, 2024	18,700 MT
WEEK ENDING MARCH 21, 2024	12,700 MT

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USDA NATIONAL STEER & HEIFER ESTIMATED GRADING PERCENT REPORT

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

For Week Ending: 4/20/2024

	Nebraska	Kansas	Texas
Prime	14.27%	9.26%	6.13%
Choice	73.63%	76.03%	65.95%
Select	6.50%	11.63%	25.88%
Other	5.59%	3.07%	2.04%

For Week Ending: 4/13/2024

	Nebraska	Kansas	Texas
Prime	14.16%	9.44%	5.69%
Choice	73.86%	75.70%	66.15%
Select	6.15%	11.80%	25.92%
Other	5.84%	3.07%	2.24%

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NATIONAL WEEKLY FED CATTLE COMPREHENSIVE REPORT APRIL 30, 2024

As of April 30 2024, dressed steer and heifer carcasses averaged 884.6 pounds down 5.2 pounds from previous week and up 24.4 pounds from a year ago. The grading percent as of 04/30/24 was 83.9% compared to previous week at 85.4%. On May 2, 2023 carcasses weighed 860.8 pounds and graded 80.9%.

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

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***NATIONAL DAILY DIRECT CATTLE 05/02/2024

5 DAY ACCUMULATED WEIGHTED AVG

	WEIGHT	PRICE	HEAD
LIVE STEER:	1506	\$185.44	39,922
LIVE HEIFER:	1362	\$185.10	14,071
DRESSED STEER	955	\$294.65	23,395
DRESSED HEIFER:	851	\$294.31	6,898

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**USDA POSTED SUMMARY CATTLE PRICES ON 05/02/2024
STEER AND HEIFER COMBINED PRICES UNLESS NOTED**

**IA/MN – CASH FOB – 186.00 - 187.00 ON 716 STEERS AVE PRICE 186.52
DRESSED DELIVERED – 295.00 ON 119 TOTAL HEAD
LIVE DELIVERED NO REPORTABLE TRADE.
DRESSED FOB - NO REPORTABLE TRADE**

**NE – CASH FOB – 186.00 - 187.00 ON 1000 STEERS 2,328 TOTAL HEAD AVE PRICE
LIVE DELIVERED - NO REPORTABLE TRADE.
DRESSED DELIVERED 295.00 - 296.00 ON 1,634 TOTAL HEAD AVE PRICE 295.02**

**KS – CASH – NO REPORTABLE TRADE.
DRESSED DELIVERED - NO REPORTABLE TRADE.**

TX/OK/NM CASH – NO REPORTABLE TRADE.

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

**AUGUST/OCTOBER LIVE CATTLE SPREAD –
JUNE 2024 LIVE CATTLE -
OCTOBER 2024 LIVE CATTLE –**

FEEDER CATTLE

CME FEEDER INDEX ON 05/01/2024 WAS 243.37 DOWN 3.69 FROM PREVIOUS DAY

MAY 2024 FEEDER CATTLE SETTLED ON MAY 02, 2024 AT \$243.60

NATIONAL FEEDER & STOCKER CATTLE SUMMARY - WEEK ENDING 04/27/2024

RECEIPTS:	Auctions	Direct	Video/Internet	Total
This Week:	165,000	68,200	11,300	244,500
Last Week:	167,700	44,900	70,900	283,500
Year Ago:	196,700	41,000	53,600	291,300

Compared to last week, steers and heifers in the Central part of the country sold 3.00 to 7.00 higher, while the Southeast part of the country sold steady to 5.00 higher. The supply of feeders was moderate with a good selection of feeders across all weight ranges this week. Demand was moderate to good with very good demand for loads heading to summer grass.

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

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At this time the premiums into August on out are wide compared to current Feeder Index and where April expired. There is close to 4 months until August expiration. Watch the spreads.

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WEEKLY FUTURES PRICE CHANGE

	04/26/2023	05/03/2024	CONTRACT HIGH
MAY 2024 FEEDER CATTLE	248.70		272.47 SEPTEMBER 15, 2023
AUGUST 2024 FEEDER CATTLE	260.55		282.92 SEPTEMBER 20, 2023
SEPTEMBER 2024 FEEDER CATTLE	261.57		285.90 SEPTEMBER 28, 2023
OCTOBER 2024 FEEDER CATTLE	261.72		275.17 FEBRUARY 8, 2024
NOVEMBER 2024 FEEDER CATTLE	260.65		274.70 FEBRUARY 8, 2024

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MAY 2024 FEEDER CATTLE –
AUGUST 2024 FEEDER CATTLE –

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HOGS

USDA ESTIMATED FEDERAL HOG SLAUGHTER

MAY 02, 2024	481,000
WEEK AGO	485,000
YEAR AGO	471,520
WEEK TO DATE	1,919,000
PREVIOUS WEEK	1,936,000
2023 WEEK TO DATE	1,862,179
2024 YEAR TO DATE	44,328,626
2023 *YEAR TO DATE	44,010,198
YEAR TO DATE PERCENT CHANGE	0.7%

https://www.ams.usda.gov/mnreports/ams_3208.pdf

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CME LEAN HOG INDEX ON 04/30/2024 WAS 90.60 DOWN 34 CENTS FROM PREVIOUS DAY

CME PORK CUTOUT INDEX 05/01/2024 AT 98.23 UP 12 CENTS FROM PREVIOUS DAY

THE CME LEAN HOG INDEX IS MINUS \$7.63 TO THE CME PORK INDEX 05/02/2024

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WEEKLY FUTURES PRICE CHANGE

	04/126/2023	05/03/2024	CONTRACT HIGH
JUNE 2024 LEAN HOGS	102.47		109.65 APRIL 10, 2024
JULY 2024 LEAN HOGS	105.95		111.25 APRIL 10, 2024
AUGUST 2024 LEAN HOGS	103.95		108.30 APRIL 10, 2024
OCTOBER 2024 LEAN HOGS	85.82		89.40 APRIL 9, 2024
DECEMBER 2024 LEAN HOGS	76.87		80.65 JUNE 21, 2023
FEBRUARY 2025 LEAN HOGS	80.05		82.05 APRIL 8, 2024
APRIL 2025 LEAN HOGS	83.70		88.00 OCTOBER 13, 2023

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The pork carcass on morning sales started out 1.66 higher on Thursday but by the afternoon was just up 11 cents as loins dropped \$6.62. The reason it ended higher because bellies were up \$13.03. The 5 day carcass price was up 8 cents at 98.25. L oins that have been higher over the past 4 days gave the entire gain back .

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Packer margins have moved down and with the packers that also kill cattle, they won't push hog slaughter.

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Stronger exports weren't much help for futures trading. But with June and summer hogs premium to cash, it is hard to get them energized to moving higher. Cash hogs have been slowly slipping down and aren't benefiting futures.

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EXPORTS

PORK EXPORTS PICKED UP FROM LAST WEEK. FOR WEEK ENDING APRIL 25, 2024 NET EXPORTS WERE 33,600 MT WITH MEXICO TAKING 21,000 MT COMPARED TO A WEEK AGO AT 11,300 MT, JAPAN 4200 MT, THE SAME AS LAST WEEK AND CANADA 1300 MT. CHINA TOOK NOTHING

**WEEK ENDING APRIL 18, 2024 NET EXPORTS WERE 28,800 MT
WEEK ENDING APRIL 11, 2024 NET EXPORTS WERE 21,800 MT
WEEK ENDING APRIL 4, 2024 NET EXPORTS WERE 47,400 MT
WEEK ENDING MARCH 28, 2024 NET EXPORT WERE 28,700 MT**

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FOB PLANT - NEGOTIATED SALES

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

Loads PORK CUTS : 177.98

Loads TRIM/PROCESS PORK : 23.03

Time	LOADS	CARCASS	LOIN	BUTT	PIC	RIB	HAM	BELLY
2:00 PM 05/02/2024	201.01	97.88	97.49	128.36	82.81	161.50	80.06	120.93
CHANGE:		0.11	-6.62	-1.31	1.78	-4.93	-1.29	13.03
FIVE DAY AVERAGE --		98.25	100.64	129.70	81.42	165.11	81.02	116.50
11:00 AM 05/02/2024	93.47	99.65	99.12	127.08	83.41	165.15	80.68	127.61
CHANGE:		1.66	-4.99	-2.59	2.38	-1.28	-0.67	19.71
FIVE DAY AVERAGE --		98.61	100.97	129.45	81.54	165.84	81.15	117.84
2:00 PM 05/01/2024	266.40	97.99	104.11	129.67	81.03	166.43	81.35	107.90
CHANGE:		0.77	2.83	0.13	-0.67	-1.39	-0.01	-10.61
FIVE DAY AVERAGE --		98.17	100.63	129.85	81.13	165.74	81.78	114.96

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HOG REPORT - PLANT DELIVERED PURCHASE MAY 01, 2024

National Negotiated Price

Head Count: 2,713

Lowest price: 88.00

Highest price: 95.00

Weighted Average 91.78

Change from Previous Day -0.24 LOWER

Other Market Formula (Carcass)

Head Count: 19,853

Lowest Base Price: 78.07

Highest Base Price: 99.16

Weighted Average Price: 89.73

Swine/Pork Market Formula (Carcass)

Head Count 142,023

Lowest base price: 78.39

Highest Base Price: 96.93

Weighted Average Price 89.71

Other Purchase Arrangement (Carcass)

HEAD COUNT: 78,920

Lowest base price: 82.11

Highest base price: 103.45

Weighted Average Price: 88.33

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

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NATIONAL DAILY DIRECT HOG PRIOR DAY REPORT - SLAUGHTERED SWINE

[HTTPS://WWW.AMS.USDA.GOV/MNREPORTS/AMS_2511.PDF](https://www.ams.usda.gov/mnreports/ams_2511.pdf)

SLAUGHTER DATA – MAY 01, 2024

****PRODUCER SOLD:**

HEAD COUNT 235,512

AVERAGE LIVE WEIGHT 287.15

AVERAGE CARCASS WEIGHT 214.30

PACKER SOLD:

HEAD COUNT 30,935

AVERAGE LIVE WEIGHT 286.12

AVERAGE CARCASS WEIGHT 214.87

PACKER OWNED:

HEAD COUNT 177,608

AVERAGE LIVE WEIGHT 286.31

AVERAGE CARCASS WEIGHT 217.82

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Exports for Week Ending April 25, 2024

Beef: Net sales of 22,500 MT for 2024--a marketing-year high--were up 48 percent from the previous week and 38 percent from the prior 4-week average. Increases were primarily for South Korea (9,600 MT, including decreases of 700 MT), Japan (5,200 MT, including decreases of 200 MT), Taiwan (2,500 MT, including decreases of 200 MT), China (1,600 MT, including decreases of 300 MT), and Mexico (1,100 MT, including decreases of 100 MT). Exports of 14,600 MT were up 6 percent from the previous week and 1 percent from the prior 4-week average. The destinations were primarily to Japan (3,800 MT), South Korea (3,400 MT), China (2,300 MT), Taiwan (1,400 MT), and Mexico (1,200 MT).

Pork: Net sales of 33,600 MT for 2024 were up 17 percent from the previous week and 6 percent from the prior 4-week average. Increases were primarily for Mexico (21,600 MT, including decreases of 400 MT), Japan (4,200 MT, including decreases of 200 MT), Canada (1,300 MT, including decreases of 600 MT), Colombia (1,100 MT, including decreases of 100 MT), and South Korea (900 MT, including decreases of 100 MT). Exports of 36,200 MT were down 10 percent from the previous week and 5 percent from the prior 4-week average. The destinations were primarily to Mexico (14,200 MT), South Korea (5,300 MT), Japan (4,800 MT), China (3,600 MT), and Canada (1,900 MT).

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