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## MONDAY MORNING JULY 15, 2024 LIVESTOCK REPORT

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### CATTLE

JULY 12 2024	118,000	
WEEK AGO	116,000	
YEAR AGO	120,863	
SATURDAY 07/13/2024	7,000	WEEK AGO 47,000, YEAR AGO 8,110
WEEK TO DATE (EST)	601,000	
SAME PERIOD LAST WEEK (EST)	522,000	
SAME PERIOD LAST YEAR (ACT)	633,391	
2024 YEAR TO DATE	16,698,873	
2023 YEAR TO DATE	17,477,332	
PERCENT CHANGE YEAR TO DATE	-4.5%	PRIOR WEEK -4.5%
YEAR TO DATE PER HEAD CHANGE	-778,459	PRIOR WEEK --728,735

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2:00 PM JULY 10, 2024

BOXED BEEF	CHOICE	SELECT
CURRENT CUTOUT VALUES:	322.06	302.31
CHANGE FROM PRIOR DAY:	0.41	(1.07)
CHOICE/SELECT SPREAD:	19.75	
TOTAL LOAD COUNT (CUTS, TRIMMINGS, GRINDS):	102	
5 DAY SIMPLE AVERAGE:	326.45	304.28

CME BOXED BEEF INDEX ON 07/11/2024 WAS 319.50 DOWN 1.07 FROM PREVIOUS DAY

CME BOXED BEEF INDEX ON 07/03/2024 WAS 321.49

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2:00 PM JULY 12 2024

PRIMAL RIB	469.74	415.85
PRIMAL CHUCK	267.39	263.44
PRIMAL ROUND	281.29	279.93
PRIMAL LOIN	442.45	386.50
PRIMAL BRISKET	263.88	259.02
PRIMAL SHORT PLATE	213.91	213.91
PRIMAL FLANK	185.15	174.30

2:00 PM JULY 05, 2024 PREVIOUS WEEK

PRIMAL RIB	496.33	425.60
PRIMAL CHUCK	270.06	266.03
PRIMAL ROUND	278.02	279.46
PRIMAL LOIN	457.30	382.15
PRIMAL BRISKET	269.35	260.10
PRIMAL SHORT PLATE	215.93	215.93
PRIMAL FLANK	176.65	176.74

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**LOAD COUNT AND CUTOFF VALUE SUMMARY**

DATE	CHOICE	SELECT	TRIM	GRINDS	TOTAL		
07/11	98	30	7	8	142	321.65	303.38
07/10	88	36	18	14	156	324.05	303.94
07/09	66	40	12	12	130	325.66	304.31
07/08	52	21	0	16	89	330.47	304.72
07/05	51	13	19	6	89	330.43	305.06 FRIDAY

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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.**

**JULY 12, 2024 FINAL**

<b>CHOICE CUTS</b>	<b>70.32 LOADS</b>	<b>2,812,749 POUNDS</b>
<b>SELECT CUTS</b>	<b>12.95 LOADS</b>	<b>518,029 POUNDS</b>
<b>TRIMMINGS</b>	<b>6.15 LOADS</b>	<b>246,095 POUNDS</b>
<b>GROUND BEEF</b>	<b>12.91 LOADS</b>	<b>516,521 POUNDS</b>

WEEKLY FUTURES PRICE CHANGE

	07/05/2024	07/12/2024	CONTRACT HIGH
AUGUST 2024 LIVE CATTLE	186.42	182.37	192.45 9/15/2023
OCTOBER 2024 LIVE CATTLE	187.17	184.07	194.67 9/15/2023
DECEMBER 2024 LIVE CATTLE	188.77	185.47	197.47 9/15/2023
FEBRUARY 2025 LIVE CATTLE	190.00	187.75	199.57 9/20/2023
APRIL 2025 LIVE CATTLE	191.32	189.87	196.40 3/14/2024

LAST WEEK CASH CATTLE PRICES WERE STEADY TO SLIGHTLY WEAKER IN THE MIDWEST AND DOWN \$1.00 TO \$2.00 IN THE SOUTHWEST. CATTLE IN THE MIDWEST MOSTLY \$198.00 TO \$199.00 AND IN THE SOUTHWEST \$188.00. THE SPREAD BETWEEN THE REGIONS REMAINS EXTREMELY WIDE.

BOXED BEEF MOVEMENT INCREASED AS BEEF PRICES DROPPED AND SLAUGHTER WAS LOWER INDICATING PACKERS HAVE FEWER CONTRACT ORDERS AND NEED TO PUT BEEF SALES ONTO THE DAILY MARKET. THIS IS A NEGATIVE INDICATOR.

THE U.S. CONTINUES TO INCREASE BEEF IMPORTS.

JANUARY - MAY BEEF IMPORTS

2023 1,562,426,000 POUNDS EQUALS 39,060.65 LOADS AVE/MONTH 7,812.13 LOADS  
2024 **1,866,405,000 POUNDS** EQUALS 46,660.125 LOADS AVE/MONTH 9,332.02 LOADS

2024 303,979,000 POUNDS MORE IMPORTS COMPARED TO 2023

NATIONAL WEEKLY FED CATTLE COMPREHENSIVE REPORT JULY 02, 2024

AS OF JULY 09 2024, DRESSED STEER AND HEIFER CARCASSES AVERAGED 885.0 POUNDS, UP 2.6 POUNDS FROM PREVIOUS WEEK AND UP 29.2 POUNDS FROM A YEAR AGO. THE GRADING PERCENT AS OF 07/09/2024 WAS 82.8% COMPARED TO PREVIOUS WEEK AT 82.9%. ON JULY 11, 2023 CARCASSES WEIGHED 855.8. POUNDS AND GRADED WAS 81.7%.

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STERLING MARKETING BEEF MARGINS WEEK ENDING JUNE 29, 2024

PACKER MARGIN (\$ /HEAD) (\$85.61) LAST WEEK \$78.65) MONTH AGO (\$85.35) YEAR AGO \$80.59  
FEEDLOT MARGINS: \$462.28 LAST WEEK \$499.63 MONTH AGO \$327.09 YEAR AGO \$427.19

Sterling Marketing uses the Comprehensive Beef Cutout Value reported by USDA. I have included a document that explains this cutout value. I looked at this value about 4 years ago and compared the beef packer margin values from my Choice-Select Adjusted value and this Comprehensive value. There was little difference. However, over the past few weeks, the difference has become significant. I believe this is because the mix of cattle slaughtered is increasingly includes higher valued cattle – i.e., Prime, Upper 2/3 Choice, and Branded Program cattle. In addition, it includes the formula-priced cattle. Using just the Choice and higher grade and Select grade to generate the cutout does not reflect this important difference in the quality of cattle which in turn is definitely a driver to the notable improvement in beef demand over the past year.

**EXPORTS WEEK**

**FOR WEEK ENDING JULY 4, 2024 AT EXPORTS WERE 8,300 MT A MARKETING YEAR LOW**

WEEK ENDING JUNE 27, 2024	15,500 MT
WEEK ENDING JUNE 20, 2024	16,700 MT
WEEK ENDING JUNE 13, 2024	14,900 MT
WEEK ENDING JUNE 6, 2024	12,500 MT

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**USDA NATIONAL STEER & HEIFER ESTIMATED GRADING PERCENT REPORT**

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**FOR WEEK ENDING: 6/29/2024**

	NEBRASKA	KANSAS	TEXAS
PRIME	11.50%	8.96%	6.36%
CHOICE	72.07%	75.58%	66.38%
SELECT	12.16%	12.97%	24.97%
OTHER	4.27%	2.50%	2.28%

**FOR WEEK ENDING: 6/22/2024**

	NEBRASKA	KANSAS	TEXAS
PRIME	11.52%	8.83%	6.97%
CHOICE	74.50%	74.62%	64.78%
SELECT	13.36%	14.01%	25.80%
OTHER	0.62%	2.54%	2.45%

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**\*\*\*NATIONAL DAILY DIRECT CATTLE 07/12/2024**

**5 DAY ACCUMULATED WEIGHTED AVG**

	WEIGHT	PRICE	HEAD
LIVE STEER:	1446	\$195.56	51,981
LIVE HEIFER:	1325	\$195.31	20,655
DRESSED STEER	935	\$313.18	9,693
DRESSED HEIFER:	850	\$313.32	3,709

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**USDA POSTED SUMMARY CATTLE PRICES ON 07/12/2024  
STEER AND HEIFER COMBINED PRICES UNLESS NOTED**

**IA/MN – CASH FOB – - 193.00-197.50 ON 100 TOTAL HEAD AVE PRICE 196.28  
DRESSED DELIVERED – 308.00-312.00 ON 183 HEAD AVE PRICE 309.60  
LIVE DELIVERED 196.00 ON 78 HEAD  
DRESSED FOB - NO REPORTABLE TRADE**

**NE – CASH FOB – 195.00-198.00 ON 1202 HEAD AVE PRICE 197.38  
DRESSED FOB - NO REPORTABLE TRADE  
DRESSED DELIVERED - 314.00-315.00 ON 403 HEAD AVE PRICE 314.50**

**KS – CASH – 188.00 ON 86 HEAD  
LIVE DELIVERED - NO REPORTABLE TRADE  
DRESSED DELIVERED – NO REPORTABLE TRADE**

**TX/OK/NM 188.00 ON 157 HEAD  
TOTAL FOR THE WEEK 14,213 HEAD**

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

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**OCTOBER/DECEMBER 2024 LIVE CATTLE  
AUGUST 2024 LIVE CATTLE -  
OCTOBER 2024 LIVE CATTLE –  
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**FEEDER CATTLE**

**CME FEEDER INDEX ON 07/11/2024 WAS 261.04 DOWN 49 CENTS FROM PREVIOUS DAY  
CME FEEDER INDEX ON 07/04/2024 WAS 255.08**

**AUGUST 2024 FEEDER CATTLE ON JULY 10, 2024 AT \$254.35**

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**WEEKLY PRICE CHANGE**

	<b>07/05/2024</b>	<b>07/12/2024</b>	<b>CONTRACT HIGH</b>
<b>AUGUST 2024 FEEDER CATTLE</b>	<b>261.47</b>	<b>258.65</b>	<b>282.92 SEPTEMBER 20, 2023</b>
<b>SEPTEMBER 2024 FEEDER CATTLE</b>	<b>262.22</b>	<b>258.10</b>	<b>285.90 SEPTEMBER 28, 2023</b>
<b>OCTOBER 2024 FEEDER CATTLE</b>	<b>262.22</b>	<b>257.55</b>	<b>275.17 FEBRUARY 8, 2024</b>
<b>NOVEMBER 2024 FEEDER CATTLE</b>	<b>262.10</b>	<b>257.00</b>	<b>274.70 FEBRUARY 8, 2024</b>

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**AUGUST 2024 FEEDER CATTLE –**

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**HOGS**

**USDA ESTIMATED FEDERAL HOG SLAUGHTER**

<b>JULY 12, 2024</b>	<b>470,000</b>		
<b>WEEK AGO</b>	<b>445,000</b>		
<b>YEAR AGO</b>	<b>456,120</b>		
<b>SATURDAY 07/13/2024</b>	<b>26,000</b>	<b>WEEK AGO 160,000</b>	<b>YEAR AGO 27,068</b>
<b>WEEK TO DATE (EST)</b>	<b>2,386,000</b>		
<b>SAME PERIOD LAST WEEK (EST)</b>	<b>2,034,000</b>		
<b>SAME PERIOD LAST YEAR (ACT)</b>	<b>2,338,368</b>		
<b>2024 YEAR TO DATE</b>	<b>68,184,737</b>		
<b>2023 *YEAR TO DATE</b>	<b>67,419,127</b>		
<b>YEAR TO DATE PERCENT CHANGE</b>	<b>1.1%</b>	<b>PRIOR WEEK 1.0%</b>	
<b>YEAR TO DATE PER HEAD CHANGE</b>	<b>765,610</b>	<b>PRIOR WEEK 648,141</b>	
<b>554,353</b>			

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**CME LEAN HOG INDEX ON 07/10/2024 WAS 88.65 DOWN 2 CENTS FROM PREVIOUS DAY**

**CME LEAN HOG INDEX ON 07/02/2024 WAS 89.45**

**CME PORK CUTOUT INDEX 07/11/2024 AT 95.06 UP 53 CENTS FROM PREVIOUS DAY**

**CME PORK CUTOUT INDEX 07/03/2024 AT 95.22**

**THE CME LEAN HOG INDEX IS MINUS \$6.41 TO THE CME PORK INDEX 07/12/2024**

**THE CME LEAN HOG INDEX IS MINUS \$5.77 TO THE CME PORK INDEX 07/05/2024**

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**WEEKLY FUTURES PRICE CHANGE**

	<b>07/05/2024</b>	<b>07/12/2024</b>	<b>CONTRACT HIGH</b>
<b>JULY 2024 LEAN HOGS</b>	<b>89.87</b>	<b>88.70</b>	<b>111.25 APRIL 10, 2024</b>
<b>AUGUST 2024 LEAN HOGS</b>	<b>89.17</b>	<b>88.45</b>	<b>108.30 APRIL 10, 2024</b>
<b>OCTOBER 2024 LEAN HOGS</b>	<b>73.47</b>	<b>70.15</b>	<b>89.40 APRIL 9, 2024</b>
<b>DECEMBER 2024 LEAN HOGS</b>	<b>67.27</b>	<b>62.37</b>	<b>80.65 JUNE 21, 2023</b>
<b>FEBRUARY 2025 LEAN HOGS</b>	<b>72.10</b>	<b>67.50</b>	<b>82.05 APRIL 8, 2024</b>
<b>APRIL 2025 LEAN HOGS</b>	<b>77.82</b>	<b>74.05</b>	<b>88.00 OCTOBER 13, 2023</b>

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CME LEAN HOG INDEX AS OF JULY 11, 2024 = \$88.65

JULY 2024 LEAN HOGS AS OF JULY 12, 2024 = \$88.70

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LITTLE CHANGE ON THE CASH PRICES FOR HOGS AND PORK FROM A WEEK AGO. BIGGEST CHANGE CAME FOR LEAN HOGS FROM OCTOBER ON OUT WITH TRADERS SPREAD TRADING BUYING AUGUST AND SELLING ON OUT. THERE ARE TWO WEEKS OF JULY WITH SPREADERS DOMINATING MARKETS.

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AFTER BIG EXPORTS A WEEK AGO, THIS PAST WEEK EXPORTS WERE DISAPPOINTING.

**EXPORTS**

WEEK ENDING JULY 4, 2024 NET EXPORTS WERE 26,500 MT DOWN 29% ON THE 4 WEEK AVERAGE DOWN 55% FROM A WEEK AGO. MEXICO TOOK ONLY 9000 MT AS THE TOP BUYER . JAPAN TOOK 6400 MT.

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**STERLING PORK PROFIT TRACKER WEEK ENDING - JUNE 29, 2024**

**PACKER MARGINS (\$0.27) LAST WEEK \$7.43 MONTH AGO \$15.01 YEAR AGO \$0.58**

**FARROW TO FINISH MARGINS \$52.74 LAST WEEK \$46.77 MONTH AGO \$44.92 YEAR AGO \$12.97**

THE PRICES TO CALCULATE MARGINS ARE FROM HOGS SOLD ON NEGOTIATED PRICES AND PORK POSTED ON DAILY CARCASS. BOTH ARE A VERY SMALL AMOUNT OF ACTUAL PORK OR HOG SOLD. STERLING MARKETING CAN ONLY USE DATA PROVIDED AND PRIVATE FORMULAS AND GRIDS FOR HOGS AND PORK ARE NOT INCLUDED BECAUSE PACKERS DON'T SHARE CONTRACTED PORK PRICES AND HOG PRODUCERS SELLING ON FORMULAS AND CONTRACTS DON'T SHARE HOW PRICES ARE STRUCTURED.

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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 : 215.20**

**LOADS TRIM/PROCESS PORK : 29.06**

2:00 PM	LOADS	CARCASS	LOIN	BUTT	PIC	RIB	HAM	BELLY
07/12/2024	244.26	98.84	94.69	116.74	75.26	131.62	102.39	120.28
CHANGE:		2.61	0.28	1.39	0.50	-9.61	10.20	2.61
FIVE DAY AVERAGE --		95.85	95.00	115.53	74.28	134.81	92.51	116.45

**PREVIOUS WEEK**

2:00 PM	LOADS	CARCASS	LOIN	BUTT	PIC	RIB	HAM	BELLY
07/05/2024	253.18	94.91	95.48	120.60	75.24	138.09	87.18	115.53
CHANGE:		1.28	1.03	7.79	1.11	-6.16	1.82	1.67
FIVE DAY AVERAGE --		95.23	94.91	121.11	73.67	145.88	87.37	115.17

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**HOG REPORT - PLANT DELIVERED PURCHASE JULY 12, 2024**

**NATIONAL NEGOTIATED PRICE**

**HEAD COUNT: 1,725**  
**LOWEST PRICE: 79.00**  
**HIGHEST PRICE: 87.00**  
**WEIGHTED AVERAGE 89.03**  
**CHANGE FROM PREVIOUS DAY 3.73 LOWER**

**OTHER MARKET FORMULA (CARCASS)**

**HEAD COUNT: 25,648**  
**LOWEST BASE PRICE: 82.67**  
**HIGHEST BASE PRICE: 105.22**  
**WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICE: 88.56**

**SWINE/PORK MARKET FORMULA (CARCASS)**

**HEAD COUNT 149,734**  
**LOWEST BASE PRICE: 77.31**  
**HIGHEST BASE PRICE: 95.73**  
**WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICE 87.32**

**OTHER PURCHASE ARRANGEMENT (CARCASS)**

**HEAD COUNT: 59,670**  
**LOWEST BASE PRICE: 80.09**  
**HIGHEST BASE PRICE: 98.91**  
**WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICE 88.06**

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**NATIONAL DAILY DIRECT HOG PRIOR DAY REPORT - SLAUGHTERED SWINE**

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**SLAUGHTER DATA – JULY 9, 2024**

**\*\*PRODUCER SOLD:**  
**HEAD COUNT 234,713**  
**AVERAGE LIVE WEIGHT 280.76**  
**AVERAGE CARCASS WEIGHT 210.81**

**PACKER SOLD:**

**HEAD COUNT 34,640**  
**AVERAGE LIVE WEIGHT 282.37**  
**AVERAGE CARCASS WEIGHT 212.74**



**PACKER OWNED:  
HEAD COUNT 168,619  
AVERAGE LIVE WEIGHT 276.86  
AVERAGE CARCASS WEIGHT 211.60**

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**OCTOBER/DECEMBER LEAN HOG SPREAD –  
AUGUST LEAN HOGS –  
OCTOBER LEAN HOGS –  
DECEMBER 2024 LEAN HOGS -**  
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