



MONDAY MORNING JULY 21, 2025, LIVESTOCK REPORT
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CATTLE

JULY 18, 2025 101,000 **WEEK AGO** 101.000 **YEAR AGO** 100,856 **SATURDAY 07/19/2025** 4,000 **WEEK AGO** 3,000 YEAR AGO 10,465 **WEEK TO DATE (EST)** 563,000 SAME PERIOD LAST WEEK (EST) 568,000 SAME PERIOD LAST YEAR (ACT) 589,374 **2025 YEAR TO DATE** 16,182,867 **2024 YEAR TO DATE** 17,291,291

PERCENT CHANGE YEAR TO DATE -6.4% COMPARED TO PREVIOUS WEEK -6.5%

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2:00 PM JULY 18, 2025

BOXED BEEF CHOICE SELECT CURRENT CUTOUT VALUES: 373.55 351.49
JULY 11, 2025 CUTOUT VALUE 378.64 366.49
CHANGE FROM PRIOR DAY: 0.27 (2.35)

CHOICE/SELECT SPREAD: 22.06
TOTAL LOAD COUNT (CUTS, TRIMMINGS, GRINDS: 103

5 DAY SIMPLE AVERAGE: 375.91 361.08

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CME BOXED BEEF INDEX ON 07/17/2025 WAS 372.17 DOWN 2.15 FROM PREVIOUS DAY CME BOXED BEEF INDEX ON 07/09/2025 WAS 386.33

CHANGE FOR THE WEEK = DOWN \$14.16

2:00 PM JULY 18, 2025		
PRIMAL RIB	507.38	458.92
PRIMAL CHUCK	307.73	300.23
PRIMAL ROUND	322.91	314.89
PRIMAL LOIN	502.05	444.48
PRIMAL BRISKET	325.11	319.58
PRIMAL SHORT PLATE	301.43	301.43
PRIMAL FLANK	246.50	246.13
2:00 PM JULY 11, 2025		
PRIMAL RIB	496.52	462.32
PRIMAL CHUCK	313.65	312.41
PRIMAL ROUND	323.57	319.98
PRIMAL LOIN	516.31	481.50
PRIMAL BRISKET	331.31	338.32
PRIMAL SHORT PLATE	315.33	315.33

LOAD COUNT AND CUTOUT VALUE SUMMARY FOR PRIOR 5 DAYS

DATE	CHOICE	SELECT	TRIM	GRINDS	TOTAL	CHOICE	SELECT
07/17	73	38	14	13	139	373.28	353.84
07/16	117	27	0	10	154	372.85	357.91
07/15	101	30	4	11	147	377.72	362.58
07/14	56	20	7	12	95	377.07	364.58
07/11	97	16	12	13	138	378.64 FRIDAY	366.49 FRIDAY

NATIONAL BOXED BEEF CUTS - NEGOTIATED SALES FOB PLANT BASIS NEGOTIATED SALES FOR DELIVERY WITHIN 0-21 DAY PERIOD. PRIOR DAYS SALES AFTER 1:30 PM ARE INCLUDED.

JULY 18, 2025 (ONE LOAD EQUALS 40,000 POUNDS)

71.58 LOADS	2,863,096 POUNDS
18.84 LOADS	753,493 POUNDS
0.00 LOADS	0 POUNDS
12.36 LOADS	494,449 POUNDS
	18.84 LOADS 0.00 LOADS

DAILY DIRECT CATTLE 5 DAY ACCUMULATED WEIGHTED AVERAGE STEER PRICE \$237.70

AUGUST 2025 LIVE CATTLE PRICE AS OF JULY 18, 2025 \$223.55

AUGUST LIVE CATTLE ON JULY 18TH CLOSED IS \$14.15 UNDER THE AVERAGE NEGOTIATED CASH PRICE.

AUGUST 4, 2025 IS FIRST NOTICE DAY FOR AUGUST 2025 LIVE CATTLE

WEEKLY LIVE CATTLE UTURES PRICE CHANGE

	JULY 11, 2025	JULY 18, 2025
AUGUST 2025 LIVE CATTLE	222.20	223.55
OCTOBER 2025 LIVE CATTLE	219.70	219.82
DECEMBER 2025 LIVE CATTLE	219.57	219.80
FEBRUARY 2026 LIVE CATTLE	219.60	219.87
AUG/OCT LIVE CATTLE SPREAD	2.50	3.72
OCT/DEC LIVE CATTLE SPREAD	.12	.02
DEC/FEB LIVE CATTLE SPREAD	02	07

OCTOBER LIVE CATTLE/OCTOBER LEAN HOG SPREAD

129.05 129.20

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CATTLE ON FEED REPORT JULY 25, 2025 COLD STORAGE REPORT JULY 25, 2025

AUGUST LIVE CATTLE PUSHED TO NEW CONTRACT HIGHS FRIDAY BUT FELL OFF TO CLOSE .12 CENTS LOWER FROM THURSDAY. FRIDAY'S TRADE VOLUME WAS LIGHT. THERE ARE TRADERS WAITING FOR CASH CATTLE TO BREAK AS BEEF PRICES DROP AND OTHERS EXPECTING PRICES TO REMAIN STRONG WITH THE LIGHT SLAUGHTER.

SLAUGHTER FOR THE WEEK WAS DOWN 5000 HEAD FROM LAST WEEK. YEAR TO DATE SLAUGHTER IS DOWN 1,108,324

PACKERS PAID MIDWEST FEEDLOTS STEADY TO \$1.00 HGHER COMPARED TO LAST WEEK. MOSTLY \$240.00. DRESSED CATTLE SOLD MOSTLY FOR \$380.00. KANSAS FEEDLOTS SOLD CATTLE FOR \$230 - \$231.00. TEXAS SOLD CATTLE FOR \$230.00.

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WEEKLY BEEF PRODUCTION (MILLIONS OF POUNDS) - JULY 19 2025

AS OF JULY 19, 2025 THE AVERAGE CATTLE WEIGHTS WERE UNCHANGED FROM THE PREVIOUS WEEK BUT 32 POUNDS MORE FOR THE SAME PERIOD IN 2024. DRESSED WEIGHTS WERE UP 1 POUND FROM THE PREVIOUS WEEK AND UP 28 POUNDS FOR THE SAME PERIOD A YEAR AGO.

BEEF PRODUCTION FOR THE WEEK WAS UP -0.8% AND DOWN -3.3% YEAR TO DATE

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SINCE JULY 4TH BEEF PRICES HAVE DROPPED. SEASONALLY BEEF DEMAND DROPS IN JULY AND THE FIRST 2 WEEKS OF AUGUST DUE TO HIGHER TEMPERATURES AND CONSUMERS SPENDING ON TRAVEL.

HOWEVER, AS OF AUGUST 1ST BEEF PRICES COULD SEE A BIG UPTURN IF THE 50% TARIFF ON BRAZIL TAKES EFFECT. BRAZIL IS THE LARGEST BEEF EXPORTER TO THE U.S.

DOG DAYS OF SUMMER

THE ROMANS BELIEVED THE DOG DAYS OF SUMMER WERE PLAGUED WITH DROUGHT, UNREST IN ANIMALS AND PEOPLE WENT MAD BECAUSE OF THE HEAT. IN 2025 THE DOG DAYS OF SUMMER OFFICIALLY BEGAN JULY 3^{RD} AND GO THROUGH AUGUST 11^{TH} .

HIGHS IN THE UPPER 90'S TO OVER 100 DEGREES WITH HIGH HUMIDITY IS EXPECTED FOR THE REMAINDER OF JULY AND INTO AUGUST WITH LITTLE RAIN. IT WILL STRESS LIVESTOCK. THERE WILL BE A REDUCTION IN FEED EFFICIENCY. TRANSPORTATION SHRINK WILL INCREASE. WEIGHTS WILL DROP.

AT THE SAME TIME PEOPLE TEND TO CONSUME LESS MEAT.

EXPECT PACKERS TO BACK DOWN SLAUGHTER AND POSSIBLY CLOSE INEFFICIENT PLANTS.

FORTUNATELY THIS YEAR, THERE HAS BEEN RAIN AND A DROUGHT ISN'T FORECAST EXCEPT FOR ARIZONA AND NEW MEXICO. THERE ARE AREAS OF THE HIGH PLAINS AND THE WEST THAT ARE DRY.

EXPORTS

BEEF EXPORTS FOR WEEK ENDING JULY 10, 2025 WERE 8,800 MT COMPARED TO PREVIOUS WEEK AT 11,600 MT DOWN 24 PERCENT FROM THE PREVIOUS WEEK AND DOWN 28 PERCENT FROM THE PRIOR 4-WEEK AVERAGE. JAPAN BOUGHT 2,500 MT COMPARED TO 4,000 MT THE WEEK BEFORE. MEXICO (1,900 MT SOUTH KOREA TOOK NOTHING. CANADA TOOK JUST 800 MT

JAPAN AND SOUTH KOREA HAVE BEEN STRONG BUYERS BUT DUE TO TARIFFS AND LIGHT SUPPLY OF BEEF NOW HAVE MOVED TO BRAZIL AND INCREASED BUYING FROM AUSTRALIA. CANADA A STRONG BUYER LAST YEAR HAS MADE NEW TRADE AGREEMENTS WITH BRAZIL.

***NATIONAL DAILY DIRECT CATTLE 07/18/2025
5 DAY ACCUMULATED WEIGHTED AVG

WEIGHT PRICE HEAD

LIVE STEER: 1469 \$237.70 34,869
LIVE HEIFER: 1343 \$236.53 11,317
DRESSED STEER 960 \$379.43 12,664
DRESSED HEIFER: 867 \$379.38 2,686

USDA POSTED SUMMARY CATTLE PRICES ON 07/18/2025 FOB STEER AND HEIFER COMBINED PRICES UNLESS NOTED

IA/MN – CASH FOB – 238.00-241.00 AVE PRICE 239.85

DRESSED DELIVERED - 376.00-382.00 AVE PRICE 379.81

LIVE DELIVERED 238.00-243.00 AVE PRICE 242.26

DRESSED FOB - 380.00-

NE – CASH FOB - 240.00-242.50 AVE PRICE 240.87 DRESSED 376.00-382.00 AVE PRICE 378.86 LIVE DELIVERED - 243.35

KS – CASH FOB 230.00 LIVE DELIVERED - 380.00 ON 40 HEAD DRESSED DELIVERED 240.00

TX/OK/NM - CASH FOB- 230.00

STERLING MARKETING BEEF MARGINS WEEK ENDING JULY 12, 2025

PACKER MARGIN (\$/HEAD \$34.08 LAST WEEK \$38.19 MONTH AGO (\$278.74) YEAR AGO (\$106.95)

FEEDLOT MARGINS \$737.64 LAST WEEK \$619.59 MONTH AGO \$839.06 YEAR AGO \$359.32

STERLING MARKETING USES THE COMPREHENSIVE BEEF CUTOUT VALUE REPORTED BY USDA.

LIVE CATTLE OPEN INTEREST - TRADERS ADDING TO TRADES



OCTOBER LIVE CATTLE/OCTOBER LEAN HOGS - WIDE SPREAD



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OCT/DEC LIVE CATTLE SPREAD - AFTER COF REPORT SHOULD GIVE BETTER DIRECTION



AUGUST LIVE CATTLE - RESISTANCE AT 226.87 SUPPORT AT 222.65 TO 220.75



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OCTOBER LIVE CATTLE - RESISTANCE CONTRACT HIGHS SUPPORT AT 217.50



FEEDER CATTLE

CME FEEDER INDEX ON 07/16/2025 WAS 322.17 UP .26 FROM PREVIOUS DAY CME FEEDER INDEX ON 07/10/2025 WAS 323.37

AUGUST 2025 FEEDER CATTLE SETTLED ON JULY 18, 2025 AT \$324.00 AUGUST 2025 FEEDER CATTLE SETTLED ON JULY 11, 2025 AT \$325.32

JULY 11, 2025	JULY 18, 2025
325.40	324.20
323.20	322.30
319.92	319.52
312.22	312.65
	325.40 323.20 319.92

FROM JULY 11TH TO JULY 18TH THERE WAS DAILY MOVEMENT BUT FOR THE WEEK VERY LITTLE CHANGE. DEMAND FOR CASH FEEDER CATTLE REMAINS STRONG. MARKETS ARE WEAKER INTO 2026 AS TRADERS BEGIN TO EXPECT TO SEE PLACEMENTS SLOWLY INCREASING.

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FEEDER CATTLE OPEN INTEREST – HOLDING LONGS POSITIONS



OCTOBER/NOVEMBER FEEDER CATTLE SPREAD - REMAINS BULL SPREAD



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OCTOBER FEEDER CATTLE - CONTRACT HIGH REISTANCE SUPPORT AT 318.95



HOGS

JULY 18, 2025	463,000
WEEK AGO	423,000
YEAR AGO	423,255
SATURDAY 07/19/2025	9,000
WEEK AGO	39,000
YEAR AGO	42,209
WEEK TO DATE (EST)	2,342,000
SAME PERIOD LAST WEEK (EST)	2,353,000
SAME PERIOD LAST YEAR (ACT)	2,373,523
2025 YEAR TO DATE	69,005,953
2024 YEAR TO DATE	70,526,654
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PERCENT CHANGE YEAR TO DATE -2.2% COMPARED TO PREVIOUS WEEK -2.2%

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CME LEAN HOG INDEX ON 07/15/2025 WAS 107.63 UP .43 FROM PREVIOUS DAY CME LEAN HOG INDEX ON 07/09/2025 WAS 107.14

CME PORK CUTOUT INDEX 07/16/2025 AT 114.52UP .50 FROM PREVIOUS DAY CME PORK CUTOUT INDEX 07/10/2025 AT 112.13

THE CME LEAN HOG INDEX IS MINUS \$6.89 TO THE CME PORK INDEX 07/17/2025. THE CME LEAN HOG INDEX IS MINUS \$4.99 TO THE CME PORK INDEX 07/11/2025.

JULY 2025 LEAN HOGS ON JULY 15, 2025 WENT OFF THE BOARD AT \$106.85, SETTLED AT \$107.20

AUGUST 2025 LEAN HOGS ON JULY 17, 2025 SETTLED AT \$105.82 AUGUST 2025 LEAN HOGS ON JULY 11, 2025 SETTLED AT \$104.67

FOR THE WEEK ENDING JULY 19, 2025 HOG SLAUGHTER WAS DOWN 11,000 HEAD COMPARED TO THE PREVIOUS WEEK. COMPARED TO THE SAME WEEK IN 2024 IT WAS DOWN 31,523 HEAD. YEAR TO DATE SLAUGHTER IS DOWN 1,520,701.

PORK PRICES HAVE MOVED HIGHER OVER THE WEEK. THE 5 DAY AVERAGE CARCASS PRICE AS OF FRIDAY MORNING GAINED \$2.46. MOST OF THE MOVE HIGHER WAS DUE TO BELLIES UP \$4.84 AND HAMS UP \$7.43. LOANS GAINED 49 CENTS. PICNICS WERE ALSO HIGHER WHILE RIBS AND BUTTS WERE LOWER.

THE HIGHER PORK PRICES CAME AT THE EXPENSE OF PACKERS DAILY REVISING SLAUGHTER DOWN. FOR THE WEEK SLAUGHTER WAS DOWN 31,523 HEAD.

PORK EXPORTS HAVE BEEN DISAPPOINTING. JANUARY THROUGH MAY EXPORTS WERE DOWN 6 PERCENT. SOUTH KOREA, JAPAN AND CANADA WERE STRONG BUYERS UP TO A YEAR AGO, BUT THE U.S. HAS LOST MARKET SHARE TO BRAZIL.

PORK PRODUCTION UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION FOR WEEK ENDING JULY 19, 2025

AS OF JULY 19, 2025 AVERAGE HOG WEIGHTS WERE DOWN 2 POUNDS FROM THE PREVIOUS WEEK AND UNCHANGED FOR THE SAME PERIOD IN 2024. DRESSED WEIGHTS WERE DOWN 2 POUND FROM THE PREVIOUS WEEK AND UNCHANGED FOR THE SAME PERIOD A YEAR AGO.

PORK PRODUCTION FOR THE WEEK WAS DOWN -4.5% AND UP 3.0% YEAR TO DATE

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PORK EXPORTS

FOR WEEK ENDING JULY 10, 2025 EXPORTS WERE 17,100 MT COMPARED TO THE PREVIOUS WEEK AT 24,300 MT, DOWN 30 PERCENT FROM PREVIOUS WEEK AND FROM THE 4 WEEK AVERAGE DOWN 48 PERCENT. MEXICO BOUGHT 7,700 MT COMPARED TO 7,300 MT THE PREVIOUS WEEK. MEXICO HAS BEEN A LIGHT BUYER. JAPAN TOOK 2,500 MT COMPARED TO LAST WEEEK AT 4,200 MT.

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%

LOADS PORK CUTS: 210.28

LOADS TRIM/PROCESS PORK: 24.00

2:00 PM 07/18/2025 CHANGE: FIVE DAY AVERAGE	LOADS 234.28	CARCASS 117.79 1.47 115.34	LOIN 101.53 0.48 100.38	BUTT 124.46 2.28 123.89	2.31	RIB 152.06 2.58 152.90	3.45	BELLY 189.54 1.17 184.02
2:00 PM 07/11/2025 CHANGE: FIVE DAY AVERAGE	LOADS 288.37	CARCASS 113.47 -0.68 113.04	LOIN 101.50 2.92 99.83	BUTT 135.31 9.04 129.26	PIC 91.32 -0.60 90.35	RIB 153.71 0.80 155.22	HAM 102.20 -0.54 99.27	BELLY 171.88 -12.56 179.65

HOG REPORT - PLANT DELIVERED PURCHASE JULY 18, 2025 - NATIONAL NEGOTIATED PRICE

HEAD COUNT 1,460 LOWEST PRICE: 98.00 HIGHEST PRICE 112.00 WEIGHTED AVERAGE 105.55

CHANGE FROM PREVIOUS DAY -5.15 LOWER

OTHER MARKET FORMULA (CARCASS)

HEAD COUNT: 19,997

LOWEST BASE PRICE 82.83 HIGHEST BASE PRICE 110.39

WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICE 100.02

SWINE/PORK MARKET FORMULA (CARCASS)

HEAD COUNT 133,907 LOWEST BASE PRICE: 96.08 HIGHEST BASE PRICE 116.45 WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICE 106.61

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OTHER PURCHASE ARRANGEMENT (CARCASS)

HEAD COUNT: 52,273

LOWEST BASE PRICE 80.07
HIGHEST BASE PRICE 114.98
WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICE 103.07

NATIONAL DAILY DIRECT HOG PRIOR DAY REPORT - SLAUGHTERED SWINE

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SLAUGHTER DATA – JULY 17, 2025

**PRODUCER SOLD:
HEAD COUNT 231,247
AVERAGE LIVE WEIGHT 281.51
AVERAGE CARCASS WEIGHT 211.66

PACKER SOLD: HEAD COUNT 32,744 AVERAGE LIVE 287.25

AVERAGE CARCASS WEIGHT 215.16

PACKER OWNED:
HEAD COUNT 179,786
AVERAGE LIVE 277.32
AVERAGE CARCASS 210.47

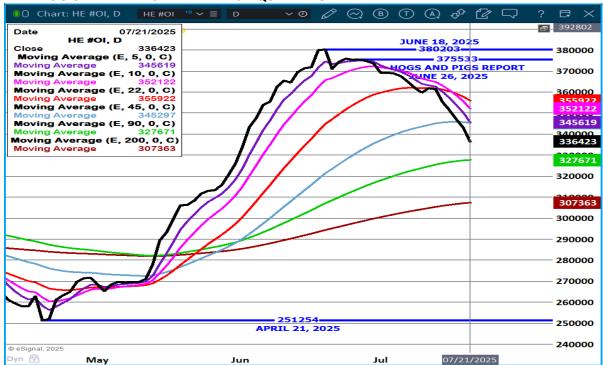
STERLING PORK PROFIT TRACKER WEEK ENDING - JULY 12, 2025

PACKER MARGINS (\$7.06) LAST WEEK (\$10.41) MONTH AGO \$77.92 YEAR AGO \$5.53

FARROW TO FINISH MARGIN \$90.67 LAST WEEK \$88.23 MONTH AGO \$69.40 YEAR AGO \$34.29

THE PRICES TO CALCULATE MARGINS ARE FROM HOGS SOLD ON NEGOTIATED PRICES AND HOGS AND PORK POSTED WITH USDA DATA PROVIDED

LEAN HOG OPEN INTEREST - TRADERS LIQUIDATING



AUGUST/OCTOBER LEAN HOG SPREAD. - LIKELY TO WIDEN INTO AUGUST



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AUGUST LEAN HOGS - RESISTASNCE AT 106.75 SUPPORT AT 103.60 TO 99.37



OCTOBER LEAN HOGS - RESISTANCE 91.50 SUPPORT AT 88.15 TO 84.50



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