



TUESDAY MORNING NOVEMBER 18, 2025 LIVESTOCK REPORT
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CATTLE

NOVEMBER 17, 2025 116,000 WEEK AGO 113,000 YEAR AGO 119,504

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CATTLE SLAUGHTER FOR WEEK ENDING NOVEMBER 15, 2025 WAS UP 16,000 HEAD COMPARED TO PREVIOUS WEEK, AND DOWN 32,810 HEAD FROM THE SAME PERIOD IN 2024

2:00 PM NOVEMBER 17, 2025

BOXED BEEF CHOICE SELECT CURRENT CUTOUT VALUES: 370.41 356.30 CHANGE FROM PRIOR DAY: (0.32) 2.06

CHOICE/SELECT SPREAD: 14.11
TOTAL LOAD COUNT (CUTS, TRIMMINGS, GRINDS: 75

5 DAY SIMPLE AVERAGE: 375.06 357.80

CME BOXED BEEF INDEX ON 11/14/2025 WAS 372.01 DOWN 1.11 FROM PREVIOUS DAY

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2:00 PM NOVEMBER 17, 2025		
PRIMAL RIB	633.57	575.53
PRIMAL CHUCK	294.62	296.65
PRIMAL ROUND	307.39	306.90
PRIMAL LOIN	477.48	439.28
PRIMAL BRISKET	326.27	313.90
PRIMAL SHORT PLATE	249.30	249.30
PRIMAL FLANK	194.72	189.79
2:00 PM NOVEMBER 14, 2025		
PRIMAL RIB	634.84	574.84
PRIMAL CHUCK	295.87	299.42
PRIMAL ROUND	306.17	305.08
PRIMAL LOIN	480.10	434.24
PRIMAL BRISKET	326.32	315.25
PRIMAL SHORT PLATE	247.93	247.93
PRIMAL FLANK	195.74	190.97

LOAD COUNT AND CUTOUT VALUE SUMMARY FOR PRIOR 5 DAYS

DATE	CHOICE	SELECT	TRIM	GRINDS	TOTAL	CHOICE	SELECT
11/14	98	11	5	15	128	370.73 FRIDAY	354.24 FRIDAY
11/13	89	20	9	12	131	373.57	355.03
11/12	141	24	9	10	183	374.45	359.94
11/11	85	18	6	13	123	379.22	360.08
11/10	49	14	0	15	79	377.32	359.70
11/07	101	14	6	17	137	376.40 FRIDAY	361.09 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.

NOVEMBER 17, 2025 (ONE LOAD EQUALS 40,000 POUNDS)

CHOICE CUTS	43.81 LOADS	1,752,273 POUNDS
SELECT CUTS	11.94 LOADS	477,537 POUNDS
TRIMMINGS	0.00 LOADS	0 POUNDS
GROUND BEEF	19.04 LOADS	761,638 POUNDS

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DAILY DIRECT CATTLE 5 DAY ACCUMULATED WEIGHTED AVERAGE STEER PRICE \$225.08

DECEMBER 2025 LIVE CATTLE PRICE AS OF NOV 17, 2025 AT \$221.27

DECEMBER LIVE CATTLE ON NOVEMBER 17, 2025 CLOSED 3.81 UNDER THE 5 DAY AVERAGE NEGOTI-ATED CASH STEER PRICE.

EXPECTED DATES FOR USDA LIVESTOCK REPORTS

CATTLE ON FEED REPORT - NOVEMBER 21, 2025 COLD STORAGE REPORT - NOVEMBER 25, 2025

MONDAY'S TRADING WAS A SLOW TRADE HIGHER. VOLUME WAS LIGHT WITH THE MAJORITY ON DECEMBER AND FEBRUARY. TRADING WENT ALONG WITH THE LIGHT LOAD MOVEMENT ON BOXED BEEF. LIVE CATTLE FUTURES HAVE BEEN THROUGH A LARGE LIQUIDATION AND DOWNTURN IN BEEF. MOVING INTO DECEMBER THERE IS AN EXPECTATION OF BEEF TURNING HIGHER. A LOT WILL DEPEND ON THE HAND TO MOUTH DEMAND FOR RIB PRIMALS FOR THE HOLIDAYS AND LONG TERM DEMAND WILL BE FOR LEAN BEEF. WITH THE GOVERNMENT SHUTDOWN OVER, THERE WILL BE A CATTLE ON FEED REPORT, EXPORTS AND IMPORT REPORTS. THE MARKET HAS BEEN ABSENT OF FUNDAMENTAL NEWS BUT UPCOMING REPORTS WILL HAVE AN EFFECT TO THE MARKET.

FOR THE WEEKENDING NOVEMBER 14TH CASH CATTLE PRICES WERE \$2.00 TO \$5.00 LOWER AND DRESSED CATTLE PRICES \$5.00 TO \$IN SOME INSTANCES \$10.00 LOWER. IN THE MIDWEST PACKERS ARE HEAVYLY DISCOUNTING YIELD GRADE 4 AND 5 AND LIGHT CATTLE.

LIVE CATTLE SPREADS MOVED DOWN TO THE 200 DAY MOVING AVERAGE AND FOUND SUPPORT. THEY HAVE MOVED FROM BULL SPREADS TO NEUTRAL. WATCH SPREADS GOING FORWARD.

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**NATIONAL DAILY DIRECT CATTLE 11/17/2025
5 DAY ACCUMULATED WEIGHTED AVG

WEIGHT PRICE HEAD

LIVE STEER: 1563 \$225.08 23,016

LIVE HEIFER: 1414 \$225.01 10,277

DRESSED STEER 1010 \$351.25 9,108

DRESSED HEIFER: 916 \$351.86 2,558

USDA POSTED SUMMARY CATTLE PRICES ON 11/17/2025 FOB STEER AND HEIFER COMBINED PRICES UNLESS NOTED

IA/MN – CASH FOB – NO REPORTABLE TRADE.

DRESSED DELIVERED - NO REPORTABLE TRADE.

LIVE DELIVERED NO REPORTABLE TRADE.

DRESSED FOB - NO REPORTABLE TRADE.

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 DRESSED DELIVERED NO REPORTABLE TRADE.

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 LIVE DELIVERED NO REPORTABLE TRADE

 DRESSED DELIVERED NO REPORTABLE TRADE.

TX/OK/NM - CASH FOB - NO REPORTABLE TRADE.

STERLING MARKETING BEEF MARGINS WEEK ENDING NOVEMBER 08, 2025
PACKER MARGIN (\$/HEAD (\$44.53) LAST WEEK (\$170.25) MONTH AGO (\$130.46) YEAR AGO (\$71.75)
FEEDLOT MARGINS \$413.29 LAST WEEK \$377.70 MONTH AGO \$490.04YEAR AGO \$95.22
STERLING MARKETING USES THE COMPREHENSIVE BEEF CUTOUT VALUE REPORTED BY USDA.

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LIVE CATTLE OPEN INTEREST -



FEBRUARY CATTLE/FEBRUARY HOG SPREAD -



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DECEMBER 2025 /APRIL 2026 LIVE CATTLE SPREAD -



DECEMBER LIVE CATTLE -



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FEBRUARY 2026 LIVE CATTLE -



FEEDER CATTLE

CME FEEDER INDEX ON 11/14/2025 WAS 341.89 UP 1.84 FROM PREVIOUS DAY

NOVEMBER 2025 FEEDER CATTLE SETTLE ON NOVEMBER 17, 2025 AT \$339.85

NATIONAL FEEDER & STOCKER CATTLE SUMMARY - WEEK ENDING 11/15/2025

RECEIPTS: AUCTIONS DIRECT VIDEO/INTERNET **TOTAL** 274,400 THIS WEEK:***233,700 17,200 23,500 LAST WEEK: 261,200 9,600 23,900 294,700 YEAR AGO: 235,700 20,200 5,000 260,900

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IN NEBRASKA THE FEEDER CATTLE MARKET WAS HIGHER AND SEVERAL OF THE SOUTHEASTERN AUCTION FOLLOWED THE SAME TREND. AS BUYERS JUST CLOSED THEIR EYES AND FILLED BUY ORDERS ESPECIALLY ON CATTLE THAT WILL HIT THE WINTER GRAZING OR SUMMER GRASS. THEN AUCTIONS IN WYOMING AND SOUTHERN PLAINS AND EASTERN CORN BELT WERE STEADY TO SHARPLY LOWER.

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LARGE SPECULATORS OVER THE PAST COUPLE OF YEARS WERE THE REASON OPEN INTEREST SKYROCK-ETED ON FEEDER CATTLE. BUT EVEN WITH THE SURGE ON OPEN INTEREST AND VOLUME, FEEDER CATTLE FUTURES WERE LOW, SO IT HAS BEEN EASY FOR TRADERS OF SIZE TO MOVE MARKETS ESPECIALLY WHEN THEY WERE MOSTLY USING ALGORITHMIC SPREADS. FOR SEVERAL YEARS FEWER AND FEWER HEDGERS ARE USING FEEDER CATTLE CONTRACTING AND LATELY WITH THE WIDE DAILY RANGES AND FLUCUATIONS FROM ONE DAY TO THE NEXT, AND OFTEN THE WIDE DIFFERENCES BETWEEN CASH AND FUTURES, FEWER HEDGERS WILL BE USING IT IN THE FUTURE. PRICES ARE USED AS A FACTOR IN THE CATTLE CRUSH, BUT AS A PRICE SOURCE AND NOT A TRADING TOOL.

FEEDER CATTLE OPEN INTEREST -



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JANUARY / MARCH FEEDER CATTLE -



JANUARY FEEDER CATTLE -



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HOGS

REVISION SATURDAY NOVEMBER 15, 2025 ** 271,000 ** PREVIOUS ESTIMATE 224,000

UPDATED SLAUGHTER NOVEMBER 15, 2025 **2,701,000 ** PREVIOUS 2,633,000

NOVEMBER 17, 2025 494,000 WEEK AGO 464,000 YEAR AGO 487,137

CME LEAN HOG INDEX ON 11/13/2025 WAS 87.94 DOWN 89 FROM PREVIOUS DAY

CME PORK CUTOUT INDEX 11/14/2025 AT 97.35 DOWN .32 FROM PREVIOUS DAY

THE CME LEAN HOG INDEX IS MINUS \$9.41 OF THE CME PORK INDEX 11/17/2025.

DECEMBER 2025 LEAN HOGS SETTLED ON NOVEMBER 17, 2025 \$78.57

DECEMBER 2025 LEAN HOGS ARE \$9.37 UNDER THE CME LEAN HOG INDEX

AFTER THE BIG MOVE HIGHER ON PORK PRICES FRIDAY, ON MONDAY THERE WAS NO FOLLOW THROUGH. ON MORNING SALES TRADING ON TRIMMINGS WAS ACTIVE BUT LOINS AND HAMS REMAIN BELOW \$90.00

NEXT WEEK EXPORTS SHOULD BE RELEASED AS THE SHUTDOWN IS OVER. EXPORT DATA IS GOOD INDICATOR FOR MARKET STRENGTH.

IT IS EASY TO SEE WHY LEAN HOG FUTURES ARE COMING DOWN. BOTH CASH HOGS AND CASH PORK PRICES HAVE BEEN SLOWLY AND STEADILY DROPPING.

THERE IS ABOUT A MONTH BEFORE DECEMBER EXPIRES. CASH PRICES HAVE BEEN DROPPING BUT NOT AS FAST AS DECEMBER LEAN HOGS.

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MEXICO SHOULD HAVE BEEN BUYING FOR THE HOLIDAYS ALONG WITH OTHER CENTRAL AND SOUTH AMERICAN COUNTRIES. TRADERS WILL BE WAITING TO SEE THURSDAY'S EXPORT REPORTS

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: 244.06

LOADS TRIM/PROCESS PORK: 48.07

2:00 PM	LOADS	CARCASS	LOIN	BUTT	PIC	RIB	HAM	BELLY	
11/17/2025	292.13	97.01	85.90	108.84	84.01	152.32	86.97	141.37	
CHANGE:		-0.21	-1.71	-2.80	2.32	2.68	1.01	-0.62	
FIVE DAY AVERAGE		96.60	86.14	107.76	82.91	150.97	86.55	140.52	
11:00 AM	LOADS	CARCASS	LOIN	BUTT	PIC	RIB	HAM	BELLY	
11/17/2025	194.63	97.00	85.91	109.00	82.12	152.26	87.72	141.39	
CHANGE:		-0.22	-1.70	-2.64	0.43	2.62	1.76	-0.60	
FIVE DAY AVERAGE		96.60	86.14	107.80	82.53	150.96	86.70	140.52	
2:00 PM	LOADS	CARCASS	LOIN	BUTT	PIC	RIB	HAM	BELLY	
11/14/2025	406.73	97.22	87.61	111.64	81.69	149.64	85.96	141.99	
CHANGE:		1.96	3.94	7.17	-0.15	0.75	-0.43	2.08	
FIVE DAY AVERAGE		97.24	87.26	108.51	83.41	150.99	86.86	141.40	

HOG REPORT - PLANT DELIVERED PURCHASE NOVEMBER 17, 2025 - NATIONAL NEGOTIATED PRICE

HEAD COUNT 3,700 LOWEST BASE PRICE 68.00 HIGHEST PRICE 78.00 WEIGHTED AVERAGE 76.14 CHANGE FROM PREVIOUS DAY 0.30

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OTHER MARKET FORMULA (CARCASS)

HEAD COUNT: 36,608
LOWEST BASE PRICE *
HIGHEST BASE PRICE *
WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICE *

SWINE/PORK MARKET FORMULA (CARCASS)

HEAD COUNT 251,560 LOWEST BASE PRICE: 75.01 HIGHEST BASE PRICE 91.48 WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICE 85.47

OTHER PURCHASE ARRANGEMENT (CARCASS)

HEAD COUNT: 196,079 LOWEST BASE PRICE 70.02 HIGHEST BASE PRICE 102.93 WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICE 83.09

NATIONAL DAILY DIRECT HOG PRIOR DAY REPORT - SLAUGHTERED SWINE

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SLAUGHTER DATA — FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 14, 2025 AND SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 15, 2025

PRODUCER SOLD:
HEAD COUNT 387,562
AVERAGE LIVE WEIGHT 294.51
AVERAGE CARCASS WEIGHT 220.52

PACKER SOLD:
HEAD COUNT 53,515
AVERAGE LIVE 296.24
AVERAGE CARCASS WEIGHT 222.87

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PACKER OWNED: HEAD COUNT 268,979 AVERAGE 291.68 AVERAGE CARCASS 219.23

LEAN HOG OPEN INTEREST –



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FEBRUARY/APRIL LEAN HOG SPREAD -



FEBRUARY LEAN HOGS -



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