

Daily Futures Market Commentary Livestock Outlook

WEDNESDAY MORNING MAY 12, 2021 LIVESTOCK REPORT

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USDA FEDERAL CATTLE SLAUGHTER	R
MAY 11, 2021	118,000
WEEK AGO	121,000
YEAR AGO	94,000
WEEK TO DATE (EST)	230,000
SAME PERIOD LAST WEEK (EST)	235,000
SAME PERIOD LAST YEAR (ACT)	183,000

Revised Monday Cattle Slaughter..112,000PREVIOUS ESTIMATE 119,000

	CHOICE	SELECT
BOXED BEEF FINAL	312.37	296.34
CHANGE FROM PRIOR DAY:	3.26	2.58
CHOICE/SELECT SPREAD:	16	5.03
TOTAL LOAD COUNT (CUTS, TRIMMINGS, GRINDS): 1	.06
5 DAY SIMPLE AVERAGE:	305.47	288.70
FINAL MAY 11, 2021		
PRIMAL RIB	524.32	454.55
PRIMAL CHUCK	228.93	223.48
PRIMAL ROUND	220.59	221.47
PRIMAL LOIN	474.44	442.14
PRIMAL BRISKET	292.97	296.99
PRIMAL SHORT PLATE	211.05	211.05
PRIMAL FLANK	155.31	155.43

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FINAL MAY 10, 2021		
PRIMAL RIB	522.63	447.02
PRIMAL CHUCK	228.07	221.46
PRIMAL ROUND	215.36	220.80
PRIMAL LOIN	467.39	437.89
PRIMAL BRISKET	292.05	297.09
PRIMAL SHORT PLATE	209.89	209.89
PRIMAL FLANK	154.68	155.84

CME BOXED BEEF INDEX FOR 05/10/2021 WAS AT 302.30 UP 2.64 FROM PREVIOUS DAY

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LOAD COUNT AND CUTOUT VALUE SUMMARY

						CHOICE	SELECT
Date	Choice	Select	Trim	Grinds	Total	600-900	600-900
05/10	35	14	13	9	71	309.11	293.76
05/07	36	10	9	9	64	305.88	290.27
05/06	65	17	4	14	100	306.37	289.36
05/05	73	21	8	19	121	304.78	286.18
05/04	67	27	13	22	130	301.22	283.91

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. CURRENT VOLUME - (one load equals 40,000 pounds)

Choice Cuts	73.46 loads	2,938,373 pounds				
Select Cuts	11.40 loads	455,939 pounds				
Trimmings	7.46 loads	298,557 pounds				
Ground Beef	13.21 loads	528,379 pounds				

MAY 2021 LIVESTOCK REPORTS

CATTLE ON FEED REPORT - FRIDAY MAY 21, 2021 2:00PM CENTRAL TIME COLD STORAGE REPORT - MONDAY MAY 24,2021 2:00PM CENTRAL TIME

Beef continues to move higher. Spread between Choice and Select is widening. Daily beef movement is light showing packers are filling contracts first and sell beef on daily market at their price. Beef is a seller's market. Cattle are current. Spring and summer, especially this year, are when grilling out increases. Compared to world prices, US cattle are cheap.

There are a couple Midwest packers needing part of their kill to be heavier and grading high choice to prime. Groups of cattle are being sold bigger on purpose. Cattle are being priced with a buyer's premium attached to the price.

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GROUND BEEF DEMAND REMAINS STRONG

https://www.extension.iastate.edu/agdm/articles/schulz/SchMar21.html

<u>As of APRIL 27, 2021</u> dressed steer and heifer weights were 869.1 compared to previous week at 866.1, up 3 pounds for the week . Grading percent was 83.1 down .2% compared to previous week at 83.3%.

USDA POSTED NEGOTIATED CATTLE PRICES ON 05/11/2021

IA/MN – CASH – 120.00 DRESSED 190.00 - 192.00

NE – CASH 120.00 DRESSED - 191.00 - 192.50

KS – CASH No Reportable Trade. DRESSED 16 HEAD AT 190.00

TX/OK/NM – 292 HEIFERS AT 119.50 DRESSED NO SALES

CO – No Reportable Trade

***National Daily Direct Cattle 05/11/2021 5 day accumulated weighted avg)

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	Weight Price	Head				
Live Steer:	1453 \$118.66	25,933				
Live Heifer:	1309 \$118.38	11,081				
Dressed Steer:	928 \$188.51	15,724				
Dressed Heifer:	834 \$188.52	4,319				

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AUGUST LIVE CATTLE/AUGUST LEAN HOGS – SPREAD STILL HAS A WAY TO GO TO CORRECT. BUY THE SPREAD IF PULL BACK TO AUGUST 13.00 OVER HOGS RISKING A CLOSE UNDER



AUGUST/OCTOBER 2021 LIVE CATTLE SPREAD - REMAINS WIDE. LOOK FOR AUGUST TO MOVE \$3.00 UNDER OCTOBER, BUT ALSO COULD SEE AUGUST EVENTUALLY MOVING OVER OCTOBER AS TRADERS BULL SPREAD



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JUNE 2021 CATTLE – Strong close over all moving averages. Support at 117.35 to 116.67 Resistance at 120.92

AUGUST LIVE CATTLE – Resistance at 122.40 to contract high at 124.12 Support at 119.17 RSI at 62 is friendly to upside



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DECEMBER 2021 LIVE CATTLE – New contract high close. RSI at 65 is friendly. Support at 127.20 to 127.00 Resistance at 131.47



Feeder Cattle

THE CME FEEDER INDEX ON 05/10/2021 WAS 130.45 UP 30 FROM PREVIOUS DAY -

MAY 2021 FEEDER CATTLE FUTURES SETTLED ON MAY 11, 2021 AT 135.32

NATIONAL FEEDER & STOCKER CATTLE SUMMARY – WEEK ENDING 05/08/2021

RECEIPTS:	AUCTIONS	DIRECT	VIDEO/INTERNET	TOTAL
THIS WEEK:	144,700	58,200	50,600	253 <i>,</i> 500
LAST WEEK:	152,900	28,900	1,100	181,900
YEAR AGO:	182,100	83,700	29,300	295,100

COMPARED TO LAST WEEK, STEERS AND HEIFERS SOLD 1.00 TO 4.00 LOWER, WITH THE EXCEPTION OF STEERS IN THE NORTH CENTRAL REGION SUITABLE FOR GRASS BEING 1.00 TO 3.00 HIGHER. DEMAND WAS GOOD FOR GRASS CATTLE, MODERATE TO INSTANCES GOOD FOR FEEDLOT PLACEMENTS. AGAIN THIS WEEK, THE RISE IN FEEDSTUFF PRICES IS ON THE MIND OF EVERY RANCHER FROM THE SOUTHERN PLAINS TO HIGH PLAINS TO THE SOUTHEAST. THE CURRENT DROUGHT MAP LOOKS MUCH DIFFERENT THAN THAT OF A YEAR AGO. LAST YEAR, THE MAP SHOWED NO AREA IN THE COUNTRY BEING IN THE EXCEPTIONAL DROUGHT DESIGNATION(D4); WHEREAS THIS YEAR, 9.4 PERCENT OF THE COUNTRY IS IN THAT CATEGORY. THE EXTREME DROUGHT (D3) CATEGORY CURRENTLY IS AT 22.6 PERCENT

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WHILE LAST YEAR WAS LESS THAN 1 PERCENT. THE LARGE GRAIN PRODUCING STATE OF IOWA IS CURRENTLY SHOWING OVER 78 PERCENT IN SOME TYPE OF DROUGHT DESIGNATION. WITH THE RUNUP IN GRAIN PRICES DUE TO CONCERNS OVER GRAIN ENDING STOCK, SUBSTANTIAL RAINFALLHAS BEEN SPOTTY THIS SPRING AND THE CALENDAR HASN'T TURNED TO SUMMER YET.

CONTRACT FEEDLOTS AND PACKER FEEDLOTS NEED FEEDERS TO SUPPLY CONTRACTS FOR BEEF. THERE WILL BE FEWER FEEDERS MOVING INTO SUMMER, FALL AND WINTER.

MAY 2021 FEEDER CATTLE - MOVING HIGHER TRYING TO FOLLOW CATTLE UP, BUT GRAIN PRICES PRESSURING RESITANCE AT 136.85 SUPPORT AT 134.25



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AUGUST 2021 FEEDER CATTLE - 50 day stopped upside on Tuesday Next resistance at 151.35 Contract and packer owned lots need feeders. Support at 147.37



LEAN HOGS

USDA ESTIMATED FEDERAL HOG SLAUGHTER

MAY 11, 2021	485,000
WEEK AGO	487,000
YEAR AGO	371,000
WEEK TO DATE (EST)	968,000
SAME PERIOD LAST WEEK (EST)	965,000
SAME PERIOD LAST YEAR (ACT)	736,000
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CME CASH LEAN HOG INDEX 05/7/2020 AT 110.10 UP .88 FROM PREVIOUS DAY

CME CASH PORK CUTOUT INDEX 05/10/2021 AT 112.64 UP 27 FROM PREVIOUS DAY

CME CASH FRESH BACON INDEX ON 5/07/2021 WAS 205.09 COMPARED TO 4/30/2021 WAS 216.16

CME PORK INDEX TO CME LEAN HOG INDEX 2.54

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Hog slaughter has been dropping as pork and hog prices are moving higher. Tuesday, hog prices on negotiated sales averaged \$117.40. June hogs settled at \$111.17. The contract high on June hogs was \$115.00 on May 6th. The high price paid for cash hogs Tuesday was \$125.00. Tuesday, June hogs dropped into gap from 110.87 to 109.72 They didn't fill the gap and closed above the high side.

Pork keeps creeping higher and loins are finally a part of it. With loins moving higher it is a positive indicator. Spreaders are a big reason hogs have fallen of their highs, but July 2021 hogs through the end of 2021 remain bull spread.

The US Dollar is weak, and the Peso, Australian Dollar, Canadian Dollar and Yen should keep exports strong.

Carcasses at \$113.00 aren't high especially with current price of loins and hams

USDA MARKET NEWS

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

NATIONAL DAILY PORK REPORT FOB PLANT - NEGOTIATED SALES MAY 11, 2021 LOADS OF PORK CUTS: 291.75 LOADS TRIM/PROCESSED PORK: 19.09

FINAL Date 05/10/2021 Change Five Day Average	Loads 310.83	Carcass 113.20 0.04 113.18	Loin 106.66 1.61 104.45	Butt 127.77 1.30 124.35	Pic 75.31 0.46 73.50	Rib 259.16 0.72 255.18	Ham 87.71 -0.80 91.64	Belly 161.65 -2.36 164.37
NOON Date 05/11/2021 Change Five Day Average	Loads 199.65 2	Carcass 113.71 0.55 113.29	Loin 106.34 1.29 104.38	Butt 125.95 -0.52 123.98	Pic 74.78 -0.07 73.39	Rib 258.40 -0.04 255.03	Ham 91.01 2.50 92.30	Belly 162.01 -2.00 164.45
FINAL Date	Loads	Carcass	Loin	Butt	Pic	Rib	Ham	Belly

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05/10/2021	259.95	113.16	105.05	126.47	74.85	258.44	88.51	164.01
Change		-0.63	-0.59	-0.65	1.58	2.59	-2.80	-1.21
Five Day Average	9	112.78	103.18	121.69	73.98	252.68	92.78	163.91

NATIONAL DAILY DIRECT HOG PRIOR DAY REPORT - SLAUGHTERED SWINE

Slaughter Data for May 11, 2021

Average live weight 283.22

Average carcass - 212.66

A User's Guide to USDA's LMR Hog Price Reports https://www.ams.usda.gov/sites/default/files/media/LMRSwineReportingHandout.pdf DAILY DIRECT AFTERNOON HOG REPORT FRIDAY MAY 11, 2021 National Negotiated Carcass Price Lowest price: 105.76 Highest price: 125.00 Weighted Average Price: 117.40 Head Count: 13,223 On a National basis, compared to the previous day's weighted average 5.18 higher

Other Market Formula (Carcass) Lowest base price: 66.67 Highest base price: 117.10 Weighted Average Price: 102.48 Head Count: 29,191

Swine/Pork Market Formula (Carcass) Lowest base price: 81.81 Highest Base Price: 126.46 Weighted Average Price: 108.54 Head Count: 150,593

Other Purchase Arrangement (Carcass) Lowest base price: 69.35 Highest base price: 121.01 Weighted Average Price: 105.81 Head Count: 62,608

https://www.ams.usda.gov/mnreports/ams 2511.pdf

Past Highs on Lean Hogs

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Contract Month & Year	Contract High	Date
April 2014	\$128.77	April 2, 2014
June 2014	\$133.42	March 18, 2014
July 2014	\$133.90	July 15, 2014
August 2014	\$133.37	July 1, 2014
October 2014	\$118.35	July 7, 2014
December 2014	\$105.50	July 9, 2014
February 2015	\$100.00	June 22, 2014

JULY/AUGUST LEAN HOG SPREAD – SPREAD IS WIDE AND SHOULD REMAIN WIDE.

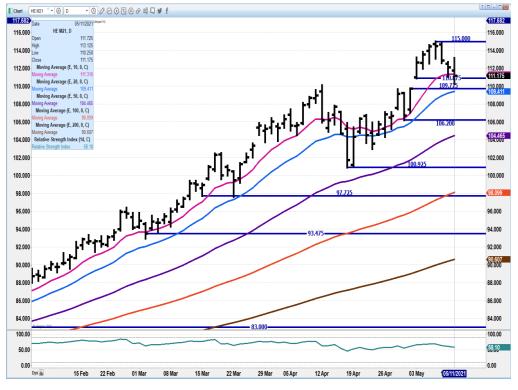


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AUGUST/DECEMBER 2021 LEAN HOG SPREAD – CORRECTING BUT STILL WIDE. MARKET MOVING DOWN TO \$16 EASILY COULD HAPPEN



JUNE 2021 LEAN HOGS - FELL INTO GAP BUT DIDN'T FILL AND CLOSED ABOVE GAP. SUPPORT AT 109.37 RESISTANCE AT 115.00

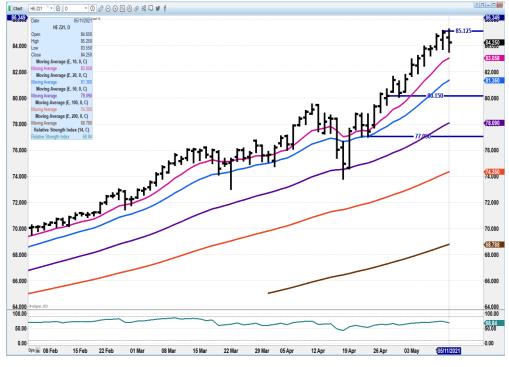


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AUGUST 2021 LEAN HOGS – SUPPORT AT 104.92 RESISTANCE AT 110.25

DECEMBER 2021 LEAN HOGS - RESISTANCE AT 85.37 SUPPORT AT 83.05



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