

Market Commentary Livestock Outlook

MONDAY MORNING FEBRUARY 10, 2025 LIVESTOCK REPORT CHRIS LEHNER, SENIOR LIVESTOCK ANALYST | 312.242.7942 | 913.787.6804 | CHRIS.LEHNER@ADMIS.COM

CATTLE

| FEBRUARY 7, 2025 | 100,000 |
|-----------------------------|---------------------------|
| WEEK AGO | 114,000 |
| YEAR AGO | 116,407 |
| SATURDAY 02/08/2025 | 8,000 |
| WEEK AGO | 2,000 |
| YEAR AGO | 3,967 |
| WEEK TO DATE (EST) | 584,000 |
| SAME PERIOD LAST WEEK (EST) | 600,000 |
| SAME PERIOD LAST YEAR (ACT) | 617,013 |
| 2025 YEAR TO DATE | 3,252,560 |
| 2024 YEAR TO DATE | 3,556,748 |
| PERCENT CHANGE YEAR TO DATE | -8.6% PREVIOUS WEEK -9.1% |

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| 2:00 PM FEBRUARY 7, 2025 | | |
|--|--------|--------|
| BOXED BEEF | CHOICE | SELECT |
| CURRENT CUTOUT VALUES: | 321.87 | 312.90 |
| PREVIOUS WEEK JANUARY 31, 2025 | 327.68 | 317.07 |
| CHANGE FROM PRIOR DAY: | (2.11) | (1.87) |
| CHOICE/SELECT SPREAD: | 8.97 | , |
| TOTAL LOAD COUNT (CUTS, TRIMMINGS, GRINDS: | 155 | |
| 5 DAY SIMPLE AVERAGE: | 327.95 | 316.68 |
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CME BOXED BEEF INDEX ON 02/06/2025 WAS 324.87 DOWN 2.16 FROM PREVIOUS DAY CME BOXED BEEF INDEX ON 01/30/2025 WAS 327.72

| 2:00 PM FEBRUARY 7, 2025 | | |
|--------------------------|--------|--------|
| PRIMAL RIB | 483.46 | 443.40 |
| PRIMAL CHUCK | 285.93 | 282.81 |
| PRIMAL ROUND | 293.69 | 294.16 |
| PRIMAL LOIN | 396.24 | 379.32 |
| PRIMAL BRISKET | 247.08 | 248.39 |
| PRIMAL SHORT PLATE | 212.74 | 212.74 |
| PRIMAL FLANK | 147.23 | 145.84 |
| | | |
| 2:00 PM JANUARY 31, 2025 | | |
| PRIMAL RIB | 489.46 | 439.91 |
| PRIMAL CHUCK | 297.25 | 295.39 |
| PRIMAL ROUND | 298.32 | 299.28 |
| PRIMAL LOIN | 397.26 | 376.04 |
| PRIMAL BRISKET | 248.47 | 245.64 |
| PRIMAL SHORT PLATE | 218.23 | 218.23 |
| PRIMAL FLANK | 149.17 | 149.95 |

LOAD COUNT AND CUTOUT VALUE SUMMARY FOR PRIOR 5 DAYS

| DATE | CHOICE | SELECT | TRIM | GRINDS | TOTAL | 600-900 | 600-900 |
|-------|--------|--------|------|--------|-------|---------------|---------------|
| 02/06 | 69 | 23 | 9 | 12 | 114 | 323.98 | 314.77 |
| 02/05 | 86 | 41 | 23 | 11 | 161 | 325.34 | 314.33 |
| 02/04 | 57 | 29 | 7 | 12 | 106 | 330.73 | 317.41 |
| 02/03 | 49 | 19 | 7 | 14 | 89 | 331.99 | 319.84 |
| 01/31 | 53 | 17 | 5 | 15 | 90 | 327.68 FRIDAY | 317.07 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. FEBRUARY 07, 2025 AFTERNOON

| CHOICE CUTS | 84.62 LOADS | 3,384,649 POUNDS | | | |
|---------------------------------|-------------|------------------|--|--|--|
| SELECT CUTS | 12.87 LOADS | 514,722 POUNDS | | | |
| TRIMMINGS | 36.79 LOADS | 1,471,588 POUNDS | | | |
| GROUND BEEF | 20.74 LOADS | 829,695 POUNDS | | | |
| (ONE LOAD EQUALS 40,000 POUNDS) | | | | | |

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FEBRUARY 2025 LIVE CATTLE SETTLED ON FEBRUARY 7, 2025 AT \$200.77 5 DAY ACCUMULATED WEIGHTED AVG STEER PRICE ON FEBRUARY 07, 2025 WAS \$207.96

MONDAY FEBRUARY 10, 2025 IS FIRST NOTICE DAY

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CASH CATTLE PRICES WERE DOWN \$2.00 BY THURSDAY AND FRIDAY PACKERS WERE CLEANING UP AND BUYING A FEW \$3.00 LOWER.

FOR WEEK ENDING FEBRUARY 8, 2025 CATTLE SLAUGHTER WAS DOWN 16,000 HEAD AT 584,000. COMPARED TO THE SAME PERIOD A YEAR AGO, THE WEEKLY SLAUGHTER WAS OFF 33,013 HEAD. YEAR TO DATE SLAUGHTER IS DOWN 304,188.

PACKERS DROPPING SLAUGHTER ISN'T HELP BEEFING PRICES AT ALL. FRIDAY BOXED BEEF PRICES COMPARED TO A WEEK AGO HAD CHOICE BEEF WAS DOWN \$5.81 AND SELECT DOWN \$4.17. THE PAST WEEK MIDWEST CATTLE SOLD AT \$207.00 TO \$208.00 AND DRESSED MOSTLY 328.00. IN KANSAS PRICES WERE 205.00-207.00. TEXAS CATTLE WERE 204.00-206.00

WITH LIVE CATTLE FUTURES OPEN INTEREST PULLING OFF THE HIGHS BEFORE FIRST NOTICE DAY.

LIVE CATTLE ARE BULL SPREAD. THE JANUARY COF REPORT DID SHOW PLACEMENTS WERE DOWN 2%.

BEEF EXPORTS FOR 2024 COMPARED TO 2023 U.S. BEEF AND BEEF VARIETY BEEF EXPORTS FOR 2024 WERE DOWN 1% U.S. BEEF EXPORTS (MUSCLE CUTS) WERE DOWN 1% U.S. BEEF VARIETY MEAT EXPORTS WERE UP1%

U.S. BEEF AND VEAL IMPORTS FOR 2024 WERE UP 24.4%

SINCE THE START OF THE YEAR CONSUMERS HAVE BEEN BUYING AND WANTING CHEAPER BEEF. THE NARROWING OF THE CHOICE AND SELECT BEEF PRICES SINCE THE NEW YEAR SHOWS WHAT BUYERS WANT.

DAIRY COWS SEEM TO BE GETTING HIT WITH AVIAN FLU AGAIN. WHEN THEY GET IT, REPORTERS CON-TINUE TO WRITE ABOUT BEEF. BECAUSE OF THE COVID PANDEMIC PEOPLE ARE WARY ESPECIALLY WHEN REPORTS TALK ABOUT THOUSANDS OF BIRDS AND HUNDREDS OF COWS GET THE FLU AND NOW HOW AVIAN FLU IS MUTATING. OVER THE NEXT FEW MONTHS EXPECT MORE REPORTS ABOUT IT THAT WILL BE NEGATIVE FOR CATTLE PRICES.

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FOR WEEK ENDING FEBRUARY 1, 2025 LIVE CATTLE WEIGHTS WERE UP 1 POUND OVER THE PREVIOUS WEEK AND UP 61 POUNDS COMPARED TO A YEAR AGO. DRESSED WEIGHTS WERE UNCHANGED FOR THE WEEK AND 48 POUNDS UP FROM A YEAR AGO.

EXPORTS

BEEF EXPORTS FOR WEEK ENDING JANUARY 30, 2025 WERE 24900MT COMPARED TO 20,200 MT A WEEK AGO . SOUTH KOREA BOUGHT 3,900 MT COMPARED TO 11,300 MT LAST WEEK. JAPAN TOOK 3,300 MT COMPARED TO 3800 MT A WEEK AGO AND CHINA TOOOK 2500 MT.

***NATIONAL DAILY DIRECT CATTLE 02/7/2025 5 DAY ACCUMULATED WEIGHTED AVG WEIGHT PRICE HEAD LIVE STEER: 1534 \$207.96 40,284 LIVE HEIFER: 1351 \$207.95 16,815 DRESSED STEER 986 \$327.47 16,154 DRESSED HEIFER: 859 \$328.03 3,927

USDA POSTED SUMMARY CATTLE PRICES ON 02/7/2025 FOB STEER AND HEIFER COMBINED PRICES UNLESS NOTED

- IA/MN CASH FOB 203.00-204.00 AVE PRICE 203.06 DRESSED DELIVERED 320.00-325.00 AVE PRICE 323.68 LIVE DELIVERED -
- NE CASH FOB NO REPORTABLE TRADE. DRESSED 325.00 ON 208 HEAD DRESSED FOB -
- KS CASH NO REPORTABLE TRADE ON FRIDAY LIVE DELIVERED - NO REPORTABLE TRADE DRESSED DELIVERED NO REPORTABLE TRADE.

TX/OK/NM - NO REPORTABLE TRADE ON FRIDAY

WEEKLY BEEF PRODUCTION (MILLIONS OF POUNDS) – JANUARY 18, 2025 WEEK ENDING: BEEF 01-FEB-25 526.4 25 JAN-25 525.3 CHANGE: 0.2%

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| 03 FEB-24 | 524.6 | |
|-----------|-------------|----------|
| CHANGE: | 0.3% | |
| 2025 YTD | 2345.5 | |
| 2024 YTD | 2461.9 | |
| CHANGE: | -4.7% | |
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| AVERAGE V | VEIGHTS (PC | OUNDS) C |
| WEEK ENI | DING LIVE: | |
| 01-FEB-25 | ESTIMATE | 1447 |
| 25-JAN-25 | ESTIMATE | 1446 |
| 03 FEB-24 | ACTUAL | 1386 |
| DRESSED: | | |
| 01-FEB-25 | ESTIMATE | 879 |
| 25-JAN-25 | ESTIMATE | 879 |
| 03 FEB-24 | ACTUAL | 831 |

STERLING MARKETING BEEF MARGINS WEEK ENDING FEBRUARY 1, 2025

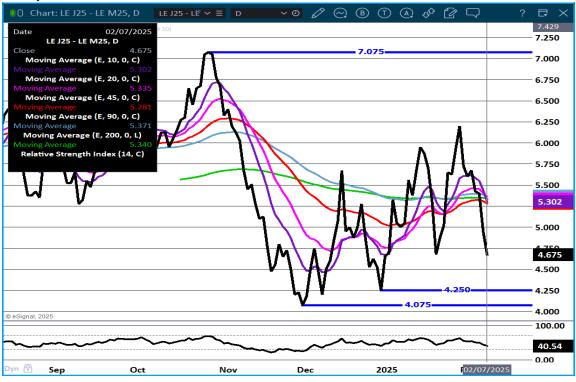
CATTLE

PACKER MARGIN (\$ /HEAD (\$174.06) LAST WEEK (\$73.59) MONTH AGO (\$129.96)YEAR AGO (\$5.75) FEEDLOT MARGINS \$286.48 LAST WEEK \$325.69 MONTH AGO \$220.46 YEAR AGO (\$191.29) STERLING MARKETING USES THE COMPREHENSIVE BEEF CUTOUT VALUE REPORTED BY USDA.

LIVE CATTLE OPEN INTEREST - LONGS GETTING OUT



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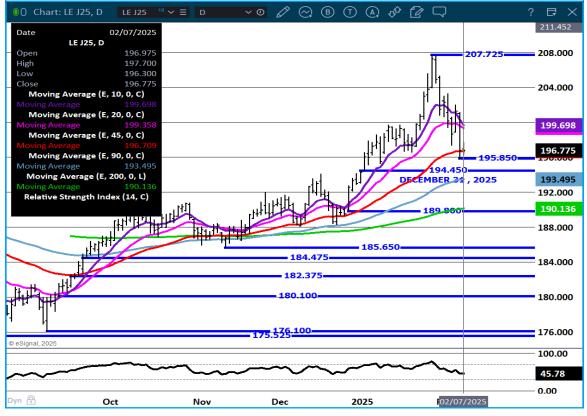
APRIL/JUNE LIVE CATTLE SPREAD - BULL SPREAD IS NARROWING

FEBRUARY LIVE CATTLE – VOLUME 24,691 SUPPORT 200.87 TO 196.90 RESISTANCE AT 202.35 FOR THE WEEK DOWN \$3.82



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APRIL LIVE CATTLE- VOLUME 24,691 REISTANCE AT 199.70 SUPPORT AT 195.85 TO 194.45. FOR THE WEEK DOWN \$2.52



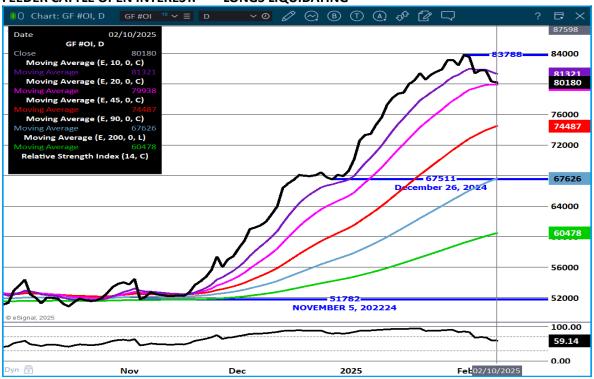
FEEDER CATTLE

CME FEEDER INDEX ON 02/6/2024 WAS 275.59 DOWN 2.05 FROM PREVIOUS DAY CME FEEDER INDEX ON 01/30/2024 WAS 281.68

MARCH 2025 FEEDER CATTLE SETTLED ON 02/07/2025 AT \$264.90 MARCH 2025 FEEDER CATTLE SETTLED ON 01/31/2025 AT \$275.72

THE CASH AND FUTURES SPREAD IS WIDE. THERE IS STILL A WHILE BEFORE PRICES NEED TO CON-VERGE. ARE LOWER FUTURES GOING TO SPOOK PRODUCERS TO SELL?

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FEEDER CATTLE OPEN INTEREST. - LONGS LIQUIDATING

MARCH FEEDER CATTLE - REISTANCE AT 264.75 RESISTANCE AT 269.70



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HOGS

| FEBRUARY 7, 2025, | 489,000 |
|------------------------------|---------------------------|
| WEEK AGO | 480,000 |
| YEAR AGO | 481,690 |
| SATURDAY 02/08/2025 | 102,000 |
| WEEK AGO | 156,000 |
| YEAR AGO | 182,965 |
| WEEK TO DATE (EST) | 2,536,000 |
| SAME PERIOD LAST WEEK (EST) | 2,569,000 |
| SAME PERIOD LAST YEAR (ACT) | 2,623,899 |
| 2025 YEAR TO DATE | 14,114,716 |
| 2024 YEAR TO DATE | 15,171,422 |
| PERCENT CHANGE YEAR TO DATE | -7.0% PREVIOUS WEEK -7.7% |
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CME LEAN HOG INDEX ON 02/5/2025 WAS 85.05 UP .45 FROM PREVIOUS DAY CME LEAN HOG INDEX ON 01/29/2025 WAS 83.06

CME PORK CUTOUT INDEX 02/6/2025 AT 94.47 UP .40 FROM PREVIOUS DAY CME PORK CUTOUT INDEX 01/30/2025 AT 92.77

THE CME LEAN HOG INDEX IS MINUS \$9.42 TO THE CME PORK INDEX 02/7/2025 THE CME LEAN HOG INDEX IS MINUS \$9.71

CME LEAN HOG INDEX ON 02/05/52025 WAS \$85.05 FEBRUARY 2025 LEAN HOGS CLOSED FEBRUARY 07, 2025 \$87.05

LEAN HOG TRADE VOLUME WAS LIGHT FOR THE WEEK. HOG FUTURES HAVE BEEN STEADILY MOVING UP FOLLOWING THE CASH HOG AND PORK MARKET.

SLAUGHTER WAS DOWN FOR THE WEEK AND WEIGHTS SHOW HOGS ARE CURRENT. EXPORTS ARE GOOD.

FOR THE WEEK HOG SLAUGHTER COMPARED TO LAST WEEK WAS DOWN 33,000 HEAD. COMPARED TO A YEAR AGO FOR THE SAME PERIOD SLAUGHTER WAS OFF 87,899 HEAD. YEAR TO DATE SLAUGHTER IS OFF 1,056,706

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2024 PORK EXPORTS COMPARED TO 2023 U.S. PORK PLUS PORK AND VARIETY PORK EXPORTS WERE UP 4%

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U.S. PORK (MUSCLE CUTS) EXPORTS WERE UP 5% U.S. PORK VARIETY PORK EXPORTS WERE UP 1%

EXPORTS

NET EXPORTS FOR WEEK ENDING JANUARY 30, 2025 AT 50,700 COMPARED TO A WEEK AGO AT 33,600 MT. MEXICO TOOK 21,000 MT COMPARED TO 11,000 MT A WEEK AGO SOUTH KOREA 7200 MT AND JAPAN 6500 MT.

WEEKLY PORK PRODUCTION (MILLION POUNDS) SATURDAY, JANUARY 18, 2025 WEEK ENDING PORK

01-FEB-25 562.9 25 JAN-25 540.8 CHANGE: 4.1% 524.6 03 FEB-24 CHANGE: -3.9% 2025 YTD 2533.5 2024 YTD 2730.0 CHANGE: -7.2%

WEEKENDING SATURDAY, JANUARY 18, 2025 AVERAGE WEIGHTS (LBS) HOGS WEEK ENDING LIVE: 01-FEB-25 ESTIMATE 293 25-JAN-25 ESTIMATE 293

03 FEB-24 ACTUAL 292 DRESSED: 01-FEB-25 ESTIMATE 219 25-JAN-25 ESTIMATE 218 03 FEB-24 ACTUAL 217

STERLING PORK PROFIT TRACKER WEEK ENDING - FEBRUARY 1, 2025

PACKER MARGINS \$5.16 LAST WEEK \$6.89 MONTH AGO \$8.31 YEAR AGO \$40.50 FARROW TO FINISH MARGIN \$34.70 LAST WEEK \$29.80 MONTH AGO \$32.40 YEAR AGO (\$13.50) THE PRICES TO CALCULATE MARGINS ARE FROM HOGS SOLD ON NEGOTIATED PRICES AND HOGS AND PORK POSTED WITH USDA DATA PROVIDED

FOB PLANT - NEGOTIATED SALES

BASED ON NEGOTIATED PRICES AND VOLUME OF PORK CUTS DELIVERED WITHIN 14 DAYS AND ON AV-ERAGE INDUSTRY CUTTING YIELDS. CALCULATIONS FOR 215 LB. PORK CARCASS. 55-56%

LOADS PORK CUTS : 256.65 LOADS TRIM/PROCESS PORK : 24.98

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| 2:00 PM | LOADS | CARCAS | S LOIN | BUTT | PIC | RIB | HAM | I BELLY |
|------------------|--------|---------|--------|--------|-------|----------|-------|---------------|
| 02/07/2025 | 281.63 | 97.00 | 84.98 | 105.23 | 66.58 | 8 147.69 | 80.64 | 164.84 |
| CHANGE: | | 1.36 | -0.84 | 0.06 | 0.77 | -2.57 | 1.50 | 7.52 |
| FIVE DAY AVERAGE | | 95.01 | 84.77 | 104.17 | 65.82 | 151.34 | 77.53 | 157.34 |
| PREVIOUS WEEK | | | | | | | | |
| 2:00 PM | LOADS | CARCASS | LOIN | BUTT | PIC | RIB | HAM | BELLY |
| 01/31/2025 | 282.44 | 94.75 | 84.33 | 106.12 | 65.19 | 151.15 | 77.66 | 154.66 |
| CHANGE: | | 1.82 | -0.49 | 2.10 | 0.11 | 1.59 | 0.59 | 8.31 |
| FIVE DAY AVERAGE | | 93.40 | 84.18 | 104.98 | 64.38 | 151.01 | 78.16 | 147.73 |
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HOG REPORT - PLANT DELIVERED PURCHASE FEBRUARY 07, 2025

NATIONAL NEGOTIATED PRICE HEAD COUNT 2,414 LOWEST PRICE: 78.50 HIGHEST PRICE 88.00 WEIGHTED AVERAGE 83.17 CHANGE FROM PREVIOUS DAY -3.06 LOWER

OTHER MARKET FORMULA (CARCASS) HEAD COUNT: 20,224 LOWEST BASE PRICE: 65.25 HIGHEST BASE PRICE 102.16 WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICE 82.39

SWINE/PORK MARKET FORMULA (CARCASS) HEAD COUNT 162,641 LOWEST BASE PRICE: 68.17 HIGHEST BASE PRICE 91.48 WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICE 84.64

OTHER PURCHASE ARRANGEMENT (CARCASS) HEAD COUNT: 175,122 LOWEST BASE PRICE 70.03 HIGHEST BASE PRICE: 102.60 WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICE 83.57

NATIONAL DAILY DIRECT HOG PRIOR DAY REPORT - SLAUGHTERED SWINE HTTPS://WWW.AMS.USDA.GOV/MNREPORTS/AMS_2511.PDF

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SLAUGHTER DATA - FEBRUARY 6, 2025

**PRODUCER SOLD: HEAD COUNT 227,527 AVERAGE LIVE WEIGHT 290.47 AVERAGE CARCASS WEIGHT 217.73

PACKER SOLD: HEAD COUNT 30,787 AVERAGE LIVE 296.12 AVERAGE CARCASS WEIGHT 221.80

PACKER OWNED: HEAD COUNT 184,172 AVERAGE LIVE WEIGHT 286.82 AVERAGE CARCASS WEIGHT 217.31

LEAN HOG OPEN INTEREST – SHORTS LIQUIDATING



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APRIL LEAN HOGS - MOVED TO RESISTANCE SUPPORT AT 90.45 TO 89.00 VOLUME 20,452

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