

Expert explains how scoring cow body condition is a useful winter tool

To promote a profitable calf crop in the spring, cow-calf operators should be examining the body condition of pregnant animals throughout the late fall and winter months.

“Use of body condition scores is an appropriate method of adjusting feeding programs as needed for pregnant replacement heifers and cows,” said Glenn Selk, Oklahoma State University Cooperative Extension cattle specialist.

Replacement heifers especially need to be put on a winter feed program that will allow them to maintain body condition and gain weight until they calve next spring.

“A replacement heifer needs to weigh about 85 percent of its potential mature weight at calving time next spring,” Selk said.

Since few cattle producers actually have scales or weigh heifers frequently enough to see exactly what weight they possess at any given time, Selk said cow-calf operators should be monitoring body condition to make certain heifers are on track.

The goal is a body condition score of six for first-calf heifers. Research indicates heifers in a body condition score of six will calve normally and will not have increased calving difficulty. Furthermore, such heifers tend to rebreed well and generate adequate milk supplies so the calf will have access to high-quality colostrum.

Selk said the old rancher’s tale of trying to calve heifers in thin body condition is a belief that has been very costly to cattle producers over the years.

“Cow-calf operators who keep heifers thin will not decrease calving difficulties but will decrease rebreeding rates significantly,” he said. “In addition, 2-year-old heifers often will produce low quantities of first milk called colostrum, through which immunity to disease is passed on from mother to offspring. This means that the calf may not have sufficient disease-protecting antibodies and have a greater chance of experience health problems.”

The same rules of body condition are applicable for cows.

However, research indicates cows have more latitude than heifers.

“Data shows if cows are calved in the high-half of the five body condition score, and then maintain this body condition until they rebreed, then cows generally show good success as breeding stock,” Selk said.

An animal with a body condition score of five will be moderate to thin. The last two or three ribs are visible, and there is little evidence of fat in the brisket, over the ribs or around the tailhead.

Cows and heifers in a body condition score of six present a good smooth appearance throughout the body. Some fat deposits are visible in the brisket and over the tailhead. The ribs are covered and the back appears rounded.

“It’s important to adjust operational management to account for more prolonged winter weather, especially if Oklahoma and the region have a colder, wetter winter than we’ve experienced during the past several years,” Selk said.

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We had a larger run of cattle for our sale Friday, November 20 with a good attendance of local and out of state buyers. Steer and heifer calves sold at fully steady prices on the better kind. Stocker feeder cattle were also selling mostly steady on the kind offered. Cull cows and bulls sold \$1 to \$3 higher.

STEER CALVES — 400-550 LBS.

Liz Buller	Council Grove	20 blk str	466 @ 120.00
Gene Murray	Auburn	13 blk str	407 @ 117.00
Gene Murray	Auburn	15 blk str	501 @ 111.50
Miles Huck	Ottawa	13 blk str	475 @ 111.00
David & Teri Umscheid	Onaga	12 blk str	513 @ 111.50
Gary Koch	Frankfort	13 cross str	527 @ 106.75
David Hug	Hoyt	18 blk str	543 @ 102.25
Don Bonjour	Centralia	15 blk str	547 @ 100.50
Kenny, B. & C. Slocum	Circleville	8 cross str	533 @ 98.00

FEEDER STEERS — 550-775 LBS.

Liz Buller	Council grove	16 blk str	571 @ 107.00
Marvin Teske	Wheaton	9 blk str	555 @ 106.50
Liz Buller	Council Grove	10 blk trs	622 @ 101.50
Raymond Tannahill	Holton	12 blk str	560 @ 101.50
Dean Hug	Hoyt	17 blk str	585 @ 100.50
Gene Murray	Auburn	21 blk trs	594 @ 100.25
Craig Johnson	Council Grove	31 blk str	596 @ 100.00
Gary Koch	Frankfort	25 blk str	622 @ 100.00
David Hug	Hoyt	46 blk str	626 @ 100.00
Mayer Ranch	Alta Vista	90 blk str	612 @ 99.00
David & Teri Umscheid	Onaga	48 blk trs	576 @ 98.35
Don Bonjour	Centralia	37 blk str	632 @ 96.50
Dean Hug	Hoyt	21 blk str	648 @ 96.50
James Achten	Wetmore	14 blk trs	637 @ 95.00
Kenny, B. & C. Slocum	Circleville	13 mix str	624 @ 94.00
Evan McCreath	White City	9 cross str	637 @ 94.00
Steve Miller	Valley Falls	11 blk str	674 @ 92.75
David & Teri Umscheid	Onaga	20 blk str	697 @ 92.00
Craig Johnson	Council Grove	15 blk str	727 @ 91.10
Evan McCreath	White City	9 cross str	731 @ 91.00
Dean Hug	Hoyt	32 blk str	714 @ 90.85
Kenny, B. & C. Slocum	Circleville	16 simm str	729 @ 90.75
Glen Swartz	Alta Vista	60 cross str	932 @ 88.50
Sam Spinden	Burns	18 herf str	787 @ 86.00
Kocher Brothers	Onaga	54 herf str	978 @ 87.35
Sam Spinden	Burns	27 herf str	943 @ 85.00
Clarence Williams	Mayetta	12 cross str	697 @ 85.00

HEIFER CALVES — 375-550 LBS.

Liz Buller	Council grove	11 blk hfr	416 @ 99.00
Gene Murray	Auburn	9 blk hfr	401 @ 97.00
David & Teri Umscheid	Onaga	10 blk hfr	466 @ 94.00
Gary Koch	Frankfort	10 blk hfr	514 @ 93.00
Raymond Tannahill	Holton	13 blk hfr	529 @ 92.75
Liz Buller	Council Grove	8 blk hfr	500 @ 92.50
Dean Hug	Hoyt	20 blk hfr	532 @ 92.00
David Hug	Hoyt	30 blk hfr	528 @ 91.50
Don Bonjour	Centralia	8 blk hfr	544 @ 86.00

FEEDER HEIFERS — 550-875 LBS.

Craig Johnson	Council Grove	15 blk hfr	560 @ 91.25
Larry Montgomery	Harveyville	9 bwf hfr	593 @ 88.00
Howard Blender	Emporia	66 cross hfr	795 @ 87.00
Dean Hug	Hoyt	40 blk hfr	634 @ 86.85
Howard Blender	Emporia	43 cross hfr	741 @ 86.70
David & Teri Umscheid	Onaga	40 blk hfr	579 @ 86.60
Gary Koch	Frankfort	12 blk hfr	588 @ 86.00

Don Bonjour	Centralia	38 blk hfr	598 @ 85.75
David Hug	Hoyt	31 blk hfr	604 @ 85.35
Robert Bowser	Emmett	12 blk hfr	616 @ 85.35
Craig Johnson	Council grove	23 blk hfr	644 @ 84.75
Steve Miller	Valley Falls	9 blk hfr	617 @ 84.50
Kenny, B. & C. Slocum	Circleville	22 blk hfr	614 @ 84.25
David & Teri Umscheid	Onaga	9 blk hfr	665 @ 84.25

BULLS — 1,775-2,075 LBS.

Lee Hellman	Wamego	1 blk bull	1965 @ 53.25
Dan Reves	Westmorland	1 cross bull	1915 @ 50.25
Raymond Rickstrew	Belvue	1 blk bull	1790 @ 48.25
Kyler Kasten	Council Grove	1 blk bull	1845 @ 46.25
Doug Ebert	St. george	1 blk bull	2020 @ 46.00
Skip & Suzie Pickering	Manhattan	1 blk bull	1740 @ 45.25
Martha Caffrey	Frankfort	1 blk bull	2010 @ 38.25

COWS & HEIFERETTES — 825-1,650 LBS.

Brian Howe	Circleville	1 blk cow	935 @ 80.00
Larry & Reece Honig	Onaga	1 cross cow	1065 @ 75.50
Calvin Zimmerman	Alta Vista	1 blk cow	195 @ 73.00
Neal Keller	Whiting	1 bwf cow	915 @ 71.00
William Farrel	Centralia	1 blk cow	1040 @ 69.00
Austin Cline	Frankfort	2 blk cows	1052 @ 68.00
Raymond Tannahill	Holton	1 blk cow	735 @ 60.00
Robert Russell	Baldwin City	1 blk cow	1060 @ 57.50
John A. Cline	Havensville	1 blk cow	1305 @ 46.25
Mission Valley Ranch	Topeka	1 blk cow	1120 @ 49.00
Dustin Krohn	Wheaton	1 blk cow	1235 @ 49.00
Cross Country Genet.	Manhattan	2 blk cow	1797 @ 46.75
Justin & Duane Atwood	Lebanon	1 blk cow	1415 @ 46.50
George Mestagh	McLouth	1 blk cow	1760 @ 46.25
Patrick Clark	Salina	1 cross cow	1330 @ 46.00
Tailgate Ranch	Prairie Village	1 cross cow	1390 @ 45.75
Adam Wilkey	Junction City	1 blk cow	1410 @ 45.50
Steve Carr	Junction City	6 blk cows	1415 @ 45.50
Harold Jenneret	Centralia	1 blk cow	1375 @ 45.25
Lori Hambright	Chapman	2 cows	1430 @ 44.75
Duncan Farms	Westmoreland	1 cow	1360 @ 44.75
Dale Buessing	Beattie	1 blk cow	1395 @ 44.75
Herb Rogers	Alta Vista	1 blk cow	1135 @ 44.50
Scott Casey	Westmoreland	1 blk cow	1470 @ 44.25
Doug Sund	Overbrook	1 blk cow	1345 @ 44.25
Alan Fischer	Wheaton	1 cow	1315 @ 43.75
Bryan Farms	Onaga	1 blk cow	1300 @ 43.50
Gary & Joan Kolterman	Havensville	1 blk cow	1250 @ 43.50
Mark Taddiken	Clifton	1 blk cow	1225 @ 43.25
Doug Wenderott	Alma	2 blk cow	1312 @ 43.00
Shannon Flowers	Havensville	1 blk cow	1225 @ 43.00
Ann Serrault	Bennington	1 cross cow	1320 @ 42.00
Musil Farms, Inc.	Blue rapids	1 blk cow	1455 @ 42.50
Dave Nelson	St. George	1 bwf cow	1720 @ 42.50
Tom Swearingin	Lawrence	1 blk cow	1330 @ 42.25
Neal & Debbie Keeler	Whiting	11 cross cows	1363 @ 41.75
Liz Buller	Council Grove	1 blk cow	1645 @ 41.25
Jason Kern	Bavaria	1 blk cow	1215 @ 40.75
David Gussman	Corning	1 blk cow	1115 @ 40.75
Gale McDougal	Onaga	1 blk cow	1370 @ 40.25
Robert Cleavinger	Leavenworth	1 cross cow	1130 @ 40.25
Steve Carr	Junction City	1 herf cow	1185 @ 38.25
Kenny Rogers	Matfield Green	1 blk cow	1185 @ 38.25
Bush Brothers	Allen	1 blk cow	1315 @ 36.25
Charles Terry	Winchester	1 blk cow	1220 @ 36.25

NO SALE
FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 27TH
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For our special cow sale held Wednesday, November 18 buyers were very aggressive on the young cows and heifers with type and quality. Older and plainer cows sold accordingly.

COW/CALF PAIRS

			AGE	
Justin & Duane Atwood	Lebanon	5 blk	2	@ 1425.00H
Kathy Biehler	Herington	9 blk	2	@ 1400.00H
David Porter	Mayetta	2 blk	2	@ 1400.00H
Ron Ebert	Wamego	5 blk	3	@ 1400.00H
Justin & Duane Atwood	Lebanon	3 blk	3-5	@ 1400.00H
Steve Carr	Junction City	2 blk	2	@ 1350.00H
Kathy Biehler	Herington	3 blk	2	@ 1300.00H
Justin & Duane Atwood	Lebanon	4 blk	3-6	@ 1300.00H
Dan Reves	Westmoreland	8 blk	4-5	@ 1250.00H
Justin & Duane Atwood	Lebanon	5 blk	4-6	@ 1200.00H
Justin & Duane Atwood	Lebanon	3 blk	4-5	@ 1175.00H
Tom Swearingin	Lawrence	3 blk	3-5	@ 1175.00H
Justin Anderson	Baldwin city	10 blk	3	@ 1125.00H
Donna Prochaska	Glasco	2 mix	6-7	@ 1100.00H
Ron Schultz	Alma	1 blk	7	@ 1100.00H
Justin Anderson	Baldwin City	4 blk	6	@ 975.00H
Harold Jenneret	Centralia	2 cross	8	@ 875.00H
Justin Anderson	Baldwin City	2 mix	SS	@ 875.00H
Donna Prochaska	Glasco	2 blk	old	@ 85.00H

COWS BY THE HEAD

		HEAD	AGE	MO.	
Justin & Duane Atwood	Lebanon	5 blk	4-5	5-6	@ 14000.00H
Gary Johnson	Dwight	22 blk	2	6-7	@ 1235.00H
Gary Johnson	Dwight	22 blk	2	6-7	@ 1200.00H
Berges Ranch	Onaga	24 blk	2	5-6	@ 1200.00H
Gary Johnson	Dwight	11 bwf	2	5-7	@ 1750.00H
Justin & Duane Atwood	Lebanon	4 blk	4	5-6	@ 1175.00H
Doug Sund	Overbrook	10 blk	4-5	6-7	@ 1100.00H
Ronnie Hale	Linwood	2 blk	2	4-5	@ 1075.00H
Justin & Duane Atwood	Lebanon	8 blk	5	4-7	@ 1075.00H
Larry Kern	Salina	23 blk	2	5-6	@ 1050.00H
Ronnie Hale	Linwood	5 blk	3-4	5-7	@ 1050.00H
Doug Sund	Overbrook	2 blk	4	5-6	@ 985.00H
Justin & Duane Atwood	Lebanon	3 blk	7	5-6	@ 925.00H

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Kansas Hay Market Report

Hay trade slow to moderate. Demand moderate for dairy and stock cow alfalfa, alfalfa pellets, grinding alfalfa and grass hay. Producers had a few good days to harvest Fall crops and bale alfalfa and cane last week before rain and snow stopped everything again. A few alfalfa producers are still putting up the last cutting. Very little crop residue has been baled but Sudan and cane baling has been active whenever possible. If you have hay for sale or pasture to rent or need hay or grazing, use the services of the Hay and Pasture Exchange www.kfb.org/hayandpasture/default.htm

Southwest Kansas: Dairy and grinding alfalfa steady. Movement moderate. Alfalfa, Horse, small squares, 190.00-250.00; Dairy, Supreme 125.00-130.00; Premium 115.00-130.00; Good, 100.00-115.00. Utility-Fair grinding alfalfa at the edge of the field, 85.00-95.00, mostly 90.00-95.00, an instance 100.00. Ground and delivered locally to feedlots and dairies 105.00-120.00, ground-on-the-truck 100.00- 110.00. The week of 11/9-14 13,468T grinding alfalfa and 1,615T of dairy alfalfa were delivered. PM6 good, small squares 150.00. BMR Sudan, good large round 60.00;Fair large bales 45.00.

South Central Kansas: Dairy and grinding alfalfa and alfalfa pellets steady. Movement moderate to active. Alfalfa, Horse, mid square 195.00; Dairy, 65-85 cents/point RFV, Supreme, 120.00-140.00, an instance 150.00; Premium 110.00-130.00; Stock cow, mid square or large round, 90.00-110.00. Utility-Fair grinding alfalfa at the edge of the field 65.00-80.00, mostly 70.00-75.00, Utility or wet 65.00-70.00. Ground and delivered locally to feedlots 100.00-120.00. The week of 11/9-14, 4,102T of grinding alfalfa and 2,350T of dairy alfalfa were delivered. Alfalfa pellets: Sun Cured 15% protein 143.00-160.00; Sun Cured 17% 157.00-160.00; Dehydrated 17% 205.00. BMR Sudan Good large round 60.00; Fair large round 45.00.

Southeast Kansas: Alfalfa, brome and prairie hay steady. Movement slow to moderate. Alfalfa: Horse and goat, mid square 140.00-200.00. Dairy alfalfa, Premium 135.00; Good, 100.00-127.50; Stock cow, mid square, no test 90.00-120.00; Bluestem: Good, small squares 85.00-100.00, mostly 90.00-95.00, mid and large squares 60.00-90.00, mostly 75.00-80.00, large rounds 40.00-60.00. Mulch, large rounds 45.00- 50.00. Brome: Good, Small squares 100.00-110.00 mid and large squares 80.00-90.00, large rounds 50.00-70.00.

Northwest Kansas: Dairy and grinding alfalfa steady. Movement slow. Alfalfa: Horse, small squares 200.00-250.00. Dairy, Supreme 140.00; Premium 120.00; Good 105.00; Stock cow 80.00-100.00. Utility-Fair grinding alfalfa at the edge of the field 70.00- 90.00; Ground and delivered to feedlots and dairies 100.00-120.00. Millet, good large bales 60.00. Oat hay, good large bales 60.00.

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130.00-200.00; Dairy, Supreme, 130.00-140.00; Premium 120.00-130.00; Stock cow, mid square, no test 90.00- 110.00; Utility-Fair grinding alfalfa at the edge of the field, 60.00-75.00, alfalfa Ground-on-the-truck 80.00-90.00, Ground and delivered 90.00-105.00, mostly 90.00-95.00. Grass hay: Bluestem small squares, Good 90.00-100.00, Mid squares 70.00-80.00, large rounds 45.00-60.00. Brome: Good, small squares, 4.00-4.50/bale, Fair 2.00/bale, 90.00-120.00/T, Mid squares, 75.00-85.00, large rounds, 12.00-30.00/bale, 50.00-60.00/T, fair 40.00-50.00. Grass Mulch, large round 45.00-60.00. Straw, small squares 3.00-3.50/bale, mid and large bales 45.00-60.00/T.

***Prices are dollars per ton and FOB unless otherwise noted. Dairy alfalfa prices are for mid and large squares unless otherwise noted. Horse hay is in small squares unless otherwise noted. Prices are from the most recent sales.

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Beef cattle reproductive strategies workshop planned

The Beef Reproduction Task Force and the National Cattlemen's Beef Association are teaming up to offer the Applied Reproductive Strategies in Beef Cattle Workshop at the 2010 Cattle Industry Convention in San Antonio Jan. 28-29, 2010. "The meeting is for producers, veterinarians and AI (artificial insemination) technicians, as well as anyone interested in beef cattle reproduction," said animal scientist Sandy Johnson.

"The workshop is designed to improve understanding and management of the beef cow estrus cycle, recommended estrus synchronization protocols, and other approaches to improving the efficiency of reproduction," said Johnson, who is one of the event coordinators.

The workshop also will cover strategies to improve cow herd profitability through enhanced management techniques and nutritional influences on reproductive success and the role of male fertility.

Johnson, who is the K-State Research and Extension northwest area livestock specialist based in Colby.

The Beef Reproduction Task Force is a multi-state Extension group made up of specialists from Kansas State University, University of Missouri, Iowa State University, University of Nebraska, South Dakota State University, University of Florida, University of Illinois and University of Idaho.

More information about the workshop, including online registration, is available on the website: <http://www.beefrepro.info>.

Information is also available by contacting Johnson at sandyj@ksu.edu or 785-462-6281.

Record-setting loan volume announced by USDA state agency

Adrian J. Polansky, state executive director for USDA's Farm Service Agency (FSA) in Kansas recently announced that FSA provided \$147,683,765 in direct and guaranteed loans to 1,288 family farmers in Kansas during Fiscal Year 2009. "This has been a record setting year for number of loans made and dollars loaned," said Polansky. "Some of this year's funding was made available through the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 to stimulate rural economies." Kansas FSA processed 931 Direct and Guaranteed Farm Operating Loans totaling \$88,583,914. These loans

helped Kansas producers plant and harvest crops, purchase livestock and machinery, or reorganize their business. Of those, FSA approved \$4,382,730 to 103 qualified Socially Disadvantaged Applicants, \$23,226,567 to 325 qualified beginning farmers, and \$335,956 to 101 qualified youth applicants.

To purchase or improve real estate or reorganize the farm business, Kansas FSA processed 349 Direct and Guaranteed Farm Ownership Loans totaling \$58,484,921. Of those, FSA approved \$4,185,480 to 29 qualified Socially Disadvantaged Applicants, and \$30,906,762 to

214 qualified beginning farmers.

To help producers recover from losses due to natural disasters Kansas FSA approved eight Emergency Loans totaling \$614,930.

For purposes of FSA farm loan programs, socially disadvantaged groups include women, African Americans, American Indians, Alaskan Natives, Hispanics, Asian Americans, and Pacific Islanders. Beginning farmers include those that have farmed less than 10 years.

FSA makes loans to purchase and operate family

size farms. Loan funds can be used to finance livestock, farm equipment, annual operating expenses, and most other farm related expenses. Interest rates vary from 1.5% to 4.875% depending on loan type. Applicants must meet eligibility requirements which are outlined on the FSA website at www.fsa.usda.gov. Anyone having questions or wanting to make an appointment with a loan officer shall contact FSA at the local USDA Service Center. USDA is an equal opportunity employer and provider.

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SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 28 — 10:00 AM

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TRACTORS

1992 John Deere 4560, power shift, 3 pt., triple hyd., PTO, 18.4R42 tires w/18.4R42 axle mt. duals, 3,818 hrs., SN 2927; 1978 International 1486, 3 pt., triple hyd., PTO, TA, 18.4x38 tires w/18.4x38 duals, 5,135 hrs., SN 16536; 1979 International 1086, 3 pt., triple hyd., 540-1000 PTO, TA, 18.4x38 tires w/18.4x38 axle mount duals, 4,650 hrs., SN 36170; 1965 International Farmall 806, diesel, Ansel cab, AC, heater, 3 pt., dual hyd., 540-1000 PTO, TA, 10,261 hrs., SN 17752; 1963 International Farmall 706, standard, diesel, dual hyd., 18.4x34 tires, 3,654 hrs., SN 2,188 w/dual loader.

TRUCKS & PICKUPS

1977 Ford F700 Custom Cab, 390 V-8, 5 spd.-2 spd., hoist, 16' Knapheide box, steel sides, wood floor, roll-over tarp, 9,00-20 tires, 42,661 miles; 1975 Ford F700 Custom Cab, 390 V-8, 5 spd.-2 spd., hoist, 16' Knapheide box, steel sides and floor, tarp, 9,00-20 tires, 30,053 miles; 1955 Ford F500, flat-

head V-8, 4 spd.-2 spd., hoist, 13' wood box, 8.25-20 tires, 114,000 miles; 1978 Ford F250, 4x4, 400 V-8, auto. trans., grill guard, 110,794 miles w/DewEze 275 flatbed; 1983 F250 XL, 4x4, diesel, 4 spd., AC, flatbed w/5th wheel hitch, 133,000 miles; 1984 Ford F250, 6 cyl., 4 spd., Reading utility box, 130,206 miles; 1973 Ford Ranger F100 XLT, 360, V-8, auto. trans., AC, 90,765 miles.

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Deadline approaching for livestock programs

Adrian J. Polansky, state executive director of USDA's Farm Service Agency (FSA) in Kansas reminds livestock producers of applicable deadlines for filing a notice of loss or application for payment for the livestock disaster programs.

The Livestock Indemnity Program (LIP) provides assistance to producers for livestock deaths that result from disaster. LIP compensates livestock owners and contract growers for livestock death losses in excess of normal mortality due to adverse weather, including losses due to hurricanes, floods, blizzards, disease, wildfires, extreme heat and extreme cold.

The Livestock Forage Program (LFP) provides compensation to eligible livestock producers that have suffered grazing losses because of qualified drought or fire.

For drought, the losses must have occurred because of a qualifying drought during the normal grazing period for the county on land that is native or improved pastureland, forage sorghum for grazing, or is planted for small graze grazing. For fire, grazing losses must have occurred on rangeland managed by a Federal Agency and the agency prohibited grazing because of a qualifying fire. Finney, Grant, Greeley, Hamilton, Haskell, Kearny, Logan, Meade, Morton, Seward, Stanton, Stevens, Wallace, and Wichita counties have a D2, D3, or D4 Drought Monitor Designation in 2008 which

qualifies eligible livestock producers for LFP on certain grazing land losses.

For 2008 losses, the application for payment and supporting documentation must be filed by Dec. 10, 2009.

The Emergency Assistance for Livestock, Honey Bees, and Farm-Raised Fish (ELAP) provides compensation to eligible producers of livestock, honey bees, and farm-raised fish for losses due to disease, adverse weather, or other loss conditions, including losses due to blizzards and wildfires that are not covered by LIP, LFP, or Supplement Revenue Assistance Payments (SURE).

Eligible losses include feed losses, physical losses and additional costs incurred in providing feed to eligible livestock. Producers must obtain crop insurance or NAP coverage on all crops planted on the entire farm in all counties to be eligible for ELAP. For losses occurring in calendar year 2008 a notice of loss and application for payment must be filed by Dec. 10, 2009. For losses occurring Jan 1, 2009 to Sept. 12, 2009 a notice of loss must be filed by Dec. 10, 2009 and an application for payment must be filed by Jan. 30, 2010. For losses occurring Sept. 13, 2009 to Dec. 31, 2009 a notice of loss must be filed within 30 days after the loss is apparent, but no later than Jan. 30, 2010, and an application for payment must be filed by Jan. 30, 2010.

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Guns: Browning Citori, model 325, grade II, sporting clay, 12 ga; Mossburg, model 500, 12 ga pump w/ choke tubes 3" chamber; (2) 22 caliber pellet air rifles; Remington 11/87 12 ga Special Purpose Turkey gun in box with ext mag; High Standard Sport King 1st Edition semi auto pistol in box; Inter Arms 38 spl revolver; Mossberg 410ga VR Model 500E (new); Winchester Model 12 12ga plain barrel; Stevens S X S 12 ga Model 325; Ted Williams Model 300 semi auto 12ga made by Winchester Model 1400; Springfield Model 86C 22 cal bolt; Remington 1100 12ga 3" mag; H & R Model 922 22 cal revolver; Winchester Model 67 22 cal; International 154 Cub Lo Boy tractor 5' mower deck, pontoon boat, lots & lots of wood working equipment & tools, reloading equipment, etc.

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LOCATION: Sterl Hall, 619 N. Rogers — ABILENE, KANSAS

TOOLS: (9:30 a.m.) Snap On 5/16" to 1 1/4" combination wrench set; Snap On 1/2" ratchet click style torque wrench (VG); 18 pc. Snap On 3/8" drive ratchet set; Snap On 1/2" drive socket set 1/2" to 1 1/4" w/ratchet & extensions; 3/8" & 1/2" metric socket sets; set 3/8" SAE deep socket set; Snap On ball peen hammers; Snap On punch & chisel set; 10 pc. Snap On screw drivers; Snap On ignition wrench set; Tubing wrenches; Snap On voltage tester; many other Snap On tools; Snap On 9 drawer lift off tool box w/locking cover; 2 Craftsman 5 drawer base tool cabinets & 1 6 drawer top; Craftsman combination wrench set 5/16" to 1 5/16"; Craftsman 15 pc. 1/4" drive set; S&K 1/2" socket set 7/16" to 1 1/4"; NIB; Craftsman punch & chisel set; brass hammer; Craftsman paint & sand blast guns; Craftsman 7 1/4" table saw w/extensions; Craftsman 1/2" floor model drill press HD and good; Craftsman 2-spd. 4" belt sander; Craftsman 1-HP router w/case; 2" belt sander table model; disc dual action air sander; 3/8" Sun & 1/2" Rockwell air impact wrenches; Thor 7 1/4" HD circular saw; 6" Power Kraft grinder on stand; Eclipse 14" plane; N&H air hand held metal shear; many hand power tools; 180 Amp. Lincoln welder; Victor acetylene torch w/gauges; Sears twin cyl. Portable air compressor; Wilmer HD 2 1/2 ton floor jack; 1 1/2 ton Blackhawk floor jack; H.D. 23-ft. Sears aluminum extension ladder; 5-ft. Keller alum step ladder; other ladders; vises; air hoses; extension cords; shop built 2 wheel dollies; air grease gun; vise grips; woodworking clamps; MAC shop creeper; shop built welding tables; rolling shop built scaffolding; pr. 42" metal saw horses; solderless elect. terminal kit; drill bit sharpener (new); Craftsman strap tie down; tap & die set; Craftsman miter box; Ridge reamer; Balkamp compression tester (new); engine & elec. testers; Craftsman 16-gal. wet/dry shop vac; router table in box; (2) 7 1/4" Carbide saw blades (new); many other tools and hardware; adj. stands; new flat iron 1/8" & 3/16" & 1/4" in 5-ft. pcs.; 27 wire panels 18" x 60"; WINCHESTER #10 hand saw; **TRAILER:** shop built 4-ft. x 8-ft. 2 wheel trailer w/sides.

LAWN, GARDEN & MISCELLANEOUS: 6-HP Sears Custom garden tractor w/3-pt., 4-spd., rear wheel weights and mower deck; 16-pcs. Of 3-pt. equipment to fit garden tractor including plow, springtooth, chisel, harrows, cultivator, 42" blade, bucket and other pieces; MTD self propelled multi vac blower-vacuum w/Briggs engine and attachments (VG); John Deere 14SB 21" cut 5-HP 5-spd. Mower w/rear bagger; 4-HP Snapper elect. start Pack & Sack leaf vac; 4 Season Model 99-4 5-HP rear tine roto-hoe; Mantis roto tiller; W-W SR limb grinder-shredder; 5-HP Craftsman 22" 2 stage auger style snow blower 3-spd. & rev. (nice); PS2683 John Deere gas pole saw limb trimmer (like new); Homelite gas weed eater; wheelbarrow; pull style lawn sweeper; 16" Homelite 250 gas & XEL 12" elect. chain saws; shovels; forks; rock hammer; other garden tools; fishing tackle; Havahart Model 1078 cage trap; lg. metal dog house; 3 trash containers on wheels; garden items.

Motors Auto Repair 1971 & 80 and engine, electrical systems books; John Deere equipment manuals; 55, 95 & 105 combines, 4400 combine & others.

HOUSEHOLD: (Approx. 10:00 a.m.) Oster Regency mixer, blender & grinder; Sharp Carousel microwave; George Foreman grill; set Corelle dishes; Corningware; Pyrex; Tupperware; stainless flatware; old Hickory & Case kitchen knives; kitchenwares; office items; Anderson Hickey 4 drawer legal file & metal desk; small metal office desk; Hon 2 drawer legal file; 2-dr. metal cabinet; Sylvania 26" TV & HD VCR; Dickinson Co. books;

other books; sewing supplies & material; cookbooks & recipes; Wind Machine fan; 2 new ice chests; bedding; card table set; Eureka canister vacuum; other household.

COMPUTER: (11:00 a.m.) Like new desktop computer, purchased Aug. 2009. Pentium 4, 3 GHZ processor 160 GB, DVD burner, PC5300 667mhz, Windows XP Professional, Logitech mouse keyboard, and 22" LCD wide screen monitor.

APPLIANCES & FURNITURE: (Afternoon) Maytag Model MDE 960 Intellidry Sup. Cap. elect. dryer & matching 9 cycle washer (white); Sears Kenmore Model 2722 16-CF upright freezer; Amana 16-CF refrigerator (almond); 1960's walnut 3-pc. bedroom set; maple 5 drawer chest of drawers; bookcases; walnut dining table & chairs & china hutch; old oak Morris chair pattern on arms; Lane cedar chest w/tray; cedar chest; 4-pc. Waterfall bedroom set; brown recliner; walnut drop front secretary w/clawfeet; 1960's grey dinette set; other furniture.

ANTIQUES: (Approx. 11:15 a.m.) Blue Fenton floral pat. basket; Fenton Silvercrest finger nappy; pk. Open Lace w/lid; EAPC; Cut Glass cream & sugar; 12" American Fostoria plate; old glass; 12-pl. set Queen Anne pat. Signature china; Mikasa cake plate; early 1900 A. L. Duckwall Abilene Library plate (Germany); Hull Corky Pig bank; Budweiser 25th Anniv. Holiday stein w/box; 1992 J.D. and Budweiser collect. Plates; old dishes; Baby Ben Luminous alarm clock w/box; 17J "Cardinal" Swiss pocketwatch Desky Watch Co. locomotive on back; Elgin 7J pocketwatch; jewelry & wristwatches; 1952 Hope, Ks. recipe book & others; embroidered pillow cases and Bluebird days of wk. tea towels; linens; 1940 DCHS class picture; DCHS Bulletin Catalogues 1935-41; Walnut Grove grade school 1928 & 31 souv.; 1917 Co. H. 3rd Infantry photo Dickinson Co. Pre National Guard; brass Eagle & Shield w/snake match safe possibly military; other military; "Band Master" & "Marine Band" harmonicas; Radiola AM table top radio; pr. Maxim binoculars Paris (old); 17" Papier Mache Owl decoy; 1951 DeLaval pocket diary; iron elephant bank; Keen Kutter safety razor w/box; Minneapolis-Moline alum. watch fob; Daisy "Spittin Image" BB six gun w/box; small advertising items; 1940's Chauffer badges; 1938 "Automotive Essentials" books by Kuns; 1928 D Series \$2 bill; old coins; 2 42" Rd. Red Crown Gasoline signs (faded) used as table tops; DuPont Duco-Dulux auto paint porcelain sign 28" x 31"; Mobil, Shell, Sinclair metal cans; Eskimo Art Deco style fan; other antiques.

VEHICLES: (12:30 p.m.) 1998 4-dr. Ford Taurus SE, 3.0L V-6, auto., well equipped, like new tires, 38, 325 miles (nice); 1997 C1500 Chevrolet reg. cab long bed pickup, 4.3L V-6, AC, PS, PB, dent on passenger side, 68,000 miles.

BELT BUCKLES, TOY TRACTORS, FARM MACHINERY BOOKS: 4 John Deere Limited Edition belt buckles w/box including: 1982 4 Tractors 1788/5,000, 1982 Deere Head through D 2172/2500, 1983 1876 Historical Trademark Deere jumping log; 1984 JD 1 millionth Lawn & Garden tractor; JD 3 tractors & front wheel assist tractor; Hesston belt

buckles 1978 and newer; 1960 Dk. Co. High School #268; Mud Hog Drive System; NRA Golden Eagles & 125th Ann. Belt buckles; 1992 Barcelona Shooting Team; Danbury Mint 1927 Fordson F tractor; 1997 Scale Models "Open House" Nov. 7-9 MM G850 tractor w/cab & duals; 1999 Country Heritage Days Allis Chalmers; Oliver 550 WF: John Deere 6120 WF & 60 tractors; IHC Super C, H, A; McCormick-Deering W-30 Spec. Cast & F-12, All toy tractors have boxes; **FARM BOOKS:** 150 yrs. J. I. Case, 150 Yrs. International Harvester, Oliver Hart-Parr, Allis Chalmers Story, American Gasoline Engines; 1988 JD tractors & Equip. 1837 -1959 Vol. 1; J.D. Tractors 1918-76 booklet; Farm Tractors 1916-25; 1993 John Deere Farm Tractors and Classic Farm Tractor by R. Leffingwell; 2 Vol. JD 2 cylinder tractor series; other equipment books; 1948 & 54 "Tractor Field Books".

POCKET & HUNTING KNIVES: (Approx. 11:30 a.m.) Keen Kutter 3 bld. #3059 pocket; Keen Kutter wood hld. w/shield pocket; Remington UNC 3-bld. R-8, NIB; Zwilling & J.A. Henckels HK-1-5, NIB; Purina Ad. Kutmaster 3 & 2 bld.; Winchester Model 1921 shotgun knife, NIB; Funks Seeds Schrade Scrimshaw, NIB; Lord Calvert crescent wrench pocket knife combo; Lone Ranger pocket knife (old); Barlow 2 bld. Eagle Scrimshaw, NIB; 2 Amer. Wildlife Camillus lockbacks Bear or Wolf Howling at Moon; advertising pocketknives; II CASE XX pocketknives, new in boxes: Sod Buster Jr. #2137, Electricians #62031, Pruner #126, Stag Peanut #5220, Bone hld. Pen knife #1856, Eisenhower, 16 Shadow, Peanut, small 3 blade, Canoe w/tin, 3 bld. w/tin; 1988 Case L1100 4" blade ABCA Lmt. Edition; Ks. Knife Collectors Assoc. 1993 4th Ed., NIB; Enterprise 3 bld. Bone hld old; Schrade #163 wood hld. old; Camillus pocketknives 1 has corkscrew; Queen Steel #53 3 1/2" blade, NIB; brass folding hld. Karl Eickhorn 4" blade (old); Chicago Folding Hunter 4" lockback; Frost Cutlery "River Boat Ticker" boot knife; Case XX E75 3 1/2" boot knife w/holder; **HUNTING KNIVES:** Kinfolks 4 1/2" hunting knife w/sheath; Buck NRA Com. #102X 4" NIB; Remington 4" RH72P; Case XX Kiowa R703 & Arapaho R503 w/sheath; w/sheath; CaseXX P51 Li'l Devil; J. Russell Co. 35-244 5"; Case XX M3F w/sheath, NIB; marbles; hunting knife; many other knives; Blade magazines; Knife World newspapers; books about pocketknives.

FIREARMS RELATED ITEMS: 1923 "Rifles & Rifle Shooting" and 1928 "The American Shotgun" both by Askins; 1937 Handloaders manual; 1944 "Telescopic Rifle Sights" T. Whelen; 1929 Lyman Gunsight Corp. catalog; Pacific Gunsight Co. #17 catalog; 1928 Infantry Drill book "Marines"; 1971 Nazi Regalia by Jack Pia; 1959 Gunfighters booklet; American Rifleman magazines; Shooters Bibles #66, 76-81, 83- 84, 94-96; 6 Gun Traders Guides; Browning orange hunting vest M; NRA flag, ring, DVD's, other items.

MOBILITY SCOOTER: (12:28 p.m.) Invacare 4 wheel elect. motorized scooter used very little (nice).

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Yard & Garden Tips

By Gregg Eyestone

Pruning Plants Now

This is one of the best times of the year for working in the garden. The plants are dormant and are taking it easy. That taking it easy rubs off on the gardener. Work is still getting done, but there is no hurry. Pruning can be done just about any time. Spring may be preferred but there usually are other gardening practices that get priority. The only time that we shouldn't prune is when the tissue is frozen. That rule is ignored when frozen limbs interfere with electrical lines which is best left to professionals to deal with. Plants that have showy flowers in the spring are usually pruned after they bloom.

Deciduous plants reveal their structure with the leaves dropped. Rubbing,

crossing, injured, and dead branches are easily identified. Branches growing into the center of the plant and competing central leaders need to be removed. Narrow crotches where two branches don't have space for both to grow needs to have one eliminated.

Plants that grow water sprouts or have many trunks near the base needs attention. My flower crabapples routinely produce sprouts. I leave them for the winter season and remove them in the spring. They provide shade and a barrier to the main trunk from rabbits and the sun.

The pruning cut is made ¼ of an inch above the bud. Angle the pruning shears parallel with the direction of the bud to make the cut. The

bud should be pointing in the direction you want new growth. Normally, this is away from the center of the plant. Cutting too far away from the bud will leave a stub that won't seal over. This could become a plant health issue.

Larger branches that require a pruning saw are removed in three steps. The first cut is made underneath the branch upward, about 15 inches away from the trunk. Stop before the saw is jammed. Place the saw a few inches further out on top of the branch and cut until the branch snaps off. The remaining short branch is removed by cutting outside of the branch collar which is a swollen area next to the re-

maining trunk.

Several sapling trees sprout up in our landscape. Redbuds, Siberian elm, hackberry, hedge and mulberry are a few trees that I find in the landscape. Pruning them off at the ground is a start. They will sprout and need pruned several times before they will die. Another method is to treat that cut end with a labeled herbicide.

Plants aren't in a hurry so you don't need to be either at this time. Safety is always a priority when working with plants. Use the right tool for your task. Read and follow the label directions when using a pesticide. You can find out more information on this and other horticulture topics by going to the KSRE website at www.ksre.ksu.edu. And you contact Gregg Eyestone at the Riley County office of K-State Research and Extension. Gregg may be contacted by calling (785) 537-6350 or stopping by 110 Courthouse Plaza in Manhattan or e-mail: geyeston@ksu.edu.

November nitrogen helps cool-season turfs through winter, spring

November is second only to September as the most important month to feed tall fescue and Kentucky bluegrass lawns.

That may not seem logical, even for cool-season turfs. Their top growth almost stops in late fall.

"But, the plants are still making food — carbohydrates — through photosynthesis. And, they're storing up everything they don't need for growth right now. Nitrogen in November helps boost those photosynthesis and storage rates," said Ward Upham, horticulturist, Kansas State University Research and Extension.

In turn, Upham said, the benefits for cool-season turf plants can extend for many months, including:

Improved root growth and shoot (density) development until the lawn enters winter dormancy.

Improved winter hardiness.

Carbohydrate reserves that help turf green up as early in spring as the

weather allows. Reserves that sustain growth into May without a nitrogen application in March or April.

"K-State recommends applications of 1 to 1 ½ pounds of actual nitrogen per 1,000 square feet of lawn in November.

Upham noted that this is not the same as pounds of fertilizer, because only a certain percentage of most fertilizers is nitrogen. For example, achieving 1 pound of nitrogen requires four pounds of a 25-4-4 fertilizer.



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1 blk str	380@99.50	5 herf str	623@83.75		
4 blk str	553@94.25				
9 blk bwf str	587@94.00	4 blk bwf red hfrs	348@94.00		
5 blk str	563@92.00	17 blk red hfrs	665@88.25		
2 bwf str	602@91.25	11 blk red hfrs	576@87.00		
3 bwf rwf str	758@90.00	3 blk hfrs	465@83.50		
14 blk red str	677@90.00	5 blk bwf hfrs	614@82.50		
3 blk bwf str	821@89.25	3 blk hfrs	568@81.75		
8 blk bwf str	698@88.25	5 blk hfrs	587@81.75		
5 blk str	615@88.00	6 blk hfrs	496@81.00		
4 blk grwf str	863@87.25	6 red hfrs	540@80.25		
4 blk bwf rwf str	670@85.75	3 herf hfrs	561@77.50		
7 red blk str	623@85.50	3 red bwf hfrs	676@77.50		
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11 blk s&h 450-600	30 blk str 500-750 weaned 45 days & vacc
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LEGAL DESCRIPTION: The Southeast Quarter South of the Neosho River Section Thirty (30), Township Twenty-three (23) South, Range Seventeen (17) East, Woodson County, Kansas.

PROPERTY: Parcel contains 99 acres, more or less, consisting of approximately 68 tillable acres, mostly Osage and some Verdigris soils. The balance is timber and creek with good hunting potential. The 2008 oil production was 1,546 barrels with 17 wells.

LOCATION: 1 1/2 miles West of Neosho Falls on 200th Road on the North side, watch for sign.

TERMS: 10% down as earnest money on sale day with the balance due at the time of closing which shall occur on or before Dec. 18, 2009. This sale is not subject to financing and buyer should have arrangements made prior to bidding on the property.

TITLE INSURANCE/CLOSING: To be handled by Street Abstract Co., Yates Center, KS. A title insurance policy will be issued for the amount of the purchase price with the costs split equally between the buyer and seller. Should a buyer need mortgage title insurance, it shall be their own expense. Administrative closing fees will be split equally between the buyer and seller. The 2009 taxes, which are \$334.08, will be paid by the seller.

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AUCTIONEER'S NOTE: Here's a great opportunity to purchase productive river bottom land with oil income that has been held by the same family for many years. There is enough timber and creek for good hunting potential.

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900-1,000 lbs. brought	\$85.85 to \$86.50 per cwt
1,000-1,500 lbs. brought	\$84.50 to \$86.50 per cwt

HEIFERS

400-500 lbs. brought	\$90.00 to \$95.00 per cwt
500-600 lbs. brought	\$80.00 to \$85.00 per cwt
600-700 lbs. brought	\$80.50 to \$89.00 per cwt
700-800 lbs. brought	\$80.00 to \$85.75 per cwt
800-900 lbs. brought	\$75.00 to \$80.00 per cwt

YEARLING BULLS

500-600 lbs. brought	\$83.50 to \$85.50 per cwt
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EARLY CONSIGNMENTS FOR WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 2

30 blk & bwf steers & heifers, weaned, 450-600 lbs.

30 blk & red steers, off grass, 875-900 lbs.

120 blk steers, 750-850 lbs.

118 mostly blk steers, 825-875 lbs.

220 mixed steers, 900-950 lbs.

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TUESDAY, JANUARY 19, 2010

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 16, 2010

TUESDAY, MARCH 16, 2010

TUESDAY, APRIL 20, 2010

TUESDAY, MAY 4, 2010

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Receipts for the week totaled 5,161 cattle and 90 hogs. Butcher hog top on Monday was \$34.25.

STEERS

300-400 lbs. \$118.00-\$125.00

400-500 lbs. \$115.00-\$121.00

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600-700 lbs. \$93.00-\$103.50

700-800 lbs. \$89.00-\$94.75

800-900 lbs. \$86.00-\$93.25

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HEIFERS

300-400 lbs. \$90.00-\$102.00

400-500 lbs. \$92.00-\$97.00

500-600 lbs. \$83.00-\$92.50

600-700 lbs. \$82.00-\$90.75

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STEERS

4 char, Windom 354 @ 125.00

4 blk, Glasco 363 @ 124.00

2 blk, Bushton 343 @ 121.00

2 blk, Bushton 430 @ 121.00

3 blk, Windom 427 @ 120.00

4 blk, Clifton 408 @ 119.00

5 blk, Windom 481 @ 117.00

6 blk, Salina 484 @ 116.50

5 blk, Miltonvale 478 @ 114.50

2 mix, Abilene 513 @ 113.00

4 blk, Lindsborg 538 @ 112.50

6 blk, Salina 563 @ 111.50

16 blk, Canton 560 @ 111.00

4 mix, New Cambria 513 @ 111.00

8 mix, Aurora 479 @ 110.50

11 blk, Ellsworth 565 @ 110.25

4 blk, Solomon 535 @ 109.50

12 blk, Marquette 608 @ 103.50

17 mix, Windom 624 @ 100.50

5 blk, McPherson 611 @ 99.50

7 blk, McPherson 623 @ 99.00

8 blk, Sterling 644 @ 98.00

9 blk, Gypsum 601 @ 97.50

HEIFERS

4 blk, Marquette 604 @ 97.00

23 blk, Aurora 640 @ 96.00

3 blk, Salina 623 @ 96.00

8 blk, Solomon 662 @ 96.00

15 blk, Salina 642 @ 95.50

3 blk, Windom 655 @ 95.00

7 blk, Salina 700 @ 94.75

55 blk, Hope 900 @ 94.10

5 blk, McPherson 732 @ 93.25

22 mix, Raymond 823 @ 93.25

120 blk, Hope 847 @ 93.00

5 blk, Newton 809 @ 92.75

42 mix, Delphos 806 @ 92.75

12 mix, Salina 814 @ 92.50

16 mix, Delphos 838 @ 92.50

4 blk, Lincoln 935 @ 92.00

18 blk, Hope 992 @ 91.75

57 mix, Tescott 902 @ 91.50

45 blk, Morganville 955 @ 90.10

105 mix, Hope 955 @ 88.10

HEIFERS

3 blk, Glasco 303 @ 102.00

3 blk, Canton 380 @ 97.00

3 blk, Canton 433 @ 97.00

11 blk, Lindsborg 474 @ 94.00

21 blk, Bushton 574 @ 92.50

15 mix, Windom 571 @ 92.00

2 blk, Canton 508 @ 92.00

6 blk, Ellsworth 553 @ 92.00

5 blk, Marquette 571 @ 91.50

9 blk, Yates Center 624 @ 90.75

6 blk, McPherson 553 @ 89.75

12 blk, Salina 555 @ 89.50

16 blk, Salina 628 @ 89.25

3 blk, Holyrood 540 @ 89.00

6 blk, Canton 574 @ 88.50

10 mix, Brookville 632 @ 88.50

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4 blk, Newton 744 @ 86.00

5 blk, Tescott 759 @ 86.00

15 mix, Gypsum 775 @ 86.00

70 blk, Enterprise 777 @ 85.85

13 mix, Newton 885 @ 85.75

6 mix, Marquette 809 @ 85.50

56 mix, Lindsborg 774 @ 85.00

6 bwf, Bushton 905 @ 84.00

60 mix, Tampa 898 @ 82.00

8 blk, Lindsborg 532 @ 90.25

2 blk, Brookville 508 @ 90.00

20 blk, Marion 587 @ 89.50

30 blk, Longford 600 @ 88.50

10 mix, Salina 563 @ 88.25

9 blk, Hillsboro 571 @ 88.25

32 blk, Abilene 693 @ 86.75

11 mix, Lindsborg 715 @ 86.50

34 red, Solomon 621 @ 86.50

3 blk, Moundridge 690 @ 86.00

13 blk, Jamestown 711 @ 86.00

14 blk, Longford 709 @ 86.00

10 red, Solomon 703 @ 86.00

6 mix, Oak Hill 644 @ 86.00

64 blk, Beloit 842 @ 86.00

5 mix, Gypsum 807 @ 85.75

5 blk, Hillsboro 608 @ 83.50

3 mix, Wilsey 280 @ 340.00

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6 blk, Bushton 1387 @ 40.75

2 blk, Sterling 1465 @ 40.50

1 blk, Brookville 1485 @ 40.00

4 rwf, Brookville 1578 @ 38.50

1 blk, Minneapolis 2040 @ 57.50

1 char, Tescott 2070 @ 54.50

1 blk, Abilene 1770 @ 53.00

1 blk, Minneapolis 1880 @ 53.00

1 blk, Galva 1660 @ 52.50

1 blk, McPherson 1800 @ 52.50

1 blk, Bennington 1750 @ 51.50

1 blk, Abilene 2260 @ 51.25

HOGS

13 wht, Tescott 272 @ 34.25

4 mix, Solomon 278 @ 33.50

SOWS

19 wht, Hutchinson 610 @ 44.00

1 wht, Hope 690 @ 43.50

3 wht, Abilene 613 @ 42.00

2 wht, Abilene 590 @ 40.00

2 wht, Abilene 510 @ 40.00

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23 blk, solid, Bennington @ 785.00

11 blk, broken, Brookville @ 635.00

16 blk, broken, Bennington @ 630.00

8 blk, broken, Salina @ 620.00

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6 blk, young, Hutchinson @ 1400.00

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3 blk, young, Wilsey @ 1225.00

18 blk, young, Osborne @ 1225.00

17 blk, young, Inman @ 1125.00

3 red, young, Ellsworth @ 1075.00

EARLY CONSIGNMENTS FOR THURSDAY, DECEMBER 3RD

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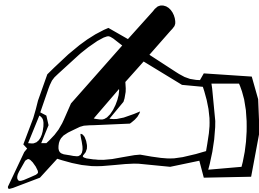
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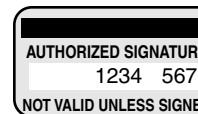
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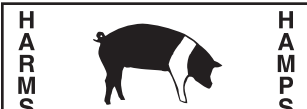
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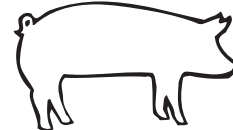
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Some turkey producers call Kansas home but obstacles exist

By Mary Lou Peter
Recent crisp fall weather conjures thoughts of cranberries, pumpkin pie, and Grandma's dressing — not to mention the star of the holiday table — turkey with all the trimmings.
Some of those turkeys may have been raised in Kansas, typically under contract to large processing companies with plants in other states. Despite its close proximity to some major processors and a rich history as a grain producer, however, Kansas is not a major turkey producer, said Scott Beyer, animal scientist with Kansas State University Research and Extension. "From what producers and prospective producers tell me, the tax environment they have to work in makes it difficult for growers who produce animals under contract," Beyer said. "It's possible that some revision to the tax structure could bene-


fit our rural areas by creating a more hospitable business environment for them. States immediately around us — Oklahoma, Nebraska and Missouri — are major poultry producing states, with lots of jobs associated with the industry."
The 2007 Census of Agriculture reported that 1,184,840 turkeys were sold from 83 farms in Kansas. The census is conducted every five years.
Although no official count is kept on the number of turkeys produced in Kansas year-to-year, Beyer, who has guided K-State poultry judging teams to national championships, estimates that about 1.3 million turkeys a year typically are produced in Kansas. That compares with U.S. Department of Agriculture data from 2008 which put Minnesota as the No. 1 producer at 48 million turkeys and North Carolina No. 2 at 40

million. Kansas' neighbor Missouri ranked fourth at 18 million turkeys and Iowa was No. 10 with 9 million. Frank Reese of Good Shepherd Poultry Ranch near Lindsborg, said that the biggest obstacle for his business is the lack of a large-scale, federally inspected independent turkey processor in Kansas. The producer, who has built an international reputation for producing heritage, or standard bred breeds, ships his turkeys to Harrison, Ohio for processing.
The long-time producer, who has raised turkeys the old-fashioned way for more than 50 years, out on pastures rather than in confinement buildings, said that 50

to 60 years ago Kansas was a prominent turkey-producing state. That was when every town had its own butcher and several farmers — mostly women — had laying hens.
"Kansas was No. 1 in dried egg production," said Reese, adding that dried eggs were an important staple in American homes at one time.
"After World War II the industry started changing," Reese said, adding that most turkeys now are a far cry from the old-time breeds that he believes have a superior taste and are genetically hardier. "Most turkeys today have been bred to produce more white meat and to more quickly grow to mar-

ket weight than did turkeys raised in the 1950s and before. With those changes in most modern-day breeds, turkeys cannot breed naturally and must be artificially inseminated," he said.
Heritage breed turkeys mate naturally, he said, and because they take 24 to 28 weeks to reach market weight — twice as long as those grown in confinement, they are "pricier." A Sept. 17, 2009 U.S. Department of

Agriculture report estimated that in July, U.S. turkey production was down 11 percent at 486 million pounds, compared with a year earlier. Beyer noted that like other meat producers, turkey producers have been caught between high production costs and somewhat decreased consumption because of the economic downturn.
"Feed and diesel costs were huge problems last



Results from special calf sale held at Sylvan Sales in Sylvan Grove on Saturday, Nov. 21st 987 head sold

STEERS		HEIFERS	
Russell, 12 blk	396@128.50	Russell, 16 blk	362@116.00
Dorrance, 3 blk	386@126.00	Russell, 5 blk	304@109.00
Russell, 2 red	332@131.00	Russell, 12 blk	419@106.00
Dorrance, 7 blk	447@113.00	Dorrance, 23 blk	483@97.25
Monument, 3 blk	425@118.00	Beloit, 9 blk	470@94.00
Russell, 4 blk	478@113.00	Dorrance, 8 blk	438@95.00
Ellsworth, 67 blk	530@111.00	Monument, 7 blk	406@93.00
Luray, 78 blk	536@110.09	Monument, 19 blk	517@92.00
Sylvan Grove, 11 blk	551@107.50	Luray, 18 blk	501@92.75
Luray, 25 blk	579@104.00	Russell, 14 mix	513@92.00
Wilson, 21 mix	609@95.00	Wilson, 21 mix	582@85.25
Sylvan Grove, 22 cx	675@93.00	Beloit, 28 blk	582@87.75
Russell, 12 blk	676@91.25	Sylvan Grove, 7 blk	680@87.00
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STEERS		HEIFERS	
300 to 399 lbs.	\$89.00 to \$102.00	300 to 399 lbs.	\$90.00 to \$98.00
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700 to 799 lbs.	\$82.50 to \$89.00	700 to 799 lbs.	\$70.00 to \$82.00
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1 blk, Altoona	295@110.00	1 blk, Neodesha	235@113.00
1 blk, Chanute	325@102.00	1 blk, Toronto	310@98.00
1 blk, Benedict	405@106.00	5 blk, Fredonia	441@91.00
4 blk, Longton	468@108.00	26 blk, Longton	496@91.75
4 blk, Fredonia	511@103.50	4 blk, Altoona	506@85.50
2 blk, Severy	535@95.00	8 mix, Chelsea	513@89.25
7 mix, Chelsea	544@98.75	10 blk, Fredonia	529@86.00
13 blk, Longton	546@98.00	3 blk, Buffalo	540@83.00
12 blk, Fredonia	572@94.00	6 mix, Longton	551@85.25
50 mix, Chelsea	587@98.25	16 blk, Elk City	581@84.00
31 mix, Tyro	596@94.50	4 blk, Elk City	543@83.25
7 blk, Chanute	608@93.75	31 mix, Chelsea	606@85.75
16 blk, Longton	622@95.00	8 mix, Fredonia	620@85.00
13 mix, Chelsea	661@91.00	2 mix, Altoona	648@81.50
22 mix, Tyro	670@90.00	9 mix, Tyro	677@80.85
2 red, Benedict	735@86.00	13 blk, Fredonia	718@82.00
6 mix, Fredonia	762@87.00	6 mix, Fredonia	780@76.85

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5	480 103.25		
8	550 100.75		
6	698 97.75		
7	759 93.00		

Bred Cows sold from no test

HEIFERS		Top Butcher Cow was \$45.50	
3	230 105.00		
2	448 89.25		
7	516 88.50		
3	610 87.50		
10	759 85.75		
3	807 81.50		

Top Butcher Bull was \$55.75

Fat Hog Top was \$34.10 avg. 280

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Representative sales from last Tuesday, November 17

STEERS		HEIFERS	
20	362 122.00	13	313 107.50
12	436 114.50	19	393 103.00
24	462 113.50	18	438 100.25
51	497 106.00	74	500 92.75
29	542 105.00	45	519 91.75
70	549 103.75	4	626 88.50
20	646 97.00	10	680 87.00
15	708 94.75	14	679 86.00
61	966 88.50	10	946 83.60
54	1050 86.25		

Top Butcher Cow was \$43.50

Top Butcher Bull was \$57.00

SPECIAL EARLY CONSIGNMENTS FOR TUESDAY, DECEMBER 1ST
80 mixed cows, spring bred, 7 and up, bred to black bulls
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year,” Beyer said. “Every-one was cutting back. Then came reductions in restau-rant orders as meals eaten out went down. Turkey is big in the deli, so I imagine that hurt as well.”

“Turkey consumption has been very stable in the U.S. at about 18 pounds per person annually,” he said, adding that even with a recession-related softening of demand, he does not expect much change to that 18-pound-per-capita figure when the final data comes in for 2009.

Beyer said that in the past year, corn prices rose fast and turkey prices could not keep pace.

“Had all this happened over the long haul instead of just weeks, the markets would have adjusted,” he said. “There is no doubt many growers lost their livelihood as a consequence of the rush to tie the corn price to ethanol.”

Because of the economic squeeze, many mid-sized producers shuttered their doors last year and others cut back on production, he said. For that reason, Beyer said he wouldn’t be surprised to see fewer turkeys in supermarket coolers and freezers this year, coupled with higher prices.

Reese, who sells chicks to about 15 other growers in Kansas and contracts with them to buy them back at maturity, said Good Shepherd Farm has weathered the economic downturn well so far. The company, which has been featured in USA Today and the Kansas City Star among others, sells directly to consumers through its Website, but also to restaurants and grocery stores. He believes that because of labor costs, most poultry will eventually be raised and processed outside the United States, but still controlled by U.S. companies. The meat will then be brought back into the U.S. to supply consumer needs.

But Reese, who is a fourth-generation Kansas farmer, plans for his her-itage breeds — the Standard Bronze, Narragansett, Bourbon Red, White Holland and Black Turkey — to continue

Turkey by the numbers

The holiday season, 2009, comes against an economic backdrop the likes of which haven’t been seen in decades. And U.S. turkey growers have not been immune from higher costs and somewhat weaker sales.

Turkey producers have responded by cutting back production, or in some cases, closing their doors, said K-State Research and Extension poultry specialist Scott Beyer.

Following are recent U.S. Department of Agriculture turkey statistics as of July 2009 (released in September 2009) unless otherwise noted.

U.S. turkey consumption per capita in 2008 was 17.6 pounds.

U.S. turkey meat production in July was 486 million pounds, down 11 percent from July 2008. The decrease was attributed to a lower number of turkeys slaughtered, as average weights were actually up slightly.

In July, the number of turkeys slaughtered was 21.5 million, a decrease of 11.2 percent from the previous year. The average live weight at slaughter was 28.4 pounds, marginally higher than the previous year. U.S. turkey production has increased nearly 300 percent since 1970.

Including the value added to turkey through processing into a variety of cuts, parts and further processed products, the total value of U.S. turkey

processors’ production in 2007 was more than \$13.9 billion.

Over the first seven months of 2009, U.S. turkey meat production totaled 3.29 billion pounds, a 9.7-percent reduction from the same period in 2008. Forecasts for the third and fourth quarters of 2009 were 1.44 billion and 1.5 billion pounds.

The forecast for the third quarter was down 8.2 percent from a year earlier, and expected production in the fourth quarter is down 5.2 percent. The estimate for 2009 production is 5.75 billion pounds, down 8 percent from 2008, due to reductions in the number of poults hatched, a result of the high feed and energy costs in the third and fourth quarters of 2008.

Even with large decreases in turkey meat production over the first seven months of 2009, cold storage holdings have risen for whole birds. At the end of July, cold storage holdings of whole turkeys were 349 million pounds, up 20 percent from the previous year.

The increase in whole-bird cold storage holding is a result of fewer birds being cut up for parts as demand in both the export and domestic market has slowed.

The decline in demand for turkey parts has not resulted in higher cold storage holdings for turkey parts. At the end of July, holdings of turkey parts totaled 291 million pounds, down 12

percent from a year earlier and 24 percent lower than at the end of July 2007.

Total cold storage holdings were expected to expand to 635 million pounds by the end of the third quarter, up 2 percent from a year earlier. By the end of 2009, cold storage stocks of whole turkeys and turkey parts were forecast at 375 million pounds, down 5 percent from the end of 2008. This change in stocks compared with 2008 is due to both continued lower turkey production, which is expected to lower supplies, and the rapid buildup of stocks that occurred at the end of 2008 due to declining economic conditions.

The accumulation of cold storage holdings of whole turkeys placed downward pressure on whole-bird prices. In August the wholesale price for whole hen turkeys in the Eastern market was 81 cents per pound, down 16 percent from August 2008 and down 2 percent from a month earlier.

Normally, whole turkey prices strengthen through the summer months and peak for the year in late October or early November in anticipation of the Thanksgiving holiday. Third-quarter 2009 prices for whole hens are forecast to average 83-84 cents per pound, down about 14 percent from third-quarter 2008. Prices in the fourth quarter are forecast to average 83-87 cents per pound.

to be raised in Kansas. “Our mission is all about preserving genetic diversity,” he said. “We want shoppers to have the choice between a heritage turkey, the traditional taste of the past, and a commercial turkey.” When asked what trends he expects in coming years, Beyer said he believes that the turkey business will need to find ways to increase consumption and develop more export business. “New products are needed — that’s what pulls any agriculture product up in the market place,” Beyer said.

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6 hrs	@485#	\$91.25	6 str	@558#	\$100.00
13 hrs	@452#	\$91.00	5 str	@513#	\$94.00
2 hrs	@495#	\$90.50	4 str	@594#	\$94.00
2 hrs	@455#	\$85.25	8 str	@613#	\$97.00
14 hrs	@510#	\$92.00	13 str	@618#	\$95.00
4 hrs	@550#	\$91.25	46 str	@674#	\$94.50
8 hrs	@517#	\$90.50	7 str	@660#	\$93.85
11 hrs	@532#	\$89.50	9 str	@644#	\$93.00
7 hrs	@501#	\$86.50	8 str	@684#	\$90.50
17 hrs	@594#	\$85.75	29 str	@667#	\$90.50
8 hrs	@581#	\$85.00	4 str	@606#	\$87.25
7 hrs	@603#	\$91.00	6 str	@726#	\$95.25
4 hrs	@610#	\$89.25	11 str	@736#	\$94.00
2 hrs	@675#	\$87.25	7 str	@789#	\$92.50
12 hrs	@658#	\$86.90	8 str	@706#	\$92.50
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3 hrs	@1173#	\$73.00	20 str	@858#	\$88.50
			53 str	@878#	\$88.50
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2 str	@390#	\$108.50	6 str	@943#	\$85.00
9 str	@481#	\$107.75	6 str	@986#	\$84.00
5 str	@400#	\$106.50	7 str	@975#	\$83.85
7 str	@379#	\$104.25	11 str	@1049#	\$83.25
3 str	@475#	\$102.75	2 str	@1073#	\$82.00
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Group cattle by age for efficient winter feeding

Grouping cattle by age is a relatively easy way to improve the efficiency of cattle feeding programs throughout the winter.

“Every herd is a bit unique, of course, so producers are going to have to take an inventory and decide how to best divide up the animals,” said Glenn Selk, Oklahoma State University Cooperative Extension livestock specialist.

Selk believes data from North Dakota State University’s Dickinson Research Center provides suggestions of groups of cows that could be fed together.

“Center staff looked at the average percentage of cows in their herd by age group over the previous 20-year period,” he said. “The data pointed out that 17 percent of the herd over the years was in the first-calf heifer category. They also noted that 11 percent of the herd was 10 years of age or older, while 15 percent of the cows were second-calf 3-year-olds.”

Armed with this knowledge, Selk recommends that cowherds be grouped as follows:

One group is made up of 2-year-old first-calf heifers. These animals have higher nutrient needs than other cows that have already reached their mature size, plus the heifers are too small to compete with larger, older cow.

A second group is made up of cows age 10 years or older and the second-calf heifers, animals of a suitable maturity that have higher nutrient needs. In addition, the group should include any middle-aged cows that were thin and needed extra supplement.

A third group is made up of the remaining cows in the herd. This group was mature in size and in adequate body condition to enter the winter feeding program with at least a body condition score of five.

“If only two groups are possible, putting the first two groups together would be a logical combination,” Selk said. “The key focus is that the feeding program be adequate to have animals in each group be a body condition score of five or six when they calve in the spring.”

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STEERS		800 lbs. - 899 lbs.	NT
300 lbs. and Lighter	NT	900 lbs. - and Up	NT
300 lbs. - 399 lbs.	104.50-110.00		
400 lbs. - 499 lbs.	105.75-114.00		
500 lbs. - 599 lbs.	95.00-104.50		
600 lbs. - 699 lbs.	81.25-92.50		
700 lbs. - 799 lbs.	84.00-90.00		
800 lbs. - 899 lbs.	68.50-87.50		
900 lbs. - and Up	NT		
HEIFERS			
300 lbs. and Lighter	93.50-100.00		
300 lbs. - 399 lbs.	90.50-93.00		
400 lbs. - 499 lbs.	89.00-92.00		
500 lbs. - 599 lbs.	82.00-86.75		
600 lbs. - 699 lbs.	74.00-78.50		
700 lbs. - 799 lbs.	NT		

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Schwieterman Market Outlook

A marketing commentary by Bret Crofts

The U.S. Dollar Index fell to a new low for the move on Monday, but posted an outside week higher on the charts. It will be interesting to see if we get any follow through strength in the Dollar next week. For the past several months we have seen strength in the Dollar at the end of the month, so a rally at the end of the month would be normal. One thing that is different this time is that we typically see a rally in the stock market the last week of November and the stock market and the Dollar have an inverse relationship. Even if we do see strength in the Dollar next week, the long term trend is still down and the pattern has been to see weakness in the Dollar when a new month starts. The other issue will

be what sort of action the Senate takes on the "Health Care Bill." The Dollar broke hard after the House passed its version, so the closer it comes to becoming law the faster the Dollar will fall. Stay tuned.

This week the corn continued the pattern of seeing strength early in the week then giving up most of the gains by Friday. The March corn gained 1 ¼ cents for the week after being up as much as 19 ¼ on Wednesday.

It has been a slow grind higher, but at least it is moving up. The fact that the market stalled out at the October high could be an indication that the market will have a deeper correction this time. However the direction of the Dollar will likely have a huge impact

once again. Export sales were terrible at 352,900 MT. This week's numbers should be better though because we have seen quite a bit of business from Mexico lately. Apparently drought in Mexico has hampered production and will result in more imports from us. We need to see something happen in the export business and more business from Mexico would be welcomed.

The wheat market started the week as the upside leader again gaining over 30 cents by Tuesday. Starting Wednesday though, the wheat market led the way lower and finished the week 16 ¼ cents higher.

It is impressive to see

the wheat make large gains when there is little fundamental reason to do so. It makes the power of money flow very clear. Export sales were poor at 362,400 MT. The only bullish thing is the potential for lower acreage, and the problem with that is that the market really needs to see lower acreage to avoid another big jump in stocks.

The news isn't good, but the market keeps moving up. Money flow is the most important thing. The Commitment of Traders reports showed another new record high in the net long Index Fund position in Kansas City wheat. Trading funds were big buyers as well. Everyone wants to buy "stuff" and the wheat is a big beneficiary.

The live cattle futures didn't bounce as much as I had hoped, but there was some strength. The February LC gained .275 for the week. It looks like there is still the potential to see the February LC gain a little

bit more and move up to the \$86.00 level, but after that I am skeptical.

There are some reasons to be bullish. The carcass weights are declining and we have been below year ago levels for two weeks now, which we haven't done in the fall of the year since 2003. The trend is toward bigger and bigger cattle, which means it is very significant when weights are lower than the previous year. If weights can stay under control for a while, beef production will be down, which should be friendly to prices. We have had reasons to be bullish for months, but it hasn't mattered. Maybe this will finally matter.

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300-400 lb. steers, \$95-\$114; heifers, \$80-\$100; 400-500 lb. steers, \$90-\$118; heifers, \$78-\$100; 500-600 lb. steers, \$85-\$105; heifers, \$78-\$90; 600-700 lb. steers, \$80-\$98; heifers, \$75-\$87; 700-800 lb. steers, \$80-\$96; heifers, \$75-\$82.50; 800-900 lb. steers, \$80-\$89; heifers, \$72.50-\$85. Trend on Calves: Steady on choice weaned calves, \$2 lower on unweaned calves. Trend on Feeder Cattle: Feeders, no test. Butcher Cows: High dressing cows \$37-\$45; Avg. dressing cows \$30-\$37; Low dressing cows \$20-\$30. Butcher bulls: Avg. to high dressing bulls \$50-\$56. Trend on Cows & Bulls: \$1-\$2 higher.

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Tuesdays

We sold 1008 cattle November 17 after Monday's bad weather. Steer and heifer calves sold on a steady market. Feeder steers and heifers were steady. Cows and bulls sold \$1.00-2.00 lower.

STEER & HEIFER CALVES			
1 blk str	485 @ 117.00	41 mix str	919 @ 90.00
1 blk str	355 @ 115.00	106 mix str	926 @ 90.00
3 blk bulls	367 @ 114.00	17 blk str	945 @ 90.00
3 blk bulls	482 @ 113.50	5 x-bred str	659 @ 88.75
3 blk bulls	423 @ 113.00	3 mix str	900 @ 88.35
21 bwf/blk bulls	494 @ 112.00	6 blk str	1006 @ 84.75
2 blk bulls	495 @ 112.00	5 blk str	1016 @ 83.50
4 blk/sim bulls	480 @ 102.00	23 mix str	1058 @ 82.50
1 blkstr	485 @ 111.00		
6 mix str	506 @ 109.00	HEIFER CALVES	
1 red str	465 @ 96.00	1 bwf hfr	195 @ 103.00
		1 bwf hfr	215 @ 100.00
		1 blk hfr	270 @ 98.00
		22 bwf/blk hfrs	467 @ 94.00
		5 blk hfrs	406 @ 91.50
		2 red hfrs	333 @ 90.00
		3 blk hfrs	528 @ 90.00
		4 bwf/blk hfrs	469 @ 89.00
		5 blk/sim hfrs	476 @ 83.75
		2 sim hfrs	393 @ 80.00
STOCKER & FEEDER STEERS			
8 blk str	741 @ 96.35		
20 blk/sim str	754 @ 96.10		
12 blk str	724 @ 95.25		
2 blk str	563 @ 95.00		
14 blk/bwf str	639 @ 93.50		
20 bwf/blk str	853 @ 93.00		
19 blk/red str	881 @ 92.85		
64 blk/char str	829 @ 92.50		
61 mix str	900 @ 92.35		
14 blk/bwf str	639 @ 91.50		
60 mix str	882 @ 91.10		
57 mix str	894 @ 91.00		
60 mix str	915 @ 90.85		
STOCKER & FEEDER HEIFERS			
9 blk hfrs	554 @ 91.00		
15 blk/bwf hfrs	785 @ 89.00		
19 blk hfrs	561 @ 87.00		
2 blk hfrs	595 @ 85.50		
3 x-bred hfrs	698 @ 85.00		
COWS & HEIFERETTES			
1 red hfrt	1310 @ 62.75		
1 blk hfrt	1115 @ 62.50		
1 bwf hfrt	1200 @ 62.50		
1 blk cow	935 @ 55.00		
1 blk cow	830 @ 45.00		
1 blk cow	1150 @ 42.75		
1 limo cow	1435 @ 42.50		
1 blk cow	990 @ 42.00		
1 bwf cow	1420 @ 41.25		
1 red cow	1125 @ 40.75		
1 blk cow	995 @ 40.50		
1 bwf cow	1420 @ 40.00		
1 blk cow	1290 @ 39.75		
1 blk cow	1315 @ 38.25		
1 hol cow	1815 @ 38.00		
1 sim cow	1415 @ 37.75		
1 sim cow	1900 @ 37.50		
1 wf cow	1550 @ 36.75		
1 bwf cow	1040 @ 36.25		
1 blk cow	1280 @ 36.00		
1 wf cow	1445 @ 35.25		
BRED COWS & HEIFERS			
6 blk hfrs	@ 830.00		
5 red cow	@ 825.00		
1 blk cow	@ 800.00		
4 blk cows	@ 790.00		
4 blk/red cows	@ 670.00		
1 blk cow	@ 550.00		
1 blk cow	@ 530.00		
1 bwf cow	@ 510.00		
COW/CALF PAIRS			
2 wf/bwf cows/cvs	@ 850.00		
1 x-bred cow/cf	@ 810.00		
2 blk/sim cows/cvs	@ 710.00		
BULLS			
1 blk bull	2045 @ 52.50		
1 limo bull	1970 @ 48.25		
1 bwf bull	1990 @ 47.25		
1 blk bull	1975 @ 47.00		
1 blk bull	1770 @ 45.75		

SPECIAL EARLY CONSIGNMENTS FOR THIS TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 24
95 blk & blkwf bulls & heifers, 400-500 lbs.
27 Angus str & heifers, 650-700 lbs., weaned & vacc.
26 Angus str & hfrs, 600-700 lbs., weaned & vacc.
34 blk & bwf str & hfrs, 500-600 lbs., weaned & vacc.
140 blk & bwf steers & heifers, 700-800 lbs.
200 Angus steers, 900-950 lbs., from Sand Hills
60 blk & bwf steers, 850-875 lbs.
58 blk & bwf steers, 875-900 lbs.
120 black cross steers, 900-925 lbs.
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