the Cattle Range

Weekly Market Summary

Sunday, May 17, 2026

Steady to Mostly Higher

Steers Cattle: 1,000 Head; Compared to last week: Steady to Mostly Higher. Most sales 1,100 to 1,400 lb. Holsteins: Compared to last week: Steady. Most sales 1,100 to 1,400 lb. Bulls: Compared to last week: Steady. Most sales 1,100 to 1,400 lb. Cows: Compared to last week: Steady. Most sales 1,100 to 1,400 lb.

Feeder Cattle Steers: Compared to last week: Steady. Most sales 1,100 to 1,400 lb. Heifers: Compared to last week: Steady. Most sales 1,100 to 1,400 lb.

Feeder Cattle Contracts Steady to Mostly Higher for the week.

Feeder Cattle Futures Steady to Mostly Higher for the week.

Feeder Cattle Contracts Steady to Mostly Higher for the week.

Cattle Feed Contracts All Grains up $ 0.10

Cattle Feed Steady to Mostly Higher for the week compared to 2-3 weeks. Grain demand steady. Production steady. Supplies adequate to ample. Quality good. Cottonseed Meal and Cottonseed Hulls steady to higher. Corn gluten feed steady. Corn gluten meal steady. Molasses steady. Soybean Meal steady. Soybean Hulls steady. Alfalfa Hay steady. Grass Hay steady. Wheat Straw steady. Corn Stover steady.

Change Since Previous Year - 5.0%
Change Since Last Week - 0.0%
Change Since Last Month - 0.0%
Change Since Last Year - 0.0%

Comparisons are based on the weekly average compared to the same period a year ago. Minus sign(-) indicates a decrease. Plus sign(+) indicates an increase. Unchanged means no change from the previous week.

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National Weekly Cattle Slaughter Summary

Source: USDA Agricultural Marketing Service

	This Week	Last Week	Year Ago	Year Ago %	5 Year Avg	5 Year Avg %
Cattle Slaughter	561,000	561,000	561,000	100.0%	561,000	100.0%
Steers	241,000	241,000	241,000	100.0%	241,000	100.0%
Heifers	161,000	161,000	161,000	100.0%	161,000	100.0%
Cows	59,000	59,000	59,000	100.0%	59,000	100.0%
Bulls	2,000	2,000	2,000	100.0%	2,000	100.0%
Calves	1,000	1,000	1,000	100.0%	1,000	100.0%
Cattle Carcass Wt	1,400	1,400	1,400	100.0%	1,400	100.0%
Steers	1,400	1,400	1,400	100.0%	1,400	100.0%
Heifers	1,100	1,100	1,100	100.0%	1,100	100.0%
Cows	1,400	1,400	1,400	100.0%	1,400	100.0%
Bulls	1,400	1,400	1,400	100.0%	1,400	100.0%
Calves	1,000	1,000	1,000	100.0%	1,000	100.0%
Beef Carcass	1,000	1,000	1,000	100.0%	1,000	100.0%
Steers	1,000	1,000	1,000	100.0%	1,000	100.0%
Heifers	1,000	1,000	1,000	100.0%	1,000	100.0%
Cows	1,000	1,000	1,000	100.0%	1,000	100.0%
Bulls	1,000	1,000	1,000	100.0%	1,000	100.0%
Calves	1,000	1,000	1,000	100.0%	1,000	100.0%
Cattle Carcass Cwt	1,000	1,000	1,000	100.0%	1,000	100.0%
Cattle Cwt Trade	1,000	1,000	1,000	100.0%	1,000	100.0%

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Feeder & Stocker Cattle Weekly Averages

Source: USDA Agricultural Marketing Service

	This Week	Last Week	Year Ago	Year Ago %	5 Year Avg	5 Year Avg %
Feeder Steers	1,000	1,000	1,000	100.0%	1,000	100.0%
Stocker Steers	1,000	1,000	1,000	100.0%	1,000	100.0%
Feeder Heifers	1,000	1,000	1,000	100.0%	1,000	100.0%
Wtd Avg Price	1,000	1,000	1,000	100.0%	1,000	100.0%

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Feeder Cattle Futures

Source: CME Group

December 2027 (G26) Weekly open interest: 2,000 Long open int: 17,140

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Feeder cattle futures, weekly open interest, and weekly open interest change for the week ending May 15th, 2026 (Source: CME Group): Feeder cattle futures, weekly open interest, and weekly open interest change for the week ending May 15th, 2026 (Source: CME Group): Feeder cattle futures, weekly open interest, and weekly open interest change for the week ending May 15th, 2026 (Source: CME Group): Feeder cattle futures, weekly open interest, and weekly open interest change for the week ending May 15th, 2026 (Source: CME Group): Feeder cattle futures, weekly open interest, and weekly open interest change for the week ending May 15th, 2026 (Source: CME Group): Feeder cattle futures, weekly open interest, and weekly open interest change for the week ending May 15th, 2026 (Source: CME Group):

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Kansas Feed Inventory

Source: USDA Agricultural Marketing Service

	This Week	Last Week	Year Ago	Year Ago %	5 Year Avg	5 Year Avg %
Corn Silage	1,000	1,000	1,000	100.0%	1,000	100.0%
Corn Grain	1,000	1,000	1,000	100.0%	1,000	100.0%
Sorghum Silage	1,000	1,000	1,000	100.0%	1,000	100.0%
Sorghum Grain	1,000	1,000	1,000	100.0%	1,000	100.0%
Alfalfa Hay	1,000	1,000	1,000	100.0%	1,000	100.0%
Grass Hay	1,000	1,000	1,000	100.0%	1,000	100.0%
Wheat Straw	1,000	1,000	1,000	100.0%	1,000	100.0%
Corn Stover	1,000	1,000	1,000	100.0%	1,000	100.0%
Soybean Meal	1,000	1,000	1,000	100.0%	1,000	100.0%
Soybean Hulls	1,000	1,000	1,000	100.0%	1,000	100.0%
Cottonseed Meal	1,000	1,000	1,000	100.0%	1,000	100.0%
Cottonseed Hulls	1,000	1,000	1,000	100.0%	1,000	100.0%
Corn Gluten Feed	1,000	1,000	1,000	100.0%	1,000	100.0%
Corn Gluten Meal	1,000	1,000	1,000	100.0%	1,000	100.0%
Molasses	1,000	1,000	1,000	100.0%	1,000	100.0%
Grain Cost Index	1,000	1,000	1,000	100.0%	1,000	100.0%

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Legislative Update

Source: Kansas Legislature

Bill Number: HB 2000 Bill Title: Appropriations; Kansas Department of Agriculture; Animal Health Department; Animal Health Fees. Bill Sponsor: Appropriations Committee Bill Status: Signed by Governor Bill Date: 2026-03-31 Bill Text: Bill Text Bill Summary: Bill Summary

Bill Number: HB 2001 Bill Title: Appropriations; Kansas Department of Agriculture; Animal Health Department; Animal Health Fees. Bill Sponsor: Appropriations Committee Bill Status: Signed by Governor Bill Date: 2026-03-31 Bill Text: Bill Text Bill Summary: Bill Summary

Bill Number: HB 2002 Bill Title: Appropriations; Kansas Department of Agriculture; Animal Health Department; Animal Health Fees. Bill Sponsor: Appropriations Committee Bill Status: Signed by Governor Bill Date: 2026-03-31 Bill Text: Bill Text Bill Summary: Bill Summary

Bill Number: HB 2003 Bill Title: Appropriations; Kansas Department of Agriculture; Animal Health Department; Animal Health Fees. Bill Sponsor: Appropriations Committee Bill Status: Signed by Governor Bill Date: 2026-03-31 Bill Text: Bill Text Bill Summary: Bill Summary

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Flint Hills Cattle Grass Forecast

Source: Kansas Farm Bureau

Forecasted Cut Date: 6/1/2026 Grass Type: Tall Grass Stocking Rate: 1 AU per 1.0 acres

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