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Cattle prices have increased and continued to remain strong through 2014, reports show cattle herds are increasing but have not reached the capacity needed to put feedlots at their capacity.

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Here's the thing. Even though cattlemen are increasing their herds, reality is there are less cattlemen. This is why we see a decrease in beef production as well as a decrease in number of cattle ready for slaughter, therefore prices paid on the hoof are higher trying to meet the demand.

Predictions are that 2015 will follow 2014 trend with the climb in pricing to not be as dramatic and level somewhat! But that's just what the experts predict, no one has a crystal ball, but we see our prices remaining strong in all areas.

Next week 12/15 will be our last sale of the year! Come see us!

Below are the prices from this weeks sale.
Thanks, Burton

This is a Price Trend report based on our market's sale on the date above, it is NOT a quote.

#1 Feeder Steers & Bulls

<u>Medium & Large Frame</u>	<u>Price Range</u>	<u>Avg.</u>
<u>Price</u>		
175-274 222#Avg	420.00-545.00	483.00
275-349 298#Avg	360.00-420.00	401.75
350-424 362#Avg	347.50-375.00	357.31
425-499 438#Avg	297.50-315.00	303.25
500-574 521#Avg	255.00-282.50	266.50
575-700 593#Avg	247.50-277.50	260.83

#1.5 - #2 Feeder Steers & Bulls

<u>Light & Medium Frame</u>	<u>Price Range</u>	<u>Avg.</u>
<u>Price</u>		
175-274 247#Avg	230.00-430.00	363.57
275-349 313#Avg	280.00-400.00	359.42
350-424 388#Avg	290.00-352.50	322.37
425-499 458#Avg	255.00-300.00	287.68
500-574 525#Avg	227.50-255.00	246.25
575-700 629#Avg	185.00-252.50	220.00

#1 Feeder Heifers

<u>Medium & Large Frame</u>	<u>Price Range</u>	<u>Avg.</u>
<u>Price</u>		
175-274 215#Avg	335.00-425.00	378.50
275-349 316#Avg	322.50-332.50	327.29
350-424 375#Avg	290.00-312.50	296.14
425-499 451#Avg	267.50-302.50	280.00
500-574 514#Avg	235.00-260.00	250.00
575-700 620#Avg	220.00-235.00	226.20

#1.5 - #2 Heifers

<u>Light & Medium Frame</u>	<u>Price Range</u>	<u>Avg.</u>
<u>Price</u>		
175-274 241#Avg	285.00-340.00	320.18
275-349 308#Avg	295.00-325.00	314.17
350-424 383#Avg	250.00-292.50	278.59
425-499 468#Avg	212.50-275.00	246.96
500-574 526#Avg	170.00-250.00	219.17
575-700 628#Avg	184.00-222.00	203.38

Slaughter Cows

Boners

Price Range Avg Price

High Dress	1100-1900	120.00-142.00	128.86
Lean	850-1200	102.00-136.00	112.78
Low Dress	800-1100	98.00-117.00	107.02
Shells	650-800	56.00-117.00	83.27
<u>Replacement Cows</u>	800-1100	109.00-170.00	137.59

<u>Bulls</u>		<u>Price Range</u>	<u>Avg. Price</u>
High Dress	1300-2000	116.00-123.00	119.60
Under 1300	1000-1299	90.00-112.00	101.00
Low Dress	800-1099	112.00-112.00	112.00

<u>Pairs</u>	<u>Price Range</u>
	850.00-2120.00