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Introduction

In 2011 fourteen livestock markets were reported by the Arkansas Livestock and Grain Market News Service of the University of Arkansas Division of Agriculture, Cooperative Extension Service. This publication contains yearly and monthly receipts at reported Arkansas auctions and average cash prices received for feeder steers and heifers, slaughter cows and bulls, feeder and replacement cows and cow-calf pairs along with each class's respective U.S. standards. All reports published by the Arkansas Market News Service are available online at the U of A Cooperative Extension Services website, www.uaex.edu/. Select agriculture, then beef, then marketing. All reports are under livestock markets. They are also available at www.ams.usda.gov/lsmnpubs/.

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In January 2007 Arkansas had 28,292 farms with cattle. Over 90% of Arkansas total cattle inventory was held by cow-calf operations (the balance held as stockers) and was home to 3% of the country's cow population. More than 90% of the beef operations in the state have less than 100 head with almost 80% having less than 50 head of cattle. The highest population of beef cows is located in the northwest, north central and southwestern sections of the state, with Benton and Washington counties in the northwest corner having the largest numbers. The Arkansas beef industry predominately produces feeder calves that are sold at local livestock markets and other commission sales channels. Auction markets have traditionally been the most cost-effective way to market feeder calves from a large number of small producers. [1]

The University of Arkansas Cooperative Extension Service conducted surveys in 2000, 2005 and 2010 on factors which affect the selling price of feeder cattle sold at Arkansas livestock auctions. Sammy Cline, Jerry Foley, Dianne Hardgrave, Rickey Wiedower, Wade Wiedower and Glen Ford, livestock market reporters, collected the information at regularly assigned livestock auctions. Information was collected on the number of head sold, sex, breed, color, if they had horns or were polled, frame size, muscle score, fill (full or shrunk), condition (thin or fleshy), age, health, weight and price. Information was collected on over 267,000 head of feeders during the 2000, 2005 and 2010 collection periods. Several factors held true during all three periods. Over 75% of feeder cattle sold were singles and weighed between 350-600 lbs (2/3 calves and 1/3 yearlings); however, uniform groups with over 6 head sold at a $4.00 premium compared to similar calves selling as singles. Forty-five percent of the supply was heifers, 36% steers and 19% bulls even though bulls sold at a $5.00-$6.00 discount to similar steers. Preconditioned cattle sold at a $4.00-$5.00 premium. Traits which resulted in severe discounts ($10.00-$25.00 per cwt or more) were Small frame cattle, muscle score 3 and 4 cattle (poor muscled cattle), cattle which were stale or lame, had stripes or spots, were fleshy or fat, and were full or tanked. The desired factors for feeder cattle selling at Arkansas auction markets were Medium or Large frame, No. 1 muscled, crossbred calves that were polled or dehorned, castrated if bulls, had no spots or stripes, were in average fill and flesh, healthy, preconditioned and sold in uniform groups. [2]

1) The Census of Agriculture 2007. USDA National Agricultural Statistics Service.
2) Improving the Value of Feeder Cattle. Dr. Tom Troxel, Dr. Brett Barham, Dr. Shane Gadberry, Sammy Cline, Jerry Foley, Dianne Hardgrave, Rickey Wiedower, Wade Wiedower, Glen Ford, Arkansas Cooperative Extension Service.

Arkansas Auction Receipts

Year	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	Total
2010	34,710	32,865	49,850	53,853	40,213	40,861	44,096	58,155	50,323	52,612	45,045	42,219	544,802
2009	37,391	34,226	35,205	45,488	39,174	36,432	42,213	32,669	47,744	42,021	38,775	37,170	468,508
2008	35,672	34,859	35,242	35,049	41,076	39,505	33,627	44,763	36,017	43,552	33,998	24,175	437,535
2007	39,936	34,208	45,513	36,621	41,710	38,978	31,787	44,362	49,714	46,628	43,798	25,297	478,552
2006	57,522	30,113	40,842	36,253	33,808	41,992	43,316	58,846	50,854	45,667	45,552	29,427	514,192
2005	52,950	38,322	41,586	41,003	45,280	55,871	48,311	57,203	58,116	54,504	46,391	35,102	574,639
2004	45,505	31,698	46,474	46,451	40,615	47,262	45,437	59,782	60,562	55,017	42,768	27,632	549,203
2003	65,582	33,250	57,533	53,101	49,522	58,387	57,068	64,062	85,168	68,636	43,305	29,836	665,450
2002	63,508	41,794	40,804	39,161	32,494	34,444	33,344	40,300	48,815	66,725	50,422	36,974	528,785
2001	61,313	48,610	67,666	51,613	52,182	54,022	55,548	67,737	62,410	66,836	51,092	37,667	676,696
2000	72,892	58,329	63,292	62,562	54,333	52,028	56,415	76,273	74,697	71,562	64,360	31,073	737,816
1999	71,250	63,878	42,554	58,249	46,272	62,146	51,885	87,383	93,483	83,932	67,804	44,157	772,993
1998	61,511	53,460	53,647	60,053	51,635	51,646	52,056	64,639	82,182	90,746	76,213	57,494	755,282
1997	72,096	58,674	70,732	68,786	69,416	71,378	85,977	95,498	110,345	110,008	74,424	56,131	943,465
1996	58,884	53,021	49,634	44,982	51,216	57,063	63,085	66,501	91,849	106,581	82,190	51,015	776,021
1995	60,341	49,854	52,871	42,228	44,458	52,740	47,599	60,616	89,521	88,055	57,916	48,146	694,345
1994	55,455	54,425	61,790	38,315	35,537	30,361	38,400	56,289	56,602	69,316	65,397	44,727	606,614
1993	67,082	46,259	62,257	55,148	49,043	53,623	68,258	69,331	83,675	90,307	64,070	47,063	756,116
1992	60,912	57,267	56,399	55,809	55,791	54,108	57,794	70,550	85,383	95,165	59,674	47,447	756,299
1991	58,361	52,976	49,656	48,419	47,647	47,385	56,791	65,243	70,763	87,097	63,109	44,623	692,070
1990	71,193	51,157	57,419	54,253	44,232	55,033	64,446	80,522	84,891	99,647	76,055	45,460	784,308

ACTUAL AUCTION RECEIPTS OF LIVESTOCK
ARKANSAS AUCTIONS - CATTLE

YEAR - 2006

Market	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total
Ash Flat	5,625	3,345	6,116	4,021	3,818	5,842	5,759	4,408	5,202	4,703	4,459	4,794	58,092
Charlotte	4,715	2,245	3,341	3,388	2,273	2,236	3,979	4,195	4,206	3,488	3,259	2,161	39,486
Conway	5,563	3,229	2,998	3,200	3,359	3,362	4,081	5,593	6,357	4,553	4,168	3,331	49,794
Fayetteville	3,560	1,208	2,555	2,369	1,379	1,792	2,766	3,441	1,363	2,926	1,900	852	26,111
Ft. Smith	3,035	2,070	2,535	1,448	2,452	3,349	3,047	4,368	4,987	4,188	2,583	1,871	35,933
Glenwood	3,122	2,033	2,525	1,971	1,910	2,961	3,250	4,267	4,286	1,802	3,357	1,771	33,255
Green Forest	5,873	3,865	5,493	3,918	4,896	5,312	3,173	7,511	3,556	6,359	6,670	1,327	57,953
Harrison	4,494	1,334	2,263	2,391	2,422	2,633	2,653	2,972	1,100	3,971	2,715	2,028	30,976
Hope	3,763	2,125	2,799	2,623	2,047	4,345	2,357	5,561	5,136	2,006	5,248	1,915	39,925
Marshall	2,802	1,514	1,643	1,048	748	1,387	2,017	1,942	2,376	2,103	1,458	1,203	20,241
Ola	1,107	311	330	446	601	840	288	1,346	1,173	855	587	327	8,211
Ozark	2,993	2,006	2,488	2,281	1,988	1,688	2,021	3,994	4,094	1,219	3,131	1,896	29,799
Pocahontas	2,482	1,468	1,083	841	776	940	907	740	1,587	1,601	1,074	986	14,485
Ratcliff	1,857	965	1,393	1,406	2,656	2,095	1,136	2,352	1,562	597	1,843	575	18,437
Springdale	6,531	2,395	3,280	4,902	2,483	3,210	5,882	6,156	3,869	5,296	3,100	4,390	51,494
Total	57,522	30,113	40,842	36,253	33,808	41,992	43,316	58,846	50,854	45,667	45,552	29,427	514,192

ACTUAL AUCTION RECEIPTS OF LIVESTOCK
ARKANSAS AUCTIONS - CATTLE

YEAR - 2007

Market	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total
Ash Flat	4,295	3,845	7,308	5,007	6,147	5,910	3,432	5,805	6,932	5,520	5,507	1,073	60,781
Charlotte	3,855	3,203	3,137	2,929	3,571	3,087	1,297	3,858	5,085	4,442	3,282	2,639	40,385
Conway	4,688	3,083	4,493	4,184	3,967	3,786	3,557	4,015	4,055	2,931	3,889	2,339	44,987
Fayetteville	1,844	1,740	2,746	2,027	2,807	1,799	1,682	2,478	1,805	2,821	2,634	1,135	25,518
Ft. Smith	2,439	2,514	3,119	2,679	1,607	3,469	3,397	3,298	4,332	4,907	3,270	2,199	37,230
Glenwood	2,238	2,128	3,232	2,115	2,893	2,202	2,342	2,573	3,149	1,553	2,902	1,456	28,783
Green Forest	6,081	4,337	3,850	3,659	5,774	3,902	3,190	5,610	5,815	6,718	4,975	4,391	58,302
Hope	2,823	2,679	3,704	3,037	2,477	2,744	2,582	3,610	4,883	2,375	4,498	2,135	37,547
Marshall	1,645	2,191	2,299	2,063	2,059	1,892	1,920	1,939	2,961	2,168	2,179	1,299	24,615
Ola	559	850	725	643	1,127	801	640	1,006	589	743	559	899	9,141
Ozark	2,855	1,689	2,488	2,020	2,277	1,826	2,365	4,338	2,637	3,662	3,309	1,115	30,581
Pocahontas	1,136	1,068	1,181	894	1,505	1,379	972	1,192	1,337	1,390	636	804	13,494
Ratcliff	1,553	1,885	1,673	1,144	1,441	1,913	1,158	1,429	1,688	2,087	1,423	1,058	18,452
Springdale	3,925	2,996	5,558	4,220	4,058	4,268	3,253	3,211	4,446	5,311	4,735	2,755	48,736
Total	39,936	34,208	45,513	36,621	41,710	38,978	31,787	44,362	49,714	46,628	43,798	25,297	478,552

ACTUAL AUCTION RECEIPTS OF LIVESTOCK
ARKANSAS AUCTIONS - CATTLE

YEAR - 2008

Market	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total
Ash Flat	4,301	5,434	4,779	4,172	6,910	4,785	4,300	4,436	5,579	6,281	4,235	1,904	57,116
Charlotte	3,589	2,757	3,109	3,783	2,098	2,472	2,646	1,782	2,685	3,178	2,081	1,008	31,188
Conway	2,493	2,549	3,968	4,480	3,095	3,327	3,511	15,869	4,399	2,513	3,667	1,804	51,675
Fayetteville	1,630	1,766	2,599	1,535	2,659	1,873	1,860	1,393	865	3,053	1,343	773	21,349
Ft. Smith	2,458	1,399	2,580	2,465	2,442	3,623	2,661	3,774	2,903	3,548	2,724	2,057	32,634
Glenwood	2,126	2,126	2,157	1,997	2,496	2,203	3,077	1,803	2,752	2,580	2,564	1,794	27,675
Green Forest	5,846	4,497	3,726	4,825	4,480	6,788	2,693	2,649	2,862	4,950	4,452	3,196	50,964
Hope	2,162	2,936	1,883	2,452	3,269	3,013	3,751	2,559	2,960	3,188	3,124	2,511	33,808
Marshall	2,362	1,344	1,798	1,280	1,827	2,145	1,574	1,623	2,901	750	2,267	1,027	20,898
Ola	1,041	1,884	623	1,055	2,126	1,241	1,410	2,190	1,326	2,247	1,204	1,995	18,342
Ozark	2,144	2,071	2,156	1,841	3,106	1,772	2,746	1,973	2,469	3,551	2,324	2,433	28,586
Pocahontas	1,305	1,159	1,154	1,430	911	883	715	1,108	1,340	826	705	174	11,710
Ratcliff	1,080	1,367	677	1,195	1,146	1,899	846	1,132	1,164	1,620	916	610	13,652
Springdale	3,135	3,570	4,033	2,539	4,511	3,481	1,837	2,472	1,812	5,267	2,392	2,889	37,938
Total	35,672	34,859	35,242	35,049	41,076	39,505	33,627	44,763	36,017	43,552	33,998	24,175	437,535

ACTUAL AUCTION RECEIPTS OF LIVESTOCK
ARKANSAS AUCTIONS - CATTLE

YEAR - 2009

Market	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total
Ash Flat	5,394	5,538	5,543	5,718	6,245	4,590	5,414	4,186	4,917	4,708	4,346	3,760	60,359
Charlotte	2,087	1,905	3,099	4,619	3,646	3,208	3,370	1,621	4,978	3,636	3,523	2,613	38,305
Conway	2,412	2,860	3,532	3,390	2,717	3,122	2,701	3,539	5,065	1,600	3,436	2,815	37,189
Fayetteville	1,978	1,764	1,193	2,537	1,647	1,047							10,166
Ft. Smith	3,148	2,667	2,675	2,899	1,676	4,120	3,238	4,433	4,827	3,022	1,572	2,110	36,387
Glenwood	2,501	2,571	1,691	3,186	2,188	2,636	2,834	2,022	3,403	2,612	2,657	2,563	30,864
Green Forest	5,307	4,935	4,422	5,885	4,776	5,691	5,094	2,829	4,778	3,951	5,428	4,713	57,809
Heber Springs				1,532	1,407	1,375	604	1,513	1,876	1,183	2,356	835	12,681
Hope	3,489	2,358	2,583	3,735	3,081	2,987	3,709	2,753	3,577	4,133	4,740	3,617	40,762
Marshall	2,259												2,259
Ola	1,418	2,271	2,280	2,368	2,161	969	2,796	1,123	2,711	1,289		1,994	21,380
Ozark	2,341	2,484	1,523	3,089	2,654	1,286	3,988	1,213	2,951	2,361		2,458	26,348
Pocahontas	976	967	1,700	1,549	1,121	687	660	996	1,699	1,563	1,320	670	13,908
Ratcliff	752	997	904	1,125	1,015	1,354	1,444	383	1,710	370		837	10,891
Siloam Springs							1,813	3,199	2,464	6,218	5,615	3,917	23,226
Springdale	3,329	2,909	4,060	3,856	4,840	3,360	4,548	2,859	2,788	5,375	3,782	4,268	45,974
Total	37,391	34,226	35,205	45,488	39,174	36,432	42,213	32,669	47,744	42,021	38,775	37,170	468,508

ACTUAL AUCTION RECEIPTS OF LIVESTOCK
ARKANSAS AUCTIONS - CATTLE

YEAR - 2010

Market	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total
Ash Flat	3,591	4,868	6,236	6,885	4,029	4,379	5,437	8,306	6,664	5,900	3,291	4,686	64,272
Charlotte	4,647	3,251	5,961	4,549	4,370	3,461	4,396	3,595	4,774	3,847	3,597	3,207	49,655
Conway	3,364	1,592	2,950	1,421	3,732	2,740	2,646	4,134	2,888	3,433	3,465	2,189	34,554
Ft. Smith	710	1,663	3,953	3,382	2,430	2,693	2,139	5,195	3,150	4,003	3,907	2,746	35,971
Glenwood	2,348	1,434	2,766	3,727	2,578	1,815	3,658	3,090	2,387	4,164	2,387	2,670	33,024
Green Forest	4,412	1,871	6,030	6,560	4,841	7,291	5,110	5,476	4,733	5,451	7,324	6,207	65,306
Heber Springs	1,160	638	1,891	1,169	1,567	1,249	1,346	2,986	2,111	2,447	2,616	891	20,071
Hope	3,415	3,276	3,320	5,367	3,345	3,461	4,506	5,674	7,252	3,289	4,277	3,339	50,521
Ola	850	2,907	3,066	2,695	1,489	1,846	2,678	3,723	3,167	3,248	1,667	1,960	29,296
Ozark	1,523	2,943	3,203	4,777	2,102	1,321	3,563	4,862	4,436	3,781	2,052	3,772	38,335
Pocahontas	1,399	701	2,154	1,435	1,019	820	836	1,685	1,328	1,018	1,347	346	14,088
Ratcliff	611	852	1,899	878	849	2,227	1,150	1,492	1,918	1,409	720	1,187	15,192
Siloam Springs	4,086	3,381	3,377	5,490	4,320	3,641	3,107	4,222	3,469	4,878	5,192	4,292	49,455
Springdale	2,594	3,488	3,044	5,518	3,542	3,917	3,524	3,715	2,046	5,744	3,203	4,727	45,062
Total	34,710	32,865	49,850	53,853	40,213	40,861	44,096	58,155	50,323	52,612	45,045	42,219	544,802

U.S. STANDARDS FOR GRADES OF FEEDER CATTLE

FACTS ABOUT:

The October 1, 2000, revision of the U.S. Standards for Grades of Feeder Cattle reflects changes in the genetic composition, production, marketing and management of beef cattle since the 1979 grade standards were implemented. The updated frame size and muscle thickness grades more accurately reflect the value of today's feeder cattle.

The standards describe the various types of feeder cattle being produced and are used as a basis for Federal-State livestock market reporting and as a common trade language between buyers and sellers. They are a tool for penning cattle at sales where feeder cattle are officially graded and ownership commingled. They provide guidelines for better planning of breeding, management and marketing programs. The feeder cattle grades continue to be based on evaluating differences in frame size and muscle thickness -- two of the most important genetic factors affecting merit (value) in feeder cattle.

Frame size is related to the weight at which, under normal feeding and management practices, an animal will produce a carcass that will grade Choice. Large frame animals require a longer time in the feedlot to reach a given grade and will weigh more than a small-framed animal would weigh at the same grade. Thickness is related to muscle to bone ratio and at a given degree of fatness to carcass yield grade. Thicker muscled animals will have more lean meat. The Feeder Cattle Standards recognize three frame size grades and four muscle thickness grades.

In addition to twelve combinations (3 frame size and 4 muscle thickness) of Feeder Cattle Grades for thrifty animals, an Inferior grade exists for unthrifty animals. The Inferior grade includes feeder cattle, which are unthrifty because of mismanagement, disease, parasitism, or lack of feed. An animal that grades Inferior could qualify for a muscle thickness and frame size grade at a later date provided the unthrifty condition is corrected.

"Doubled-muscled" animals are included in the Inferior grade. Although such animals have a superior amount of muscle, they are graded U.S. Inferior because of their inability to produce carcasses with enough marbling to grade Choice.

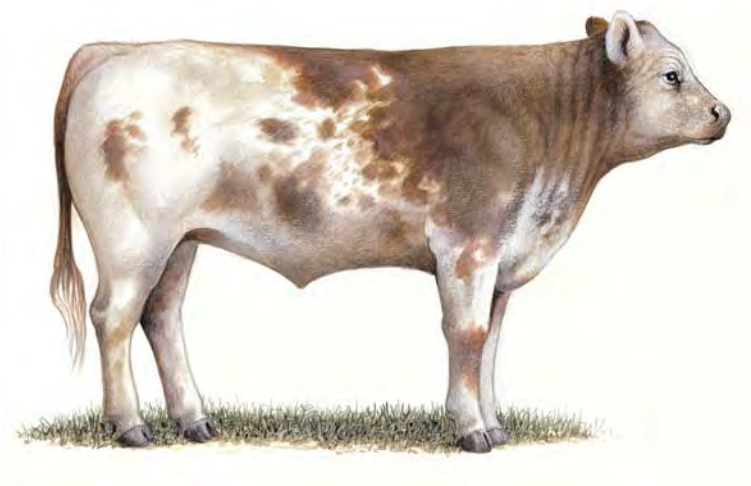
FRAME

		Expected Weight to Grade Choice	
	FRAME	STEERS	HEIFERS
	Large +		
L	Large	⬆	⬆
	Large -	1250#	1150#
	Medium +		
M	Medium	⬆	⬆
	Medium -	1100#	1000#
	Small +	1100#	1000#
S	Small	⬇	⬇
	Small -		

MUSCLE SCORE

MINIMUM THICKNESS	DEGREE OF THICKNESS
1	Moderately thick -
2	Tends to be Slightly Thick -
3	Thin -
4	

FRAME SIZE



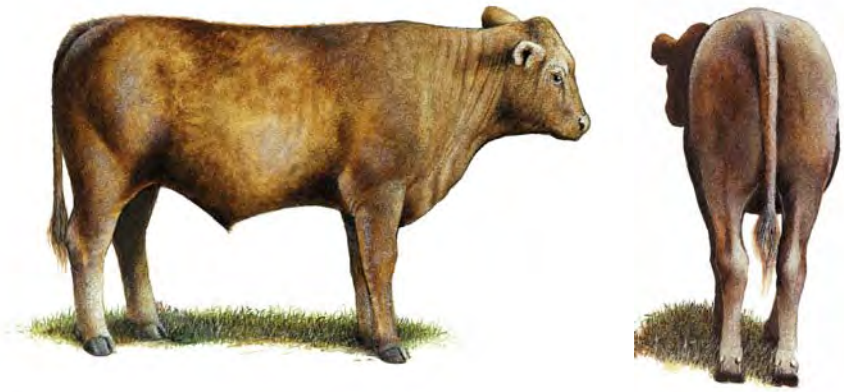
Large

Medium

Small

Large and Medium frame pictures depict minimum grade requirements. The small frame picture represents an animal typical of the grade.

MUSCLE THICKNESS



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No. 1, No. 2, and No. 3 thickness pictures depict minimum grade requirements. The No. 4 picture represents an animal typical of the grade.

What are the Frame Size Standards?

Large Frame (L): Feeder cattle, which possess typical minimum qualifications for this grade, are thrifty, have large frames, and are tall and long bodied for their age. Steers and heifers would not be expected to produce U.S. Choice carcasses (about 0.50 inch (1.3 cm) fat at twelfth rib) until their live weights exceed 1250 pounds (567 kg) and 1150 pounds (522 kg), respectively.

Medium Frame (M): Feeder cattle, which possess typical minimum qualifications for this grade, are thrifty, have slightly large frames, and are slightly tall and slightly long bodied for their age. Steers and heifers would be expected to produce U.S. Choice carcasses (about 0.50 inch (1.3 cm) fat at twelfth rib) at live weights of 1100 to 1250 pounds (499 to 567 kg) and 1000 to 1150 pounds (454 to 522 kg), respectively.

Small Frame (S): Feeder cattle included in this grade are thrifty, have small frames, and are shorter bodied and not as tall as specified as the minimum for the Medium Frame grade. Steers and heifers would be expected to produce U.S. Choice carcasses (about 0.50 inch (1.3 cm) fat at twelfth rib) at live weights of less than 1100 pounds (499 kg) and 1000 pounds (454 kg), respectively.

What are the Muscle Thickness Standards?

No. 1: Feeder cattle, which possess minimum qualifications for this grade usually display, predominate beef breeding. They must be thrifty and moderately thick throughout. They are moderately thick and full in the forearm and gaskin, showing a rounded appearance through the back and loin with moderate width between the legs, both front and rear. Cattle show this thickness with a slightly thin covering of fat; however, cattle eligible for this grade may carry varying degrees of fat.

No. 2: Feeder cattle, which possess minimum qualifications for this grade usually, show a high proportion of beef breeding and slight dairy breeding may be detected. They must be thrifty and tend to be slightly thick throughout. They tend to be slightly thick and full in the forearm and gaskin, showing a rounded appearance through the back and loin with slight width between the legs, both front and rear. Cattle show this thickness with a slightly thin covering of fat; however, cattle eligible for this grade may carry varying degrees of fat.

No. 3: Feeder cattle, which possess minimum qualifications for this grade, are thrifty and thin through the forequarter and the middle part of the rounds. The forearm and gaskin are thin and the back and loin have a sunken appearance. The legs are set close together, both front and rear. Cattle show this narrowness with a slightly thin covering of fat; however, cattle eligible for this grade may carry varying degrees of fat.

No. 4: Feeder cattle included in this grade are thrifty animals, which have less thickness than the minimum requirements specified for the No. 3 grade.

Metric numbers are approximate due to rounding.

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FEEDER CATTLE AVERAGE PRICES
ARKANSAS AUCTION MARKETS

MEDIUM AND LARGE 1

300-400 LB. STEERS

Year	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Average
2010	121.94	124.81	131.01	136.42	131.95	127.28	134.02	138.10	131.28	127.90	131.72	142.49	131.58
2009	117.47	116.72	116.45	120.87	121.04	114.87	116.14	119.51	114.78	115.17	114.89	118.52	117.20
2008	124.44	132.97	128.29	120.68	122.05	118.55	118.78	122.76	121.95	118.64	117.48	108.70	121.27
2007	128.00	132.62	136.65	139.35	134.57	131.04	136.97	139.93	136.45	130.66	129.48	131.44	133.93
2006	155.69	158.92	153.39	145.99	140.48	139.81	137.96	140.80	146.86	139.58	127.91	134.05	143.45
2005	139.65	145.38	150.63	154.25	155.10	146.50	142.63	145.60	147.69	147.70	149.00	149.26	147.78
2004	118.13	122.38	129.10	129.75	132.90	137.50	146.13	145.80	138.25	138.69	137.60	138.25	134.54
2003	105.07	106.82	107.25	109.01	107.38	106.65	111.44	112.57	116.20	121.31	119.88	122.67	112.19
2002	115.20	117.94	110.25	107.00	104.75	96.44	97.05	99.01	100.10	101.75	102.75	105.34	104.80
2001	119.10	122.50	124.13	120.60	113.75	115.57	113.75	115.07	116.50	109.75	106.32	116.75	116.15
2000	116.55	118.44	122.69	122.38	113.00	114.44	119.73	114.94	109.82	114.25	120.38	119.67	117.19
1999	96.75	101.26	98.90	98.88	96.35	98.19	101.44	101.00	102.32	102.00	106.50	112.34	101.33
1998	100.00	105.00	106.50	105.49	98.57	90.70	84.00	85.45	85.69	85.69	91.15	93.25	94.29
1997	79.44	86.44	95.90	97.25	98.73	99.75	106.88	105.13	99.53	97.63	95.13	100.84	96.89
1996	62.75	64.94	65.19	58.05	57.32	58.38	61.65	66.82	66.20	64.13	68.32	70.17	63.66
1995	100.20	98.44	91.44	88.13	79.55	78.88	76.60	74.82	71.50	70.10	69.00	69.00	80.64
1994	110.30	112.32	115.57	109.63	98.90	93.69	97.94	98.10	93.07	91.50	95.88	95.42	101.03
1993	110.82	114.19	117.83	117.38	115.20	114.00	113.00	112.95	110.38	108.38	106.20	109.17	112.46
1992	106.10	114.50	116.10	109.62	103.31	104.85	108.69	110.45	108.19	101.65	104.20	104.25	107.66
1991	122.94	132.20	133.13	137.38	126.30	128.88	124.12	117.15	120.75	109.50	107.50	101.70	121.80
1990	106.28	114.08	119.70	121.50	116.84	112.68	111.75	117.18	112.75	115.20	118.80	120.53	115.61
5 Yr Average	129.51	133.21	133.16	132.66	130.02	126.31	128.77	132.22	130.26	126.39	124.30	127.04	129.49
10 Yr Average	124.47	128.11	128.72	128.39	126.40	123.42	125.49	127.92	127.01	125.12	123.70	126.75	126.29
20 Yr Average	112.53	116.44	117.52	116.41	112.56	110.80	112.45	113.30	111.88	109.80	110.06	112.16	112.99

FEEDER CATTLE AVERAGE PRICES
ARKANSAS AUCTION MARKETS

MEDIUM AND LARGE 1

400-500 LB STEERS

Year	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Average
2010	111.90	116.15	125.34	130.40	125.97	121.80	125.40	125.44	119.30	118.37	123.83	133.40	123.11
2009	108.71	109.43	108.95	113.11	113.28	106.65	106.25	109.50	104.80	104.30	104.79	107.31	108.09
2008	114.51	122.62	120.98	113.63	116.87	114.10	111.57	113.71	112.49	106.94	104.53	95.92	112.32
2007	114.40	121.47	127.70	127.99	125.07	120.71	125.62	126.37	123.55	119.35	118.55	119.20	122.50
2006	138.74	142.13	138.44	134.10	128.83	128.08	126.51	128.38	130.96	124.32	114.80	117.89	129.43
2005	126.03	130.44	136.38	139.63	140.00	131.50	126.50	128.20	130.38	132.30	132.88	135.10	132.45
2004	108.57	111.50	117.00	117.75	122.10	124.75	127.63	128.30	121.50	123.50	122.80	124.50	120.83
2003	97.44	98.50	99.90	100.75	100.19	99.40	101.75	101.88	105.20	109.50	109.75	112.42	103.06
2002	103.43	105.51	103.82	97.65	95.44	88.51	88.50	89.63	89.45	90.38	93.32	96.50	95.18
2001	106.65	110.57	112.19	111.10	104.25	106.01	102.70	101.88	101.63	97.60	95.63	102.84	104.42
2000	104.50	106.50	111.38	109.63	100.60	102.32	105.20	101.76	96.94	100.55	106.57	106.17	104.34
1999	85.38	90.38	89.60	89.13	85.05	88.44	90.82	89.25	91.94	90.00	94.55	102.00	90.55
1998	93.25	95.38	96.65	95.94	90.63	81.70	76.32	76.35	74.07	78.44	82.00	83.38	85.34
1997	74.44	82.13	89.20	89.38	89.57	89.65	94.88	94.25	90.80	88.69	87.26	91.67	88.49
1996	60.40	61.75	60.75	55.05	55.01	56.94	58.20	63.26	62.75	61.13	64.50	65.25	60.42
1995	89.10	87.00	83.32	80.82	74.00	73.36	69.85	68.01	65.38	63.75	64.50	63.09	73.52
1994	99.85	101.82	103.44	99.44	89.25	84.50	87.13	86.55	82.75	81.65	85.19	85.00	90.55
1993	99.82	103.00	106.50	106.50	102.65	101.00	99.30	98.82	96.70	96.25	94.75	96.83	100.18
1992	93.55	99.69	102.20	97.69	91.94	92.30	94.00	96.30	93.94	88.81	91.85	92.00	94.52
1991	106.12	114.85	117.25	119.75	111.70	111.38	107.62	102.68	103.50	95.00	95.00	91.30	106.35
1990	94.76	100.55	104.23	105.93	104.36	101.33	98.95	103.32	99.25	100.02	102.30	104.35	101.61
5 Yr Average	117.65	122.36	124.28	123.85	122.00	118.27	119.07	120.68	118.22	114.66	113.30	114.74	119.09
10 Yr Average	113.04	116.83	119.07	118.61	117.20	114.15	114.24	115.33	113.93	112.66	112.09	114.51	115.14
20 Yr Average	101.84	105.54	107.55	106.47	103.12	101.16	101.29	101.53	99.90	98.54	99.35	101.09	102.28

FEEDER CATTLE AVERAGE PRICES
ARKANSAS AUCTION MARKETS

MEDIUM AND LARGE 1

500-600 LB STEERS

Year	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Average
2010	102.89	109.15	116.63	123.33	119.02	115.48	118.04	116.34	110.97	108.66	114.30	123.23	114.84
2009	99.71	101.50	102.19	105.74	106.91	100.30	100.02	101.68	96.64	93.81	94.42	97.36	100.02
2008	105.53	114.43	111.93	107.92	111.28	108.49	107.33	108.92	103.32	95.91	92.90	87.31	104.61
2007	105.23	111.08	118.09	119.23	116.82	113.11	116.03	116.31	114.68	110.87	108.60	109.26	113.28
2006	125.47	127.22	125.63	120.43	119.13	119.70	119.49	118.41	118.83	112.20	101.95	105.01	117.79
2005	113.80	118.38	125.00	128.50	127.80	122.50	116.63	118.00	117.88	117.60	119.13	121.88	120.59
2004	100.07	101.50	107.40	107.75	112.40	116.25	118.13	118.60	113.00	113.88	112.05	113.50	111.21
2003	88.63	89.00	90.60	91.38	92.25	91.80	94.25	95.13	97.10	100.13	99.25	102.42	94.33
2002	93.25	95.57	93.88	88.60	86.51	81.75	81.65	80.50	79.90	81.38	79.69	86.83	85.79
2001	95.90	98.88	102.01	100.85	95.13	97.32	94.30	92.19	91.25	87.90	86.88	92.09	94.56
2000	94.95	96.63	101.07	99.19	92.20	93.50	95.55	93.82	88.69	90.25	95.88	94.92	94.72
1999	77.44	81.57	82.45	82.00	79.70	81.69	82.50	81.00	82.44	82.63	86.05	91.75	82.60
1998	84.19	87.13	88.90	87.69	93.44	75.90	71.44	69.35	65.82	70.32	72.40	73.75	78.36
1997	69.76	76.44	82.70	82.82	84.07	83.65	87.88	85.94	82.90	81.25	80.38	82.34	81.68
1996	58.80	58.75	58.01	53.30	53.13	55.94	57.40	61.50	60.60	59.00	61.82	61.84	58.34
1995	80.90	80.00	76.51	73.88	70.60	67.50	65.50	64.88	62.50	60.40	60.38	60.84	68.66
1994	90.85	92.38	94.69	90.38	83.45	78.19	79.97	80.05	74.50	72.65	77.76	77.25	82.68
1993	90.76	92.07	96.35	97.07	94.70	94.50	91.50	90.20	88.13	86.94	85.35	87.25	91.24
1992	85.20	88.69	91.35	87.69	85.37	85.60	87.56	88.40	85.31	81.63	85.00	85.00	86.40
1991	96.08	102.95	103.88	106.38	101.90	100.50	97.72	92.43	93.50	87.00	86.00	84.70	96.09
1990	86.92	90.53	93.98	95.43	96.22	95.50	93.15	95.66	92.25	90.12	92.53	95.15	93.12
5 Yr Average	107.77	112.68	114.89	115.33	114.63	111.42	112.18	112.33	108.89	104.29	102.43	104.43	110.11
10 Yr Average	103.05	106.67	109.34	109.37	108.73	106.67	106.59	106.61	104.36	102.23	100.92	103.89	105.70
20 Yr Average	92.97	96.17	98.46	97.71	96.29	94.18	94.14	93.68	91.40	89.72	90.01	91.93	93.89

FEEDER CATTLE AVERAGE PRICES
ARKANSAS AUCTION MARKETS

MEDIUM AND LARGE 1

600-700 LB. STEERS

Year	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Average
2010	95.72	102.65	108.36	114.29	111.17	108.62	112.70	111.13	105.38	101.23	107.03	114.39	107.72
2009	91.43	93.20	93.97	98.71	100.78	94.82	97.39	97.40	91.94	88.25	88.71	89.94	93.88
2008	96.90	105.90	103.07	100.74	106.78	104.70	104.84	106.44	99.44	88.56	85.55	83.39	98.86
2007	96.44	101.74	107.31	111.16	109.85	107.13	110.24	111.44	109.88	106.14	103.65	102.54	106.46
2006	114.39	114.67	112.93	108.73	107.74	111.88	112.17	111.83	112.31	104.97	96.07	96.81	108.71
2005	105.60	106.75	113.00	115.50	117.20	114.50	109.75	110.20	111.50	111.40	111.75	114.12	111.77
2004	91.25	92.00	96.20	98.50	105.80	111.50	111.88	112.80	108.50	107.50	104.20	105.00	103.76
2003	81.13	82.00	82.60	84.50	86.00	86.60	90.00	91.25	93.80	94.75	93.75	95.33	88.48
2002	85.00	86.75	85.88	80.00	80.63	78.00	77.10	77.25	76.50	76.00	78.00	80.33	80.12
2001	89.70	90.75	94.13	92.90	90.00	92.13	88.80	87.50	85.88	81.80	81.38	85.00	88.33
2000	87.50	88.75	93.00	90.75	87.20	88.38	89.40	88.25	85.13	85.60	88.00	88.83	88.40
1999	71.75	75.00	75.40	76.00	75.40	76.25	76.50	77.40	77.75	77.00	80.80	84.00	76.94
1998	77.88	80.75	82.00	80.88	78.00	72.30	68.38	66.00	64.00	65.88	66.70	67.00	72.48
1997	67.00	71.25	75.50	76.75	80.38	80.20	83.25	82.00	78.70	76.75	76.00	76.00	76.98
1996	57.75	55.50	56.06	51.10	52.50	55.75	57.50	61.00	60.60	58.75	60.88	60.67	57.34
1995	74.70	76.00	70.75	69.75	65.50	64.38	63.00	62.38	61.38	59.80	61.00	61.00	65.80
1994	83.95	85.13	85.88	83.50	78.25	74.88	76.75	76.90	70.75	68.80	72.81	73.17	77.56
1993	84.25	85.00	87.00	88.75	88.60	89.50	87.25	86.20	85.06	83.25	80.90	81.33	85.59
1992	79.90	81.25	83.55	81.88	81.44	81.60	85.13	84.30	81.50	79.50	80.40	81.00	81.79
1991	89.44	94.48	94.63	95.00	94.25	94.75	91.48	86.55	87.50	81.50	79.20	79.20	89.00
1990	82.96	85.00	86.30	87.78	89.26	89.33	88.58	89.94	87.88	87.22	87.58	89.41	87.60
5 Yr Average	98.98	103.63	105.13	106.73	107.26	105.43	107.47	107.65	103.79	97.83	96.20	97.41	103.13
10 Yr Average	94.76	97.64	99.75	100.50	101.60	100.99	101.49	101.72	99.51	96.06	95.01	96.69	98.81
20 Yr Average	86.08	88.48	90.06	89.97	89.87	89.39	89.68	89.41	87.38	84.87	84.84	85.95	88.00

FEEDER CATTLE AVERAGE PRICES
ARKANSAS AUCTION MARKETS

MEDIUM AND LARGE 1

300-400 LB HEIFERS

Year	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Average
2010	100.94	106.18	111.90	119.97	120.01	115.28	119.36	120.16	112.07	106.49	110.65	119.54	113.55
2009	95.14	96.14	98.33	101.90	103.92	99.51	101.56	104.91	96.54	93.42	93.12	94.74	98.27
2008	101.63	112.58	109.92	102.85	109.81	104.85	102.54	105.73	102.91	96.49	92.42	85.24	102.25
2007	109.26	113.30	119.29	123.75	120.20	116.51	119.91	121.39	117.00	112.67	109.55	108.74	115.96
2006	134.14	149.64	134.22	130.76	126.52	126.64	124.97	125.93	127.45	120.94	112.39	114.29	127.32
2005	123.33	127.26	132.88	137.63	138.20	134.38	128.25	129.10	129.38	129.10	129.75	132.10	130.95
2004	105.63	109.00	114.90	117.75	120.20	124.25	128.88	129.60	122.13	122.00	121.50	121.25	119.76
2003	88.32	91.63	93.00	93.50	93.63	94.20	96.44	97.57	101.40	104.75	105.50	108.67	97.38
2002	98.25	103.13	99.01	94.50	90.44	87.07	86.85	86.94	84.60	84.69	86.63	86.00	90.68
2001	103.40	107.63	109.50	107.40	102.94	104.75	100.60	100.50	101.13	95.15	91.88	98.34	101.94
2000	99.25	104.13	111.00	110.07	102.15	101.44	105.85	101.01	96.32	99.15	104.57	104.75	103.31
1999	79.13	82.82	83.55	84.63	82.50	84.00	78.63	84.60	85.38	86.00	88.25	94.09	84.47
1998	82.07	86.13	89.00	87.44	83.19	76.30	74.13	72.95	68.50	69.94	73.95	75.00	78.22
1997	63.32	70.25	77.80	80.38	82.50	83.55	87.19	85.25	82.90	79.75	76.76	80.67	79.19
1996	51.30	52.75	52.75	48.00	47.50	48.88	50.10	55.07	53.65	52.00	53.50	53.50	51.58
1995	82.75	82.63	79.25	76.13	71.10	69.00	66.20	63.13	61.00	55.80	56.19	54.92	68.18
1994	93.90	93.38	98.00	94.94	87.95	82.44	82.88	85.50	80.32	76.60	79.07	78.50	86.12
1993	94.57	96.63	100.25	100.63	99.90	99.34	96.25	96.75	93.13	92.25	89.90	91.17	95.90
1992	93.00	98.44	99.85	94.51	90.44	92.25	95.01	95.60	94.94	88.69	89.75	88.75	93.44
1991	103.24	109.75	111.75	115.13	113.70	113.00	107.26	100.05	100.50	95.50	91.50	88.30	104.14
1990	92.28	98.50	101.45	103.20	102.00	98.68	96.25	100.46	97.00	97.10	98.73	103.63	99.11
5 Yr Average	108.22	115.57	114.73	115.85	116.09	112.56	113.67	115.62	111.19	106.00	103.63	104.51	111.47
10 Yr Average	106.00	111.65	112.30	113.00	112.59	110.74	110.94	112.18	109.46	106.57	105.34	106.89	109.81
20 Yr Average	95.13	99.67	101.31	101.09	99.34	97.88	97.64	98.09	95.56	93.07	92.84	93.93	97.13

FEEDER CATTLE AVERAGE PRICES
ARKANSAS AUCTION MARKETS

MEDIUM AND LARGE 1

400-500 LB HEIFERS

Year	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Average
2010	95.11	101.58	109.03	116.02	114.84	110.38	112.72	112.43	104.59	100.23	104.17	114.50	107.97
2009	91.03	92.01	92.68	97.06	99.43	93.94	94.66	96.86	90.20	87.59	88.42	89.50	92.78
2008	97.21	107.87	104.15	99.67	106.27	102.54	98.70	100.17	96.76	89.64	86.25	82.51	97.65
2007	97.20	104.40	111.68	114.97	112.88	109.12	112.57	98.88	109.42	104.82	101.39	103.36	106.72
2006	123.11	132.50	123.14	119.02	117.20	117.99	116.29	116.24	116.67	109.73	97.75	101.78	115.95
2005	113.88	119.13	124.13	128.25	127.80	120.88	116.88	116.90	116.63	116.60	118.38	120.02	119.96
2004	98.00	99.63	106.50	108.50	112.10	115.63	117.50	119.50	112.75	112.13	111.40	111.50	110.43
2003	83.82	86.13	87.55	87.94	88.75	89.30	90.88	92.13	94.50	97.25	97.38	100.50	91.34
2002	91.25	94.44	91.63	88.00	85.44	81.00	80.25	79.50	78.20	79.32	80.00	82.84	84.32
2001	96.00	99.07	101.63	100.10	95.57	96.32	94.80	92.63	91.25	86.95	90.51	91.67	94.71
2000	92.30	95.50	101.13	100.00	93.70	94.44	96.25	93.82	88.00	89.85	94.69	93.84	94.46
1999	72.75	77.63	78.00	78.50	76.05	78.63	74.13	78.40	78.75	79.13	82.55	88.42	78.58
1998	77.94	81.50	83.20	83.13	79.13	72.40	69.69	67.35	64.00	65.57	67.05	68.50	73.29
1997	61.57	67.75	75.50	77.63	78.94	80.00	82.13	80.00	77.55	74.82	72.76	75.67	75.36
1996	49.95	51.25	50.75	45.88	45.88	48.19	49.50	52.82	52.25	51.25	53.19	52.50	50.28
1995	76.70	76.07	75.07	72.00	66.70	64.32	61.45	59.32	58.38	52.70	53.13	52.67	64.04
1994	86.55	88.38	91.00	88.94	82.00	75.75	77.00	75.50	70.57	67.90	71.25	72.17	78.92
1993	88.44	90.06	92.50	92.32	92.70	90.67	89.38	89.38	86.43	85.69	82.70	83.67	88.66
1992	84.07	88.32	89.90	86.26	84.38	83.80	86.13	87.45	85.38	81.07	82.60	82.00	85.11
1991	93.56	100.98	102.88	103.00	101.90	99.75	95.22	89.95	90.63	86.00	85.50	82.90	94.36
1990	84.42	89.05	93.10	96.43	95.00	93.28	89.43	92.12	88.38	88.80	90.25	94.00	91.19
5 Yr Average	100.73	107.67	108.14	109.35	110.12	106.79	106.99	104.92	103.53	98.40	95.60	98.33	104.21
10 Yr Average	98.66	103.68	105.21	105.95	106.03	103.71	103.53	102.52	101.10	98.43	97.57	99.82	102.18
20 Yr Average	88.52	92.71	94.60	94.36	93.08	91.25	90.81	89.96	88.15	85.91	86.05	87.53	90.24

FEEDER CATTLE AVERAGE PRICES
ARKANSAS AUCTION MARKETS

MEDIUM AND LARGE 1

500-600 LB HEIFERS

Year	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Average
2010	89.57	95.32	101.70	109.29	108.59	107.09	108.97	108.03	100.21	94.91	97.87	108.20	102.48
2009	86.86	87.97	88.37	91.86	94.60	90.30	91.94	92.68	86.53	83.52	83.21	84.24	88.51
2008	91.63	101.68	97.96	95.57	102.18	99.11	96.55	98.44	92.93	84.44	82.88	79.37	93.56
2007	90.79	96.50	103.24	108.07	107.15	104.03	107.03	108.32	105.66	99.04	95.57	96.70	101.84
2006	113.14	119.95	111.82	109.02	109.03	111.30	110.75	110.18	109.67	102.19	90.93	92.44	107.54
2005	105.60	109.25	114.75	118.25	119.20	114.00	109.75	110.20	111.00	109.20	109.50	110.85	111.80
2004	91.00	91.75	97.90	99.75	106.00	110.25	112.00	113.60	106.50	105.50	103.20	105.00	103.54
2003	78.38	80.00	80.90	81.25	82.63	83.80	86.75	88.00	89.90	91.13	91.07	93.00	85.57
2002	83.15	85.51	84.63	80.35	79.38	76.03	75.40	74.32	74.00	73.94	74.75	76.42	78.16
2001	88.50	90.38	92.44	91.80	89.32	90.25	88.80	86.75	84.94	80.10	78.88	83.00	87.10
2000	86.50	89.75	94.63	93.13	88.00	88.63	90.15	87.01	81.69	82.65	86.44	87.00	87.97
1999	69.50	74.25	74.10	75.00	73.30	75.50	68.75	75.00	75.50	76.53	78.80	84.17	75.03
1998	74.00	77.00	78.60	80.00	74.88	70.10	67.50	64.60	61.50	62.63	63.80	65.75	70.03
1997	61.00	65.75	72.60	75.13	76.00	76.30	79.25	78.00	75.10	72.50	70.38	72.50	72.88
1996	50.00	50.25	50.50	44.80	45.00	49.38	50.10	53.75	53.30	51.50	53.63	53.50	50.48
1995	72.90	71.88	71.00	68.38	64.00	61.75	59.40	58.13	57.13	52.90	52.25	52.17	61.82
1994	82.20	83.13	85.75	85.00	78.10	72.13	74.50	74.40	69.75	67.10	70.00	70.50	76.05
1993	83.50	85.36	88.20	88.63	87.60	86.67	84.25	85.30	83.56	81.38	79.20	80.83	84.54
1992	80.50	82.13	83.30	81.75	79.75	80.10	81.88	82.70	80.63	77.88	78.50	78.50	80.64
1991	86.50	91.65	93.25	95.88	95.00	93.00	89.72	85.23	84.75	80.50	78.00	78.80	87.69
1990	78.78	82.25	84.45	87.00	86.60	86.75	85.33	87.64	84.88	83.90	84.05	87.25	84.91
5 Yr Average	94.40	100.28	100.62	102.76	104.31	102.37	103.05	103.53	99.00	92.82	90.09	92.19	98.78
10 Yr Average	91.86	95.83	97.37	98.52	99.81	98.62	98.79	99.05	96.13	92.40	90.79	92.92	96.01
20 Yr Average	83.26	86.47	88.28	88.65	87.99	86.99	86.67	86.73	84.21	81.48	80.94	82.65	85.36

FEEDER CATTLE AVERAGE PRICES
ARKANSAS AUCTION MARKETS

MEDIUM AND LARGE 1

600-700 LB. HEIFERS

Year	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Average
2010	87.65	90.83	95.93	103.51	103.35	102.09	104.92	104.42	97.24	91.99	94.70	103.07	98.31
2009	82.81	85.12	84.69	87.67	90.77	86.92	89.76	90.94	84.95	82.02	79.75	81.89	85.61
2008	87.95	96.37	92.28	90.08	97.98	95.32	95.45	96.47	91.65	81.93	79.66	76.07	90.10
2007	87.55	90.59	96.18	101.91	101.74	97.99	102.95	104.88	103.36	97.44	93.29	93.67	97.63
2006	106.35	108.22	103.67	99.93	102.17	104.47	105.82	105.05	104.49	97.39	87.39	89.31	101.19
2005	99.20	99.75	104.00	109.25	110.40	106.25	103.50	104.80	105.25	104.20	104.50	105.72	104.74
2004	85.38	85.00	90.60	93.00	98.80	104.75	105.75	106.60	102.25	100.00	97.40	99.00	97.38
2003	74.88	75.25	75.00	76.50	78.25	80.60	83.75	84.75	87.80	89.13	89.00	89.33	82.02
2002	78.60	80.00	77.75	74.50	74.13	72.25	71.90	71.88	72.30	71.38	72.25	73.33	74.19
2001	84.30	83.88	85.00	85.80	83.75	86.25	85.40	83.75	81.00	76.90	74.50	77.33	82.32
2000	81.00	82.50	85.75	84.75	81.80	83.50	83.80	82.88	78.88	79.20	82.25	83.33	82.47
1999	64.88	68.13	68.10	67.75	67.70	71.25	64.75	71.30	71.75	71.50	74.60	78.67	70.03
1998	70.00	70.75	71.30	72.25	70.50	67.10	64.63	61.40	59.25	60.50	60.80	60.00	65.71
1997	60.75	63.25	66.40	69.25	71.00	72.90	76.63	75.88	72.30	69.75	67.63	68.83	69.55
1996	50.60	49.25	49.50	43.80	45.13	49.88	51.70	54.50	54.50	52.75	54.25	55.17	50.92
1995	70.20	69.75	66.13	63.63	61.30	60.31	58.20	57.00	56.63	52.90	53.75	54.50	60.36
1994	78.55	77.25	79.50	78.50	73.50	68.50	72.88	71.70	67.13	63.80	67.50	67.50	72.19
1993	79.63	80.63	81.20	83.13	82.80	82.67	82.00	81.80	80.63	78.50	75.70	76.67	80.45
1992	75.63	77.25	78.25	78.38	75.13	77.50	79.63	79.85	78.00	76.13	75.90	77.50	77.43
1991	83.60	85.85	86.50	87.13	86.40	87.75	85.12	80.90	81.00	77.50	76.50	75.80	82.84
1990	76.78	76.90	77.78	80.43	80.50	81.48	83.00	85.12	83.38	81.61	81.39	83.94	81.03
5 Yr Average	90.46	94.23	94.55	96.62	99.20	97.36	99.78	100.35	96.34	90.15	86.96	88.80	94.57
10 Yr Average	87.47	89.50	90.51	92.22	94.13	93.69	94.92	95.35	93.03	89.24	87.24	88.87	91.35
20 Yr Average	79.48	80.98	81.89	82.54	82.83	82.91	83.43	83.54	81.52	78.75	78.07	79.33	81.27

USDA Slaughter Cow Grades:

*Choice
*Select
*Standard
Commercial
Utility
Cutter
Canner

*Choice, Select and Standard are only applicable to cows under 3 ½ years of age. Most cows fall into Commercial, Utility, Cutter, and Canner. Commercial cows carry the same finish as Choice steers and heifers. For reporting purposes, Market News breaks the Utility grade into two categories, breaking and boning. Breaking Utility have more than .25 inch of backfat and are usually grouped with the Commercial grade. Boning Utility cows possess less than .25 inch of backfat.

In the fall of 1998, the USDA Market News Service changed the terminology used to report slaughter cows to include percent lean. The cow packing industry purchases cows using their percent lean, and quoting slaughter cows that way makes for a more meaningful and useful report. Generally speaking, breaking Utility and Commercial cows run 75-80 percent lean, boning utility 80-85 percent lean and Cutters (heavy lean cows) and Canners (light lean cows) run 85-90 percent lean.

Slaughter bulls are not assigned a quality grade, only a yield grade. There are 5 yield grades, 1-2-3-4 and 5, with 1 possessing the highest cutability (having the least amount of fat) and 5 the lowest cutability (having the most fat).

Breaking UTILITY
75-80% Lean

Fat Cow – Approximately ½ inch Backfat. Dressing % = 54-55%

Boning UTILITY
80-85% Lean

Lean Cow – Approximately 2/10 inch Backfat. Dressing % = 50-51%

CUTTER (Lean)
85-90% Lean

Lean Cow – Approximately 0-.05 inch Backfat. Dressing % = 44-46%

CANNER (Light Lean)
85-92% Lean

Emaciated Cow – Approximately 0 inch Backfat. Dressing % = 36-40 %

SLAUGHTER COW AVERAGE PRICES
ARKANSAS AUCTION MARKETS

BREAKING UTILITY AND COMMERCIAL
75-80 PERCENT LEAN

Year	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Average
2010	46.25	51.75	52.80	57.50	57.40	57.00	57.00	57.00	49.75	49.75	50.60	53.00	53.32
2009	42.75	43.00	43.10	48.00	48.75	45.00	45.75	44.80	43.25	41.75	39.00	43.00	44.01
2008	45.13	51.50	49.50	49.50	52.75	53.00	54.00	53.75	51.80	45.75	42.00	39.33	49.00
2007	45.00	48.00	45.50	48.80	50.75	48.00	50.50	50.50	48.25	45.80	44.50	44.50	47.51
2006	46.00	50.75	48.75	47.50	47.60	45.25	44.60	44.75	45.25	45.60	42.00	43.50	45.96
2005	49.40	51.50	54.50	54.50	55.80	55.50	52.75	50.20	48.75	45.40	45.63	47.00	50.91
2004	44.88	45.75	45.20	48.00	48.80	51.88	55.13	53.20	51.50	48.00	47.80	46.50	48.89
2003	35.38	37.69	37.25	39.25	41.13	41.30	43.25	42.69	42.40	44.13	47.50	48.67	41.72
2002	38.10	40.31	41.13	39.10	39.13	37.75	35.70	35.06	33.50	32.25	31.50	33.83	36.45
2001	39.00	42.00	42.81	43.10	44.19	44.62	42.50	42.50	40.75	36.60	35.38	36.33	40.82
2000	35.30	36.31	38.69	39.31	39.05	40.50	39.45	39.94	37.13	36.20	36.75	35.83	37.87
1999	32.19	35.75	35.70	35.31	35.80	35.69	35.94	34.30	33.38	33.38	32.30	35.17	34.58
1998	34.75	35.75	35.60	36.00	35.13	35.40	34.00	32.90	30.38	29.13	29.20	30.75	33.25
1997	29.00	33.50	37.10	38.25	37.88	36.65	37.25	35.13	33.20	31.75	31.00	32.17	34.41
1996	30.35	30.94	30.50	28.40	29.75	29.00	28.70	30.00	28.90	28.25	26.63	26.67	29.01
1995	40.50	41.50	39.13	38.25	37.20	37.75	36.10	35.00	32.38	30.80	29.38	29.67	35.64
1994	45.35	47.63	47.50	47.00	46.00	43.56	43.56	45.25	41.25	36.50	36.38	36.50	43.04
1993	47.75	49.13	48.00	47.31	50.30	50.33	50.00	49.60	47.63	44.75	41.90	42.63	47.44
1992	47.10	49.13	49.30	48.13	47.50	47.00	47.75	48.60	47.88	45.88	45.80	46.25	47.53
1991	50.48	51.70	52.75	54.38	53.50	55.00	52.25	49.75	49.50	47.30	44.40	44.75	50.48
1990	48.83	51.58	53.70	51.98	53.00	54.10	52.55	52.98	53.18	51.88	50.45	50.30	52.04
5 Yr Average	45.03	49.00	47.93	50.26	51.45	49.65	50.37	50.16	47.66	45.73	43.62	44.67	47.96
10 Yr Average	43.19	46.23	46.05	47.53	48.63	47.93	48.12	47.45	45.52	43.50	42.59	43.57	45.86
20 Yr Average	41.23	43.68	43.74	44.38	44.92	44.51	44.31	43.75	41.84	39.95	38.98	39.80	42.59

SLAUGHTER COW AVERAGE PRICES
ARKANSAS AUCTION MARKETS

BONING UTILITY
80-85 PERCENT LEAN

Year	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Average
2010	47.88	53.00	54.45	58.19	59.88	59.91	59.16	59.35	53.50	52.47	52.13	55.46	55.45
2009	45.84	45.53	45.77	50.51	51.06	46.78	48.02	46.87	45.35	44.66	42.07	46.88	46.61
2008	48.10	53.69	53.35	52.44	56.14	55.98	57.47	57.91	53.95	49.22	44.41	42.46	52.09
2007	47.50	50.07	48.25	50.95	52.88	50.78	52.60	52.32	49.22	47.75	45.13	46.19	49.47
2006	49.13	52.82	50.54	50.19	50.62	48.78	47.88	48.46	48.50	48.28	44.61	45.38	48.77
2005	51.93	54.47	55.75	58.13	59.50	58.00	55.16	52.92	50.44	48.15	48.82	49.07	53.53
2004	48.19	48.66	47.45	51.75	51.85	53.57	58.69	56.93	53.88	50.38	51.80	49.88	51.92
2003	38.47	40.19	40.18	41.88	44.10	44.30	47.19	45.57	45.13	46.76	49.08	48.50	44.28
2002	38.30	41.25	42.25	40.20	40.50	38.88	36.50	36.00	36.55	35.26	34.35	36.42	38.04
2001	39.00	42.63	42.00	42.70	43.13	44.25	43.10	42.75	40.75	36.60	36.13	37.00	40.84
2000	35.90	36.63	38.63	40.00	38.45	39.88	39.10	39.50	37.00	35.50	37.00	36.67	37.86
1999	32.50	35.13	35.50	34.88	37.10	36.88	37.25	35.50	33.25	33.50	32.50	35.50	34.96
1998	34.75	35.75	35.60	36.00	35.13	35.40	34.00	33.80	30.88	28.75	28.90	29.50	33.21
1997	29.00	33.50	37.10	38.25	37.88	36.65	37.25	35.13	33.20	31.75	31.00	32.17	34.41
1996	30.35	30.94	30.50	28.40	29.75	29.00	28.70	30.00	28.90	28.25	26.63	26.67	29.01
1995	39.80	41.88	38.75	38.25	37.20	37.75	36.10	35.00	32.38	30.80	29.38	29.67	35.58
1994	45.75	47.50	47.88	47.25	45.90	44.25	44.75	43.25	40.75	37.90	37.13	38.67	43.42
1993	47.38	48.88	47.70	47.38	49.30	49.33	48.88	48.20	46.75	44.94	43.50	44.00	47.19
1992	46.90	49.50	49.90	48.25	47.88	47.40	48.00	48.30	47.38	45.56	45.40	46.00	47.54
1991	49.52	52.18	53.25	54.63	53.90	54.69	52.25	50.75	50.06	48.20	45.78	46.38	50.97
1990	48.96	51.73	54.03	51.89	53.24	53.85	52.78	53.54	52.48	51.72	49.73	49.90	51.99
5 Yr Average	47.69	51.02	50.47	52.46	54.12	52.45	53.03	52.98	50.10	48.48	45.67	47.27	50.48
10 Yr Average	45.43	48.23	48.00	49.69	50.97	50.12	50.58	49.91	47.73	45.95	44.85	45.72	48.10
20 Yr Average	42.31	44.71	44.74	45.51	46.11	45.62	45.60	44.93	42.89	41.23	40.29	41.12	43.76

SLAUGHTER COW AVERAGE PRICES
ARKANSAS AUCTION MARKETS

LEAN COWS (CUTTERS)
85-90 PERCENT LEAN

Year	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Average
2010	41.25	44.50	46.00	51.50	50.80	51.00	51.25	52.00	45.75	45.50	45.20	48.33	47.76
2009	38.75	38.50	38.60	43.00	43.50	39.75	40.75	40.40	39.00	38.50	36.25	39.50	39.71
2008	42.50	47.50	46.50	45.75	48.50	48.20	49.00	49.25	46.00	42.25	38.00	35.00	44.87
2007	40.20	43.50	41.75	44.80	46.00	44.75	47.50	46.50	43.50	41.60	39.00	40.00	43.26
2006	42.60	47.00	45.25	45.00	45.20	42.50	42.00	42.25	41.25	41.20	36.13	38.00	42.37
2005	45.40	47.50	48.38	50.50	51.80	51.25	49.00	47.20	45.33	42.60	42.00	42.50	46.96
2004	41.00	42.13	42.00	45.75	45.80	48.63	51.50	50.00	48.00	45.25	45.20	43.50	45.73
2003	34.00	35.88	35.90	37.50	39.13	38.70	41.50	40.13	39.60	39.75	41.25	41.67	38.75
2002	36.50	39.38	40.63	38.70	38.88	37.50	35.40	34.75	33.00	31.88	30.50	32.17	35.77
2001	37.50	40.75	39.50	40.70	40.63	42.00	41.10	40.25	38.13	34.50	34.25	35.00	38.69
2000	32.40	33.00	35.25	35.75	34.50	35.75	34.80	35.63	32.75	31.60	32.63	32.83	33.91
1999	28.88	31.50	31.70	31.25	34.10	33.38	33.75	32.00	30.50	30.38	29.50	31.50	31.54
1998	34.75	35.75	35.60	36.00	35.13	35.40	34.00	32.20	28.00	26.25	26.20	26.75	32.17
1997	29.00	33.50	37.10	38.25	37.88	36.65	37.25	35.13	33.20	31.75	31.00	32.17	34.41
1996	30.35	30.94	30.50	28.40	29.75	29.00	28.70	30.00	28.90	28.25	26.63	26.67	29.01
1995	38.20	39.63	37.50	38.25	36.40	33.25	32.00	31.38	30.31	30.80	29.38	29.67	33.90
1994	43.60	45.75	46.38	45.50	44.85	42.88	42.88	41.55	39.56	36.10	35.38	36.67	41.76
1993	45.25	46.50	45.60	46.50	47.40	47.17	47.50	46.60	44.50	41.50	41.65	42.17	45.20
1992	45.80	48.00	48.20	46.63	46.88	45.60	46.25	46.60	45.38	43.63	43.10	44.00	45.84
1991	48.26	49.58	50.75	52.00	51.90	52.63	50.25	48.75	48.00	46.30	44.45	45.25	49.01
1990	47.68	50.31	52.25	50.43	51.42	51.50	50.85	51.42	50.10	48.96	48.03	48.60	50.13
5 Yr Average	41.06	44.20	43.62	46.01	46.80	45.24	46.10	46.08	43.10	41.81	38.92	40.17	43.59
10 Yr Average	39.97	42.66	42.45	44.32	45.02	44.43	44.90	44.27	41.96	40.30	38.78	39.57	42.39
20 Yr Average	38.81	41.04	41.15	42.09	42.45	41.80	41.82	41.13	39.03	37.48	36.39	37.17	40.03

SLAUGHTER COW AVERAGE PRICES
ARKANSAS AUCTION MARKETS

LIGHTWEIGHT LEAN COWS (CANNERS UNDER 800 LBS)
85-90 PERCENT LEAN

Year	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Average
2010	27.88	32.44	32.25	36.94	38.25	38.82	39.63	38.72	34.00	31.57	30.20	32.17	34.41
2009	27.56	27.00	29.25	32.06	30.88	27.69	29.87	30.10	27.03	26.94	24.38	27.75	28.38
2008	33.94	36.57	33.51	34.00	37.53	35.05	37.25	35.63	34.10	30.50	24.88	25.25	33.18
2007	29.80	32.00	29.82	34.07	35.51	32.13	39.63	35.42	32.26	29.80	27.28	29.09	32.23
2006	38.78	35.38	33.44	33.57	35.09	33.07	31.45	30.51	29.19	29.45	27.69	26.75	32.03
2005	35.50	37.13	38.54	39.44	40.82	40.19	37.94	35.90	34.07	30.95	30.32	31.13	35.99
2004	28.32	30.63	30.68	34.07	34.80	37.50	41.57	40.20	37.19	36.38	34.25	34.00	34.97
2003	23.19	24.63	24.90	26.19	29.92	28.38	29.75	28.75	27.90	28.32	29.88	28.67	27.54
2002	27.88	28.88	28.94	27.30	29.82	27.88	26.87	26.57	24.00	23.63	21.32	22.33	26.29
2001	27.95	30.13	28.44	30.45	29.94	32.57	29.80	29.69	27.69	25.10	24.82	26.17	28.56
2000	24.30	26.00	26.38	26.63	26.80	27.75	27.50	28.00	24.25	22.70	24.25	24.17	25.73
1999	20.63	24.38	23.80	23.63	27.30	27.00	26.38	25.00	24.00	23.00	21.00	22.83	24.08
1998	29.25	29.69	30.45	31.13	30.38	30.40	29.75	27.80	23.13	20.50	19.70	19.75	26.83
1997	23.88	26.63	29.10	31.38	31.44	30.80	31.25	29.50	27.90	26.25	25.44	26.58	28.35
1996	25.80	25.56	25.56	24.00	25.13	24.13	23.60	25.00	23.40	23.13	21.25	21.17	23.98
1995	34.95	36.75	34.38	33.63	32.60	29.38	28.90	28.25	26.75	26.55	25.50	26.08	30.31
1994	40.30	42.75	43.63	42.50	41.80	40.63	40.13	38.50	36.63	33.50	32.75	34.17	38.94
1993	41.38	42.75	42.50	43.75	45.20	45.17	44.63	43.60	41.75	39.50	39.00	39.50	42.39
1992	41.10	44.00	45.20	43.75	44.38	42.75	42.88	43.90	42.44	40.25	40.15	40.38	42.60
1991	43.94	44.40	45.75	47.75	47.70	49.00	46.55	45.25	45.25	43.70	41.10	41.50	45.16
1990	44.00	45.28	47.70	46.23	47.58	48.30	47.85	47.96	46.18	44.96	44.13	45.23	46.28
5 Yr Average	31.59	32.68	31.65	34.13	35.45	33.35	35.57	34.08	31.32	29.65	26.89	28.20	32.05
10 Yr Average	30.08	31.48	30.98	32.81	34.26	33.33	34.38	33.15	30.74	29.26	27.50	28.33	31.36
20 Yr Average	31.32	32.89	32.83	33.81	34.76	34.01	34.27	33.31	31.15	29.59	28.26	28.97	32.10

SLAUGHTER BULLS AVERAGE PRICES
ARKANSAS AUCTION MARKETS

YIELD GRADE 1-2
1000-2100 LBS

Year	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Average
2010	57.69	60.13	62.10	68.19	70.50	69.63	69.63	70.88	64.31	62.25	61.85	64.50	65.14
2009	54.00	54.69	55.80	58.44	60.25	57.00	56.75	55.90	54.50	52.56	50.75	54.38	55.42
2008	57.31	63.75	62.50	61.75	65.63	65.44	68.44	68.81	64.35	57.75	54.31	52.17	61.85
2007	56.20	59.38	57.88	60.30	62.13	61.50	64.38	63.56	60.56	56.55	54.81	54.83	59.34
2006	57.25	59.81	60.38	59.25	58.93	57.63	56.30	56.38	55.81	55.00	54.00	54.83	57.13
2005	63.90	65.63	67.75	67.63	68.60	68.00	66.13	64.00	61.63	58.00	56.44	56.50	63.68
2004	56.00	56.88	57.40	61.00	63.20	65.38	68.50	69.80	65.38	63.25	63.60	60.50	62.57
2003	46.00	48.07	48.30	48.38	49.75	51.40	53.50	55.44	51.70	51.50	53.56	55.67	51.11
2002	51.70	54.50	55.50	53.75	54.50	53.38	50.75	47.94	45.63	44.13	42.33	43.33	49.79
2001	49.40	53.88	53.63	54.10	55.50	56.75	55.10	55.25	53.50	48.50	47.88	49.33	52.74
2000	45.60	46.63	49.38	52.00	51.00	52.38	50.70	50.38	46.94	45.40	46.63	47.00	48.67
1999	41.38	44.50	45.20	45.38	47.00	46.25	47.13	45.90	44.50	43.13	42.40	45.00	44.81
1998	42.81	45.63	45.80	46.63	45.88	46.00	44.25	42.90	39.38	37.75	38.50	38.75	42.86
1997	38.13	41.75	47.00	48.44	48.50	47.00	47.63	45.63	44.10	41.88	40.50	40.75	44.28
1996	40.10	40.50	40.13	37.70	38.38	38.00	37.70	39.13	37.50	37.00	35.44	35.58	38.10
1995	49.65	51.12	49.50	48.25	46.90	47.75	46.40	45.00	41.81	40.10	39.00	39.75	45.44
1994	57.85	59.32	60.16	59.94	59.20	57.50	56.62	56.30	53.69	47.40	46.94	47.92	55.24
1993	58.32	59.94	59.52	59.62	60.20	60.58	61.44	60.35	58.88	56.75	56.35	55.42	58.95
1992	58.10	59.62	61.32	60.13	61.00	59.12	60.69	60.90	60.50	57.88	56.55	56.75	59.38
1991	59.95	61.53	63.75	65.94	65.65	65.69	63.96	62.94	62.06	60.75	57.14	58.25	62.30
1990	59.32	62.40	64.33	64.08	65.10	65.44	65.49	65.70	65.88	63.30	61.06	60.43	63.54
5 Yr Average	56.49	59.55	59.73	61.59	63.49	62.24	63.10	63.11	59.91	56.82	55.14	56.14	59.78
10 Yr Average	54.95	57.67	58.12	59.28	60.90	60.61	60.95	60.80	57.74	54.95	53.95	54.60	57.88
20 Yr Average	52.07	54.36	55.15	55.84	56.64	56.32	56.30	55.87	53.34	50.88	49.95	50.56	53.94

Replacement Cattle Grades

Replacement cattle are evaluated for frame size and muscling on the same basis as evaluating feeder cattle. Other factors such as flesh, number of months bred and age are also incorporated to further explain the price structure.

I. FRAME SIZE

LARGE FRAME	over 1250 lbs
MEDIUM FRAME	1000-1250 lbs
SMALL FRAME	under 1000 lbs

The weight ranges for Large, Medium, and Small Frame depicts mature cows with normal fill and carrying .2 inch of fat. Several factors affect the weight of replacement cows. Cows continue to grow until they fully mature at approximately 6 years of age, thus age must be taken into consideration when evaluating replacement cows. (Example: A 3 year old cow weighing 1100 lbs may easily grade Large Frame taking into consideration her growth potential.) Excess fat and the pregnancy stage, depending upon the month of pregnancy, are also important factors in cow weights and should be taken into consideration.

II. MUSCLE SCORE

Minimum Thickness	Degree of Thickness
1	Moderately Thick
2	Tends to be Slightly Thick
3	Thin
4	Less than Thin

The muscle thickness portion (1, 2, 3 and 4 with 1 being the thicker muscled cows and 4 the thinnest ones).

III. AGE CATEGORIES

YOUNG	Cows 4 years old or less that have had at least one calf
MIDDLE AGE	Cows 5-8 years old
AGED	Over 8 years old.

Age categories are listed as young, middle aged or aged, or by listing the actual age of the cows sold (2-6 year old, 7 year old and older, etc).

IV. OTHER PRICE INFLUENCING FACTORS

The number of months bred influences the price. Cows are quoted by such methods as “in first trimester of pregnancy, bred 3-6 months or will calve in March and April.” If sold as pairs, the approximate weight of calves is included.

The quality of replacement cows is an important factor which can vary widely. Descriptive terms such as fancy or plain are used to describe the quality of replacements sold (cattle are assumed to be of average quality unless otherwise stated).

FEEDER COW AVERAGE PRICES
ARKANSAS AUCTION MARKETS

MEDIUM AND LARGE 1-2
2 YEAR OLD, 650-800 LBS

Year	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Average
2010	NA	NA	66.67	76.25	76.25	75.00	77.50	85.00	70.00	75.00	70.00	75.00	74.67
2009	65.00	68.00	72.50	73.25	70.80	69.00	64.00	64.33	66.25	52.00	NA	62.50	66.15
2008	66.33	75.00	77.00	69.00	75.60	73.00	78.00	75.20	72.00	68.33	63.50	NA	72.09
2007	70.00	71.00	73.20	77.75	77.00	73.40	76.00	74.67	75.13	77.50	71.67	71.67	74.08
2006	83.50	81.00	75.75	75.10	74.67	77.00	78.00	77.75	79.40	77.50	71.00	74.00	77.06
2005	78.13	76.19	82.25	82.20	85.75	81.75	77.60	76.50	77.75	77.50	81.25	83.67	80.05
2004	69.00	62.00	69.50	71.50	74.60	74.67	78.30	80.50	79.25	77.50	74.25	73.33	73.70
2003	60.67	61.33	62.17	65.00	62.20	62.17	63.13	67.75	69.75	69.00	69.33	75.00	65.63
2002	60.00	59.88	60.00	59.25	56.63	56.50	55.67	55.75	58.38	57.00	60.67	57.25	58.08
2001	62.50	62.63	64.20	63.25	62.25	63.80	63.38	60.63	58.63	60.13	57.38	55.38	61.18
2000	59.13	60.00	61.60	62.50	62.13	60.60	64.00	60.00	59.60	59.00	61.50	64.25	61.19
1999	50.00	52.13	52.30	51.25	51.13	50.90	52.63	53.25	53.60	53.38	52.38	58.31	52.61
1998	52.50	52.13	53.80	55.25	54.25	49.80	49.63	50.00	48.80	49.50	50.38	49.33	51.28
1997	47.75	51.38	50.50	57.13	56.25	58.30	58.88	57.25	55.00	53.38	51.38	52.33	54.13
1996	43.38	43.25	40.90	39.25	38.50	40.80	43.00	43.50	43.88	42.50	42.30	44.00	42.11
5 Yr Average	71.21	73.75	73.02	74.27	74.86	73.48	74.70	75.39	72.56	70.07	69.04	70.79	72.81
10 Yr Average	68.35	68.56	70.32	71.26	71.58	70.63	71.16	71.81	70.65	69.15	68.78	69.76	70.27
15 Yr Average	61.99	62.57	64.16	65.20	65.20	64.45	65.31	65.47	64.49	63.28	62.64	64.00	64.27

FEEDER COW AVERAGE PRICES
ARKANSAS AUCTION MARKETS

MEDIUM AND LARGE 1-2
2-3 YEAR OLD, 800-1000 LBS

Year	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Average
2010	NA	60.00	56.67	65.00	68.75	67.50	68.75	70.00	60.00	68.75	65.00	75.00	65.95
2009	62.00	61.00	59.00	61.00	60.00	58.00	54.00	60.75	58.75	53.50	60.00	60.00	59.00
2008	58.00	57.67	62.60	59.25	63.20	64.00	64.67	63.67	65.50	62.67	60.38	NA	61.96
2007	58.33	63.00	63.00	67.00	63.25	60.00	63.33	62.00	62.88	64.14	61.00	59.00	62.24
2006	68.25	67.50	63.50	64.00	68.50	66.33	69.40	63.75	64.20	64.00	63.25	61.00	65.31
2005	69.25	66.19	69.50	71.80	74.50	73.50	69.60	66.75	69.75	68.75	65.75	68.00	69.45
2004	55.88	57.63	60.00	63.25	63.80	66.00	66.60	71.50	70.25	64.00	65.67	66.00	64.22
2003	53.00	54.63	55.00	59.63	54.00	57.17	56.38	58.88	62.13	62.50	61.67	65.00	58.33
2002	50.83	52.75	53.88	53.38	51.63	49.00	51.44	47.88	50.67	48.00	48.67	49.25	50.62
2001	52.50	53.88	56.70	55.38	56.63	58.20	57.94	54.25	51.33	53.88	50.25	48.50	54.12
2000	47.75	50.38	52.90	53.50	52.88	51.30	53.83	50.63	50.60	50.00	49.88	55.38	51.59
1999	44.00	44.75	44.60	45.00	44.63	45.40	45.50	45.38	44.70	45.88	45.13	47.38	45.20
1998	44.88	45.13	46.70	47.13	46.00	43.80	44.00	43.63	41.80	43.50	43.25	43.17	44.42
1997	39.63	43.00	43.25	49.00	48.25	49.40	49.13	47.13	45.20	45.13	44.38	45.67	45.76
1996	38.63	39.00	35.60	35.25	34.25	35.10	37.25	38.10	37.63	37.75	37.40	38.50	37.04
5 Yr Average	61.65	61.83	60.95	63.25	64.74	63.17	64.03	64.03	62.27	62.61	61.93	63.75	62.89
10 Yr Average	58.67	59.43	59.99	61.97	62.43	61.97	62.21	61.94	61.55	61.02	60.16	61.31	61.12
15 Yr Average	53.07	54.43	54.86	56.64	56.68	56.31	56.79	56.29	55.69	55.50	54.78	55.85	55.68

REPLACEMENT COW AVERAGE PRICES
ARKANSAS AUCTION MARKETS

MEDIUM AND LARGE 1-2
850-1200 LBS, PREGNANCY TESTED, 3RD STAGE BRED

Year	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Average
2010	61.25	60.00	61.50	67.50	70.00	62.50	67.00	68.75	62.50	63.00	63.75	68.33	64.67
2009	61.00	64.75	65.38	64.75	64.50	60.25	60.00	63.60	58.75	58.67	59.33	60.00	61.75
2008	65.33	69.00	69.60	68.50	66.60	63.50	66.25	66.40	64.75	64.24	60.50	59.50	65.35
2007	59.00	64.75	67.00	69.50	68.75	62.60	69.67	68.25	69.40	70.00	65.00	66.25	66.68
2006	70.50	70.50	72.00	71.00	66.75	67.00	63.80	62.25	61.20	63.00	60.50	62.25	65.90
2005	69.38	73.06	74.75	77.20	75.75	74.50	70.60	71.75	68.00	66.50	68.50	70.67	71.72
2004	59.25	63.50	66.50	69.50	68.20	70.50	71.80	71.75	69.25	67.40	70.00	77.33	68.75
2003	57.17	58.38	56.60	56.75	56.20	56.83	56.00	58.00	61.63	60.50	61.25	60.00	58.28
2002	55.50	60.00	60.80	58.38	56.75	54.38	51.33	53.75	57.25	53.00	55.50	57.00	56.14
2001	57.50	61.13	59.00	60.00	59.63	63.80	57.00	56.88	57.75	57.25	56.50	57.75	58.68
2000	54.38	53.38	57.60	59.25	54.50	54.20	55.25	57.00	56.90	54.25	57.75	59.63	56.17
1999	47.50	48.50	47.90	45.00	46.63	47.10	48.00	47.88	47.70	47.38	45.63	49.00	47.35
1998	50.50	53.50	54.60	51.38	49.63	46.20	44.50	44.13	39.20	40.25	42.25	45.33	46.79
1997	40.88	48.63	50.60	50.50	50.50	49.40	50.25	48.25	47.80	45.63	48.25	47.67	48.20
1996	41.50	42.25	39.80	36.25	35.50	36.20	35.25	36.00	35.88	38.25	33.80	35.50	37.18
5 Yr Average	63.42	65.80	67.10	68.25	67.32	63.17	65.34	65.85	63.32	63.78	61.82	63.27	64.87
10 Yr Average	61.59	64.51	65.31	66.31	65.31	63.59	63.35	64.14	63.05	62.36	62.08	63.91	63.79
15 Yr Average	56.71	59.42	60.24	60.36	59.33	57.93	57.78	58.31	57.20	56.62	56.57	58.41	58.24

REPLACEMENT COW AVERAGE PRICES
ARKANSAS AUCTION MARKETS

MEDIUM AND LARGE 1-2
850-1200 LBS, PREGNANCY TESTED, 2ND STAGE BRED

Year	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Average
2010	52.50	55.00	55.25	60.00	61.00	61.25	65.00	63.75	61.25	63.00	63.75	68.33	60.84
2009	53.75	53.75	54.25	56.00	56.80	52.25	53.00	54.80	51.75	48.33	53.00	53.33	53.42
2008	59.67	58.00	58.20	59.00	57.80	58.75	61.00	62.80	60.25	58.50	55.75	52.50	58.52
2007	50.25	56.00	55.80	57.25	59.75	58.60	61.67	61.25	59.60	62.50	58.50	60.00	58.43
2006	61.00	64.75	63.00	62.40	59.25	58.75	55.00	54.75	56.40	56.50	49.00	53.25	57.84
2005	60.25	63.25	65.75	68.20	65.13	64.25	63.00	60.75	59.00	61.50	59.00	61.67	62.65
2004	51.75	55.25	56.00	59.25	56.80	57.38	62.80	64.50	61.75	64.60	61.00	66.67	59.81
2003	44.50	45.63	46.80	45.25	48.10	47.33	47.75	48.63	48.63	52.00	53.75	55.00	48.61
2002	46.88	49.63	49.30	48.75	48.63	47.13	46.17	45.13	47.13	47.75	45.50	47.00	47.42
2001	49.88	50.38	47.80	48.50	49.38	48.30	48.67	48.25	47.00	47.50	46.63	47.38	48.31
2000	54.38	53.38	57.60	59.25	54.50	54.20	55.25	57.00	56.90	54.25	57.75	59.63	56.17
1999	47.50	48.50	47.90	45.00	46.63	47.10	48.00	47.88	47.70	47.38	45.63	49.00	47.35
1998	50.50	53.50	54.60	51.38	49.63	46.20	44.50	44.13	39.20	40.25	42.25	45.33	46.79
1997	40.88	48.63	50.60	50.50	50.50	49.40	50.25	48.25	47.80	45.63	48.25	47.67	48.20
1996	36.50	37.50	35.50	33.63	32.88	33.10	32.00	34.50	35.88	38.25	33.80	35.50	34.92
5 Yr Average	55.43	57.50	57.30	58.93	58.92	57.92	59.13	59.47	57.85	57.77	56.00	57.48	57.81
10 Yr Average	53.04	55.16	55.22	56.46	56.26	55.40	56.41	56.46	55.28	56.22	54.59	56.51	55.58
15 Yr Average	50.68	52.88	53.22	53.62	53.12	52.27	52.94	53.09	52.02	52.53	51.57	53.48	52.62

REPLACEMENT COW AVERAGE PRICES
ARKANSAS AUCTION MARKETS

MEDIUM AND LARGE 1-2
850-1200 LBS, PREGNANCY TESTED, SHORT BRED OR OPEN

Year	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Average
2010	50.00	51.25	55.00	60.00	61.00	62.00	64.00	65.00	58.75	59.00	58.25	59.50	58.65
2009	50.75	52.00	52.25	55.75	55.60	54.00	53.25	54.80	54.25	52.20	49.33	50.00	52.85
2008	51.33	58.25	57.40	56.00	58.40	58.00	58.25	58.80	58.50	57.25	53.25	50.50	56.33
2007	51.50	53.00	55.20	56.75	56.00	55.60	55.00	60.00	55.30	57.75	54.00	53.25	55.28
2006	56.75	59.25	58.75	59.40	57.75	56.00	55.60	55.25	55.40	54.50	48.00	49.75	55.53
2005	58.44	59.81	60.75	64.20	64.50	62.25	61.60	62.00	58.00	58.40	55.50	57.00	60.20
2004	50.75	53.00	53.25	56.75	57.60	58.50	64.20	63.50	60.50	58.80	58.25	58.33	57.79
2003	39.67	39.88	41.60	41.13	43.70	42.83	44.50	44.88	45.75	46.38	49.57	50.00	44.16
2002	43.50	45.50	46.50	45.25	44.38	42.25	44.50	39.13	39.75	40.00	38.75	41.75	42.61
2001	43.38	46.50	44.30	46.13	47.13	46.60	48.50	45.25	44.63	43.50	41.50	40.38	44.82
2000	38.75	42.00	47.00	46.25	43.50	42.10	41.00	45.38	46.40	44.25	44.13	44.38	43.76
1999	36.75	38.13	38.20	37.38	38.50	37.70	39.50	39.13	35.90	36.50	35.25	37.50	37.54
1998	38.63	39.75	40.40	41.13	40.50	39.40	38.13	36.50	33.30	33.00	33.63	34.17	37.38
1997	31.50	38.63	38.50	41.38	41.25	38.70	39.63	38.00	37.40	36.50	35.50	36.50	37.79
1996	33.00	32.50	31.70	29.63	30.13	39.70	29.38	29.70	30.38	30.63	29.10	28.67	31.21
5 Yr Average	52.07	54.75	55.72	57.58	57.75	57.12	57.22	58.77	56.44	56.14	52.57	52.60	55.73
10 Yr Average	49.61	51.84	52.50	54.14	54.61	53.80	54.94	54.86	53.08	52.78	50.64	51.05	52.82
15 Yr Average	44.98	47.30	48.05	49.14	49.33	49.04	49.14	49.15	47.61	47.24	45.60	46.11	47.73

COW-CALF PAIRS AVEAGE PRICES
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MEDIUM AND LARGE 1-2
800-1200 LB COWS, WITH 100-200 LB CALVES AT SIDE

Year	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Average
2010	766.67	787.50	831.25	850.00	890.00	850.00	870.00	881.25	806.25	825.00	818.75	856.25	836.08
2009	812.50	812.50	818.75	843.75	840.00	837.50	756.25	810.00	787.50	780.00	750.00	750.00	799.90
2008	791.67	906.25	925.00	868.75	885.00	887.50	912.50	870.00	881.25	875.00	837.50	725.00	863.79
2007	787.50	825.00	905.00	887.50	881.25	920.00	875.00	906.25	925.00	825.00	875.00	868.75	873.44
2006	912.50	987.50	987.50	935.00	937.50	912.50	890.00	893.75	895.00	856.25	818.75	781.25	900.63
2005	893.75	906.25	943.75	965.00	1006.25	993.75	940.00	906.25	900.00	895.00	900.00	883.33	927.78
2004	756.25	775.00	806.25	875.00	870.00	900.00	935.00	950.00	937.50	880.00	912.50	941.67	878.26
2003	708.33	712.50	690.00	706.25	750.00	725.00	718.75	718.75	725.00	762.50	750.00	775.00	728.51
2002	731.25	764.38	777.50	762.50	743.75	750.00	678.75	696.88	700.00	668.75	662.50	700.00	719.69
2001	725.00	725.00	725.00	762.50	762.50	775.00	725.00	725.00	725.00	687.50	650.00	687.50	722.92
2000	675.00	675.00	695.00	762.50	750.00	725.00	727.50	725.00	727.50	696.88	718.75	725.00	716.93
1999	575.00	593.75	605.00	625.00	625.00	625.00	625.00	625.00	625.00	575.00	581.25	643.75	610.31
1998	600.00	625.00	635.00	625.00	616.25	620.00	493.75	568.75	545.00	518.75	525.00	525.00	574.79
1997	468.75	531.25	568.00	575.00	575.00	605.00	625.00	622.50	625.00	600.00	575.00	541.67	576.01
1996	475.00	450.00	450.00	450.00	400.00	400.00	411.25	447.50	444.38	393.75	413.00	433.33	430.68
5 Yr Average	814.17	863.75	893.50	877.00	886.75	881.50	860.75	872.25	859.00	832.25	820.00	796.25	854.76
10 Yr Average	788.54	820.19	841.00	845.63	856.63	855.13	830.13	835.81	828.25	805.50	797.50	796.88	825.10
15 Yr Average	711.94	738.46	757.53	766.25	768.83	768.42	745.58	756.46	749.96	722.63	719.20	722.50	743.98

COW-CALF PAIRS AVERAGE PRICES
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Prices per head

MEDIUM AND LARGE 1-2
800-1200 LB COWS, WITH 200-400 LB CALVES AT SIDE

Year	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Average
2010	912.50	937.50	993.75	1006.25	1045.00	937.50	1030.00	1012.50	950.00	960.00	975.00	983.33	978.61
2009	1016.25	988.75	956.25	1000.00	1035.00	981.25	856.25	970.00	900.00	920.00	866.67	850.00	945.04
2008	1008.33	1075.00	1130.00	1050.00	1045.00	1043.75	1043.75	1015.00	1033.33	1031.25	975.00	850.00	1025.03
2007	925.00	975.00	1095.00	925.00	1118.75	1085.00	1091.67	1087.50	1070.00	1087.50	1083.33	1066.67	1050.87
2006	1093.75	1175.00	1112.50	1110.00	1068.75	1131.25	1055.00	1075.00	1075.00	1037.50	956.25	885.00	1064.58
2005	1025.00	1112.50	1093.75	1110.00	1193.75	1168.75	1105.00	1075.00	1087.50	1045.00	1050.00	1058.33	1093.72
2004	866.88	893.75	931.25	996.88	990.00	1037.50	1120.00	1150.00	1118.75	1055.00	1062.50	1033.33	1021.32
2003	820.00	827.50	795.00	831.25	860.00	842.50	864.38	887.50	902.50	899.38	850.00	912.50	857.71
2002	853.33	891.25	899.50	893.13	868.75	883.13	840.00	788.75	802.50	800.00	762.50	800.00	840.24
2001	852.50	868.75	889.50	920.00	935.00	907.00	866.25	882.50	853.75	801.25	761.25	803.75	861.79
2000	827.50	808.75	854.00	910.00	901.25	861.50	872.50	871.25	862.00	812.50	853.75	871.88	858.91
1999	714.38	745.00	741.00	761.25	758.13	757.50	767.50	764.38	740.00	702.50	711.25	760.00	743.57
1998	731.25	767.50	777.00	772.50	756.88	746.00	711.25	699.38	657.50	658.75	652.50	670.00	716.71
1997	565.63	652.50	710.00	725.00	713.75	749.50	770.00	773.13	767.00	727.50	703.33	697.17	712.88
1996	565.63	546.88	549.50	531.88	489.38	495.00	489.38	551.00	559.38	490.00	511.25	533.33	526.05
5 Yr Average	991.17	1030.25	1057.50	1018.25	1062.50	1035.75	1015.33	1032.00	1005.67	1007.25	971.25	927.00	1012.83
10 Yr Average	937.35	974.50	989.65	984.25	1016.00	1001.76	987.23	994.38	979.33	963.69	934.25	924.29	973.89
15 Yr Average	851.86	884.38	901.87	902.88	918.63	908.48	898.86	906.86	891.95	868.54	851.64	851.69	886.47

COW-CALF PAIRS AVERAGE PRICES
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SMALL AND MEDIUM 1-2
650-900 LB COWS, WITH 100-200 LB CALVES AT SIDE

Year	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Average
2010	600.00	637.50	650.00	625.00	670.00	716.67	710.00	712.50	587.50	600.00	683.13	700.00	657.69
2009	631.25	618.75	631.25	668.75	665.00	650.00	587.50	645.00	662.50	610.00	541.67	616.67	627.36
2008	650.00	625.00	690.00	662.50	685.00	743.75	725.00	731.25	683.33	618.75	656.25	575.00	670.49
2007	587.50	687.50	715.00	662.50	700.00	740.00	700.00	712.50	690.00	675.00	687.50	655.33	684.40
2006	706.25	737.50	743.75	725.00	725.00	725.00	710.00	706.25	710.00	656.25	643.75	656.25	703.75
2005	743.75	700.00	712.50	740.00	750.00	781.25	730.00	700.00	712.50	665.00	681.25	708.33	718.72
2004	618.75	665.63	700.00	662.50	705.00	712.50	760.00	750.00	750.00	685.00	718.75	716.67	703.73
2003	583.33	600.00	580.00	575.00	622.50	608.33	556.25	568.75	575.00	587.50	600.00	650.00	592.22
2002	593.75	579.38	624.00	601.25	608.13	602.50	558.75	565.00	575.00	550.00	559.38	575.00	582.68
2001	593.75	573.75	551.00	612.50	625.00	626.00	615.00	577.50	583.75	532.50	526.25	540.63	579.80
2000	575.00	526.25	534.50	610.00	587.50	575.00	596.25	583.75	582.00	565.63	575.00	587.50	574.87
1999	445.63	471.88	465.00	475.00	479.38	479.00	480.00	475.00	475.00	450.00	462.50	542.50	475.07
1998	456.25	475.00	485.00	476.25	468.75	475.00	471.88	428.75	420.00	403.13	391.25	380.00	444.27
1997	357.50	403.13	422.50	425.00	425.00	460.00	475.00	471.88	475.00	450.00	425.00	400.00	432.50
1996	375.00	350.00	345.50	350.00	300.00	295.00	292.50	343.50	334.38	306.25	315.63	328.33	328.01
5 Yr Average	635.00	661.25	686.00	668.75	689.00	715.08	686.50	701.50	666.67	632.00	642.46	640.65	668.74
10 Yr Average	630.83	642.50	659.75	653.50	675.56	690.60	665.25	666.88	652.96	618.00	629.79	639.39	652.08
15 Yr Average	375.00	350.00	345.50	350.00	300.00	295.00	292.50	343.50	334.38	306.25	315.63	328.33	328.01