Focus on Feedlots



Kansas Feedlot Performance and Feed Cost Summary* Justin Waggoner, Extension Beef Systems Specialist, Kansas State University

January, 2011 Closeout Information

| Sex | No | In Weight | Final Weight | Avg. Days on Feed | Avg. Daily Gain | Feed/Gain (Dry Basis) | % Death Loss | Avg. Cost of Gain/Cwt. | Projected Cost of Gain Current Month's Placed Cattle |
|---------|-------|--------------|-----------------|----------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------|-----------------|------------------------------|--|
| Steers | 24324 | 822 | 1379 | 145 (124 - 169) | 3.76 (3.15 - 4.21) | 6.03 (5.34 - 6.74) | 1.22 | \$82.79 \$76.76 - \$98.80 | \$101.25 \$100.00 - \$103.00 |
| Heifers | 29568 | 757 | 1259 | 142 (121 - 157) | 3.46 (3.21 - 4.01) | 6.15 (5.80 - 6.41) | 1.18 | \$85.08 \$81.12 - \$89.73 | \$106.75 \$105.00 - \$112.00 |

| Current Feed Inventory Costs: Mid- | February, 2011 | Range | No. Yards |
|------------------------------------|----------------|---------------------|-----------|
| Corn | \$6.02 /bu | \$5.54-\$6.98 | 8 |
| Ground Alfalfa Hay | \$127.32 /ton | \$110.00 - \$145.05 | 7 |

^{*}Appreciation is expressed to these Kansas Feedyards: Brookover Ranch Feed Yard, Decatur County Feed Yard, DM&M Feed Yard, Hoxie Feedyard, HRC Feedyard, HyPlains Feed Yard, Kearny County Feeders, Poky Feeders, Pratt Feeders, and Supreme Cattle Feeders.

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^{**}Closeout figures are the means of individual feedyard monthly averages and include feed, yardage, processing, medication, death loss and usually sold FOB the feedlot with a 4% pencil shrink. Interest charges normally are not included.