

MARKET REPORT – DECATUR LIVESTOCK MARKET

Consignments from March 19, 2018, from 246 sellers were 1300 head including: 36 Bulls, 288 Cows, 39 Calves, 186 Longhorns, 263 Stocker Heifers, 336 Stocker Bulls/Steers, 62 Feeder Heifers, 90 Feeder Steers. Average price = \$654. Last sale = \$665. A year ago = \$713. The USDA regional market report quoted prices \$4-\$10 lower on stocker calves as there is a decline in demand for 5-6 weight calves to go on grass with several order buying companies on the sidelines as drought conditions spread across the country. An example is the Flynt Hills of Kansas that are typically sprouting grass and carry large numbers of cattle – this area is a big dust bowl this year. This coupled with full feed lots is causing folks to reassess their business plans. DLM did not follow this trend even though several of our order buyers pulled back. 5-6 weight stockers were \$5-\$10 higher and 250#-325# calves were higher as ropers are making room for fresh calves. Packer prices followed feeder cattle to lower levels. Bred cows steady while pairs \$100-\$150 higher.

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NT = Not Tested

STEERS:	Range	Wt. / Avg.	HEIFERS:	Range	Wt. / Avg.
200 - 299 lbs.	98-245	175.71	200 - 299 lbs.	85-220	164.89
300 - 399 lbs.	83-227.5	171.64	300 - 399 lbs.	63-185	149.84
400 - 499 lbs.	68-190	164.96	400 - 499 lbs.	55-175	146.59
500 - 599 lbs.	112.5-185	163.59	500 - 599 lbs.	70-160	142.60
600 - 699 lbs.	91-175	148.31	600 - 699 lbs.	85-140	129.23
700 - 799 lbs.	102.5-140	122.00	700 - 799 lbs.	95-126	119.43
800 - 899 lbs.	NT	NT	800 - 899 lbs.	NT	NT
900 - 999 lbs.	NT	NT	900 - 999 lbs.	NT	NT

LONGHORNS

STEERS:	Range	Avg.	HEIFERS:	Range	Avg.
200 - 299 lbs.	70-135	120.31	200 - 299 lbs.	NT	NT
300 - 399 lbs.	83-227.5	104.17	300 - 399 lbs.	50-137.5	94.50
400 - 499 lbs.	40-130	80.06	400 - 499 lbs.	60-120	86.39
500 - 599 lbs.	75-127	87.41	500 - 599 lbs.	62.5-105	76.07
600 - 699 lbs.	65-93	86.58	600 - 699 lbs.	NT	NT
700 - 799 lbs.	70-95	81.90	700 - 799 lbs.	NT	NT

PAIRS:			PREG. TESTED:		
	PRICE RG	LAST WK		PRICE RG	LAST WK
Young	1010-1550	1275-1385	Young	900-1275	880-1325
Mid – Age	NT	1210-1375	Mid – Age	NT	875-1400

	Low/High Yielding	Average
Cows under 1100#’s	41-62	60.10
Cows over 1100#’s	45-66.5	58.60
Feeder Bulls	82-138	
High Yield Grade Bulls (1400 lbs +)	NT	
Low Yield Grade Bulls (1400 lbs +)	74-84.5	
Baby Calves under 100 lbs.	NT	
Baby Calves 100-200 lbs.	NT	

Some of the Higher Selling Cattle

Lee Allen, Bowie, 205# @ \$ 245.00	Bob Sitzes, Collinsville, 2 Hd Deal, 220# @ \$ 220.00
Ricky McKenzie, Weatherford, 3 Hd Deal, 318# @ \$ 227.50	Ricky McKenzie, Weatherford, 310# @ \$ 185.00
CW Earp, Ft Worth, 440# @ \$ 190.00	PR Gaut, JR, Alvord, 465# @ \$ 175.00
Kyle Anderson, Alvord, 2 Hd Deal, 525# @ \$ 185.00	John Newton, Bridgeport, 545# @ \$ 160.00
Kyle Anderson, Alvord, 2 Hd Deal, 603# @ \$ 175.00	Gregg Haverkamp, Gainesville, 615# @ \$ 140.00
Milt Bradford, Weatherford, 720# @ \$ 140.00	Kyle Anderson, Alvord, 5 Hd Deal, 732# @ \$ 126.00

Thank you for your business!