

## Most Lamb Prices Weak To Lower

San Angelo slaughter lamb prices were weak to \$10 lower Tuesday, feeder lambs steady. Hamilton lambs sold \$15 lower. Fredericksburg lambs were lower.

Goldthwaite was the only high mark, with wool lambs \$5 higher and Dorper and Barbado lambs \$10-15 higher.

Lamb and mutton meat production for the week ending August 25 totaled 2.5 million pounds on a slaughter count of 37,000 head compared with the previous week's totals of 2.5 million pounds and 36,000 head.

Imported lamb and mutton for the week ending August 19 totaled 1582 metric tons or approximately 3.49 million pounds, equal to 139 percent of domestic production for the same period.

Lamb carcass prices from last week all went unreported yet again due to confidentiality.

San Angelo's feeder lamb market had medium and large 1-2 lambs weighing 50-60 pounds at \$165-172, 60-90 pounds \$160-166, and medium and large 2 50-90 pounds \$150-160. Fredericksburg No. 1 wool lambs weighing 40-60 pounds made \$160-220 and 60-80 pounds \$160-200. Hamilton Dorper and Dorper cross lambs weighing 20-40 pounds sold for \$170-200.

There was no reported direct trade on feeder lambs last week.

San Angelo choice 2-3 slaughter lambs weighing 100-150 pounds were \$136-154, choice and prime 1-2 40-60 pounds \$180-202, 60-70 pounds \$170-185, 70-80 pounds \$170-175, 80-90 pounds \$170-178, 90-110 pounds \$160-168, choice 1-2 40-60 pounds \$160-180, 60-70 pounds \$160-170, 70-80 pounds \$160-170, 80-90 pounds \$150-170, 90-110 pounds \$140-160, and good 1 50-80 pounds \$140-158. Goldthwaite wool lambs weighing 50-70 pounds brought \$170-210, 70-90 pounds \$160-210, 90-110 pounds \$150-180, Dorper and Dorper cross lambs 40-60 pounds \$180-225, 60-75 pounds \$180-225, 75-90 pounds \$170-220, Barbado and Barbado cross lambs 35-50 pounds \$160-190, 50-70 pounds \$160-200, and 70-90 pounds \$140-190. Hamilton Dorper and Dorper cross lambs weighing 40-70 pounds made \$180-220, over 70 pounds \$140-190, wool lambs 40-70 pounds \$110-180, over 70 pounds \$110-130, and Barbado lambs \$140-185. Fredericksburg slaughter lambs weighing 45-80 pounds sold for \$180-220, 90-140 pounds \$140-180, Barbado lambs 40-60 pounds \$120-200, Dorper cross lambs 40-60 pounds \$170-220, and 60-80 pounds \$170-220.

Slaughter lambs selling direct included 4500 head weighing 90-194 pounds that brought \$154.84-195. Angelo good 2-3 slaughter ewes made \$68-72, utility and good 1-3 \$78-92, utility 1-2 \$62-74, cull and utility 1-2 \$52-62, and cull 1 \$40-50. Hamilton slaughter ewes brought \$70-80. Fredericksburg ewes sold for \$30-80. Goldthwaite ewes were \$60-100.

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## Range Sales

Cattle For Sale By David, San Angelo, sold out of the Jourdanton, Texas area to a Big Spring, Texas buyer 10 miniature Brahman cow-calf pairs at \$850; from the El Campo, Texas area to a Lufkin buyer 41 babytooth heavy bred Brangus cows at \$1475.

4L Cattle Co., San Angelo, sold three loads of four to six year-old fall calving cows for \$1400 per head; a load of fancy young cows for \$1600; a split load of feeder cattle, heifers weighed 475 pounds and brought \$149 and the steers weighed 485 at \$154; also a load of heifers weighing 866 for \$120.

USDA reports 6056 head of feeder cattle selling direct

## Plains Fed Cattle Trade Quiet; FCE Sells A Few At Lower Rates

Panhandle fed cattle trade was typically quiet at mid-week, a few asking prices reported at \$108 or better, but no bids. Last week's going rate settled at \$107 on a relative handful of trades, down another \$3 for the week.

Wednesday's Fed Cattle Exchange offered 1777 head and sold two lots in Kansas at \$105, another there at \$105.25, and four lots in Nebraska at \$166 dressed. Asking prices of \$105 live drew no bids in Nebraska and at least one bid at that price drew a PO in Texas.

The Texas Cattle Feeders Association counted 11,211 head on area showlists, up 3204 head from last week. Formulas were off 2733 head at 63,725.

Direct trade was quiet elsewhere as well, DTN reporting bids of \$165 dressed in Nebraska against asking prices of \$175. Midwest fed cattle auctions paid \$103-109.

Stocker and feeder cattle price trends appeared to have turned higher in early-week trading based on limited reports.

off Colorado range, including 215 medium and large No. 1 steers to weigh 990 pounds at \$127.58 f.o.b. and 150 similar heifers to weigh 800 at \$144 delivered, both for September and October delivery; for September 300 steers to weigh 875 at \$141.58 f.o.b., 270 steers to weigh 805 at \$157 delivered, 1045 heifers to weigh 810-825 at \$146.50-147.25 delivered, and 118 heifers to weigh 775 at \$146.25 delivered; for current delivery 1430 steers weighing 900-935 at \$140-144 delivered, 130 steers weighing 727 at \$147.70 delivered, 116 steers weighing 826-836 at \$143.86-144.92 delivered, 960 steers weighing 875 at \$141-149.50 delivered, 840 heifers weighing 750 at \$138-142.55,

Joplin, Mo. offered 4226 head and sold steer calves steady, yearling steers \$2-5 higher, heifer calves and yearling heifers steady to \$3 higher. Tulsa, Okla. sold 1722 head \$6-7 higher on steers and \$5 higher on heifers.

Texas was largely unquotable, most East Texas auctions either closed outright by Hurricane Harvey or limited to extremely short numbers. Crockett was unreported and presumably closed, and Three Rivers called the trend steady to \$2 higher, but only on 200 soggy head. Away from the storm, Graham sold 1308 head but called no trend, as usual, and Amarillo attracted only 412 head.

On receipts of 4911 head, Oklahoma City feeder steers and heifers were mostly \$2-5 higher, heavier calves \$4-7 higher. Best 316 pound steer calves brought \$208; 400-500 pounds \$164-187; 500-600 pounds \$156-173.50; 600-700 pounds \$151.50-164.50; 700-800 pounds \$142-155.25; 800-900 pounds \$143-147; and 971 pounds \$135.

and 300 heifers weighing 735 at \$149.50 delivered.

Northwest direct feeder cattle trade as confirmed by USDA totaled 3700 head, all f.o.b. basis, including 200 medium and large No. 1 heifers to weigh 600 pounds at \$142 for December and January delivery; for October and November 1050 similar steers to weigh 550-595 at \$148-159, 450 steers to weigh 650-675 at \$148-151, and 400 heifers to weigh 550 at \$135.50-139.75; for current delivery 620 steers weighing 875 at \$135-136.50.

USDA reports 1832 head of feeder cattle selling direct in Oklahoma, all f.o.b. basis, including, for October delivery 260 medium and large No. 1 steers to weigh 750 pounds at \$141.60 and 280 heifer mates to weigh 700 at \$135.57; for current delivery 585 steers weighing 750 at \$141.60.

Kansas direct feeder cattle trade by USDA count came to 4677 head, mostly f.o.b. basis, including 180 medium and large No. 1 steers to weigh 800 pounds at \$132.70 for December delivery; for current delivery 284 similar steers weighing 775 at \$144, 576 steers weighing 825-836 at \$138-142.63, 195 steers weighing 850 at \$137.50, 724 steers weighing 900 at \$137.74-140, 128 steers weighing 863 at \$138.60 delivery, 868 heifers weighing 725 at \$135-135.75, and 771 heifers weighing 750-775 at \$131-140.64.

USDA reports 1933 head of feeder cattle selling direct in Wyoming and Nebraska, mostly f.o.b., including 300 medium and large No. 1 steers to weigh 625 pounds at \$151 for October delivery; for September and October 150 similar heifers to weigh 800 at \$143.18; for September 475 heifers to weigh 810 at \$145.44 and 118 heifers to weigh 775 at \$144.11; for current delivery 400 steers weighing 875 at \$148.42, 190 steers weighing 850 at \$145 delivered, and 300 heifers weighing 735 at \$148.81.

**NOT SO DIFFERENT** from humans, cattle exhibit many similar traits. This scene near Vera, south of Vernon, bears a quirky resemblance to people lounging in and around the water at the beach on a mid-August day.

## Slaughter Meat Goat Prices Mixed In Most Recent Trade

Slaughter meat goat prices were mixed in most recent trading. Hamilton was \$15 lower, San Angelo weak to \$10 lower and Fredericksburg simply termed lower, but Goldthwaite reported prices \$10-15 higher and New Holland, Pennsylvania mostly steady to \$20 higher per head.

Goat slaughter under federal inspection the week ending August 12 totaled 9342 head. Goat meat imports for the week ending August 19 totaled 241 metric tons, 235 from Australia and six from Mexico.

At Goldthwaite on Thursday, selection 1 kids weighing 30-45 pounds brought \$210-300, 45-60 pounds \$220-250, 60-70 pounds \$210-250, and 70-90 pounds \$180-250. Lightweight nannies were \$120-180, heavy \$100-140 and thin \$60-90, lightweight billies \$170-220 and heavy \$140-175.

New Holland, Penn., selling by the head Monday, quoted selection 1 kids of 40-60 pounds \$140-185, 60-80 pounds \$175-280 and 80-100 pounds \$215-325, selection 2 20-40 pounds \$70-105, 40-60 pounds \$120-160 and 60-80 pounds \$145-220. Selection 1 nannies 80-130 pounds brought \$200-235 and 130-180 pounds \$215-250, selection 2 80-130 pounds \$165-200, selection 1 billies 100-150 pounds \$300-325 and 150-250 pounds \$320-365, selection 2 100-150 pounds \$265-300.

Also on Monday, Hamilton kids weighing 20-40 pounds earned \$160-230, 40-70 pounds \$180-230 and over 70 pounds \$140-275. Thin nannies were \$40-60

per head, medium \$75-125 and fleshy \$150-225, billies \$110-175 cwt.

Fredericksburg on Tuesday reported selection 1 20-40 pound kids at \$180-230, 40-60 pounds \$200-235 and 60-80 pounds \$200-235, muttons \$200-235. Nannies were \$60-165 and billies \$145-230.

At San Angelo Tuesday, selection 1 kids weighing 40-60 pounds brought \$210-220, 60-80 pounds \$210-236 and 80-100 pounds \$230-240, selection 1-2 40-60 pounds \$190-214, 60-80 pounds \$190-214 and 80-100 pounds \$196-222. Selection 1-2 nannies 80-130 pounds made \$132-158, 130-170 pounds \$114-135 and thin 70-120 pounds \$110-136, selection 1-2 billies 70-100 pounds \$160-180, 100-150 pounds \$130-160 and 150-250 pounds \$130-156.

## FUTURES TRADE

CHICAGO — (CME) — Beef futures trading on the Chicago Board of Trade at the close on Tuesday and at press time on Wednesday.

	Live Cattle	
	Wed.	Tue.
Aug.	105.50	105.25
Oct.	105.03	106.10
Dec.	108.25	109.18
Feb.	111.23	112.08
Apr.	112.35	113.23
June	106.53	107.33
Aug.	105.45	106.08
Oct.	106.75	107.78
Dec.	107.50	107.73
	Feeder Cattle	
Aug.	142.53	142.60
Sept.	142.78	143.03
Oct.	143.25	143.53
Nov.	143.73	143.98
Jan.	141.00	141.10
Mar.	138.83	139.03
Apr.	139.68	139.93
May	140.65	140.58