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**THURSDAY MARCH 28<sup>TH</sup>, 2024**  
**AT 5:30 PM**

**NEW LOCATION: Overbrook Livestock Commission • 305 1st St., Overbrook, KS**

**OFFERING: (37) Bulls, 4-2 yr olds; (25) 18 mo. olds; (8) yearlings**



**SCHU-LAR 210 OF 30F 8G ET**

CE	BW	WW	YW	CW	REA	MARB	BMI\$	BII\$	CHB\$
6.5	1.6	69	112	100	0.87	0.60	482	600	208

A standout Benton son. Gained 5.08#s per day on test and had an incredible ADJ Feed to Gain of 3.89 to 1. His cost of gain was 25% cheaper than the group average.



**SCHU-LAR 208 OF 2F B413 ET**

CE	BW	WW	YW	CW	REA	MARB	BMI\$	BII\$	CHB\$
4.1	2.9	72	112	91	0.87	0.88	517	657	222

A Validated son. Cost Cutting genetics that will make cows with high carcass quality. 3.93 to 1 Feed to Gain all while eating 2# less than his pen mates but gaining nearly 1/2 pound more per day.



**SCHU-LAR 253 OF 2E A250 ET**

CE	BW	WW	YW	CW	REA	MARB	BMI\$	BII\$	CHB\$
9.1	0.8	64	96	90	0.65	0.41	445	548	162

Pigment, Phenotype and Efficient Performance with a Prolific EPD Profile. My favorite A250 son we have ever raised. Our #3 bull on test for cost of gain - 16.4% less than the group average.



**MM GERBER 43A F113 K625**

CE	BW	WW	YW	CW	REA	MARB	BMI\$	BII\$	CHB\$
5.0	2.9	59	96	74	0.35	0.29	296	382	134

His dam is a Dam of Distinction and has a MPPA of 109. On test he recorded a favorable -1.41 RFI and an ADJ Feed to Gain with a 9.1% advantage over his pen mates.



**Innisfail Trademark 1939ET**

CE	BW	WW	YW	CW	REA	MARB	BMI\$	BII\$	CHB\$
4.4	0.2	68	106	78	0.76	1.03	498	644	219

Early data for feed efficiency is promising. Sons sell!!



**EFBEEF C609 RESOLUTE E158 ET**

CE	BW	WW	YW	CW	REA	MARB	BMI\$	BII\$	CHB\$
1.8	2.8	69	97	85	0.68	0.80	502	637	193

NRSP Standout Top 1% BMIS and CHBS. Sons sell!!

**Individual Feed Intake Data Available On Fall 2022 Bulls**

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# Kansas Hay Market Report

Compared to the last report, demand was moderate for alfalfa but remained light for grass hay. Open weather, greening pastures and lower cattle numbers have all contributed to the lower demand. According to the U.S. Drought Monitor for March 5th, temperatures in the region ranged from mostly five to ten degrees warmer than normal for far eastern Wyoming and Colorado and most of Kansas. Abnormally dry conditions expanded in eastern Kansas where recent precipitation has been low and soils were drying. The categorical percent area for abnormally dry conditions (D0) increased to 30%, moderate drought (D1) remained near 26%, severe drought (D2) remained just over 2%, and no extreme drought (D3) or exceptional drought (D4) was recorded.

## Southwest Kansas

Trade activity is slow. Dairy alfalfa prices are steady. Grinding alfalfa, large squares \$5.00 lower, large rounds steady. Ground and delivered alfalfa price steady. Alfalfa: Dairy, \$1.35-\$1.45/point RFV. Good, Stock or Dry Cow none reported. Fair/good grinding alfalfa, large rounds \$120.00-\$130.00, large square 3x4's and 4x4's \$145.00-\$155.00. Ground and delivered locally to feed lots and dairies \$205.00-\$215.00. Alfalfa pellets: Sun cured 15 pct protein \$295.00-305.00, 17 pct protein \$305.00-\$315.00. Grass Hay: Bluestem small squares \$8.00/bale, bluestem CRP large rounds \$75.00/ton. Corn stalks: 3x4's \$100.00 delivered. Sudan, large square 4x4's \$110.00-\$115.00 delivered. The week of 3/03-3/09, 4,802T of grinding alfalfa and 525T of dairy alfalfa was reported bought or sold.

## Gov. updates declaration of drought emergency, warnings, and watches for Kansas counties

Governor Laura Kelly has approved updated drought declarations for Kansas counties with Executive Order #24-01.

"While drought conditions have improved greatly in recent months, many counties continue to be negatively impacted by the decline in water supply or strains on water resources," said Kelly. "I strongly encourage all Kansans to continue to conserve water as we head into the summer months."

The drought declaration removed all 55 counties previously in emergency status and placed 15 counties into warning status and 62 into watch status. This action was recommended by Connie Owen, director of the Kansas Water Office and Chair of the Governor's Drought Response Team. While a majority of Kansas has seen significant relief from drought since August, central and southeast Kansas continue to be in severe drought.

"Counties in a watch status have conditions which indicate the probability of a water shortage is rising. It is important to monitor

these conditions and be mindful of water usage in these counties," said Owen. "The Governor's Drought Response Team will continue to monitor the drought conditions across Kansas and make recommendations to Governor Kelly as conditions change."

This Executive Order shall remain in effect for those counties identified until rescinded by an Executive Order ending the declaration or revising the drought stage status of the affected counties.

Effective immediately, Executive Order #24-01:

- Declares a Drought Emergency, Warning, or Watch for the counties as identified below;

- Authorizes and directs all agencies under the jurisdiction of the Governor to implement the appropriate watch, warning, or emergency-level drought response actions assigned in the Operations Plan of the Governor's Drought Response Team.

The Governor's Drought Response Team will continue to watch the situation

## South Central Kansas

Trade activity is slow to moderate. Dairy alfalfa prices are steady. Grinding alfalfa \$5.00 lower and ground and delivered alfalfa prices steady. Alfalfa pellet steady to 5.00 lower. Alfalfa: horse, small squares \$13.00-15.00/bale; Dairy \$1.35-\$1.45/point RFV. Good, Stock cow, \$225.00-\$235.00. Fair/good grinding alfalfa, large rounds \$150.00-\$160.00 delivered, 3x4 and 4x4's \$155.00-\$165.00 delivered. Alfalfa ground and delivered \$190.00-\$200.00. Alfalfa pellets: Sun cured 15 pct protein \$290.00-\$300.00, 17 pct protein \$300.00-\$310.00, Dehydrated 17 pct protein: \$400.00-\$405.00. Grass hay: Bluestem, small squares \$200.00, large rounds \$100.00-\$120.00, large square 3x4's none reported. Brome, none reported. Sudan, large rounds \$70.00-\$80.00. The week of 3/03-3/09, 6,646.5T of grinding alfalfa and 1,050T of dairy alfalfa was reported bought or sold.

## Southeast Kansas

Trade activity is slow. Dairy alfalfa price is steady, Bluestem and Brome hay price steady. Alfalfa: horse or goat, none reported. Dairy \$1.35-\$1.45/point RFV. Good, stock cow \$200.00-\$220.00. Fair/good grinding alfalfa, large rounds none reported, large square 3x4's \$185.00-\$195.00. Grass hay: Bluestem, small squares \$200.00-\$205.00, large round \$140.00-\$150.00, large square 3x4 and 4x4's \$160.00-\$170.00. Brome, small squares \$200.00-\$205.00, large rounds none reported, large square 3x4 and 4x4's \$180.00-\$200.00. Corn stalks: large rounds \$55.00-\$65.00. The week 3/03-3/09, 1,038T of grass hay was reported bought or sold.

## Northwest Kansas

Trade activity is slow. Dairy alfalfa, grinding alfalfa prices are steady. Alfalfa: horse, small squares \$13.25/bale. Dairy, Premium/Supreme \$1.40-\$1.50/point RFV. Stock cow, good, \$200.00-

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close and work to minimize the negative drought-induced effects on Kansans. For more detailed information about current conditions, visit the Climate and Drought webpage on the Kansas Water Office website at kwo.ks.gov.

Drought Stage Declarations:

Drought Emergency:

Drought Warning: Chautauqua, Clay, Dickinson, Elk, Graham, Harvey, Jewell, McPherson, Mitchell, Montgomery, Osborne, Ottawa, Reno, Rice, Rooks, Wilson.

Drought Watch:

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\$230.00, Alfalfa Good 3x3's \$200.00, Premium 3x3's \$280.00, Fair/good grinding alfalfa: \$180.00-\$200.00. Sudan large rounds \$60.00-\$70.00.

## North Central-Northeast Kansas

Trade activity is slow. Dairy alfalfa, steady. Grinding alfalfa steady, Ground and delivered steady. Grass hay steady. Alfalfa: Dairy \$1.40-\$1.50/point RFV; Horse hay, premium small squares: none reported; Stock Cow 3x4's \$200.00-\$230.00; Fair/good, grinding alfalfa, large rounds \$145.00-\$155.00, large square 3x4's \$160.00-\$170.00. Alfalfa ground and delivered \$200.00-\$210.00, alfalfa/sudan mix ground and delivered \$195.00-\$205.00. Grass hay: Bluestem, small squares \$7.00-\$8.00/bale, large rounds \$135.00-\$145.00, large square 3x4 and 4x4's \$175.00-\$185.00. Brome: large rounds \$160.00-\$170.00, large square 3x4 and 4x4's \$170.00-\$180.00. Corn stalks: \$60.00-\$70.00. Milo stalks: \$75.00-\$85.00. Soybean stalks: large rounds \$85.00-\$95.00. Wheat straw: large rounds and large squares \$105.00-\$115.00. The week of 3/03-3/09, 165T of grinding alfalfa and 342T of dairy alfalfa was reported bought or sold.

\*\* Prices above reflect the average price. There could be prices higher and lower than those published.

\*\*\*Prices are dollars per ton and FOB unless otherwise noted. Dairy alfalfa prices are for mid and large squares unless otherwise noted. Horse hay is in small squares unless otherwise noted. Prices are from the most recent sales. \*CWF Certified Weed Free

\*\*TDN calculated using the Western formula.

Quantitative factors are approximate, and many factors can affect feeding value. Values based on 100% dry matter (TDN showing both 100% & 90%).

Guidelines are to be used with visual appearance and intent of sale (usage). Source: Kansas Department of Agriculture -Manhattan, Kansas. Kim Nettleton, 785-564-6709.



These young ladies were crowned Angus royalty and are pictured at the 2024 Kansas Angus Association Annual Meeting and Banquet, Jan. 20 in Hutchinson. Pictured from left are Parris Marsh, Oskaloosa, district 1 ambassador; Kaelyn Schilling, Goodland, 2024 Miss Kansas Angus; and Addie Haverkamp, Bern, 2023 Miss Kansas Angus.

Photo by Anne Lampe, Kansas Angus Association

**Thank You ...**

*The Chapman FFA Alumni would like to extend a thank you to everyone who attended our annual work auction, donated live or silent auction items, provided monetary donations, purchased items, and made it possible for this successful event.*

*A special thank you to Lynn Langvardt for being our auctioneer, as well as those who made the food for this event, and the alumni members for making this event possible. We are proud of our community and the support that they give our FFA members. We can never say thank you enough.*

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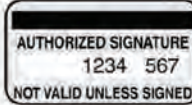
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**The Fightin' Bob – Epilogue**

The USS Robley Evans would receive the Presidential Unit Citation, which is the highest award a U.S. Navy crew can receive, for its "extraordinary heroism in the action as Support Destroyer on Radar Picket Station Number 15 during an attack by approximately 100 enemy Japanese planes, forty miles northwest of Okinawa... May 11, 1945."

became a union representative, a safety officer, a business agent, and officer in the Kansas City Local for the Teamsters. His stories, some of which I have previously written, are nearly 'legendary' as they say, and he told them well.

Stanley Stanhope and Jack Allegre (allegare) would return to Kansas as soon as their Navy service was complete. Jack, son of the pharmacist at Lebo, would go to college at University of Missouri, Kansas City (UMKC) and complete his own pharmacist degree, and would spend the rest of his life serving the town of Lebo in that career.

He proudly displayed his service medals along with the official Presidential Citation, and several other memorabilia in his home.

Stan's stint aboard the troop ship would keep him sailing long enough to circle the globe seeing places like Calcutta, India, the Suez Canal and Gibraltar before returning to the States. When he arrived at his parents' home in Iola, he came in the back door to hug his mother so he could literally say he'd been completely around the world.

Years ago Stan would greet me with, "So what have you done for your country today?" Coming from a man like Stan, it was quite intimidating, especially since I never served in the military, and I told him so. He said, "Hell, son, the military ain't the only way you serve your country!" He was right. I don't think I ever heard Stan complain. He always had a positive attitude. Though we disagreed on some politics, he and I agreed that the key to happiness was to be grateful; grateful for what we have and for this country which allows one to pursue happiness. Grateful enough to improve our own little corner of it by doing more than required of us; to give something back.

Working with his dad in the well service business was just enough to reveal he needed to move on. By 1949 he found himself part of the rural electrification of Nebraska, hanging lines on power poles that winter, which was one for the record books. Dropping from several feet up a pole into the snow bank in order to keep out of the wind while you ate lunch is a bit more than the seasoned "shell back" who'd spent months in the Pacific Tropics was bargaining for. Stan would soon realize what he wanted to do the rest of his working life.

I was asked by the family to deliver a eulogy for him at his inurnment into the Leavenworth National Cemetery mausoleum, and it was one of my highest lifetime honors to do so. The U.S. Navy was there with full military honors. I read the complete Presidential Citation at that time. During my preparation for that, I came across a quote in one of Stan's old shipmate's reunion programs I would like to share, and I think this represents Stan's generation very well:

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"Hanging on a pole 25 feet high in the cold Nebraska winter while tying wire off with freezing fingers, I saw a truck driver go by with his window rolled down a bit, smoking a cigarette while wearing nothing but a T-shirt!" he exclaimed. "I knew then what I was meant for!"

"War is an ugly thing, but not the ugliest of things. The decayed and degraded state of moral and patriotic feeling which thinks that nothing is worth war is much worse. The person who has nothing for which he is willing to fight, nothing which is more important than his own personal safety, is a miserable creature, and has no chance of being free unless made or kept so by the exertions of better men than himself." -John Stuart Mill, English Philosopher

Stan would buy a truck and work as an owner/operator for several years. He showed me a picture of himself standing on the running board of his old Diamond Reo. I noticed the address on the door of the truck said Dothan, Alabama. I asked him about it.

This reminded me of another quote from a famous Founder, Samuel Adams: "If ye love wealth better than liberty, the tranquility of servitude than the animating contest of freedom—go from us in peace. We ask not your counsels or arms. Crouch down and lick the hands which feed you."

"I hauled a lot of swinging beef from Chicago to Florida. Driving through the South in the 1950s, you didn't want to have license plates from Kansas on your rig. I tagged that truck in Alabama and never had any trouble."

I am both humbled, and honored, to have known such men who thought freedom was worth the fight.

Stan would give up his independent truck line and sign on with ABF and drive for 32 years, during which time he drove the entirety of the continental United States. He also

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# 4-H Shooting Sports fundraiser featuring upland game bird program to be held in Salina

The Central Kansas Extension District will host an Upland Game Bird Biology and Management program on Wednesday, April 10 in the Salina County 4-H Building in Salina. This informational session is an opportunity for land managers and wildlife enthusiasts who have an interest in developing habitat and enhancing game populations to learn about the various programs, services, and resources that are available to help them meet their goals.

Starting at 5:30 p.m., the Central Kansas District 4-H Shooting Sports project members will

be serving a barbecue dinner by free will donation. Youth will also be selling raffle tickets for various prize drawings. Proceeds will go to support 4-H youth enrolled in the shotgun, archery, BB gun, air rifle, muzzleloader, and hunting skills disciplines.

Dr. Drew Ricketts, K-State Research and Extension wildlife specialist, will begin the educational program at 6:30 p.m. with a presentation on the biology, habitat requirements and general management of pheasant, quail and other upland game birds in Kansas. Following will be Pat

Riese, wildlife biologist with Kansas Department of Wildlife and Parks. He will highlight numerous technical assistance and financial resources including cost-share and incentive programs available throughout the state. Additionally, an outlook and forecast on game bird populations and strategy will be offered.

To get an accurate count for the meal, registrations are requested by Wednesday, April 3. For more information or to RSVP, please contact the CKD Extension Office in Salina at (785) 309-5850.

## Registration open for BIF symposium; register by May 1 for \$50 savings

Registration is now open for the 2024 Beef Improvement Federation (BIF) Research Symposium and Convention that will be hosted June 10-13 in Knoxville, Tennessee. Participants can save \$50 if they register by May 1.

Full registration before May 1 is \$250. This includes two and one-half days of educational programming focused on improving maternal traits and effi-

ciency. It also includes the Welcome Reception on Monday evening, lunch on Tuesday and Wednesday, and an off-site social with dinner on Tuesday evening. The student early bird rate is \$200.

Monday, June 10, kicks off with the Young Producer Symposium at 1 p.m. followed by the Welcome and Scholarship Reception. Monday evening a Feeder Cattle Panel will focus on capturing value of

improved genetics and health in feeder cattle production.

Tuesday's general session will focus on "Building a better cow" and will include presentations by Dr. Jared Decker, University of Missouri; Dr. Darrh Bullock, University of Kentucky; Dr. Rick Machen, King Ranch Institute for Ranch Management; Dr. Bob Weaver, Kansas State University; and Dr. Dave Lalman, Oklaho-

ma State University.

Wednesday's general session theme will continue the theme of building maternal excellence and speakers will include Dr. Christine Baes, University of Guelph; Dr. Larry Kuehn, U.S. Meat Animal Research Center; and Dr. Mike Coffey, Scotland's Rural College.

Tuesday and Wednesday afternoon technical breakout sessions will focus on a

range of beef-production and genetic-improvement topics.

For registration and more symposium details, including hotel information, visit BIFSymposium.com. Prior to and during this year's symposium, be sure to follow the event on social media channels using the hashtag #BIF2024.

Each year the BIF symposium draws a large group of leading seedstock and com-

mercial beef producers, academics and allied industry partners.

The attendance list is a "Who's Who" of the beef value chain, offering great networking opportunities and conversations about the issues of the day. Program topics focus on how the beef industry can enhance value through genetic improvement across a range of attributes that affect the value chain.

## CFTC, K-State announce agenda for AgCon2024

The Commodity Futures Trading Commission and the Center for Risk Management Education and Research at Kansas State University have announced the agenda for the third Agricultural Commodity Futures Conference (AgCon2024). The conference is scheduled for April 11-12 in Overland Park.

The conference brings together leading voices from academia, agribusiness, as well as the private and public sectors to explore a range of current issues and topics facing the agricultural futures markets.

"The ability of America's farmers and ranchers to manage all types of risk predictably and without undue burdens directly impacts the prices American consumers pay for food and fuel, and also directly impacts the livelihood of families across the country," said CFTC Chairman Rostin Behnam. "As I've said many times before, the health of the agricultural value and supply chains trickles down throughout the entire U.S. economy, impacting the regions they occupy in meaningful ways. Bringing together

experts, regulators, and stakeholders to discuss the issues our futures markets currently face helps foster healthier markets, lower prices, and a stronger economy. I look forward to engaging with everyone in America's heartland."

Highlights this year include remarks from:

- Roger Marshall, M.D., U.S. senator (Kansas) and member of the Senate Agriculture Committee
- Jeffrey R.

Schmid, president, Federal Reserve Bank of Kansas City

- Ambassador Doug McKalip, U.S. chief agricultural negotiator, office of the U.S. Trade Representative
- Chairman Behnam, followed by Ernie Minton, dean of K-State's College of Agriculture, will provide opening remarks. The conference will also include a "Commissioners' Chat" with CFTC Commissioners Kristin John-

son, Christy Goldsmith Romero, Summer Mersinger, and Caroline Pham.

The conference attendees will hear from experts on:

- The evolving agricultural risk management landscape and its impact on Futures Commission Merchants and their customers;
- Uncovering and prosecuting illegal conduct in cash commodity markets;
- The lifecycle of

a futures contract;

- Cutting-edge and behind-the-curtain issues concerning governmental data and information;
- Opportunities and latest develop-

ments involving voluntary carbon markets; and

- Current derivatives-related hot topics facing the livestock industry.



These ladies and gentlemen were elected to serve on the Kansas Angus Association board of directors and are pictured at the 2024 Kansas Angus Association Annual Meeting and Banquet, Jan. 20 in Hutchinson. Officers pictured front row from left are Lynne Hinrichsen, Westmoreland, president; Cash Schilling, Goodland, vice president; Anne Lampe, Scott City, secretary/manager; and Stephanie Dickerson, Paradise, treasurer. Pictured back row from left are Clinton Laflin, Russell, director; Elizabeth Perkins, Lorraine, director; and Darin Huck, Dodge City, past president. Photo by Kansas Angus Association



Kelsey Theis, Leavenworth, left, received the Kenneth and Lorene Moore Memorial scholarship at the 2024 Kansas Angus Association Annual Meeting and Banquet, Jan. 20 in Hutchinson. Pictured presenting the award is Brenna Wulfkuhle, Kansas Angus Auxiliary scholarship chairperson, right.

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# ELAP changes aid in winter wildfire recovery

USDA recently announced changes to the Emergency Livestock Assistance Program (ELAP) that provide additional assistance to producers who suffer wildfire losses of stockpiled forage during the winter months. Previously, ELAP covered only the normal grazing season in Kansas. For 2024 and subsequent program years, ELAP policy has been updated to extend the normal grazing season to 365 days per year for perennial forages only.

Sen. Roger Marshall led the charge for this change, working with Sens. John Hoeven of North Dakota and Jon Tester from Montana in 2023 to add language to the Livestock Disaster Relief Act that would ensure future losses of the same nature are covered under ELAP. Farm Service Agency (FSA) administrator Zach Ducheneaux also was instrumental in securing this update to the program.

USDA confirmed with Marshall this change retroactively will help Kansas producers who suffered losses during the Four County Fire in December 2021, which burned 163,000 acres and destroyed winter pasture in use.

Officials with the state FSA office are working to establish guidance regarding the changes. Producers can expect to hear more on the revisions made to ELAP from FSA in the coming days.

# Saving the herd during drought with milo grazing

Missouri cattle producer John Chamberlin didn't want to sell his cows when drought lingered and hay supplies and forages dwindled last year.

With more than 600 head of Angus cows, Chamberlin looked to the internet for ideas.

A University of Missouri Extension video on the benefits of grazing standing milo intrigued him.

He called the video's creator, agronomist Rusty Lee in Montgomery County, to learn more. With the help of Pettis County live-

stock specialist Gene Schmitz, they set up one-on-one Zoom training for Chamberlin at the MU Extension Center in Pettis County.

In spite of the drought, Chamberlin grew 115 acres of milo that made 80 to 90 bushels per acre. Lee and Schmitz then visited Chamberlin's Henry County farm to see his operation, assess the grain yield and make recommendations on carrying capacity and daily allocation area size.

Lee, a longtime proponent of grazing of standing milo, wanted to help Chamberlin implement the alternative feeding plan that has worked for nearly a decade on Lee's own farm and others in east-central Missouri.

Chamberlin was ready to take a leap of faith. "I have no feed," he told them. "If this milo thing doesn't work, I'm going to have to sell cows."

His gamble paid off. Milo's drought resistance and low cost

make it a good option, especially when hay is scarce and expensive. It also solves the challenge of making hay in May, the month typically with the most rainfall. No longer do you have to worry about curing hay when there are clouds in the sky. "You just sit there and watch your milo grow," says Lee.

Milo does best for grain production when planted May to early June. Planting can follow winter wheat, but Lee recommends allowing the full growing season. Using poly wire electric fencing, the producer moves cows daily to a fresh paddock. Lee describes it as "taking the cows to the feed rather than taking the feed to the cows."

Producers also see another benefit. The herd's urine and manure retain soil nutrients taken up by the plants, so the nutrients are not exported off the farm as bushels of grain.

Lee gives some math lessons in milo. An average milo yield of 120 bushels per acre is 6,720 pounds of grain. Taking into consideration the observed feeding losses of 25% as the cattle graze, that leaves 5,040 pounds per acre into the mouths of cows. Allocating 12 pounds of grain per cow per day yields a carrying capacity of 420 cow days per acre.

Waiting two weeks after the fall killing

frost before grazing avoids prussic acid concerns. Typically, a Nov. 1 start allows grazing all winter until the planted acres are consumed. While it is possible to graze milo until spring green-up of pastures, March winds combined with deteriorating stalk strength make it a good idea to conclude milo grazing by Valentine's Day.

Chamberlin says cows adjust to moving to a new paddock each morning. They are ready and waiting for their owner to move the poly wire at daybreak. Cows with a "healthy respect" for electric fence do best in this setup, says Lee.

Chamberlin says the process is remarkably short – 20 minutes. That's far less time than he would spend putting hay into rings or rolling it out on the ground.

Infrastructure needs such as water and fencing for rotational grazing remain, and fields may require some spring disking after cattle trample them. Milo shows little disease pressure in most of the state, although southwestern Missouri has seen some aphids.

Composite forage tests of all plant parts consumed show total digestible nutrient values of 73%-75% and crude protein of 7%. That is adequate energy, but requires protein supplementation, says Lee. Various commodity feeds like soybean meal or high-quality

hay can provide this.

Chamberlin said he moved cows off milo to shelter and fed them hay during extreme cold spells this winter.

At the end of the season, Chamberlin found that he got 375 cow days per acre on the 115 acres of milo he planted. Lee estimated yield between 80 and 90 bushels per acre.

"Milo grazing is economical compared to buying hay, especially this year," says Chamberlin. "It's always going to be a part of my program." His only regret is that he didn't plant more milo this year. In spring, he plans to broadcast a mix of cover crop seeds before planting milo again.

"It was a home run for me," he says. Chamberlin says milo grazing saved him from buying 1,400 bales of hay this winter. Hay sold on the low end this year at \$65 for a big bale, which would have cost \$91,000. On the higher end, at \$125 per bale, that's a savings of \$175,000 for his herd. He also saved time and labor.

That's why milo grazing is a practice you can bank on, says Lee. "He's really putting money in his pocket."

Lee gives these tips for planting milo for grazing:

- Wait until soil temperatures reach 60 degrees or more to plant.
- Don't plant too thick. Your goal is to grow grain, not forage.
- Use a pre-emergent herbicide for weed control. Once weeds emerge in milo, they are difficult to control.
- Have a fertility plan in place. A split application of 120-150 pounds of nitrogen does well. Test soil for phosphorus and potassium needs.
- Don't force cows to graze to the dirt. Ideally, cows eat to about 18 inches of stalk residue within two hours.
- Lee's experience shows that milo for grazing performs best when planted in 30-inch rows.
- Choose milo varieties for closed heads and good stalk strength or lodging scores.

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# Lance Rezac elected Chair of U.S. Soybean Export Council

During its annual meeting held recently in Houston, the U.S. Soybean Export Council seated its new Board of Directors for 2024/2025, in advance of Commodity Classic, America's largest farmer-led and farmer-focused agricultural event.

USSEC's board comprises 15 members of various stakeholders across the U.S. Soy value chain. Four members each are from the American Soybean Association (ASA) and the United Soybean Board (USB), and seven seats represent U.S. Soy trade, industry and state organizations.

Lance Rezac, a farmer from Onaga, and USB representative on the board, was elected chair for a 12-month term. Rezac and his wife grow soybeans, corn, wheat, alfalfa, native hay, brome, and hay. Additionally, he runs a farrow-to-finish

swine operation and raises beef cattle with his brother, son and daughter.

"I'm honored to serve the 500,000+ U.S. soybean farmers in this capacity, working to help differentiate the quality and value of U.S. Soy from other nutrition and energy products in international export markets while collaborating with partners across the value chain," Rezac shares. "Being a part of the USSEC leadership and seeing the work that's done globally on behalf of U.S. Soy is not only humbling but demonstrates the importance of continuing to grow and consistently provide a high quality, sustainable source of soybeans to buyers around the world."

Below is the complete list of the newly elected USSEC Board of Directors for 2024/2025.

### Executive Committee

Lance Rezac, Chair  
Janna Fritz, Vice Chair

Joel Schreurs, Secretary  
John Buboltz, Treasurer

**ASA Appointments**  
Janna Fritz, Bad Axe, Mich.

Mike Koehne, Greensburg, Ind.

Randy Miller, Lacona, Iowa

Roberta Simpson-Dolbeare, Nebo, Ill.

**USB Appointments**  
Mike McCranie, Claremont, S.D.

Cindy Pulskamp, Hillsboro, N.D.

Lance Rezac, Onaga  
Reggie Strickland, Mount Olive, N.C.

**Allied Sub-Class**  
Joel Schreurs, Minnesota Soybean Research and Promotion Council

Tori Sorensen, Insta-Pro  
**Exporter Sub-Class**  
John Buboltz, Cargill  
Tony Hill, Archer Daniels Midland

Shawn Hulm, Viterra  
Craig Pietig, Ag Processing, Inc.

Scott Sinner, SB&B Foods, LLC

"The depth and diversity of the collective USSEC Board of Directors showcases the value and significance of U.S. Soy," says Jim Sutter, USSEC chief executive officer. "U.S. Soy exports added \$39.8 billion to the U.S. economy last marketing year with record U.S. soybean meal exports of 13.2 million metric tons (MMT) valued at \$6.91 billion.

"The Board's input and expertise guide our worldwide programs and initiatives, and I look forward to our work together over the next year," Sutter continued.

## Kansas Fairgrounds Foundation hosts Kansas State Fair t-shirt contest

Kansas Fairgrounds Foundation is excited to sponsor their inaugural T-shirt contest for 2024. One lucky winner will be able to showcase their t-shirt design in the Official Kansas State Fair Merchandise Booth in 2024. Anyone and everyone is welcome to enter an original design that shows the artist's creative skills and captures the spirit of the Fair.

The deadline for the contest is March 31, 2024. Once all designs have been received, each will be sent to a selection committee to choose the top five designs. The five designs will be made available on the Kansas Fairgrounds Foundation's Facebook page for the public to vote on. The design that receives the most votes wins. The winner will be announced in the May First Friday E-Update on May 3, 2024.

The winning design will be produced and sold at the Official Kansas State Fair Merchandise Booth and the top three vote recipients will receive a special Kansas State Fair prize package provided by the Foundation.

This contest is an excellent opportunity for anyone to display their creativity for all fair-goers to see while supporting improvements to the Kansas State Fairgrounds. Funds from the t-shirt sales will go towards renovation projects to improve our historic Kansas State Fairgrounds.

For more information including contest guidelines and rules, please see the blog post on the Kansas Fairgrounds Foundation website linked below.

<https://ksfairgroundsfoundation.org/2024/02/29/enter-the-2024-kansas-state-fair-t-shirt-contest/>



Chris and Sharee Sankey, Sankeys 6N Ranch, Council Grove, were presented with the 2023 Kansas Angus Association Honorary Member award at the 2024 Kansas Angus Association Annual Meeting and Banquet, Jan. 20 in Hutchinson. Pictured from left are Stuart Rose, committee member, presenting; Chris & Sharee Sankey, recipients; and Brandon New, committee member, presenting.

Photo by Anne Lampe, Kansas Angus Association

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# A 'smart' examination to improve livestock management efficiency

A Texas A&M AgriLife animal nutritionist believes precision livestock management — utilizing an extra set of eyes and ears and a little artificial intelligence — can go a long way toward making today's livestock operations more efficient.

Luis Tedeschi, Ph.D., Texas A&M AgriLife Research Fellow and Chancellor EDGES Fellow in the Texas A&M College of Agriculture and Life Sciences Department of Animal Science, is looking for cost-effective and non-invasive methods of monitoring feeding be-

haviors in livestock operations that producers can adapt to improve their bottom line — all through alerts on a cell phone or computer.

Texas has about 3 million cattle in feedlots and another 10 million cows, heifers, steers, bulls and calves in different feeding situations annually.

Tedeschi said if the managers of these livestock use modern technological advances or "smart" practices, then the industry can better understand what is happening at the feed bunk and in the pens to make management de-



Computer monitors and cameras, along with artificial intelligence, are part of a precision livestock management system being researched by Luis Tedeschi, Ph.D., in the Texas A&M Department of Animal Science.

Photo by Michael Miller/Texas A&M AgriLife

Research goals to harness precision livestock farming

Over the next three years, he will create and utilize a precision livestock farming facility at Texas A&M to determine where some of the most significant changes can be made. His research is funded by a U.S. Department of Agriculture National Institute of Food and Agriculture grant: Harnessing Precision Livestock Farming to Support Smart Agriculture for Sustainable Beef Cattle Production.

Tedeschi said his goals with this project are to:

- Make artificial intelligence an invaluable and accessible tool for producers.
- Make production sustainable from an economic, social and environmental perspective.
- Ensure the producers are on top of the cutting-edge and innovative advancements they can utilize to improve their production.
- Deliver ser-

prerequisite to achieving sustainable livestock intensification, Tedeschi said. "Precision livestock farming is all about getting to know your animals, their needs and what value you can give them," Tedeschi said. "We strive to match the animal's needs to the level of management we are providing and then align that with the kind of performance we are expecting from that animal."

The project falls under the Research Facilities Act Program approved by Congress in 2023 and will include modifications at the department's Animal Nutritional and Physiological Center. For the next three years, the team will collect data after setting up all the equipment and measuring the system's precision and accuracy.

The Texas A&M AgriLife team from the Department of Animal Science includes Tedeschi, his doctoral student Egleu Mendes; Karun Kaniyamattam, Ph.D., an AgriLife Research quantitative animal performance scientist and assistant professor; and Gordon Carstens, Ph.D., an animal nutrition professor. They are teaming up with the Texas A&M Institute of Data Science, which includes Nick Duffield, director; Jian Tao, assistant director for project development; and Yalong Pi, an associate research scientist.

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The project's ultimate goal is to integrate data streams related to precision feeding and health monitoring sensors into existing and newly developed decision models to implement real-time management decisions for the livestock feeding industry.

Using sensors, cameras and microphones, the team will collect information about a pen of cattle, such as what percent of the time they are walking, eating, playing, grooming, lying down or getting water. Knowing their behavior can help calculate how much feed they eat and at what time of day.

"Once I know what they are doing, I can calculate a more accurate prediction of how much energy those animals need or how much they are expending," Tedeschi said. "I know that if an animal eats too fast and only once per day, that animal will have digestive problems, and management may require judicious use of antibiotics."

Combining recorded sounds with artificial

intelligence can help identify the difference between a cough and a clearing of the throat by a single animal, allowing for early identification of respiratory issues. The cameras can also help identify lameness, bloat and disease or even alert the owner if wildlife is causing issues in the pens.

"We can even collect enough information on the animal to determine when it is ready to go to market," Tedeschi said. "You can determine how many animals in a particular pen are ready to go and when to sell them for the maximum profit. Is that when 70% of a pen is ready or 82% ready? It allows the owner to look at the market to determine when it is most profitable."

Capitalizing on technology to create sustainability


Tedeschi said the project will allow them to show producers what and how to apply precision livestock farming, what benefits they can obtain, and how to do it.

He envisions a new subscription program could be created for use by any producer to get sensors installed. Then a data science center could accept the information, process it using artificial intelligence modeling, and send critical information back to the producer to assist their decision-making process. This would allow small operators who don't really have the opportunity to invest in extensive technology to also improve their efficiency and be more sustainable.

"This research allows us to keep improving the sustainability of beef cattle operations in Texas," Tedeschi said. "The big idea is to provide the information to everyone — we don't control anything, just provide educational recommendations. We can train people to analyze the data. We can identify issues that happen in different regions or under different market conditions."

"But first, we need to show the livestock producers the possibilities and the opportunities."


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11	618	315.00	7	669	254.00
7	616	310.00	4	770	231.00
5	672	292.00	16	806	229.00
6	800	244.00	9	833	226.75
59	841	243.50			
8	842	237.00			

**TOP BUTCHER COW:** \$131.50 @ 1,575 LBS.  
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20	416	359.00	22	603	263.50
13	460	342.00	16	620	257.00
31	486	337.00	18	689	247.00
5	523	329.00	17	685	244.00
7	588	322.00	6	782	229.00
7	635	298.00	16	801	223.00
7	685	281.00			
8	721	268.50			
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HEIFERS	2	290	910.00H
8	330	334.00	

**TOP BUTCHER COW:** \$139.00 @ 1,430 LBS.  
**TOP BUTCHER BULL:** \$149.00 @ 1,900 LBS.  
**BRED COWS:** from \$1800  
**PAIRS:** NO TEST

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- 80 Ang X str & hfrs.....400-600#..... prevac off cow
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		5 mix	535@322.50
		9 mix	529@320.00
		8 blk/blkw	501@317.50
		4 char	538@311.00
		7 blk/blkw	586@304.00
		4 blk	568@291.00
		5 mix	530@282.50
		12 blk	575@279.00
		5 blk	599@275.00
		5 mix	601@315.00
		5 blk/blkw	631@302.00
		21 mix	658@285.00
		16 mix	605@284.00
		23 mix	677@281.50
		17 mix	651@278.00
		8 mix	695@275.00
		6 blk/blkw	669@272.00
		8 mix	646@271.00
		6 blk/blkw	687@271.00
		5 blk	650@262.00
		14 mix	695@241.00
		14 mix	743@266.00
		6 mix	731@261.00
		15 blk/blkw	764@259.25
		5 blk	741@251.00
		21 blk/blkw	778@248.25
		24 blk/blkw	790@246.50
		13 blk/blkw	776@239.50
		24 blk/blkw	835@245.75
		4 mix	806@236.00
		27 mix	876@230.50
		40 blk/blkw	855@230.25
		6 blk	860@229.50
		5 mix	875@227.50
		9 mix	882@227.50
		29 mix	828@222.00
		13 blk/blkw	919@220.00
		72 mix	1006@213.00
		4 blk/blkw	1041@205.00

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# Time for a trim? K-State veterinarians discuss factors influencing the pace of hoof growth

By Lisa Moser, K-State Research and Extension news service

Just as people cut their toenails when they get too long, some beef cattle also need to have their hooves trimmed on occasion to help keep them from going lame, say Kansas State University veterinarians at the Beef Cattle Institute.

Talking on a recent Cattle Chat podcast, the veterinarians answered a listener's question about reasons that the animals in the herd require hoof trims regularly.

"In beef cattle operations, cows walking around on the ground, rocks and sand, typically have normal wear that keeps their hooves the length they need to be," said K-State veterinarian Brian Lubbers. "However, sometimes older cows that don't move around much will need to have their hooves trimmed."

Lubbers said if just a few cows out of a hundred need hoof trims, that is considered to be normal.

"If 2% of the herd needs a routine trim, that is to be expected. But if 50% of the herd needs to have their hooves trimmed yearly, then there is likely something else going on," Lubbers said.

One reason for the excess hoof growth may

relate to the cow's diet, said K-State veterinarian Bob Larson.

"Cattle eating a high grain diet or ones that are consuming crop residues with substantial amounts of grain can get acidosis, which can lead to hoof problems," Larson said. "Also, there are some minerals that need to be included in the diet to promote healthy hoof growth."

In addition, genetics can play a role in hoof growth, added K-State veterinarian Brad White.

"There is a genetic component to corkscrew claw, which is a claw that turns under the hoof, and those will have to be trimmed regularly," White said.

The environment can also lead to hoof issues, said the veterinarians. For example, they said cattle standing in mud can experience foot rot. Also, if they happen to step on a sharp object, the cattle can develop an abscess in the soft tissue attached to the hoof.

"Any time the cattle are experiencing a hoof issue, it is really important to get them in a place where the veterinarian can do a thorough examination to determine the problem and treat it appropriately," Larson said.

## Bee Season

February was a long month ironically enough, but now March hails the start of what I like to call Bee Season. It's been a couple of years now since I lost my second-year beehive to wax moths, but not a day goes by where I don't miss the activity. In the doom and gloom of winter I had nearly forgotten the season was approaching, but it hit me full force when my sister invited me to tag along to a Bee Boot Camp on a recent weekend. It takes a lot to get me to even consider having to leave the house before 9 a.m. on a Saturday, but bees and sister-time will always do the trick.

One of my favorite aspects of beekeeping is that bees are such intricate creatures, you could spend a lifetime working with them and still learn something new every day. The funny thing is, a lot of what we learned at boot camp was information I already had, or things I was re-remembering from my initial dip into the hobby, but I still filled four pages of notes. When you spend six hours in a room with veteran honey producers, you're bound to learn a few things.

For example, did you know that field corn can kill honey bees? Sweet corn is harmless; in fact, that's the one variety of corn that honey bees actually polli-

nate, according to the instructor. Field corn, however, is inherently toxic – if a bee so much as touches the pollen from field corn, the systemic pesticides within the pollen will shut down their system. So, if there's a field of corn within the three-mile radius that bees will travel in search of food, it can be catastrophic for a colony. In that case, it's no wonder nearly 50% of bee colonies raised in Kansas perish each year. I'll definitely keep that in mind when I start my victory garden, but that's fine by me. Nothing beats sweet corn on a summer day!

Something else I learned is, there are a number of producers around the world working to breed varroa-tolerant and resistant varieties of honey bees. The difference, if you're wondering, is quite interesting – varroa-tolerant seem to live longer when exposed to mites, while varroa-resistant bees can actively prevent them. It was fascinating to hear the speaker describe the way resistant bees seemingly sniff out varroa larvae and cull off cells that contain them. He also discussed his experience working with his own hives and other producers to methodically test, treat, and breed the queens of thriving hives, monitor their experiences with both the successful and

unsuccessful colonies, and watch the unexpected survivors thrive. He's lost his fair share of hives in the process, as most beekeepers do, but even so, it was incredibly encouraging to hear the possibilities. It also brought back a lot of excitement about keeping bees and got me itching to restart with a new hive.


I may not be the next breakthrough beekeeper, but this is an area I hold a lot of passion for and I'm excited at the possibility of being involved in solving one of the biggest problems for our greatest pollinators, not only for the thrill of the knowledge, but to preserve my ability to keep eating sweet corn, and all of the other plants and flowers that bees allow us to enjoy. They are responsible for over 80% of all pollination and a third of the food we produce, and this picky eater can only eat about a third of that food, so I guess you could say I have a lot invested in their survival. And if you like flowers, watch out – we have bees to thank for the upkeep of 60% of the world's flora. So if you see these little gals in

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400-500# \$390.00-\$354.00	7 mix 340@400.00	\$135-\$115
500-600# \$370.00-\$310.00	16 mix 404@390.00	
600-700# \$333.00-\$262.00	16 blk 465@372.00	
700-800# \$284.00-\$245.00	19 blk 552@370.00	<b>COWS-LGT</b>
800-900# \$254.00-\$220.00	16 blk 609@333.00	<b>WT &amp; LOW</b>
900-1,000#	12 blk 662@322.00	<b>YIELDING:</b>
	26 mix 714@280.00	\$109-\$85
	42 blk 802@254.00	
	<b>HEIFERS</b>	
300-400# \$371.00-\$315.00	18 blk 389@371.00	
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500-600# \$319.00-\$274.00	19 blk 538@308.00	<b>BULLS:</b>
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<b>STEERS</b>	<b>HEIFERS</b>	<b>FIELDMEN</b>
5 blk Weston, MO 404@395.00	5 blk Corning 460@338.00	13 mix Morrowville 693@251.00
30 blk bwf Atchison 423@393.50	9 blk Effingham 467@330.00	12 blk bulls Effingham 719@236.00
5 blk Rushville, MO 435@390.00	14 blk bwf red Wetmore 441@330.00	7 blk Leavenworth 942@189.00
5 blk bulls Goff 429@371.00	10 blk char Wheaton 280@327.50	
10 blk red Home 376@356.00	18 blk DeKalb, MO 446@325.00	
10 blk red Home 487@355.00	27 blk bwf Wheaton 390@322.50	
15 blk red Home 486@355.00	10 blk Baileyville 394@321.00	
11 blk bwf Wheaton 468@350.00	7 blk DeKalb, MO 532@320.00	
26 blk Morrowville 490@347.50	11 blk Rushville, MO 504@320.00	
10 blk bwf Atchison 530@346.00	13 blk Sabetha 546@318.00	
19 blk bwf Baileyville 533@341.00	8 blk & red Morrill 547@300.00	
11 blk red bulls Easton 459@336.00	11 blk Effingham 522@297.50	
16 blk Rushville, MO 573@331.00	16 blk red Home 457@287.50	
10 blk bwf Morrill 540@330.00	14 blk Morrowville 564@272.50	
10 blk Effingham 563@328.00	10 blk Effingham 635@270.00	
8 blk Wathena 573@316.00	15 blk Rushville, MO 621@267.00	
3 blk Atchison 626@310.00	15 blk red Sabetha 607@260.00	
25 blk char Sabetha 651@290.00	49 mix Morrowville 630@252.00	
12 blk bwf Enterprise, WV 644@286.00	36 blk red Enterprise, WV 584@244.00	
12 blk bwf Rushville, MO 678@280.00	14 blk Wheaton 769@239.50	
17 char blk Havensville 681@280.00	19 blk Easton 849@231.00	
58 mix Morrowville 622@280.00	12 blk gry Enterprise, WV 754@226.00	
16 blk Atchison 699@277.00	8 blk bwf holx Leavenworth 897@180.00	
10 blk bwf Morrill 732@262.00		
42 blk char Havensville 768@260.00		
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300-400 lb. steers, \$310-\$371; heifers, \$273-\$321; 400-500 lb. steers, \$301-\$357; heifers, \$280-\$327; 500-600 lb. steers, \$270.50-\$330; heifers, \$260-\$303; 600-700 lb. steers, \$253-\$292.50; heifers, \$211-\$251; 700-800 lb. steers, \$236-\$272; heifers, \$210-\$244.25; 800-900 lb. steers, \$215-\$243.75; heifers, \$200-\$215. **Trend on Calves:** Mostly higher on uneven test. **Trend on Feeder Cattle:** Steady to firm. **Butcher Cows:** High dressing cows \$115-\$134.50; Avg. dressing cows \$106-\$115; Low dressing cows \$70-\$100. **Butcher Bulls:** Avg. to high dressing bulls \$144-\$151. **Trend on Cows & Bulls:** \$5-\$10 higher.

**Some Highlights Include:**

<b>HEIFERS</b>	<b>STEERS</b>	
5 blk 396@281.00	7 mix 361@371.00	
5 blk 408@327.00	18 mix bulls 431@309.00	
8 mix 464@291.00	9 blk 467@333.00	
4 blk 501@303.00	5 blk 491@352.00	
7 mix 549@275.00	8 mix 598@317.00	
15 mix 590@260.00	64 mix 662@288.50	
4 blk 691@241.00	17 blk 745@256.00	
70 mix 714@244.25	64 mix 825@243.75	
8 char 760@221.00	59 char x 830@243.00	
	58 blk 880@233.25	

Next Sale: THURSDAY, MARCH 21, 2024

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# Enhanced swine traceability resolution adopted at National Pork Industry Forum

U.S. pork producers recently approved a resolution to enhance the country's live swine traceability system during the 2024 National Pork Industry Forum hosted by the National Pork Producers Council (NPPC).

"Traceability is a priority for the industry and has been for decades," said Lori Stevermer, incoming NPPC president and Minnesota pork producer. "These standards will improve our ability to

control the spread of a foreign animal disease and lessen the economic impact of an outbreak should one occur."

In 2022, a producer-led task force brought together stakeholders throughout the pork supply chain to identify and address current gaps in the live swine traceability system. This task force offered a series of comment periods for producers to provide input on the enhanced stan-

dards. That process resulted in the following recommendations:

- All swine owners would need to register for a premises identification number (PIN).
- High-risk swine (from a traceability perspective), including cull breeding stock and show/exhibition stock, would be required to be tagged with an AIN (animal identification number) RFID (radio frequency) tag.
- Producers

would be asked to record consistent data points, including PIN of origin, PIN of destination, date of movement, animal type, and any official identification that is present. Producers would be asked to record this data electronically within three business days.

• Movement data would be reported to a centralized database following the detection of a trade-limiting disease.

• Semen would require a label with the PIN of the source herd.

• Cull markets and packing plants would use tattoo numbers unique to each facility.

"Industry delegates at Pork Forum took a proactive step to protect animal health and producers' livelihoods. An outbreak of a foreign animal disease in the United States, such as African swine fever or foot-and-mouth disease, would result in the immediate suspen-

sion of pork exports from the U.S., which totaled over \$8.2 billion in pork and pork products last year," said Scott Hays, NPPC president.

The approved standards will be submitted to the U.S. Department of Agriculture for inclusion in the regulations mandating live swine traceability. To view the enhanced standards or learn more, visit [nppc.org/trace](http://nppc.org/trace).

animal."

Lamb exports largest in ten months; value highest since 2019

January exports of U.S. lamb totaled 303 mt, up 28% from a year ago and the largest since March. Export value increased 53% to \$1.7 million, the highest monthly value since December 2019. Export growth was led by the Caribbean and Canada, while exports to Mexico also increased year-over-year in value.

A detailed summary of the January export results for U.S. beef, pork and lamb, including market-specific highlights, is available from the USMEF website.

## Rapid start for 2024 pork exports; beef export value above year-ago

U.S. pork exports raced to a great start in 2024, according to January data released by USDA and compiled by the U.S. Meat Export Federation (USMEF). While January beef exports were slightly below last year's volume, export value trended significantly higher. Lamb exports were also strong in January, posting the high-

est value in more than four years.

Strong gains for U.S. pork in Mexico, Korea, Central and South America, Australia

Although January pork exports were led by another powerful performance in leading market Mexico, U.S. pork continued to make gains in a wide range of Western Hemisphere and Asia-Pacific desti-

nations. With momentum continuing to grow in South Korea, Central and South America, Australia and Malaysia, pork exports totaled 251,424 metric tons (mt) in January, up 6% from a year ago. Export value also increased 6% to \$682.1 million.

"Mexico's demand for U.S. pork is so spectacular that it tends to overshadow other great success stories," said USMEF president and CEO Dan Halstrom. "It is especially gratifying to see other markets following the trail blazed by Mexico, as purchases expand beyond raw material for further processing to include center-of-the-

plate cuts, including loins, which are gaining popularity at retail and foodservice."

Beef export value higher than a year ago, led by strong variety meat results

January beef exports totaled 99,764 mt, down 1% from a year ago. But export value climbed 9% to \$763.8 million, as value trended higher year-over-year to South Korea, Japan, Mexico, Canada, Central America, the Caribbean and Hong Kong. Beef variety meat exports increased 12% from a year ago to 23,138 mt, while value climbed 16% to \$89 million, led by growth in Japan, Egypt, Mexico, Korea, Peru and China/Hong Kong.

"While USMEF expects 2024 to be another challenging year in terms of beef supply availability, the upward trend in export value is a positive sign," Halstrom said. "The inventory has been cleared and customers in Asia are reloading on U.S. beef. There is also more optimism in Asia's foodservice sector, especially in Korea. Combined with the recent strength we've seen in the Western Hemisphere, this bodes well for beef demand in the coming year. January was also an excellent month for beef variety meat exports, which are especially important for maximizing the value of every

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**COLLECTIBLES:** Oak telephone; painted kitchen cabinet; pump jack; large soap kettle on stand, cracked; old windows; steel wheels; Home Interiors farm & ranch prints; JD sewing machine; guitar; 33 records; deer mount; hay knife; bee smoker; license plates; metal implement seat; several belt buckles & jewelry; brass jewelry box; Rock Island belt buckle & key chain; men's watches & rings; Bill Clinton watch; bolo ties; various prints; JD toy tractor; nail keg wood boxes & pulleys; M&M tool box; JD steering wheel; hand crank bench grinder; Tomco metal seed sign; cream can; Purina chicken feeder; Purina clothes pin bag; various primitives.

**FURNITURE & MISC.:** Vintage walnut bedroom set; Hot Point refrigerator; Amana electric range; metal patio set with umbrella; Homi flat screen TV 40"; maple platform rocker; oversized lift chair vibrates & heat, good; pine bedroom set; blonde oak bdr set; 1970's oak secretary; corner computer desk; sofa sleeper; rocker; end tables; TV stand; Heat Surge electric fireplace; wicker rocker; oak bedroom set; Consollett sewing machine; Emeril Lagasse air fryer, new; Winguard RV antenna; various glassware; numerous kitchen items; fishing poles & tackle; 6"x4" beams from the Delavan depot.

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## Grass & Grain Weather Report

March 20, 2024

Seven Day Forecast	In-Depth Local Forecast	Today's Local Outlook				
<b>WEDNESDAY</b> Mostly Sunny High: 67 Low: 44 <b>THURSDAY</b> Scattered Rain High: 66 Low: 45 <b>FRIDAY</b> Mostly Cloudy High: 65 Low: 41 <b>SATURDAY</b> Partly Cloudy High: 63 Low: 42 <b>SUNDAY</b> Few Showers High: 62 Low: 39 <b>MONDAY</b> Few Snow Showers High: 60 Low: 38 <b>TUESDAY</b> Cloudy High: 58 Low: 34	Today we will see mostly sunny skies with a high temperature of 67°, humidity of 36%. East southeast wind 8 to 14 mph. The record high temperature for today is 82° set in 2011. Expect partly cloudy skies tonight with a 30% chance of showers and thunderstorms, overnight low of 44°.					
<b>Last Week's Almanac</b>						
Date	Hi/Lo	Normals				
3/8	41/35	53/27				
3/9	58/26	54/27				
3/10	69/22	54/28				
3/11	74/42	55/28				
3/12	71/45	55/28				
3/13	75/35	56/29				
3/14	61/50	56/29				
Rainfall	0.82"					
Normal rainfall	0.54"					
Departure	+0.28"					
Average temp.	50.3°					
Average normal	41.4°					
Departure	+8.9°					
<b>This Week's Sun &amp; Moon Chart</b>						
Full 3/25	Day	Sunrise	Sunset	Moonrise	Moonset	New 4/8
	Wednesday	7:29 a.m.	7:39 p.m.	3:22 p.m.	5:39 a.m.	
	Thursday	7:27 a.m.	7:40 p.m.	4:24 p.m.	6:08 a.m.	
	Friday	7:26 a.m.	7:41 p.m.	5:24 p.m.	6:32 a.m.	
	Saturday	7:24 a.m.	7:42 p.m.	6:24 p.m.	6:54 a.m.	
	Sunday	7:22 a.m.	7:43 p.m.	7:22 p.m.	7:14 a.m.	First 4/15
	Monday	7:21 a.m.	7:44 p.m.	8:21 p.m.	7:34 a.m.	
	Tuesday	7:19 a.m.	7:45 p.m.	9:21 p.m.	7:54 a.m.	
<b>Local UV Index</b>			<b>Weather History</b>			
			March 20, 1988 - Squalls in the Great Lakes region left up to eight inches of new snow on the ground in time for the official start of spring. Unseasonably warm weather prevailed in the western United States. Seven cities reported new record high temperatures for the date.			
			<b>Growing Degree Days</b>			
			Date	Degree Days	Date	Degree Days
			3/8	0	3/12	8
			3/9	0	3/13	5
			3/10	0	3/14	5
			3/11	8		

# Sell At St. Marys

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<b>We sold 2050 cattle March 12. We had a very nice run of home raised steer and heifer calves that were in good demand at steady to \$20.00 higher prices. Feeder steers and heifers sold steady to \$10.00 higher. Cows and bulls were steady to \$10.00 higher.</b>	4 blk/char hrs 316 @ 342.00 7 blk hrs 366 @ 341.00 13 blk/red hrs 492 @ 322.00 3 bwf hrs 300 @ 313.00 7 blk hrs 505 @ 313.00 4 blk hrs 365 @ 310.00 7 blk/bwf hrs 485 @ 301.00 19 blk hrs 424 @ 300.00 14 blk/red hrs 524 @ 300.00 48 blk/bwf hrs 534 @ 295.00 9 blk hrs 484 @ 290.00 4 blk/bwf hrs 439 @ 280.00 6 red/char hrs 491 @ 277.00 3 blk hrs 530 @ 270.00 6 blk/red hrs 529 @ 265.00	29 mix hrs 791 @ 220.50 60 blk/bwf hrs 885 @ 218.25 11 blk hrs 844 @ 215.50 16 blk/bwf hrs 832 @ 212.50	1 red cow 1170 @ 117.00 1 bwf cow 1425 @ 115.00 1 blk cow 1105 @ 114.00 1 blk cow 1220 @ 113.00 1 wf cow 1330 @ 110.00 1 blk cow 1300 @ 109.00 1 char cow 1085 @ 108.00 1 red cow 1305 @ 107.00 3 bwf cows 1290 @ 106.00 1 bwf cow 1125 @ 104.00 3 blk cows 1010 @ 98.00 3 blk cows 1290 @ 97.00	2 blk cows @ 1500.00 1 red cow @ 1475.00 1 bwf cow @ 1450.00 1 blk cow @ 1350.00 1 blk cow @ 1325.00
<b>STEER &amp; BULL CALVES</b> 19 blk/red str 684 @ 290.00 3 blk bulls 363 @ 400.00 2 blk str 390 @ 395.00 3 blk str 402 @ 394.00 11 blk/bwf str 365 @ 390.00 2 blk/pressor str 348 @ 387.50 9 blk/bwf str 428 @ 383.00 6 blk/bwf str 437 @ 372.00 4 blk str 445 @ 369.00 4 blk bulls 359 @ 365.00 9 blk/char str 545 @ 360.00 6 blk/bwf str 498 @ 357.00 16 blk/char str 528 @ 352.00 19 blk str 516 @ 347.00 4 x-bred str 455 @ 346.00 9 blk/bwf str 502 @ 344.50 18 blk/red str 496 @ 340.00 13 mix bulls 481 @ 332.50 2 red str 443 @ 325.00 3 blk bulls 470 @ 325.00 5 blk/bwf bulls 507 @ 295.00 4 wf str/bulls 491 @ 290.00	<b>STOCKER &amp; FEEDER HEIFERS</b> 17 blk hrs 568 @ 290.00 90 blk/bwf hrs 628 @ 289.75 13 blk hrs 591 @ 278.00 4 blk/red hrs 621 @ 272.00 13 blk/bwf hrs 570 @ 270.50 29 blk/bwf hrs 648 @ 257.50 5 blk hrs 653 @ 245.00 16 blk hrs 702 @ 235.00 5 blk hrs 686 @ 233.00 10 blk/char hrs 714 @ 231.00 17 blk/bwf hrs 784 @ 225.00 65 blk/bwf hrs 798 @ 225.00 8 blk/red hrs 786 @ 221.50 69 blk/bwf hrs 852 @ 221.50 39 blk/bwf hrs 773 @ 220.50	<b>COWS &amp; HEIFERETS</b> 1 blk hfrt 1065 @ 190.00 1 bwf hfrt 1110 @ 187.00 1 blk hfrt 915 @ 182.50 1 blk hfrt 770 @ 180.00 1 blk hfrt 1375 @ 170.00 1 blk hfrt 1340 @ 160.00 1 blk cow 1005 @ 136.00 1 blk cow 1640 @ 135.00 2 blk/bwf cows 1783 @ 134.00 1 blk cow 1520 @ 133.00 1 blk cow 1640 @ 132.00 2 blk cows 1533 @ 131.00 1 char cow 1265 @ 130.00 1 blk cow 1300 @ 128.00 1 blk cow 1650 @ 127.50 2 blk cows 1595 @ 127.00 3 blk cows 1417 @ 126.50 1 blk cow 1665 @ 126.00 2 blk cows 1443 @ 125.00 1 rn cow 1260 @ 124.00 1 blk cow 1500 @ 123.50 2 blk cows 1235 @ 122.00 1 wf cow 1725 @ 121.00 1 blk cow 1645 @ 120.00 3 blk/bwf cows 1172 @ 119.50 1 blk cow 1380 @ 119.00 2 blk cows 1253 @ 118.00	<b>BULLS</b> 1 blk bull 2110 @ 150.00 1 blk bull 1970 @ 147.00 1 blk bull 1535 @ 146.00 1 red bull 1625 @ 142.00 1 blk bull 2110 @ 137.00 1 blk bull 2090 @ 136.00 1 blk bull 1575 @ 135.00 1 wf bull 2135 @ 133.00 1 blk bull 1155 @ 131.00 1 blk bull 1475 @ 128.00 1 wf bull 2135 @ 127.00	
<b>STOCKER &amp; FEEDER STEERS</b> 2 blk str 555 @ 337.00 9 blk/bwf str 589 @ 334.00 15 blk/red str 563 @ 319.50 5 blk/bwf str 590 @ 318.00 17 blk/bwf str 668 @ 306.00 13 blk/bwf str 628 @ 294.00	<b>HEIFER CALVES</b> 1 bwf hfr 235 @ 365.00 1 bwf hfr 250 @ 362.50 1 bwf hfr 315 @ 360.00 15 blk/red hrs 399 @ 359.00	<b>BRED COWS</b> 1 bwf cow @ 1950.00 1 blk cow @ 1535.00 1 bwf cow @ 1525.00 1 bwf cow @ 1500.00	<b>CONSIGNMENTS FOR TUESDAY, MARCH 19, 2024:</b> • 30 blk str & hrs, 450-550 lbs., vaccinated • 37 blk str & hrs, 450-550 lbs., vaccinated • 30 blk str & hrs, 500-600 lbs., vaccinated • 59 blk str & hrs, 400-600 lbs., weaned, vacc. • 65 blk red heifers, 750-775 lbs. • 65 blk red Angus steers, 825-850 lbs. • 60 blk steers, 925-950 lbs. • 61 blk xbred steers, 900-950 lbs.	

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