



**Morning National Slaughter Cattle Review for Thursday, 12/20/18**

**\*\*This report will not be issued on Dec 24th and 25th\*\***

For Thursday in Nebraska negotiated cash trading was moderate with moderate demand. Compared to last week the bulk of live cash trades moved 1.00 higher at 119.00 and the bulk of dressed cash trades moved 2.00 higher at 190.00. Thursday in the Western Cornbelt saw slow to moderate negotiated cash trading. Compared to last week early live cash trades moved 1.00 to 3.00 higher from 118.00 to 120.00 and early dressed cash trades moved 3.00 higher at 190.00. On Thursday in Kansas trading was limited on light demand. A few live cash trades moved at 119.00. However, not enough for a full market trend. Last week live cash trades moved at 119.00. For Thursday in the Texas Panhandle trading was at a standstill. Last week live cash trades moved at 119.00.

**Negotiated Sales:**

(Derived from the 'National Daily Direct Slaughter Cattle - Negotiated Purchases' - [LM\\_CT115](#))

Confirmed:	54,066	Week Ago:	2,752	Year Ago:	15,967
Week to Date:	55,079	Week Ago to Date:	8,128	Year Ago to Date:	96,246

**Negotiated , Formula, and Contract purchases delivered to packers today:**

(Derived from the 'National Daily Slaughter Cattle - Committed and Delivered Cattle' - [LM\\_CT106](#))

Today:	79,600	Week Ago:	81,500	Year Ago:	81,600
Week to Date:	326,400	Week Ago to Date:	337,200	Year Ago to Date:	332,100

**Negotiated , Formula, and Contract commitments today (generally within 7 days):**

(Derived from the 'National Daily Slaughter Cattle - Committed and Delivered Cattle' - [LM\\_CT106](#))

Today:	95,600	Week Ago:	61,000	Year Ago:	68,500
Week to Date:	276,700	Week Ago to Date:	268,900	Year Ago to Date:	344,400

**Negotiated: prices paid for Domestic Slaughter steers and heifers:**

(Derived from the '5 Area Daily Wtd Avg Direct Slaughter Cattle - Negotiated' - [LM\\_CT100](#))

Live Basis	Steers		Heifers	
Over 80% Choice	115.00 - 120.50	avg 118.57	118.00 - 120.00	avg 118.84
65 - 80% Choice	118.00 - 119.00	avg 118.98	118.00 - 119.00	avg 118.74
35 - 65% Choice	119.00 - 119.00	avg 119.00	-	avg
0 - 35% Choice	-	avg	-	avg
Total all Grades	115.00 - 120.50	avg 118.76	118.00 - 120.00	avg 118.81



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<b>Dressed Basis</b>	<b>Steers</b>	<b>Heifers</b>
Over 80% Choice	187.50 - 190.00 avg 189.96	187.00 - 190.00 avg 189.94
65 - 80% Choice	189.00 - 190.00 avg 189.97	190.00 - 190.00 avg 190.00
35 - 65% Choice	- avg	- avg
0 - 35% Choice	- avg	- avg
Total all Grades	187.50 - 190.00 avg 189.96	187.00 - 190.00 avg 189.95

**Formula Purchases:**

(Derived from the 'National Direct Direct Slaughter Cattle - Formulated and Grid Purchases' - [LM\\_CT109](#))

<b>Formula Net - Dressed</b>	<b>Steers &amp; Heifers</b>
Head count priced today:	35,000
Weighted avg weight:	882.00
Weighted avg net price:	191.00

Covers transactions reported at 10:00 am today. Comments and market conditions may include information gathered from voluntary sources, all prices, weights and head counts are only those gathered through the mandatory reporting system.