CENTRAL STOCKYARDS **Market Insights**

April 17, 2026

Sale schedule for next week:
(USA sales start at 10:00 AM Central, and Canada sales start at 12:00 PM Central)

Wednesday, April 22 · Thursday, April 23 · Friday, April 24

USA Fed Cattle Exchange

This week, the Fed Cattle Exchange listed 4,888 head in the U.S., from Kansas, Iowa, and Texas across four sales held from Wednesday to Friday. Reserve prices for the week were $248/cwt to $254/cwt; bids ranged from $246/cwt to $248/cwt.

On Friday, cattle were sold in Texas and Kansas for $248/cwt using a Bid-The-Grid™ and Live Weight marketing methods. All listings were sold freight FOB the feedyard.

The Fed Cattle Exchange welcomed 37 U.S. packer buyers this week. Active bids were received from major and regional packer buyers. Cattle purchased this week on the Fed Cattle Exchange was driven by major packer buyers.

Canadian Fed Cattle Exchange

The Fed Cattle Exchange auction in Canada was not held from April 15 to April 17, 2026.

We welcome your feedback and suggestions on how to continue improving the Fed Cattle Exchange and its role in providing price discovery to the cattle industry.

We invite all feedyards to list cattle with Central Stockyards. Whether your feedyard sells on a live basis, negotiated grid, or another marketing method, our Fed Cattle Exchange platform presents your cattle to major and regional packers. If you are interested in transparent, real-time price discovery, we invite you to list a few pens and see how we can help you. Contact us today for more information.

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