

MARKET WATCH

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CATTLE SLAUGHTER UP 2.1% IN OCTOBER

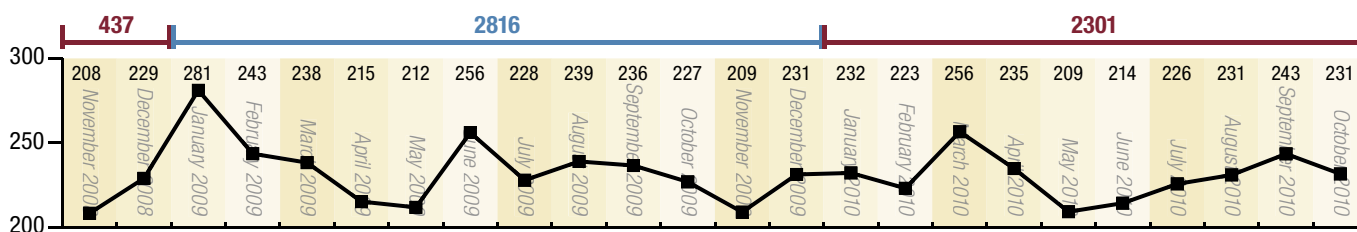
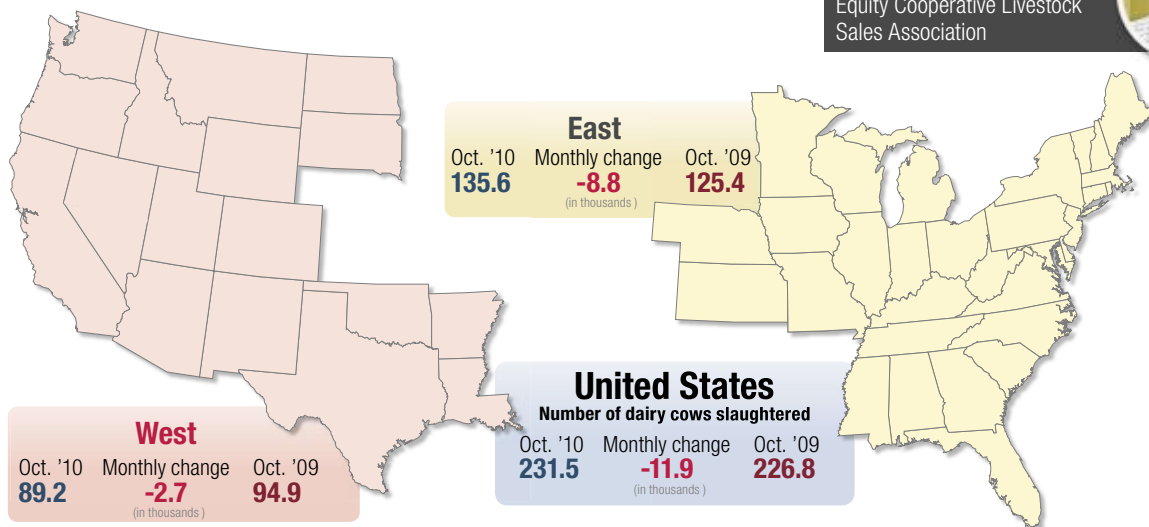
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According to the latest NASS report released Nov. 27, October 2010 dairy cow slaughter compared to October 2009 slaughter was up approximately 4,000 cows. There was one less day of slaughter for October 2010.

The average dairy cow price was substantially higher for October 2010 versus a year ago. Cows for October 2010 averaged \$53 per hundredweight (cwt) compared to the same month in 2009 at \$43.60 per cwt, according to the most recent data from Agricultural and Applied Economics Department at the University of Wisconsin – Madison. For all of 2009 the average price was \$44.85 per cwt. If dairy cow prices follow the trend of the five-year average, prices should move higher from mid-December 2010 through May 2011.

However, for nine weeks in a row with the week ending November 13, dairy cow slaughter has gained over the same period a year ago. **PD**



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November 30, 2010

	Top Springer	Top Average	Medium Holstein Springer	Shortbreds	Open Heifers Light	Open Heifers Heavy	Heifer Calves	Bull Calves	Breeding Bulls
Empire Livestock – Burton Market Vernon, NY (800) 257-1819 (sale 11/22/10)	\$1,400 -\$550 ▼	\$1,275 -\$250 ▼	\$1,050 NC	\$1,150 -\$125 ▼	\$500 -\$100 ▼	\$790 -\$10 ▼	N/T	N/T	\$800 -\$50 ▼
Mammoth Cave Dairy Auction, Inc. Smiths Grove, KY (800) 563-2131 (sale 11/23/10)	\$1,420 -\$100 ▼	\$1,400 +\$70 ▲	\$975 -\$75 ▼	\$940 -\$100 ▼	N/T	N/T	N/T	\$85 NC	N/T
Equity Co-op Livestock Stratford, WI (715) 687-4101 Rocky Olsen (608) 434-4037 (sale 11/16/10)	\$1,475 +\$25 ▲	\$1,375 NC	\$1,200 NC	\$1,075 -\$50 ▼	\$600 -\$25 ▼	\$850 -\$50 ▼	\$245 +\$135 ▲	\$135 NC	N/T
Springfield Livestock Marketing Center Springfield, MO (417) 869-9500 Doug Thomas (417) 840-9316 (sale 11/23/10)	\$1,150 -\$250 ▼	\$1,085 -\$185 ▼	\$680 -\$545 ▼	\$960 \$960 ▼	\$320 -\$65 ▼	\$550 -\$175 ▼	\$250 NC	\$90 -\$35 ▼	N/T
Producers Livestock Jerome, ID (208) 324-4345 (sale 11/17/10)	\$1,310 -\$250 ▼	\$1,220 -\$299 ▼	\$1,110 -\$160 ▼	N/T	N/T	N/T	N/T	N/T	\$980
Toppenish Dairy Replacement Sales Toppenish, WA (509) 865-2820 (sale 11/16/10)	\$1,350 NC	\$1,250 NC	\$1,225 NC	\$1,200 NC	\$85/CWT NC	\$70/CWT NC	\$50 NC	\$50 NC	N/T
Sulphur Springs Livestock and Dairy Auction Sulphur Springs, TX (903) 885-7739 (sale 11/23/10)	\$1,075 -\$100 ▼	\$900 NC	\$700 +\$100 ▲	\$640	\$400 -\$100 ▼	\$800 +\$20 ▲	\$140 -\$5 ▼	\$90 +\$15 ▲	N/T
Escalon Livestock Market, Inc. Escalon, CA (209) 838-7011 (sale 11/17/10)	\$1,400 NC	\$1,100 -\$100 ▼	\$1,150 NC	N/T	\$85/CWT NC	\$110/CWT NC	N/T	N/T	\$800 NC

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