

# ArrowStream

**Beef, Veal & Lamb-** Despite slightly lighter cattle carcasses, beef output last week was mostly flat with the prior week and a year ago. Cattle slaughter is expected to increase into the spring, pushing beef production higher, but interest for Choice middle meats for grilling season will likely keep beef prices supported. Beef 50's continue to edge higher but remain well below year ago levels. Further gains across the fat trim markets are projected into late spring. The 90's lean beef trimmings are posting modest gains as well, as weekly cow harvests decline seasonally. Look for the steak cuts and ground beef markets to move seasonally higher soon.

Description	Market Trend	Supplies	Price vs. Last Year
Live Cattle (Steer)	Decreasing	Short	Higher
Feeder Cattle Index (CME)	Decreasing	Short	Lower
Ground Beef 81/19	Increasing	Good	Higher
Ground Chuck	Increasing	Good	Higher
109 Export Rib (ch)	Increasing	Good	Lower
109 Export Rib (pr)	Increasing	Good	Lower
112a Ribeye (ch)	Increasing	Good	Lower
112a Ribeye (pr)	Increasing	Good	Lower
114a Chuck , Shlder Cld(ch)	Increasing	Good	Higher
116 Chuck (sel)	Increasing	Good	Lower
116 Chuck (ch)	Increasing	Good	Lower
116b Chuck Tender (ch)	Increasing	Good	Higher
120 Brisket (ch)	Increasing	Good	Lower
120a Brisket (ch)	Increasing	Good	Lower
121c Outside Skirt (ch/sel)	Increasing	Good	Higher
121d Inside Skirt (ch/sel)	Decreasing	Good	Higher
121e Cap & Wedge	Increasing	Good	Higher
167a Knuckle, Trimmed (ch)	Increasing	Good	Higher
168 Inside Round (ch)	Decreasing	Good	Lower
169 Top Round (ch)	Decreasing	Good	Lower
171b Outside Round (ch)	Increasing	Good	Higher
174 Short Loin (ch 0x1)	Decreasing	Good	Lower
174 Short Loin (pr 2x3)	Increasing	Good	Lower
180 0x1 Strip (ch)	Increasing	Good	Higher
180 0x1 Strip (pr)	Increasing	Good	Higher
184 Top Butt, boneless (ch)	Decreasing	Good	Higher
184 Top Butt, boneless (pr)	Increasing	Good	Higher
184-3 Top Butt, bnls (ch)	Decreasing	Good	Higher
185a Sirloin Flap (ch)	Decreasing	Good	Lower
185c Loin, Tri-Tip (ch)	Increasing	Good	Lower
189a Tender (sel, 5 lb & up)	Decreasing	Good	Higher
189a Tender (ch, 5 lb & up)	Decreasing	Good	Lower
189a Tender (pr, heavy)	Decreasing	Good	Lower
193 Flank Steak (ch)	Increasing	Good	Lower
50% Trimmings	Increasing	Good	Lower
65% Trimmings	Decreasing	Good	Lower
75% Trimmings	Increasing	Good	Lower
85% Trimmings	Increasing	Short	Lower
90% Trimmings	Increasing	Short	Lower
90% Imported Beef (frz)	Increasing	Good	Lower
95% Imported Beef (frz)	Increasing	Good	Higher
Veal Rack (Hotel 7 rib)	Steady	Good	Higher
Veal Top Round (cap off)	Steady	Good	Higher

