



DAILY LIVESTOCK COMMENTARY

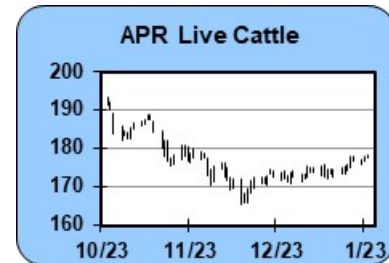
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DAILY CATTLE COMMENTARY

1/25/2024

Cash cattle prices trending higher this week.

The cattle market continues to draw strength from strong cash prices and concerns about light cattle weights in the wake of the severe winter weather last week. April cattle are under the technically bullish influence of their move above the 50-day moving average last week, and they have found additional support with the 21-day moving average crossing over the 50-day. Yesterday's report of stimulative measures by China's central bank may have also boosted expectations for US beef exports. Cash live cattle appear to be trending a bit firmer this week. There were 5,796 head reported in Kansas yesterday at \$174, up from \$173 last week. The USDA estimated cattle slaughter came in at 126,000 head yesterday. This brings the total for the week so far to 366,000 head, up from 341,000 last week but down from 375,173 a year ago. The USDA boxed beef cutout closed \$2.16 lower yesterday at \$299.50. This was up from \$298.45 the previous week. The US Cold Storage report showed US frozen beef stocks on December 31 at 485.127 million pounds, up 6% from the previous month but down 11% from a year ago. Stocks typically increase during December.



TODAY'S MARKET IDEAS:

Key resistance for April cattle comes in at 178.525, the 0.382 retracement of the September-December decline. A close above there would verify the uptrend. Look for support at 175.925.

NEW RECOMMENDATIONS:

None.

PREVIOUS RECOMMENDATIONS:

None.

CATTLE COMPLEX TECHNICAL OUTLOOK:

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LIVE CATTLE (APR) 01/25/2024: Studies are showing positive momentum but are now in overbought territory, so some caution is warranted. The market's short-term trend is positive on the close above the 9-day moving average. It is a mildly bullish indicator that the market closed over the pivot swing number. The next upside target is 179.100. The 9-day RSI over 70 indicates the market is approaching overbought levels. The next area of resistance is around 178.820 and 179.100, while 1st support hits today at 177.870 and below there at 177.170.

FEEDER CATTLE (MAR) 01/25/2024: Studies are showing positive momentum but are now in overbought territory, so some caution is warranted. The market's short-term trend is positive on the close above the 9-day moving average. The close over the pivot swing is a somewhat positive setup. The near-term upside target is at 236.212. The market is approaching overbought levels with an RSI over 70. The next area of resistance is around 234.850 and 236.212, while 1st support hits today at 232.700 and below there at 231.913.

LCJ24	178.320	72.23	63.50	86.52	91.94	177.61	176.41	174.97	173.70	175.87
FCH24	233.775	74.22	65.77	85.99	87.39	232.66	230.77	227.92	224.29	227.10
LHJ24	82.020	73.28	66.33	85.46	91.11	79.53	78.87	77.26	77.01	77.96

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DAILY SWING STATISTICS

Contract		Support 2	Support 1	Pivot	Resist 1	Resist 2
MEAT COMPLEX						
LCJ24	Live Cattle	177.150	177.850	178.120	178.820	179.100
FCH24	Feeder Cattle	231.912	232.700	234.062	234.850	236.212
LHJ24	Lean Hogs	78.820	80.720	81.400	83.300	83.970

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