Current Livestock and Meat Issues

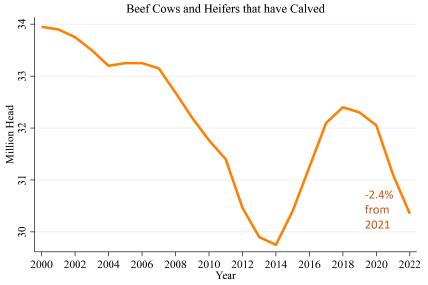
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Some Issues to Consider for 2022

- Beef Cow Herd Liquidation
- Capacity/Supply Chain Issues
- Livestock and Meat Demand
 - Exports
 - Domestic
- Political
 - Live Cattle Markets
 - Meat Packing Sector

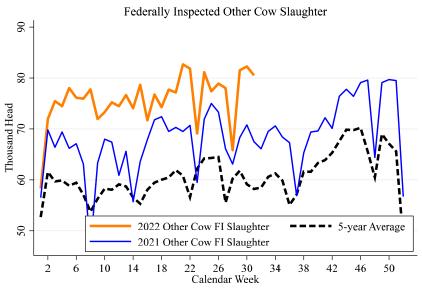
US Beef Cow Herd: July Inventory



Year	Million Head	% of 2019
2019	32.3	100%
2020	32.1	99.2%
2021	31.1	96.3%
2022	30.4	94.0%

Data Source: USDA NASS July Inventory Survey, data compiled by LMIC

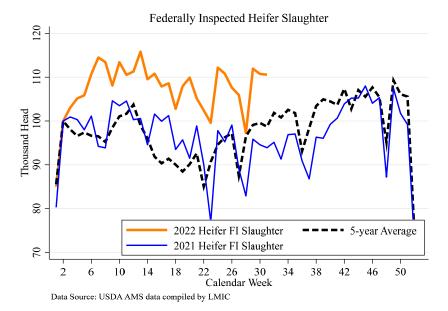
US Beef Cow Herd



Data Source: USDA AMS data compiled by LMIC

Historically large beef cow slaughter levels continuing so far in 2022

US Beef Cow Herd



Heifer Slaughter is substantially above the 5-year average and 2021 levels

Supply and Capacity

- Two dimensions of meat packing capacity:
 - 1. Physical capacity/Facilities
 - 2. Operational Capacity

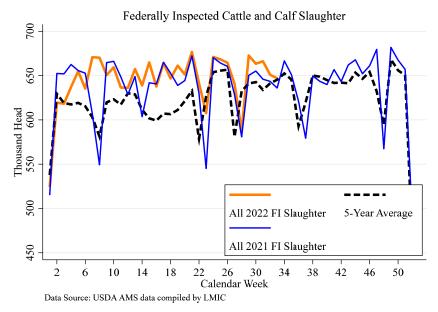
Supply and Capacity: Physical Capacity

- Since 2015/2016 fed cattle supply has been at or above capacity (Peel, OSU)
- Herd liquidation, combined with new capacity should improve situation from the producer perspective
- Over the next few years, plans indicate at least 20-25K head per week of capacity could be added (CattleFax and others)
- However, additions still not certain and regional conditions will vary

Supply and Capacity: Physical Capacity

- Increased interest and government support for small to mediumscale processors
- Attention on direct to consumer, local, or niche processing

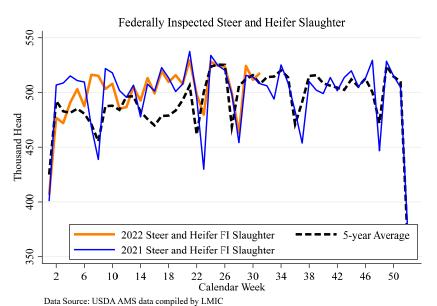
Supply and Capacity: Operational Capacity



All Federally Inspected Slaughter is down basically even with 2021 and the 5-year average

All FI Slaughter includes cows, bulls, calves

Supply and Capacity: Operational Capacity



Fed Steer and Heifer Slaughter is slightly above 2021 and the 5-year average

Supply and Capacity: Operational Capacity

- Transportation/Trucking Issues
- Labor
 - Availability and consistency
 - Cost
- Continuing Covid-19/Health Concerns and Plant Precautions
- These problems impact all proteins

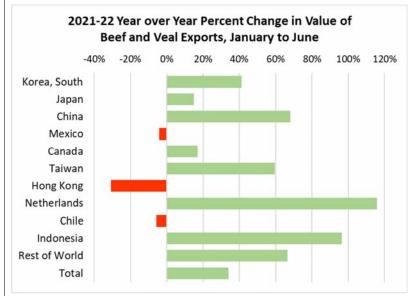
Exports: Value of Beef and Veal Exported (thousands of dollars)

Trading Partner	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022(Jan to Jun)
Korea, South	\$1,148,798	\$1,673,118	\$1,772,950	\$1,653,646	\$2,321,209	\$1,494,522
Japan	\$1,528,494	\$1,753,891	\$1,563,703	\$1,572,352	\$1,858,286	\$966,016
China	\$30,774	\$60,333	\$85,331	\$299,594	\$1,550,942	\$1,013,835
Mexico	\$746,029	\$828,755	\$829,715	\$624,881	\$793,744	\$344,043
Canada	\$774,747	\$726,728	\$638,203	\$708,605	\$756,130	\$411,321
Taiwan	\$408,166	\$551,301	\$568,356	\$551,276	\$662,059	\$443,715
Hong Kong	\$833,169	\$882,537	\$688,571	\$608,519	\$449,502	\$154,943
Netherlands	\$140,693	\$124,988	\$120,368	\$120,130	\$124,236	\$100,374
Chile	\$63,669	\$62,083	\$64,408	\$47,562	\$89,697	\$36,657
Indonesia	\$40,367	\$48,659	\$59,484	\$54,704	\$88,126	\$63,786
Rest of World	\$674,533	\$751,674	\$730,771	\$524,050	\$747,353	\$533,217
Total	\$6,389,439	\$7,464,067	\$7,121,860	\$6,765,319	\$9,441,284	\$5,562,429

Data Source: USDA Foreign Ag Service GATS; no variety meats, offal, or hides

- 2021 was a record for value of exports
- Position of US beef in China looks promising

Exports: Value of Beef and Veal Exported



Increase in Value of Jan to Jun Trade for Seven of the Top Ten Partners Compared to Jan to Jun 2021

Increase of ~30% in Value (~8% Quantity) of Jan to Jun Trade for All Partners Compared to Jan to Jun 2021

Data Source: USDA Foreign Ag Service GATS; no variety meats, offal, or hides

Exports: Value of Pork Exported (thousands of dollars)

Trading Partner	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022 (Jan to Jun)
Japan	\$1,596,556	\$382,521	\$1,595,743	\$382,149	\$1,497,803	\$359,508
Mexico	\$1,281,788	\$657,517	\$1,109,291	\$647,630	\$1,074,288	\$578,217
Canada	\$768,752	\$189,378	\$740,017	\$187,409	\$769,617	\$196,994
China	\$237,933	\$127,895	\$199,903	\$105,532	\$853,118	\$378,079
Korea, South	\$447,762	\$163,606	\$624,326	\$226,808	\$559,546	\$196,174
Colombia	\$154,447	\$65,193	\$210,859	\$93,882	\$215,311	\$97,014
Australia	\$195,771	\$69,804	\$207,300	\$78,693	\$287,151	\$103,750
Philippines	\$76,778	\$26,859	\$86,271	\$30,046	\$71,302	\$28,658
Dominican Republic	\$69,119	\$30,128	\$90,638	\$41,745	\$75,022	\$32,757
Honduras	\$53,610	\$27,441	\$56,211	\$29,252	\$64,001	\$31,925
Rest of the World	\$521,083	\$204,187	\$521,363	\$200,078	\$596,911	\$222,676
Total	\$5,403,599	\$1,944,528	\$5,441,922	\$2,023,223	\$6,064,070	\$2,225,752

Increase in Value of Jan to Jun Trade for One of the Top Ten Partners Compared to Jan to Jun 2021

Decrease of ~40% in Value of Jan to Jun Trade for All Partners Compared to Jan to Jun 2021

Data Source: USDA Foreign Ag Service GATS; no variety meats, offal, or hides

Choice Retail Beef Demand

- Meat Demand Index (maintained by Glynn Tonsor, Kansas State University Ag Economics)
- Analyzes price and quantity changes to determine how demand has changed

2022 Month	% Change from Previous Month	% Change from Previous Year
February	-4.6	20.44
March	12.56	13.67
April	-10.92	4.14
May	-4.06	6.79
June	5.19	-8.05

Retail Pork Demand

- Meat Demand Index (maintained by Glynn Tonsor, Kansas State University Ag Economics)
- Analyzes price and quantity changes to determine how demand has changed

2022 Month	% Change from Previous Month	% Change from Previous Year
February	-3.63	8.91
March	10.62	16.69
April	-9.70	8.58
May	-5.82	28.02
June	3.99	4.98

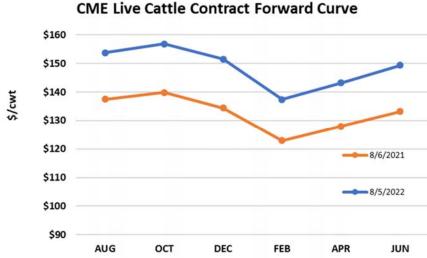
Political

- Current political environment has focus on competitiveness of the meatpacking sector
 - · Potential boost in cattle feeder confidence
 - Potential increased risk exposure to meat packers
 - Some general uncertainty for investments
- Several legislative efforts in process that aim to regulate marketing of live cattle
 - Cattle Contracts Library Pilot Program has started
 - Other efforts directed at marketing methods and price discovery
 - Uncertainty around benefit/cost ratio of these measures abounds
 - Rigidity in marketing methods is likely harmful for the sector, longer term

Food Away from Home

- Restaurants were creative and innovative to survive 2020-2021
- Lessons learned will be valuable long term
- Given higher prices and labor issues, some good news for 2022
 - Open Table: Reservations at 2019 levels
 - Placer.ai: Foot traffic at steakhouses higher than 2019 levels
 - Positive Q2 outlooks from many higher-end restaurants (e.g., Texas Roadhouse, Ruth's, Longhorns)

Livestock Prices



AUG OCT DEC FEB APR

Based on weekly averages of futures settlement prices as reported by LMIC

Forward curve similar to 2021 but at a higher level

USDA ERS July 2022 projection for 5-area steer prices:

Q4 2022 \$145/cwt Q1 2023 \$150/cwt Q2 2023 \$152/cwt

Livestock Prices

Updated 8/5/22

CME Feeder Cattle Contract Forward Curve \$200 \$180 \$160 \$140 8/6/2021 \$120 8/5/2022 \$100 \$80 AUG SEP OCT NOV JAN APR MAY MAR

Forward curve similar to 2021 but at a higher level

USDA ERS July 2022 projection OK City Med Frame 1 feeder steer prices:

Q4 2022 \$171/cwt Q1 2023 \$169/cwt Q2 2023 \$186/cwt

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Concluding Thoughts

- Relatively rapid beef cow herd liquidation seems to be ongoing
- Market optimism in cattle prices
- Higher input prices and supply chain issues on the input sides
- Strong export demand for US meat
- Expect high meat prices at retail and restaurant to persist
- Focus on consumer demand remains key

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